



Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda January 3, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

**Rockingham County Administration Center
20 East Gay Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22802**

1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Minutes of December 6, 2018 Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. MAP-21 Safety Performance Measure Targets Letter (TAC Memo #19-1)
5. HRMPO Small Area Study Update - Port Republic Road (TAC Memo #19-2)
6. HRMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Project Pipeline Development Update (TAC Memo #19-3)
7. HRMPO Public Participation Plan (PPP) Review (TAC Memo #19-4)
8. Agency Updates
 - a. VDOT
 - b. DRPT
 - c. HDPT
9. Other Business
10. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. HRMPO Policy Board Meeting Thursday, January 20, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
 - b. HRMPO TAC Meeting Thursday, February 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
11. Adjournment

* Action needed

HRMPO TAC Minutes January 3, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

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Voting Members	Alternates	Staff
City of Harrisonburg	Susan Smith, Dayton	✓ Ann Cundy
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VDOT	Michelle DeAngelis, FTA	
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Call to Order

The January 3, 2019, meeting of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Blessing.

Minutes

Chairman Blessing presented the minutes from the December 6, 2018, TAC meeting. Mr. Dyjak moved, seconded by Mr. Reed, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Chairman Blessing opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public.

MAP-21 Safety Performance Measure Targets (TAC Memo #19-1)

Chairman Blessing presented for discussion MAP-21 Safety Performance Measure Targets. Mr. Howard gave a review on the MAP-21 Safety Performance Measure Targets, noting that in accordance with MAP-21, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) set final rulemakings for National Performance Measures for Safety Performance in March 2016. He noted that the number of fatal crashes in Virginia increased in 2017, while the declining trend in the number of serious injury crashes leveled off. He stated that with 2018 on track to have an equal or greater number of fatal and serious injury crashes as 2017, continuing to set targets based on the trend-line from a rolling average would have created a set of unrealistic targets. VDOT has, therefore, revised the target-setting methodology and recommended a set of targets for the state which the Commonwealth Transportation Board approved in August 2018. Mr. Howard noted that safety targets must be updated annually, and the HRMPO's deadline to set its own targets or concur with the State's targets is February 27, 2019. He stated that as with the 2018 targets, staff recommends concurring with VDOT's 2019 Statewide targets, noting that there is no penalty for not meeting the targets. Ms. Cundy stated that the Governor recently adopted a statewide policy that sets goals and strategies to significantly reduce, and eventually eliminate, deaths and severe injuries on all public roads in Virginia. She stated that even though Harrisonburg and Rockingham County's numbers for the last two years fall below the statewide target, she suggested that the HRMPO focus on exploring how to support the statewide directive for zero deaths and serious injuries in the HRMPO FY20 work program.

HRMPO Small Area Study Update - Port Republic Road (TAC Memo #19-2)

Chairman Blessing presented HRMPO Small Area Study Update – Port Republic Road. Mr. Howard gave a review on the Port Republic Road Corridor Study, noting that the study addresses operational and safety issues at multiple intersections along the corridor between South Main Street and Devon Lane. He stated the study will provide decision makers and the public with recommendations supported by 3-D visualizations and measurable benefits to travelers including reduced travel times, improved level of service, and improved safety. Mr. Howard reported on the study team's December 18, 2018, meeting, noting that the study team reviewed the preliminary findings, the safety analysis report, and 8-10 potential improvements that will be tested in VisSim. He reviewed the next steps, noting that a

public meeting will be held in early February 2019, to solicit community input on potential improvements to the corridor.

HRMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Project Pipeline Development Update (TAC Memo #19-3)

Chairman Blessing presented HRMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Project Pipeline Development Update. Mr. Howard stated that in 2019, the HRMPO will focus on bicycle, buggy, and pedestrian safety. He noted that HRMPO staff will perform a comprehensive review of the MPO/City/County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans, develop a regional safety needs assessment for non-motorized transportation, and work with the VDOT Traffic Safety Division to develop a pipeline of competitive projects for the 2019 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) and Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) application cycles. Mr. Howard reviewed the work elements and the next steps, noting that staff will submit the final project list to the TAC in April-May 2019. Upon a question regarding the delivery timeline, Mr. Howard responded that he felt the timeline was doable.

HRMPO Public Participation Plan (PPP) Review (TAC Memo #19-4)

Chairman Blessing presented for discussion HRMPO PPP. Ms. Cundy stated that all MPOs are required to have a formal Public Participation Plan (PPP) that provides citizens with complete information, timely public notice, and full access to key decisions and opportunities for early and continuing involvement in the transportation planning process. She noted that the PPP must be reviewed every two years in order to stay current with Federal regulations and the latest trends in public communication preferences, and requested input from the TAC. Discussion ensued regarding the HRMPO providing reasonable opportunities for the public to be involved in the metropolitan transportation planning process, and informing the public on the function and activities of an MPO. Ms. Cundy noted that the PPP will be presented to the TAC at their next meeting for recommendations and suggestions.

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Update

Chairman Blessing presented VDOT Update. Mr. Reed gave an update on the I-81 Corridor Improvement Plan, noting that the Plan was adopted by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) at their meeting on December 5, 2018, and has been released to the General Assembly for their review. Ms. Cundy noted that the Resolutions of Support for the proposed improvements to I-81 and the establishment of a dedicated funding source to pay for the improvements, adopted by the Staunton-



Augusta-Waynesboro MPO, Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission, and the HRMPO, have been submitted to the entire state delegation and to Mr. Dixon Whitworth, CTB Board member. Mr. Reed reported on SMART SCALE, noting that the proposed funding scenario for project selection will be reviewed by the CTB at their January 2019 meeting. He noted that the Staunton District could be the only district that managed to retain all of its submitted applications.

Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) Update

Under DRPT Update, Ms. Askey gave an update on Virginia Breeze, noting that ridership was doing very well. She announced that the DRPT FY20 grant applications for capital assistance has officially opened for all state administered grants, and the deadline was February 1, 2019.

Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation (HDPT) Update

Chairman Blessing presented HDPT update. Mr. Gatobu reported that HDPT is working with JMU and consultants Michael Baker regarding services provided by HDPT and immediate and long-term future city routes. He stated that a kick-off meeting will be held on January 9, 2019, at 10:30 a.m.

Upcoming Meetings

Chairman Blessing announced that the next HRMPO TAC meeting will be held on February 7, 2019, and the HRMPO Policy Board will hold a meeting on January 20, 2019.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the TAC, a motion for adjournment was unanimously passed at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Howard".

