

**Regional Connectors Study
Working Group Meeting
Minutes
March 28, 2019, 10:00am
Regional Building, Chesapeake**

The following were in attendance (alphabetically by last name):

Keith Cannady (HRPDC)
Rob Case (HRTPO)
Craig Eddy (Michael Baker Intl.)
Brian Fowler (NO)
Vlad Gavrilovic (EPR, Baker team)
Robin Grier (VDOT)
Carl Jackson (PO)
George Janek (USACE)
Mike Kimbrel (HRTPO)
Michael King (Navy)
Barbara Nelson (Port of Va.)
Keith Nichols (HRTPO)
Bridjette Parker (NN)
Camelia Ravanbakht (RCS Project Coordinator)
Tara Reel (VB)
Dustin Reinhart (Port of Va.)
Angela Rico (HA)
Earl Sorey (CH)
Jason Souders (Suffolk)
Bryan Stilley (NN)
Dale Stith (HRTPO)

Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions

Brian Stilley (Newport News) called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

Minutes

The minutes of the Mar. 14, 2019 working group meeting were approved.

Craney Island Tour

Camelia Ravanbakht (RCS Project Coordinator) has coordinated with the Corps and the Navy. Mike Kimbrel (HRTPO) reported that the doodle poll revealed the best date for the tour is Friday May 3, 9am to 1pm.

Phase 2 Scope of Work Supplement

Craig Eddy (Michael Baker Intl.) led a discussion of the proposed changes to the approved scope (attachment 6). Brian Fowler (Norfolk) distributed a document showing his proposed changes to tasks 4.3, 4.5, 4.6, and 4.7, primarily adding "Transportation/Land-Use" or "Land-Use" (as appropriate) prior to, and as modifiers of, the word "Scenario" in the titles of these sections, "Transportation" referring to the network (i.e. projects) and "Land-Use" referring to the socio-economics. Craig suggested that the land use alternatives be called "scenarios", that the candidate projects be called "infrastructure alternatives", and that the combinations of these two be called "options". Brian Fowler moved that the work supplement be approved with his proposed changes; the motion failed. Mr. Fowler then moved that the work supplement be approved as attached; the motion passed.

Vision, Goals, and Objectives

Vlad Gavrilovic (EPR, Baker team) presented slides titled "scoping", including a discussion of vision, goals, and objectives. He proposed a scenario planning webinar for April 11, and a goals, objectives, and measures of success workshop for April 17. The group decided to meet May 9 for a scenario workshop.

Mr. Gavrilovic asked for input on goals, and listed on a large white pad: economy, resilience, connectivity, adaptability, safety, environment, reliability, quality of life (livability), congestion relief [due to HRTAC funding], and accessibility. Then he asked for ways to achieve these goals, distributing sticky notes on which attendees wrote and placed under each goal.

Schedule and Next Meetings

The next working group workshops, tour, and webinar are listed in items above.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.