

AGENDA ITEM #7: MINUTES

Summary minutes of the TTAC meeting held on January 6, 2016 are attached.

Attachment 7

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the minutes.

**Summary Minutes of the HRTPO Transportation
Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC) Meeting
February 3, 2016**

The HRTPO Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC) Meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m. in the Regional Building Boardroom, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia, with the following in attendance:

TTAC Voting Members in Attendance:

Robert Gey (Chair, VB)	Tammy Rosario (JC)	Brian Solis (VB)
Steve Froncillo (CH)	Jackie Kassel (NN)	Reed Nester (WM)
Steve Lambert (CH)	Bryan Stilley (NN)	Tim Cross (YK)
Garrey Curry (GL)	Jeff Raliski (NO)	Chris Arabia (DRPT)
Lynn Allsbrook (HA)	Kevin Wyne (PQ)	Julie Navarrete (HRT)
Keith Cannady (HA)	Sherry Earley (SU)	Dawn Odom (VDOT)
John Yorks (HA)	LJ Hansen (SU)	Eric Stringfield (VDOT)
Jamie Oliver (IW)	Robert Lewis (SU)	Jeff Florin (VPA)
Richard Rudnicki (IW)	Phil Pullen (VB)	Jamie Jackson (WATA)
Paul Holt (JC)		

TTAC Voting Members Absent:

Earl Sorey (CH)	Robert Brown (NO)	Daniel Clayton (WM)
Anne Ducey-Ortiz (GL)	Thelma Drake (NO)	Steve Martin (WM)
Brian Lewis (GL)	James Wright (PO)	J. Mark Carter (YK)
Michael Stallings (IW)	Ellen Roberts (PQ)	Al Maddalena (YK)
Britta Ayers (NN)	Debbie Vest (PQ)	Stephen Rowan (VDOT)

TTAC Nonvoting Members in Attendance:

Rhonda Murray (NAVY)

TTAC Nonvoting Members Absent:

Ivan Rucker (FHWA) Ryan Long (FTA)

HRTPO Staff:

Sam Belfield	Mike Kimbrel	David Pritchard
Rob Case	John Mihaly	Camelia Ravanbakht
Kathlene Grauberger	Kendall Miller	Seth Schipinski
Rob Jaques	Keith Nichols	Dale Stith
Theresa Jones	Leonardo Pineda, II	

Others Recorded Attending:

Donna Sayegh (Citizen); Anne Payne (PQ); Toni Alger, Chris Wojtowicz (VB); Rebecca Holden, Michael King (NAVY); Karen McPherson (McPherson Consulting); Frank Papcin (CTAC); Derek Piper (WSP/Parsons Brinckerhoff); Phil Lohr (WRA); Kirsten Tynch (VHB); Jordan Pascale (Virginian-Pilot); Keisha Branch (HRT); Angela Biney, Carl Jackson, Ray Hunt, Bryant Porter, Christopher Voigt (VDOT); Mike Long, Chris Vaigneur (HRPDC Staff)

Public Comment Period

Mr. Frank Papcin, Virginia Beach Citizen, addressed TTAC regarding his opposition to converting Southside HOV lanes to HOT lanes.

Ms. Donna Sayegh, Portsmouth Citizen, addressed TTAC regarding her opposition to transportation decisions decided by the State rather than at the local level.

Submitted Public Comments

There were no submitted public comments in the agenda packet.

Comments and Updates from State and Federal Agencies and the Military

Ms. Dawn Odom reported that VDOT will hold its 2016 Local Programs Workshop on April 14, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Chesapeake Conference Center.

Mr. Chris Arabia reported DRPT is currently reviewing transit program applications.

There were no comments from FHWA.

There were no comments from VPA.

Ms. Rhonda Murray of the Navy reported that Ms. Rebecca Holden is interning with the Navy's leadership program for the next five weeks.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Robert Gey asked for additions or deletions to the TTAC Agenda. Ms. Odom requested to defer *Agenda Item #13: VDOT Incident Management*, until the March TTAC Meeting and replace it with *Agenda Item #15-B: For Your Information: I-64 Southside HOV to HOT Conversion Study*. Mr. Tim Cross Moved to approve the agenda with the amendment; seconded by Mr. Jeff Florin. The Motion Carried.

Summary Minutes

Chair Gey reported that the TTAC summary minutes from the January 6, 2016 meeting were included in the February 3, 2016 TTAC Agenda Packet. Chair Gey asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, Mr. Garrey Curry Moved to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Lynn Allsbrook. The Motion Carried.

Signature Paths in Hampton Roads: Final

Dr. Camelia Ravanbakht, HRTPO Deputy Executive Director, reported that the draft report of *Signature Paths in Hampton Roads* was presented to TTAC at its January 6, 2016 meeting and underwent public review from January 6, 2016 through January 22, 2016.