Jonathan Howard
Transportation Planner



Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda February 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

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1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Minutes of January 3, 2019 Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. FY 2020 UPWP Development (TAC Memo #19-5)
5. Draft HRMPO Public Participation Plan (PPP) and Title VI Plan Amendments (TAC Memo #19-6)
6. Port Republic Road Corridor Study Update (TAC Memo #19-7)
7. HRMPO Letters of Support to FTA 5310 Grant Applicants (TAC Memo #19-8)
8. Agency Updates
 - a. VDOT
 - b. DRPT
 - c. HDPT
9. Other Business
 - a. I-81 Legislation
 - b. SMART SCALE
10. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. Port Republic Road Corridor Study Wednesday February 20, 2019, 5:00-7:00 p.m in the City Council Chambers, Harrisonburg City Hall, 409 South Main Street
 - b. HRMPO Policy Board Meeting Thursday, February 21, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
 - c. HRMPO TAC Meeting Thursday, March 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
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Minutes

Chairman Blessing presented the minutes from the January 3, 2019, TAC meeting. Ms. Cooper moved, seconded by Mr. Dyjak, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Chairman Blessing opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public.

FY20 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Development (TAC Memo #19-5)

Chairman Blessing presented for discussion FY20 UPWP Development. Mr. Howard gave a review on the UPWP Development, noting that the UPWP is the annual work program and budget for the HRMPO. He stated that the FY20 UPWP details the administrative and planning activities to be undertaken during the fiscal year, and the federal, state, and local funds used for these activities. Mr. Howard requested recommendations on the activities and funding levels in the UPWP. Discussion ensued regarding small area studies and transit planning. Mr. Howard reviewed the next steps regarding the UPWP, noting that staff will present a draft document to the TAC at the March meeting for review. Upon a question regarding the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), Mr. Howard reported on the new HSIP application process and VDOT's new State-Preferred Crash Modification Factor (CMF) list.

Draft HRMPO Public Participation Plan and Title VI Plan Amendments (TAC Memo #19-6)

Chairman Blessing presented for discussion the Draft HRMPO Public Participation Plan (PPP) and Title VI Plan Amendments. Mr. Howard gave a review on the PPP, noting that it was adopted in July 2007. He stated that the PPP should be reviewed every two years in order to stay current with Federal regulations and public communication best practices. Mr. Howard noted that all MPOs are required to have a formal PPP that provides citizens with complete information, timely public notice, and full access to key decisions and opportunities for early and continuing involvement in the transportation planning process. He reviewed the Title VI Plan, noting that it was updated in 2016 to ensure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and related statutes regarding nondiscrimination and environmental justice. Mr. Howard reviewed the next steps, noting that the PPP and Title VI Plan Amendments will be presented to the TAC at the March meeting for consideration to release both documents for public comment.

Port Republic Road Corridor Study Update (TAC Memo #19-7)

Chairman Blessing presented Port Republic Road Study Update. Mr. Howard gave an update on the Study, noting that the consultants have completed the VisSim traffic simulation models, which test the outcomes of specific treatments to determine their effectiveness. He stated that a public meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 20, 2019, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Harrisonburg City Hall, 409 South Main Street, to solicit community input on potential improvements to the corridor. Mr. Howard noted that once the feedback from the public meeting is incorporated into the Study, a draft final report is anticipated to be released to the TAC for final review at the March 7, 2019 TAC meeting.



HRMPO Letters of Support to FTA Section 5310 Grant Applicants (TAC Memo #19-8)

Chairman Blessing presented HRMPO Letters of Support to FTA Section 5310 grant applicants. Mr. Howard stated that Valley Program for Aging Services (VPAS), The Arc of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County (The Arc), and Friendship Industries, Inc. are human service and mobility providers that are seeking assistance from the Commonwealth of Virginia through the Federal Transit Administration's Section 5310 Grant Program. He noted that the services support the mobility of senior citizens and individuals with disabilities in the HRMPO region, and if the grants are awarded, the MPO will add the projects to the TIP. Mr. Howard reviewed the requests as follows:

- VPAS is requesting funds in the amount of \$88,774 to support the operating costs of their Senior Transportation program which operates throughout the entire CSPDC region. If fully funded, the federal portion would be \$44,387, the state portion \$35,509 and the local match would be \$8,877. The 5310 grant also provides capital assistance with an 80% match of total capital costs, and the applicants are responsible for the remaining 20% balance. VPAS is requesting 5310 Capital funds to purchase three vehicles to replace older vehicles for a total cost of \$155,000, with VPAS being responsible for \$31,000 (20%) balance.
- The Arc is requesting 5310 capital funds to purchase two new vehicles for a total cost of \$90,000, with The Arc being responsible for the remaining \$18,000 (20%) balance.
- Friendship Industries, Inc. is requesting 5310 capital funds to purchase two new vehicles for a total cost of \$130,000, with the federal grant 80% of the total cost with Friendship Industries responsible for the 20 percent balance.

Mr. Howard stated that the applications will be presented to the HRMPO Policy Board at their February 21, 2019 meeting.

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Update

Chairman Blessing presented VDOT Update. Mr. Komara reported on the Route 11 bridge project at Exit 257, noting that the project should go out to bid in March, with construction to begin late summer. He announced that a public hearing will be held on March 20, 2019, from 4:00-7:00 p.m., at Turner Ashby High School, regarding proposed improvements for the section of Route 682, Friedman's Church Road, in Rockingham County. Mr. Komara reported on SMART SCALE projects, noting that a preliminary funding scenario for SMART SCALE Round 3 was presented to the CTB on January 15, 2019. Mr. Komara noted that the Staunton District has 16 projects on the proposed funding list, nine of which are in the CSPDC region, and reviewed the proposed projects.



Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation (HDPT) Update

Chairman Blessing presented HDPT update. Mr. Gatobu reported that HDPT held a kick-off meeting on the route study on January 9, 2019. He noted that HDPT is working with James Madison University (JMU) regarding services provided by HDPT for immediate and long-term future city routes. Mr. Gatobu stated that the kick-off meeting was well attended.

Other Business

Mr. Howard and Mr. Dyjak gave an update on I-81 Legislation. Mr. Dyjak stated that on January 31, 2019, the Virginia House and Senate each submitted substitute bills to replace the bills introduced on January 15th, removing all language regarding tolling to fund improvements to I-81. He stated that the new bills would direct the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to establish an I-81 committee to review the I-81 Corridor Improvement Plan adopted in December as it relates to funding options and to report back to the General Assembly by December 15, 2019, with funding recommendations. Mr. Howard noted that part of the committee's review of funding options would include conducting regional public meetings and seeking input from the public and stakeholder organizations. He stated that the committee would include the chairs of the five Planning District Commissions in the I 81 Corridor.

