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FAMPO Administrator

# CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 12, 2025 - 6:00pm
406 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg
https://www.fampo.gwregion.org/

A video recording of the meeting is linked on the Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) webpage:
https://www.fampo.gwregion.org/citizens-transportation-advisory-committee/

## Committee Members Present:

Allen Watkins, Stafford County, Vice Chair
Jason Braaten, Stafford County
Joe Brito, Stafford County
Rupert Farley, At-Large
Robert Fogg, Spotsylvania County
Larry Gross, At-Large (Online)
Rebekah Herrin, City of Fredericksburg (Online)
Tolanda Parker, Stafford County
Tim Welsh, Spotsylvania County
Kevin Wilkinson, Spotsylvania County

## Committee Members Absent:

Yolanda Hipski, City of Fredericksburg, Chair
TaMara Banks, At-Large
Ruby Brabo, Stafford County
Justin Chenault, Caroline County
David Fauth, City of Fredericksburg
Denise Flatley, King George
Glenn Goldsmith, Stafford County
Michael Hoyt, Caroline County
Cassandra Jagroop, City of Fredericksburg
David McLaughlin, City of Fredericksburg
Ann Palbalkar, Stafford County
Ken Pogue, Caroline County
James Powell, Stafford County
Rodney Thomas, At-Large
Clinton Wells, Spotsylvania County

## Others Present

Rachel Inman, VDOT
Jimmy Morris, Fredericksburg Citizen
Channing Morris, Fredericksburg Citizen

**Staff Present:**
Ian Ollis, FAMPO Administrator
Leda Hinkle, GIS Technician / Transportation Planner
Eugene Hlaing, Public Involvement / Title VI Coordinator
John Ridout, Senior Transportation Planner

1. **Call to Order**
   At 6:00 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Allen Watkins

2. **Roll Call**
   Leda Hinkle conducted roll call and determined that a quorum was present. The committee approved the remote participation of two members, Mr. Gross and Ms. Herrin.

3. **Approval of the November 12, 2025, Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Agenda**

   Motion to Approve: Rupert Farley; Second: Timothy Welsh
   Discussion: None
   Motion passed unanimously.

4. **Approval of the October 8, 2025, Meeting Minutes**

   Motion to Approve: Rupert Farley; Second: Timothy Welsh
   Discussion: None
   Motion passed unanimously.

5. **Public Comment:** None

6. **VDOT/Transit Report-a-Problem**
   Rachel Inman shared VDOT's Pipeline projects web page, including current public input surveys for four FAMPO projects: Fall Hill Avenue, Mine Road, Truslow Road and Stafford Plaza Drive, and US Route 17 from Massaponax Church Road to Caroline County Line.

7. **Action/Discussion Items**

   a. **FAMPO & CTAC 2026 Calendar**
      John Ridout shared the adopted Policy Committee meeting schedule for 2026, pointing out that in the months of January, February, and November, the second Wednesday of those months places the CTAC meeting past the Policy Committee meeting dates. Knowing the importance of CTAC meeting in advance of the Policy Committee meetings, attendees agreed to meet on the first Wednesday in those three months.

   Motion to approve the calendar with meetings scheduled on the first Wednesday of January, February, and November.
   Motion: Timothy Welsh; Second: Tolanda Parker
   Discussion: None

Motion Passed Unanimously

**b. FAMPO Public Outreach: Coffee with a Transportation Planner**

Eugene Hlaing presented a concept for "Coffee with a Planner" events, aimed at engaging with the community in a casual setting to discuss transportation planning. The group discussed potential locations and timing for these events, with suggestions to consider weekend or evening times to increase participation. There was also discussion about the need to address transportation issues in the area, with concerns raised about road bottlenecks and the lack of planned development.

**c. FAMPO Complete Streets Update and Outreach**

Ms. Hinkle provided an update on the Complete Streets interactive maps, provided details of upcoming Workshops, as well as input from the following agencies: Fredericksburg Pathways, Public Transportation Advisory Board, and the disAbility Resource Center.

Funding opportunities and challenges for non-motorized vehicle infrastructure was then discussed, with the interactive Complete Streets map having details of various projects and each location's respective funding status.

**d. FAMPO River Crossing Draft Report and Presentation**

Mr. Ridout summarized the River Crossing draft report, which includes a 740-page document summarizing the project's analysis, findings, and recommendations from Michael Baker International. The core findings indicate that options A, B1, B2, and C, along with the no-build option, will advance to the next stage, while option D is deemed non-viable. The project has already received endorsements from localities and the FAMPO Long Range Plan, and the next steps involve using option C as the locally preferred corridor for further processes, including NEPA, which may explore additional alternatives in more detail.

Updated cost estimates are not considered at this planning stage, focusing instead on finding the alternative with the least impact. The group also discussed the preferred side of the bridge for the trail, considering a prehistoric Native American fish trap in the region. CTAC members were encouraged to submit written comments prior to the end of the Public Comment period of November 19th, noting that the Public Hearing will be held at the Policy Committee meeting on November 17th, with adoption of the Report estimated to be January 12th.

Vice Chair Watkins requested CTAC concurrence to include input previously provided to the Policy Committee in writing during the Public Comment period.

**e. Al Watkins River Crossing Level of Service (LOS) Modeling Presentation**
Vice Chair Watkins presented the impacts to intersection delay found in the Draft River Crossing Parkway report, noting the differences by corridor and locality. Joe Brito noted that greater improvements to congestion on Route 3 are achieved by the Harrison Road / I-95 Interchange. Mr. Ridout and Ian Ollis explained the relevant impact on Route 3 and other affected corridors with the new crossing of Rappahannock River.

Rupert Farley requested a motion, that he would second, to adopt the No Build option for the River Crossing Parkway. There was no motion.

**8. Staff Reports**

Mr. Ridout provided future meeting dates of the Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Committee, and upcoming resolutions for appointments of three at-large CTAC members: Tamara Banks, Rupert Farley and Larry Gross.

**9. Member Reports**

None.

**10. Future Agenda items**

None.

**11. Adjourn/Next CTAC Meeting January 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m.
Motion: Rupert Farley; Second: Timothy Welsh
Motion passed by unanimous consent.