Mr. Eric Stringfield Moved to recommend HRTPO Board approval of the final report; seconded by Mr. Bryan Stilley. The Motion Carried.

House Bill 2 (HB2) Update

Ms. Dawn Odom, VDOT Hampton Roads District Planning and Investment Manager, reported that HB2 involves investing limited tax dollars in the right projects that meet the most critical transportation needs in Virginia. She stated that on January 19, 2016:

- Project scores were released and presented to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB)
- HB2 Recommended Base Funding Scenario Presented to the CTB

Mr. Mike Kimbrel, HRTPO Principal Transportation Engineer, described the recommended scenario for Hampton Roads, including both the Statewide High Priority and District Grant Program projects.

He noted the CTB will now consider the evaluated projects for inclusion in the Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP) with the draft being released on April 20, 2016. The CTB plans to adopt the Final SYIP in June 2016.

Dr. Camelia Ravanbakht, HRTPO Deputy Executive Director, stated that HRTPO staff received good comments from Secretary Layne on the I-64 Southside Widening/High-Rise Bridge project for next year's HB2 application. She indicated the project may be constructed using a phased approach.

Dr. Ravanbakht indicated that if the CTB approves the scenario in June, Hampton Roads will receive approximately \$335 million in HB2 funding, which is considerably better than the historical trend of late.

New HRTPO TIP Website

Mr. Mike Kimbrel, HRTPO Principal Transportation Engineer, reported that in conjunction with the HRTPO FY 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), approved by the HRTPO Board in June 2011, HRTPO staff launched a website (www.hrtpotip.org) to provide easier access to TIP data, as well as employ visualization techniques in the form of an interactive regional map. He indicated that the TIP website was revised and updated in July 2014 in conjunction with HRTPO Board approval of the FY 2015-2018 TIP.

He stated that in order to significantly improve the TIP Website, HRTPO staff converted the interactive regional map to a different mapping platform and, with the assistance of a website design and development firm, developed an advanced project information search tool.

Hampton Roads Commuting Patterns

Mr. Keith Nichols, HRTPO Principal Transportation Engineer, reported that as part of the American Community Survey, the U.S. Census Bureau collects data on where people live and work. Based on this effort, the Census Bureau prepares county-to-county commuting flow data, which shows the number of workers that commute from one locality to another.

Mr. Nichols stated that HRTPO staff has analyzed the county-to-county commuting flow data for Hampton Roads jurisdictions for the years 2009-2013. In addition, HRTPO staff, in conjunction with Hampton Roads Planning District Commission staff, has prepared maps showing the commuting patterns for each locality. He noted that these maps are available on the HRTPO website.

Lesner Bridge Construction Update

Mr. Chris Wojtowicz, Project Manager, reported that the Lesner Bridge project is for the replacement of the existing deteriorating bridge over the Lynnhaven Inlet, with a new signature bridge consisting of twin spans, constructed with pre-fabricated concrete segmental box sections. The twin spans will also contain 10 foot multi-use paths. He noted the total project cost is \$115,754,867

He stated that the project is a 2011 Governor's Transportation Plan project and is the single largest transportation project ever administered by the City. Construction is approximately 50% complete and scheduled for 100% completion in August 2017.

I-64 Southside HOV to HOT Conversion Study

Ms. Dawn Odom, VDOT District Planning & Investment Manager, reported that Secretary of Transportation Aubrey Layne requested that HRTPO staff be designated to coordinate with the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment on two separate but interrelated studies on the possible conversion of High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes to High-Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes along the following roadway segments:

- The 7 mile segment of two-lane reversible HOV lanes from I-564 to I-264
- The 6.5 mile segment of dual direction, one-lane HOV lanes from I-264 to Battlefield Boulevard

Ms. Odom stated the objectives of the I-64 HOV to HOT Southside Conversion Study are to:

- Study the conversion of existing HOV lanes to HOT lanes
- Identify the potential to provide low-cost solutions that can quickly provide benefits to the region

She indicated there are 32 miles of HOV lanes in Hampton Roads that are underutilized and by potentially converting these lanes to HOT lanes, it could improve reliability and reduce congestion in all travel lanes for Hampton Roads commuters.

Ms. Odom noted that Mr. Jim Utterback, VDOT Hampton Roads District Administrator, provided a briefing on this topic at the January 21, 2016 HRTPO Board meeting.

Three-Month Tentative Schedule

Chair Gey outlined the Three-Month Tentative Schedule in the Agenda Packet.

For Your Information

Chair Gey noted the For Your Information items in the Agenda Packet.

Ms. Julie Navarrete stated that HRT is planning an open house on February 17, 2016 at The Westin to discuss the Virginia Beach Transit Extension project.

Announcements

Chair Gey reminded everyone that there was an LRTP Subcommittee meeting immediately following TTAC.

Old/New Business

There was no new/old business.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Hampton Roads Transportation Technical Advisory Committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.