Upcoming Meetings

Chairman Blessing announced that the next HRMPO TAC meeting will be held on March 7, 2019, and the HRMPO Policy Board will hold a meeting on February 21, 2019.

Adjournment

A motion for adjournment was unanimously passed at 2:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jonathan Howard
Transportation Planner



Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda March 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

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1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Minutes of February 7, 2019 Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. Public Participation Plan (PPP) and Title VI Plan Amendments (TAC AF #19-1)*
5. Draft FY 2020 Unified Planning Work Program (TAC Memo #19-9)
6. FY20 Small Area Study Program (TAC Memo #19-10)
7. Agency Updates
 - a. VDOT
 - b. DRPT
 - c. HDPT
8. Other Business
 - a. I-81 Legislation
 - b. Strasburg to Broadway Rails to Trails
9. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. Port Republic Road Corridor Study Monday, March 11, 2019, 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Harrisonburg City Hall, 409 South Main Street
 - b. HRMPO Policy Board Meeting Thursday, March 21, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
 - c. HRMPO TAC Meeting Thursday, April 4, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
10. Adjournment

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Call to Order

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Minutes

Chairman Blessing presented the minutes from the February 7, 2019, TAC meeting. Ms. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Dang, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Chairman Blessing opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public.

Draft HRMPO Public Participation Plan (PPP) and Title VI Plan Amendments (TAC AF#19-1)

Chairman Blessing presented for discussion the Draft HRMPO Public Participation Plan (PPP) and Title VI Plan Amendments. Ms. Cundy gave a review on the Draft PPP and Title VI Plan Amendments. She noted that all MPOs are required to have a formal PPP that provides citizens with complete information, timely public notice, and full access to key decisions and opportunities for early and continuing involvement in the transportation planning process. Ms. Cundy presented the Draft Title VI Plan Amendment, noting that the Plan was updated in 2016 to ensure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and related statutes regarding nondiscrimination and environmental justice. She stated that input on the Amendments were requested from the TAC and Policy Board at their February meetings. Ms. Cundy stated that she had received input back from several members and reviewed the changes. Discussion ensued regarding public outreach strategies for minority, low income, and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations within the HRMPO; and the time frame to request ADA accessibility and interpreter availability. Ms. Cundy stated that she would compile the recommended changes into the document to be presented to the Policy Board at their March 21, 2019 meeting. Mr. Short moved, seconded by Mr. Dyjak, to recommend that the HRMPO Policy Board release the Draft FY19 PPP and Title VI Plan Amendments for the 45-day public comment period with the recommended changes. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

Draft FY20 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) (TAC Memo #19-9)

Chairman Blessing presented for discussion the Draft FY20 UPWP. Ms. Cundy gave a review on the Draft FY20 UPWP, noting that the UPWP is the annual work program and budget for the HRMPO. She stated that the FY20 UPWP details the administrative and planning activities to be undertaken during the fiscal year, and the federal, state, and local funds used for these activities. Ms. Cundy reviewed the FY20 UPWP Revenues and Expenditures by Federal, State and Local Sources for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. She reviewed the next steps for the FY20 UPWP, noting that after all input from the TAC and Policy Board is received, it will be presented to the TAC in April to recommend to the Policy Board at their April meeting to release the FY20 UPWP for public comment.

FY20 Small Area Study Program (TAC Memo #19-10)

Chairman Blessing presented the FY20 Small Area Study Program. Ms. Cundy stated that through the FY20 UPWP Work Task 2.02, Short-Range Transportation Planning, the HRMPO assists member jurisdictions with short-range transportation planning studies. She noted that these studies focus on



specific areas or corridors within the HRMPO region, address transportation issues, and provide improvement recommendations. The Small Area Study recommendations are intended to advance projects to the funding program application phase. Ms. Cundy reviewed the next steps noting that once a study location has been selected, it will be presented to the HRMPO Policy Board for approval. It was the consensus of the members present for jurisdictions to identify a potential FY20 small area study site or corridor and submit the recommendations to staff by April 22nd to be considered by the TAC at their May meeting.

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Update

Chairman Blessing presented VDOT Update. Mr. Short reported on the SMART SCALE applications for Round 3 and the INFRA Surface Transportation Grant Program federal grants. He noted that there were seven INFRA applications that were submitted April 1st from the Staunton District for a total funding of \$53 million. Mr. Short reported on VDOT's spring transportation conference that is tentatively scheduled for April or May, and a districtwide summit tentatively scheduled in the upcoming months. He noted that information regarding both the conference and summit will be submitted once the dates are confirmed.

Mr. Komara reported on several construction projects in the HRMPO area. He noted that the Route 11 bridge project at Exit 257 will go out to bid in March, with construction to begin late summer. Mr. Komara announced that a public hearing will be held on March 20, 2019, from 4:00-7:00 p.m., at Turner Ashby High School, regarding proposed improvements for the section of Route 682, Friedman's Church Road, in Rockingham County.

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Chairman Blessing presented HDPT update. Mr. Gatobu gave an update on the HDPT route study, noting that it was moving along. He noted that HDPT is working with James Madison University (JMU) regarding services provided by HDPT for immediate and long-term future city routes.

Federal Highway Administration

Mr. Jones gave an update on the Federal Highway Administration staff changes.



Other Business

Under Other Business, Ms. Cundy gave an update on I-81 Legislation, noting that the Virginia House and Senate each submitted substitute bills to replace the bills introduced on January 15th, removing all language regarding tolling to fund improvements to I-81. She stated that the new bills would direct the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to establish an I-81 committee to review the I-81 Corridor Improvement Plan adopted in December as it relates to funding options and to report back to the General Assembly by December 15, 2019, with funding recommendations. Ms. Cundy noted that part of the committee's review of funding options would include conducting regional public meetings and seeking input from the public and stakeholder organizations. She stated that the committee would include the chairs of the five Planning District Commissions in the I 81 Corridor.

Ms. Cundy reported on the Strasburg to Broadway Rails to Trails. She gave a report on a summit that she had attended in Woodstock on February 22nd. She stated that town mayors, trail advocates, and state, regional and local government staff gathered to create a vision for a 36-mile trail that would link eight towns following a discontinued rail line between the Town of Strasburg in Shenandoah County and the Town of Broadway in Rockingham County. Ms. Cundy stated that the CSPDC is partnering with the Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission to support the effort.

