

CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 12th, 2023 - 6:00pm
406 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg
<https://www.fampo.gwregion.org/>

A video recording of the meeting is posted on the Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) web page: <https://www.fampo.gwregion.org/citizens-transportation-advisory-committee/> and on YouTube at: <https://youtu.be/LzDN8Q2csZA>

Committee Members Present:

Matthew Rowe, City of Fredericksburg – Chair
Nicolas Kwatnoski, Stafford County – Vice Chair
Tamara Banks, At-Large
Brett Bearce, City of Fredericksburg
Joe Brito, Stafford County (arrived after minutes adoption)
Larry Gross, At-Large
Glenn Goldsmith, Stafford County (remote)
Morgan Burch, Spotsylvania County (remote)
Rodney Thomas, At-Large (remote)
David McLaughlin, City of Fredericksburg (remote)

Committee Members Absent:

Jeron Hayes, King George County
Rupert Farley, At-Large
Justin Chenault, Caroline
Jacob Clay, Spotsylvania County
Micah Cunningham, Spotsylvania
Tara Durant, Stafford County
Patricia Encarnacion, City of Fredericksburg
Michael Hoyt, Caroline
Ken Pogue, Caroline
Dustin Savage, At-Large
Jennifer Combs, City of Fredericksburg
Tim Welsh (Spotsylvania County)

Others Present:

Fran Larkins
Roslyn Reeder
Emma L. (remote)
Jordan Beaupre (remote)
Linda LaSut, VDOT

Staff Present:

John Ridout, Transportation Planner II
Colie Touzel, Public Involvement and Title VI Coordinator
Ian Ollis, FAMPO Administrator

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Rowe at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

John Ridout conducted roll call and a quorum was present.

3. Approval of the April 12th, 2023, Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Agenda (ACTION ITEM)

Motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion: Brett Bearce; Second: Larry Gross

Discussion: None

Motion passed with unanimous consent.

4. Approval of March 8, 2023, CTAC Meeting Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

Motion was made to approve the minutes.

Motion: Larry Gross; Second Tamara Banks.

Motion passed with unanimous consent.

5. Public Comment

No Public Comment

Correspondence:

Colie Touzel presented correspondence from Jane Leeds about limited accessible transportation options for those with physical or financial limitations.

6. New Business and Action Items

a. Amending the Bylaws.

Matt Rowe led a discussion about amending the officer election and criteria bylaws for CTAC. In the past, a common issue with the bylaws as adopted is having a willing representative from the specified rotating jurisdiction to serve as the chair. The current bylaws reduce the potential eligible members to only a handful of members in a specific jurisdiction. While this is more applicable in the TAC or PC, it does not appear to function for the CTAC. In addition, current bylaws do not provide a term limit to the chair, and this was an oversight in previous revisions. It is recommended that the FAMPO

staff and CTAC Chair workshop a draft revision to the bylaws to ease the rotation of the chair as well as the term limit to the officers. The CTAC will review the new language and changes in May.

b. Preemptive CTAC Capacity and Thoughts

Nicholas Kwatnoski proposed the idea that CTAC become more preemptive to legislative proposal positions in response to the Transportation Authority proposal in the previous legislative session. After discussion, consensus was that members of the CTAC, with FAMPO staff support, lead a response to any applicable legislation in the November to January timeframe of any legislative proposals that would apply to the FAMPO area.

c. Safety Metrics and Performance Assessments

John Ridout presented the adopted safety metrics and assess condition performance assessment. Both items are federal requirements for an MPO to coordinate with state DOTs. In both cases, FAMPO adopted the VDOT developed performance and safety targets rather than an in-house method. Both targets require procedures that can only be conducted in-house by some of the largest MPOs. Thus, it is common for medium-size MPOs like FAMPO to adopt the VDOT targets.

d. VDOT/VHB FAMPO Transportation Presentation and Study

John Ridout continued the safety discussion with the FAMPO safety study conducted by VDOT and VHB. This study is being incorporated into the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) study kicking off this spring/summer. The findings of this study mapped and cross-analyzed crashes across the region and identified correlated factors that lead to increased safety concerns. The committee discussed the implication of the factors as well as the specific locations of concern with a request to staff to provide additional details.

e. Upcoming Public Comment

John Ridout provided a preview informational about several items that will be seeking public input after the next Policy Committee meeting. This includes the draft FY24-FY27 TIP, CMAQ/STBG Allocations, and the UPWP. With public comment open during the next CTAC meeting, FAMPO staff will seek input from the CTAC members at that time.

7. Staff Reports

a. TAC and Policy Committee Updates

John Ridout provided the following updates:

The Policy Committee Approved/Adopted:

- Highway Safety Targets
- Assess Condition and Performance Targets
- Interim Amendments to the CMAQ/STBG methodology
- Appointed Clay Murry to the BPAC

The TAC recommended the following:

- FY24-27 TIP for public comment
- CMAQ/STBG/CRP Allocation for public comment
- FAMPO UPWP for public comment

Community Reports

- a. VDOT Report a Problem and Progress Update:
 - Nicholas Kwatnoski expressed appreciation to VDOT for filling pothole on Ramoth Church Road.
- b. Members reports, topics of interest, partner information
 - Rupert Farley (absent) submitted written comment that the Safety Study/Targets study did not promote pedestrian oriented communities as a safety solution. Public Transit was absent in the cross-tab.
 - Joe Brito made a presentation of an inner connector and Cannon Ridge Park concept to Stafford County's Parks Advisory Committee. An invited presentation will happen on April 20th.
 - David McLaughlin asked if the Policy Committee land use exercise would be of use to the CTAC. The preview slides and presentation for PC are available online. Staff will follow up with materials via email.
 - Joe Brito asked a question about the River Crossing Study. Ian stated that the internal FAMPO analysis will be presented at the May Policy Committee meeting which will be held at 86 Deacon Road at VDOT's auditorium (green roof building) to accommodate additional public participation. The written document will be made available for the May PC meeting.
 - Nicholas Kwatnoski stated they wish to ensure movement to a river crossing option.

8. Final Public Comment: None

9. Future Agenda Items: None at this time

10. Adjourn/Next CTAC Meeting: April 12, 2023

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Motion: Nicholas Kwatnoski, Seconded: Joe Brito.

Motion passed by unanimous consent.