TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 2, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.
406 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401
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Committee Members Present:
Chair, Josh Crump, City of Fredericksburg
First Vice Chair, Matthew Lehane, Stafford County
Second Vice Chair, Paul Agnello, Spotsylvania County
Bassam Amin, City of Fredericksburg
Donna Cloniger, VDOT
Catherine Coffey, PE, VDOT
Adam Derrick, Stafford County
Melody Fowler, FXBGO!
Amy Garbarini, DRPT (remote attendance)
Kate Gibson, GWRideConnect
Philip Parella, Jr., PRTC
Craig Pennington, Caroline County (remote attendance)
Rashad Pinckney, Spotsylvania County
Rodney White, Spotsylvania County
Will Montgomery, VRE
Vincent Terrell, Spotsylvania County

Committee Members Absent:
Bryon Counsell, Stafford County
Leigh Anderson, GWRideConnect
Chris Clarke, King George County
Daniel Koenig, FTA
Leon Hughes, Caroline County
Cassandra Lord, VDOT
Craig Reed, FXBGO!
Nick Ruiz, VRE
Joe Stainsby, PRTC
Robert Schneider, PRTC
Steven Minor, FHWA

Others Present:
Al Watkins, Stafford County Resident
Bailey Thompson, City of Fredericksburg
Will Weaver (remote attendance)

Staff Present:
Ian Ollis, FAMPO Administrator
Kari Eaves, Transportation Program Manager
Becky Golden, Transportation Planning Manager
Leda Hinkle, GIS Technician / Transportation Planner
Eugene Hlaing, Public Involvement / Title VI Coordinator
John Ridout, Senior Transportation Planner

1. **Call Technical Advisory Committee Meeting to Order**
   The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by Vice Chair Matthew Lehane.

2. **Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**
   Ms. Hinkle conducted roll call and determined that a quorum was present.

3. **Approval of the March 2, 2026 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Agenda**
   Mr. Ollis requested the agenda be amended to add item 7e, FAMPO Area TAP Projects Selected for Funding.

   Motion to approve adding item 7e to the agenda.
   Motion: Vice Chair Lehane; Second: Paul Agnello
   Motion passed unanimously

4. **Public Comment**
   None

5. **Consent Agenda**
   Motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

   Motion: Melody Fowler, Second: Paul Agnello
   Motion passed unanimously

6. **TIP Amendments & Modifications**
   Three TIP Amendments were considered as a block, directing a public comment period to add a new project: Resolution 26-42 for New Project UPC HGAA01 for the Healthy Generations Area Agency on Aging to Acquire 2 ADA Accessible Vehicles, Resolution 26-43 for New Project UPC HGAA02 for Healthy Generations Area Agency on Aging – Operating Assistance / Transportation Services for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities, and Resolution 26-44 for New Project UPC HGAA03 for Healthy Generations Area Agency on Aging – Operating Assistance / Mobility Management for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities.

   Motion was made to endorse Resolution 26-42, 26-43 and 26-44.
   Motion: Paul Agnello; Second: Vice Chair Lehane
   Motion passed unanimously

7. **Action/Discussion Items**

a. CLRP Prioritization Methodology

Dr. Ridout discussed updates to the Constrained Long-Range Plan (CLRP), noting the removal of air quality conformity requirements, which simplifies project additions and removals. Staff proposed a new scoring methodology focusing on capacity and connectivity, with a screening-to-scoring approach to prioritize regionally significant projects. The committee reviewed the proposed approach, identifying opportunities to streamline and focus on transformative and capacity-building projects. Next steps include collecting updated cost projections from jurisdictions and implementing a cascading formula system to better align projects with strategic goals.

b. Resolution 26-39 Directing a Public Comment Period for the Draft Fredericksburg Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Title VI Program Plan

Mr. Hlaing provided the background for the Title VI Program Plan that had previously been part of the Community Engagement and Equity Plan (CEEP), and that VDOT recommended the plan be adopted as a stand-alone document. Resolution 26-39 opens a 45-day comment period.

Motion was made to endorse Resolution 26-39.
Motion: Vice Chair Lehane; Second: Paul Agnello
Motion passed unanimously

c. SMART SCALE Pre-Application Readiness

Ms. Eaves reviewed upcoming deadlines and the timeline for SMART SCALE Round 7 and briefed attendees on a possible addition to the list of HPP-eligible features discussed at the February 17th CTB meeting. The CTB will vote on the addition, innovative intersections, in March. Round 7 pre-application requirements were provided along with resource links .

d. Bridges and Safety Infrastructure for Community Success (BASICS) Act Summary

Mr. Ollis discussed a draft bill called the "Bridges and Safety Infrastructure for Community Success (BASICS) Act," which is a key component of the upcoming surface transportation reauthorization. While this bill is not the full reauthorization, it has significant bipartisan support from entities such as the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations, the National Association of Regional Councils, and the League of Cities. While the bill is promising, it is still in the draft stage and may undergo changes before potential approval by Congress.

e. TAP funding summary

Ms. Eaves presented projects selected for funding by the CTB through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP): Stafford County TMA - Mine Road & Greenspring Drive, Stafford County District - Forbes Street at Falmouth Elementary Sidewalk, Spotsylvania County District – Germanna Point Drive Sidewalk, and Fredericksburg At-large – Charles & William Street Raised Intersection. These projects will be included in the Draft Six Year Improvement Plan and the final vote will occur in June after a public comment period.

8. **Staff Reports**
   - Data has arrived for FY27-FY30 TIP Update

   Dr. Ridout provided the progress and schedule for the FY27-FY30 TIP update. The group discussed issues with incongruent language in legislation and grant applications regarding the fact that projects may not be placed in the TIP until they are fully funded.

   - Complete Streets Plan Timeline

   Ms. Hinkle provided the timeline and progress on the Complete Streets Plan, encouraging localities to send their input on planned facilities and future priorities to wrap up the project.

   - FY26 BUILD Grant Submission for Tiered NEPA Study for the FAMPO Rappahannock River Crossing New Bridge and Parkway

   Ms. Golden and Mr. Ollis provided the BUILD grant updated scope and advised attendees the submission was made on February 24th.

9. **Updates from Agencies & Localities**

   Vice Chair Lehane reported that Stafford County's transportation construction projects are ongoing and going well.

   Ms. Fowler advised that FXBGO's two new large buses are in the route testing phase and will soon be deployed.

   Mr. Montgomery informed attendees that surveyors will be on VRE trains to collect ridership data.

   Chair Crump provided a staff update for the City of Fredericksburg: Mike Craig has accepted a new position as Town Planner for Ashland. Bassam Amin has decided to remain in the employ of the City, and Chair Crump will be moving with his family from the city toward the end of March.

   Mr. Ollis pointed out that the TAC Chair position needs to be filled by a representative from Fredericksburg through June and will be looking for that appointment at the April meeting.

   Mr. Agnello reported that Harrison Road between Old Plank Road and Gordon Road will be closed and a detour set up for construction purposes of the project to widen that portion from 2-lanes to 4-lanes.

10. **Adjourn/Next TAC Meeting: April 6, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.**

    Chair Crump adjourned the meeting at 11:00.