Ms. Cundy reported that the Augusta Health and the Shenandoah Valley Bicycle Coalition will be holding their first Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro Walk-Bike Summit on April 26th at the Murphy Deming College of Health Sciences in Fishersville.

Upcoming Meetings

Chairman Blessing announced that the Port Republic Road Corridor Study public meeting will be held on March 11, 2019, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Harrisonburg City Council Chambers. He stated that the next HRMPO TAC meeting will be held on April 4, 2019, and the HRMPO Policy Board will hold a meeting on March 21, 2019.



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Adjournment

A motion for adjournment was unanimously passed at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann W. Cundy".

Ann Cundy
Transportation Program Manager



Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda May 2, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

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1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Minutes of March 7, 2019 Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. Election of Officers (TAC AF #19-2)*
5. FY20 Small Area Study Discussion (TAC Memo #19-11)
6. Presentation – *Port Republic Road Safety and Operations Study*, Jonathan Howard, HRMPO Transportation Planner, and Brad Reed, VDOT Assistant District Planner
7. Agency Updates
 - a. VDOT
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8. Other Business
9. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. HRMPO Policy Board Meeting Thursday, May 16, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
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10. Adjournment

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Public Comment

Chairman Blessing opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public.



Election of Officers (TAC AF#19-2)

Chairperson Blessing presented Election of Officers. Mr. Blessing called for nominations for Chairperson. Ms. Dang nominated Mr. Bill Blessing for the office of Chairperson, seconded by Mr. Komara. Nominations for Chairperson were unanimously closed. Mr. Blessing was unanimously elected to the office of Chairperson.

Chairperson Blessing opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson. Chairperson Blessing nominated Ms. Cooper for the office of Vice Chairperson, seconded by Mr. Dyjak. Nominations for Vice Chairperson were unanimously closed. Ms. Cooper was unanimously elected to the office of Vice Chairperson.

FY20 Small Area Study Discussion (TAC Memo #19-11)

Chairman Blessing presented the FY20 Small Area Study Selection for consideration. Mr. Howard noted that each year, the HRMPO assists member jurisdictions with short-range transportation planning studies. He reported that it was proposed at the March TAC meeting to consider local and regional transportation needs to identify FY20 Small Area Study sites or corridors. Mr. Howard presented the following sites/corridors for consideration:

- City of Harrisonburg Downtown Enhancements Traffic Impact Analysis. Ms. Yancey gave a brief review on the project, noting that the area to be studied is located in downtown Harrisonburg, and includes Main Street and Liberty Street, to provide for a more bicycle and pedestrian friendly environment. She reviewed the need for the study and the strategies to accomplish this goal and delivery timeline. Ms. Yancey noted that the City is planning to begin a master planning study for the downtown area in FY20. She stated that the small area plan/study will become part of the downtown master plan. Once the downtown master plan is adopted, the City will immediately begin to develop an implementation plan for the improvements proposed in the study. Mr. Hartman stated that the City is willing to provide all the needed traffic count data for the study, and City dollars would be used for low cost improvements prior to grant awards. He noted that the City would seek partnership opportunities with local developers for improvements as well.
- Rockingham County Boyers Road (Route 704) Urban Development Area Corridor Study. Mr. Dyjak reviewed the project, noting that the purpose of the project is to evaluate the Boyers Road corridor for vehicular, pedestrian and bicycle safety enhancements and intersection improvements from its intersection with Port Republic Road and Stone Spring Road. He distributed copies and reviewed the Urban Development Area – Development Status. Mr. Dyjak stated that the Small Area Study would



identify safety issues at key intersections with Boyers Road and provide design and engineering solutions to make immediate improvements to accommodate future residential development along Boyers Road.

- Town of Mt. Crawford-Dinkel Avenue Capacity and Access Management Study. Mr. Howard gave a brief review on the issues from the Study brainstorm session by the TAC in February 2018, that addressed access, circulation, and safety at the U.S. 11 and VA 257/ Dinkel Avenue intersection. Mr. Howard asked the TAC if the issues still warrant an FY20 Small Area Study, and whether the Town needed assistance developing a study scope. Mr. Smythers reported on traffic issues, noting that traffic tends to back up as U.S. 11 southbound narrows to two lanes entering the Town and vehicles are drag racing to get through. An internal study performed by VDOT, proposed that a permissive left turn/ flashing yellow arrow on Southbound U.S. 11 onto Friedens church Road will prevent over-capacity of the left turn lane, prevent cars from overflowing into the left-thru lane during the peak periods, and remedy the weaving and safety issues stated by Mr. Smythers. The flashing yellow arrow is anticipated to be installed in the summer of 2019. After discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of the study, it was the consensus of the members present to review the issues with the Town and coordinate with VDOT further to see what the potential options are to rectify the situation.

Mr. Howard noted that once a project(s) has been selected by the TAC, they will be advanced to the HRMPO Policy Board for approval. He stated that the TAC will select FY20 Small Area Study site(s) or corridor(s) at their June 6, 2019 meeting, to be approved by the Policy Board at their June 20, 2019 meeting.

Port Republic Road Safety and Operations Study Presentation

Chairperson Blessing presented the Port Republic Road Safety and Operations Study Presentation. Mr. Howard and Mr. Reed gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Study. Mr. Howard gave a brief background on the Study, and reviewed the purpose, study area, needs, and safety analysis for the Study. Mr. Reed reviewed the operational analysis of the Study, the 2018 existing model development, procedure, findings, and development; and the recommendations and cost for each project. Mr. Howard then reviewed the results, travel time comparison, number of stops and delay comparisons, and projected future (2030) pm peak hour anticipated speed maps. He reviewed the next steps, stating that the Study will be presented to the HRMPO Policy Board for acceptance at their May 16, 2019 meeting.

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Update



Chairman Blessing presented VDOT Update. Mr. Komara reported on VDOT's spring meeting held on April 22, 2019, at Blue Ridge Community College. He noted that the meeting went very well and HRMPO Chairperson Driver spoke on behalf of the HRMPO at the meeting. Mr. Komara reported on several construction projects in the HRMPO area, noting that the Route 11 four-lane project was moving forward with the design; the Mauzy bridge project was put out to bid and construction will begin at the end of summer; and gave an update on the Dayton project on Route 701.

Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) Update

Under DRPT Update, Mr. Hudson reported on the FTA Section 5303 applications, noting that they were due that day. He reported on the Draft Six-Year Improvement Program, noting that it was available on DRPT's website.

Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation (HDPT) Update

Chairman Blessing presented HDPT update. Ms. Spain gave an update on the HDPT route study, noting that it was moving along, and implementation will be in August. She announced that she will be attending the upcoming Community Transportation Association of America conference in California in May, along with Gerald Gatobu.

Other Business

Ms. Cundy reported on the Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro Walk-Bike Summit that was held on April 26, 2019, at the Murphy Deming College of Health Sciences, Fishersville. She noted that the keynote speaker was Pete Eshelman, Director, Roanoke Outside Foundation, and the event was very successful.

Also under Other Business, Mr. Dyjak reported on the Shenandoah Rails to Trails project, noting that it is on track and moving forward. He announced that an interim summit is scheduled for next Friday.

Upcoming Meetings

Chairman Blessing announced that the HRMPO Policy Board will hold a meeting on May 16, 2019, and the next HRMPO TAC meeting will be held on June 6, 2019,

Adjournment

A motion for adjournment was unanimously passed at 3:25 p.m.



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Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda June 6, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

Rockingham County Administration Center
20 East Gay Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Minutes of May 2, 2019 Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. FY 20 Small Area Study Selection (TAC AF #19-3)*
5. 2040 Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) Amendment (TAC AF #19-4)*
6. FY 20 TIP Administrative Modification (TAC Memo# 19-12)
7. Presentation - *VTrans Update and Needs Identification Methodology* - Katie Schwing,
Senior Transportation Planner, Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment
8. Agency Updates
 - a. VDOT
 - b. DRPT
 - c. HDPT
9. Other Business
10. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. HRMPO Policy Board Meeting Thursday, June 20, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
 - b. HRMPO TAC Meeting Thursday, August 1, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
11. Adjournment

* Action needed

HRMPO TAC Minutes June 6, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

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Rockingham County	Cheryl Spain, Harrisonburg	✓ Katie Schwing, OIPI
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Casey Armstrong	Jeff Lineberry, VDOT	
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✓ Don Komara	Rusty Harrington, Aviation	
VDRPT		
Wood Hudson		

Call to Order

The June 6, 2019, meeting of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Vice Chairperson Cooper.

Minutes

Vice Chairperson Cooper presented the minutes from the May 2, 2019, TAC meeting. Mr. Howard reviewed a proposed amendment to the minutes regarding clarification on the FY20 Small Area Study



Discussion for the Town of Mt. Crawford-Dinkel Avenue Capacity and Access Management Study to reword as follows:

Town of Mt. Crawford-Dinkel Avenue Capacity and Access Management Study. Mr. Howard gave a brief review on the issues from the Study brainstorm session by the TAC in February 2018, that addressed access, circulation, and safety at the U.S. 11 and VA 257/ Dinkel Avenue intersection. Mr. Howard asked the TAC if the issues still warrant an FY20 Small Area Study, and whether the Town needed assistance developing a study scope. Mr. Smythers reported on traffic issues, noting that traffic tends to back up as U.S. 11 southbound narrows to two lanes entering the Town and vehicles are drag racing to get through. An internal study performed by VDOT, proposed that a permissive left turn/ flashing yellow arrow on Southbound U.S. 11 onto Friedens Church Road will prevent over-capacity of the left turn lane, prevent cars from overflowing into the left-thru lane during the peak periods, and remedy the weaving and safety issues stated by Mr. Smythers. The flashing yellow arrow is anticipated to be installed in the summer of 2019. After discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of the study, it was the consensus of the members present to review the issues with the Town and coordinate with VDOT further to see what the potential options are to rectify the situation.

Mr. Komara moved, seconded by Ms. Dang, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Vice Chairperson Cooper opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public.

FY20 Small Area Study Selection (TAC AF #19-3)

Vice Chairperson Cooper presented the FY20 Small Area Study Selection for consideration (proposals attached to file minutes). Mr. Howard noted that at the May 2, 2019 TAC meeting, the Committee discussed two proposed small area/corridor studies for the HRMPO to pursue during FY20 as follows: City of Harrisonburg Downtown Circulation Study, and Rockingham County Boyers Road Urban Development Area (UDA) Corridor Study. He gave a review of each proposed study and the timeframe. Mr. Howard reviewed the next steps, noting that HRMPO staff will work with the City and County on developing detailed study scopes. Mr. Dyjak stated that the County requested an amendment to broaden the scope of the small area study for the Rockingham County Boyers Road UDA Corridor Study, namely to include Taylor Spring Lane Corridor from Boyers Road to its intersection at Massanetta Springs Road. Mr. Reed moved, seconded by Ms. Dang, to recommend that the HRMPO Policy Board approve the two proposed small area studies as amended and implementation schedule for FY20. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

2040 Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) Amendment (TAC AF #19-4)

Vice Chairperson Cooper presented the 2040 CLRP Amendment for consideration. Mr. Howard gave a review on the CLRP Amendment, noting that VDOT plans to expedite development and delivery of I-81 Improvement Program projects along the corridor. He stated that these projects will be partially federally funded, and must be included in the HRMPO’s CLRP in order to receive federal funds. Mr. Howard stated that the HRMPO’s 2040 CLRP includes a placeholder for improvements to I-81, but must be amended to list the specific project identified in the I-81 Improvement Program. He reviewed the proposed project as follows:

<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>Mile Marker (from/to)</i>	<i>Improvement Description</i>	<i>Total Project Cost (PE, RW, and Construction)</i>
Harrisonburg/Rockingham County	242.2 – 248.1	Widen to three lanes from Exit 243 to Mile Marker 248	\$239,956,000

Mr. Howard stated that the CLRP Amendment will need to be released for public comment. Mr. Reed moved, seconded by Ms. Dang, to recommend that the HRMPO Policy Board release the 2040 CLRP Amendment to public comment. Motion carried unanimously.

FY20 TIP Administrative Modification (TAC Memo #19-12)

Vice Chairperson Cooper presented the FY20 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Administrative Modification. Mr. Howard gave a review on the FY20 TIP Administrative Modification, noting that after October 1, 2018, all MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) documents must comply with MAP-21 performance-based planning requirements to show how the program of projects in the TIP help an MPO meet the performance measurement targets. He noted that the HRMPO administratively modified the TIP on October 10, 2018, to include an appendix detailing how the projects in the TIP address statewide targets for Safety Performance Measures. He stated that the HRMPO also formally concurred with the statewide targets for Pavement and Bridge Condition and National Highway System Performance on November 7, 2018. Mr. Howard noted that staff administratively modified the HRMPO TIP to include the appendices detailing how the projects in the MPO’s TIP address the two performance areas (Appendices F and G). He stated that with the addition of the two appendices, the HRMPO TIP is again MAP-21-compliant, and can be amended in order to assure that federal funds can continue to be spent on projects in the MPO.

**Presentation – VTrans Update and Needs Identification Methodology – Katie Schwing,
Senior Transportation Planner, Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment**

Vice Chairperson Cooper presented the VTrans Update and Needs Identification Methodology. Mr. Howard introduced and welcomed Ms. Katie Schwing, Senior Transportation Planner for the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIPI), who was present to give an update on VTrans. Ms. Schwing gave a PowerPoint presentation on VTrans, noting that VTrans, Virginia’s long-range, statewide, multimodal transportation plan, outlines a vision and goals for transportation in the Commonwealth and has to be updated every four years. She stated that the plan will identify transportation investment priorities and guides transportation agencies’ strategies and programs. Ms. Schwing reviewed the transportation’s role in the economy; population by CTB district and PDCs; age distribution and employment by PDC; economic-transportation linkages; travel markets overview; mid-term needs; safety needs approach; VTrans goals; and MPO participation timeline.

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Update

Vice Chairperson Cooper presented VDOT Update. Mr. Komara reported on the following: Mauzy bridge project bid opening; an update on the Dayton bridge project on Route 701, noting that the project is scheduled to begin in June; announced that a design public hearing concerning the Linville Creek Bridge on Lee Street (Route 259) in the Town of Broadway in Rockingham County will be held from 4 to 6 p.m., Thursday, June 13, 2019, at J. Frank Hillyard Middle School in Broadway; gave an update on the Massanutta Springs Road improvement project; reported on Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) and Revenue Sharing applications, noting that preapplications are due July 1st; and announced that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) approved modifications to the SMART SCALE funding scenario, including the addition of the U.S.-33 and Route 620 turn lane improvements in Rockingham County, and the HRMPO's Exit 247 interchange project in Harrisonburg. Mr. Reed reported on STARS (Strategically Targeted Affordable Roadway Solutions) Program applications in the HRMPO area.

Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation (HDPT) Update

Under HDPT Update Mr. Gatobu gave an update on conferences that he had attended and technical assistance regarding HDPT projects. He reported on the HDPT route study that HDPT is working with James Madison University regarding HDPT provided services for city routes.



Other Business

Under Other Business, Mr. Howard reported on the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program, noting that the resolutions of support are not required for the preapplication July 1st submission.

Upcoming Meetings

Vice Chairperson Cooper announced that the HRMPO Policy Board will hold a meeting on June 20, 2019, and the next HRMPO TAC meeting will be held on August 1, 2019,

Adjournment

A motion for adjournment was unanimously passed at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jonathan Howard
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Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda August 1, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

Rockingham County Administration Center
20 East Gay Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Minutes of June 6, 2019 Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. 2019 Federal Functional Classification Updates (TAC AF #19-5)*
5. Consideration of 2019 TAP Resolutions of Support (TAC AF #19-6)*
6. Presentation – *HRMPO Non-Motorized Project Pipeline Needs Assessment*, Jonathan Howard, HRMPO Transportation Planner
7. Agency Updates
 - a. VDOT
 - b. DRPT
 - c. HDPT
8. Other Business
9. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. HRMPO Policy Board Meeting Thursday, August 15, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
 - b. HRMPO TAC Meeting Thursday, September 5, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
10. Adjournment

* Action needed

HRMPO TAC Minutes August 1, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

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Call to Order

The August 1, 2019, meeting of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Blessing.

Minutes

Chairman Blessing presented the minutes from the June 6, 2019, TAC meeting. Ms. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Yancey, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Chairman Blessing opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public.

2019 Federal Functional Classification Updates (TAC AF #19-5)

Chairman Blessing presented for consideration the 2019 Federal Functional Classification Updates. Mr. Howard gave a review on the Updates, noting that the Federal Functional Classification is the process by which roads, streets, and highways are grouped into classes according to the character of service they provide. He stated that due to completed construction, the VDOT Transportation and Mobility Planning Division (TMPD) has requested an interim update of the Federal Functional Classification of Stone Spring Road and its connecting roadways. Mr. Howard presented the Federal Functional Classification Updates as follows:

Roadway Name	Termini	Existing (2014) Classification	Proposed (2019) Classification
Stone Spring Road	From 0.35 miles north of Apple Valley Road intersection to US 33/ Spotswood Trail	Future Major Collector	Minor Arterial
Reservoir Street (North)	Fieldale Place to Stone Spring Road	Major Collector	Minor Arterial
Reservoir Street (South)	Stone Spring Road to Health Campus Road	Major Collector	Minor Collector
Apple Valley Road	Port Republic Road to Dead End	Minor Arterial	Local Access
Peach Grove Avenue	Port Republic Road to Stone Spring	Local Access	Major Collector
Beery Road/ Huffman Street	Stone Spring Road to Huffman St.	Minor Arterial	Local Access

Mr. Howard noted that the request needs approval and a resolution of support by the HRMPO Policy Board. Ms. Cooper moved, seconded by Mr. Dyjak, to recommend that the HRMPO Policy Board approve the 2019 Federal Function Classification Updates. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

Consideration of 2019 TAP Resolutions of Support (TAC AF #19-6)

Chairman Blessing presented for consideration the 2019 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) Resolutions of Support. Mr. Howard stated that TAP applications submitted within the HRMPO area require a resolution of support from the HRMPO Policy Board. He noted that the TAP pre-application validation phase ends on August 15, 2019, and approved applicants have until October 1, 2019, to submit the resolutions with their final applications. Mr. Howard stated that the City of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County TAP projects are being considered for this application cycle. Mr. Dyjak gave a review on the Rockingham County project, noting that the County has applied for the Garbers Church Road Bike-Buggy Lane, which will design and construct paved, 8-foot wide

lanes on both sides of Garbers Church Road from VA 42 (John Wayland Highway) to Erickson Avenue, approximately 0.6 mile in length. He stated that the project will improve the safety, mobility, and access of non-motorized travelers in the region by filling an essential gap in the County's bike/buggy lane network. Ms. Yancey gave a review on the City of Harrisonburg's project, noting that the City has applied for the North Main Street sidewalk project that will install a 0.35 mile segment of new sidewalk, with associated curb and gutter and drainage improvements, on the east side of North Main Street from Holly Hill Drive to Vine Street/Mt. Clinton Pike. She stated that the project closes a gap between existing sidewalk and a funded SMART SCALE project that will construct a sidewalk to connect housing in the County to the City limits. Ms. Yancey moved, seconded by Ms. Cooper, to recommend that the HRMPO Policy Board endorse the Resolutions of Support for Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) projects within the HRMPO. Motion carried unanimously.

Presentation – HRMPO Non-Motorized Project Pipeline Needs Assessment, Jonathan Howard, HRMPO Transportation Planner

Mr. Howard gave a PowerPoint presentation on the *HRMPO Non-Motorized Project Pipeline Needs Assessment*. He noted that the purpose of the Needs Assessment is to update and revise regional non-motorized safety needs, and develop a list of strong candidate projects for 2019 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) and Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) application cycles. He stated that the Needs Assessment uses the latest 2013-2018 crash data and contains a publicly available ArcGIS online web app for bicycle and pedestrian crashes. Mr. Howard reviewed the HRMPO pedestrian and bicycle crash density analysis on each project. A question was raised regarding the need for the study. It was indicated by several TAC members that a list of TA and HSIP candidate projects would be a valuable resource in developing grant applications. Mr. Howard stated that he would like to present the Needs Assessment to the Shenandoah Valley Bicycle Coalition and include their input.

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Update

Under VDOT Update, Mr. Reed gave an update on the STARS (Strategically Targeted Affordable Roadway Solutions) project on South Main Street in Harrisonburg. He noted that a public survey will be sent out to property owners within the vicinity of the study area and to the general public in August.



Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) Update

Under DRPT Update, Mr. Hudson reported on the Merit Capital Program survey. He reported on Virginia Breeze, noting that DRPT is moving forward with two additional routes for Virginia Breeze in the Commonwealth along the Route 29 Corridor.

Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation (HDPT) Update

Under HDPT Update Mr. Gatobu reported on the HDPT route study. He noted that HDPT is working with James Madison University (JMU) regarding HDPT provided services for city routes. Mr. Gatobu stated that the route study focuses on evaluating HDPT's JMU routes, new campus development, projections on the future of the region's transit market, general mobility trends, and other planned initiatives that affect HDPT routes. He noted that HDPT has received input from JMU riders, prepared marketing materials, and is ready to implement route changes at the start of the fall semester. Mr. Eshleman gave an update on parking for JMU students, noting that the parking fees have increased.

Upcoming Meetings

Chairperson Blessing announced that the HRMPO Policy Board will hold a meeting on August 15, 2019, and the next HRMPO TAC meeting will be held on September 5, 2019,

Adjournment

A motion for adjournment was unanimously passed at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jonathan Howard
Transportation Planner



Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda October 3, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

Rockingham County Administration Center
20 East Gay Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Minutes of August 1, 2019 Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. HRMPO TAP Resolutions of Support (TAC AF #19-7)*
5. HRMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Amendment (TAC Memo #19-13)
6. Downtown Enhancements Traffic Impact Analysis Update (TAC Memo #19-14)
7. Agency Updates
 - a. VDOT
 - b. DRPT
 - c. HDPT
8. Other Business
9. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. HRMPO Policy Board Meeting Thursday, October 17, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
 - b. HRMPO TAC Meeting Thursday, November 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
10. Adjournment

* Action needed

HRMPO TAC Minutes October 3, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

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VDRPT		
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Call to Order

The October 3, 2019, meeting of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Blessing.

Minutes

Chairman Blessing presented the minutes from the August 1, 2019, TAC meeting. Mr. Smythers moved, seconded by Mr. Komara, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Chairman Blessing opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public.

HRMPO TAP Resolutions of Support (TAC AF #19-7)

Chairman Blessing presented for consideration the HRMPO TAP Resolutions of Support (attached to file minutes). Mr. Howard stated that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will not be accepting Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding applications this cycle. Instead, VDOT has permitted localities to convert their eligible HSIP Bike/Pedestrian applications into Transportation Alternative Set-Aside Program (TAP) applications. He noted that the 2019 TAP applications submitted within the HRMPO area require a resolution of support from the HRMPO Policy Board. Mr. Howard stated that the approved applicants have until December 2019 to submit the resolutions with their final application. He noted that the City of Harrisonburg and the Town of Bridgewater have submitted TAP applications. Mr. Hartman reviewed the application submitted by the City of Harrisonburg for the Federal Street Improvements project. He stated that the project will convert Federal Street between East Market and East Water Street from a two-way local street into a one-way street to provide space for a separated bicycle and pedestrian path on the west side of the street, will replace a sidewalk on the east side, and install high visibility crosswalks. Mr. Wilmer gave a review on the Town of Bridgewater's Riverwalk Phase II project, noting that the project will construct a 10-foot pedestrian and bicycle path that is approximately 950 feet in length through Bridgeview Park, an intersection crosswalk connecting Riverwalk Phase II with an existing sidewalk on West Bank Street, and an 8-foot pedestrian and bicycle path along a portion of West Bank Street. Ms. Dang moved, seconded by Mr. Reed, to recommend that the HRMPO Policy Board endorse the Resolutions of Support for Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) projects within the HRMPO. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

HRMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Amendment (TAC Memo #19-13)

Chairman Blessing presented the HRMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Amendment for review. Mr. Howard gave a brief review on the proposal to develop an Amendment to the Plan, noting that the objective of this effort would be to update the list of regional bicycle, pedestrian and non-motorized projects to reflect revised project scopes and locations and maximize project competitiveness for grant funding. He stated that the Amendment will not include a re-scoring or prioritization process, but MPO staff would like to consider including an analysis of the relationship between non-motorized crashes and low income, minority, and limited English proficiency populations, and zero-car

households. Mr. Howard noted that amending the Plan would allow localities and the public to track regionally significant non-motorized projects and include Plan excerpts on any grant applications to support project readiness and maximize application competitiveness. Questions and discussion ensued regarding proposed methodology to be used regarding low income, minority, and limited English proficiency populations – whether the location of the crashes, or the persons involved in the crashes, would be the focus of the analysis, and what assumptions would be used in making such an analysis. It was noted that persons involved in the crashes might not necessarily be residents of the neighborhood where the crash occurred. However, the location of the crash might suggest the need for additional infrastructure in that neighborhood. Mr. Howard agreed to review the research on such analyses and report back to the Committee. He explained that no action was necessary at this time, and stated that he will present a proposed amendment outline and schedule for review at the next TAC meeting.

FY20 Small Area Study Update - Harrisonburg Downtown Enhancements Traffic Impact Analysis (TAC Memo #19-14)

Chairman Blessing presented the FY20 Small Area Study Update - Harrisonburg Downtown Enhancements Traffic Impact Analysis. Mr. Howard gave an update on the FY20 Small Area Study, noting that the MPO study team has finalized the scope of work document and has scheduled a kickoff meeting with consultant VHB for the Downtown Enhancements Traffic Impact Analysis on October 9, 2019, 2:00 p.m., at the City of Harrisonburg Department of Public Works. He noted that the study team includes members from Harrisonburg Department of Public Works, HDPT, JMU, and VDOT. Mr. Howard reviewed the study elements, noting that the Study will evaluate the traffic impacts to the overall street network if Main Street and/or Liberty Street were reduced to one automobile travel lane, will analyze at least three scenarios using Synchro traffic modeling software, and will recommend appropriate mitigations for any significant impacts identified. Discussion ensued regarding concerns over traffic impacts if any streets in downtown Harrisonburg are reduced to one automobile travel lane. Mr. Howard reviewed the next steps and tentative study schedule, noting that the final report is scheduled for January or February 2020.

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Update

Under VDOT Update, Mr. Reed reported on a meeting that he had attended in Lynchburg regarding the SMART SCALE application process for round four. A question was raised as to whether there would be an opportunity for input from the localities regarding the changes for the application process.



Mr. Reed responded that there could be an opportunity for input regarding the changes at the VDOT Fall Transportation meeting. He reported on the VTrans needs process and Tier I recommendations.

Mr. Komara reported on the upcoming VDOT 2019 Fall Transportation meeting to be held on October 28, 2019, 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the Doubletree Hotel in Harrisonburg. He reported on several construction projects in the area, noting that the Mauzy bridge project over Route 11 is moving along; announced that the Fairfield bridge project is scheduled to be completed in 2021; and reported on paving projects in the area and on Interstate 81.

Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) Update

Under DRPT Update, Mr. Hudson reported on several upcoming webinars and public meetings regarding the MPO 5303 program to discuss general requirements and transit webinars for 5307 and 5311 recipients. He gave an update on the Group Transit Asset Management Plan, and public transportation safety plans.

Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation (HDPT) Update

Under HDPT Update Ms. Spain reported on the HDPT route study, noting that the final report is expected around October 21st. She noted that the route study focuses on evaluating HDPT's JMU routes, new campus development, projections on the future of the region's transit market, general mobility trends, and other planned initiatives that affect HDPT routes. Ms. Spain reported on the route changes that have been implemented at the beginning of the fall semester.

Upcoming Meetings

Chairperson Blessing announced that the HRMPO Policy Board will hold a meeting on October 17, 2019, 3:00 p.m.; the Harrisonburg Bike-Walk Summit will be held on November 1, 2019, 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Hotel Madison in Harrisonburg; and the next HRMPO TAC meeting will be held on November 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion for adjournment was unanimously passed at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Howard, Transportation Planner



Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda November 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

Rockingham County Administration Center
20 East Gay Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

1. Call To Order
2. Approval of Minutes of October 3, 2019 Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. Consideration of FY 18-21 TIP Amendment (TAC Action Form #19-8)*
5. 2020 Meeting Calendar (TAC Memo #19-15)
6. FY20 Small Area Study Updates (TAC Memo #19-16)
7. Presentation – *Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTASP)*, Wood Hudson, Department of Rail and Public Transportation, Statewide Transit Planner
8. Agency Updates
 - a. VDOT
 - b. DRPT
 - c. HDPT
9. Other Business
10. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. HRMPO Policy Board Meeting Thursday, November 21, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
 - b. HRMPO TAC Meeting Thursday, December 5, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
11. Adjournment

* Action needed

HRMPO TAC Minutes October November 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

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Voting Members	Alternates	Staff
City of Harrisonburg	Lisa Perry, Rockingham	✓ Jonathan Howard
✓ Tom Hartman	✓ Jay Litten, Bridgewater	✓ Rita Whitfield
✓ Bill Blessing, Chair	Shane Stevens, Mt. Crawford	
✓ Thanh Dang	Dennis Driver, Mt. Crawford	
✓ Erin Yancey	Avery Daugherty, Harrisonburg	Others
✓ Gerald Gatobu	Cheryl Spain, Harrisonburg	✓ Patrick Wilcox, Rockingham
Rockingham County	Dan Rublee, Harrisonburg	✓ Matt Dana, VDOT
Rhonda Cooper, Vice Chair	Jeff Lineberry, VDOT	✓ Burgess Lindsey, VDOT
Bradford Dyjak	✓ Brad Reed, VDOT	✓ William Bushman, Hurt&Proffitt
Casey Armstrong	Josh Dunlap, VDOT	✓ Sam Styles, McCormick & Taylor
Town of Bridgewater	Dan Sonenklar, DRPT	
✓ Alex Wilmer		-
Town of Dayton		
✓ Susan Smith		
Town of Mt. Crawford	Non-Voting Members	
J. C. Smythers	Kevin Jones, FHWA	
VDOT	Michelle DeAngelis, FTA	
Terry Short	Lee Eshelman, JMU	
✓ Don Komara	Rusty Harrington, Aviation	
VDRPT		
✓ Wood Hudson		

Call to Order

The November 7, 2019, meeting of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Blessing. Mr. Blessing introduced and welcomed Mr. Patrick Wilcox, Senior Planner for Rockingham County.

Minutes

Chairman Blessing presented the minutes from the October 3, 2019, TAC meeting. Mr. Reed moved, seconded by Ms. Dang, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Chairman Blessing opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public.

Consideration of FY18-FY21 TIP Amendment (TAC AF #19-8)

Chairman Blessing presented for consideration the FY18-FY21 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Amendment for public comment. Mr. Howard noted that VDOT has programmed several I-81 Corridor Improvement Plan projects into the FY20 Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP) after the Commonwealth Transportation Board approved recommendations from VDOT and the I-81 Advisory Committee. He noted that the project in the Staunton District to widen northbound and southbound I-81 lanes to three lanes from mile marker 242 to 248 must be included in the HRMPO's TIP in order to be eligible to receive federal funds. Mr. Howard stated that the Amendment will add \$22 million to the FY20 Preliminary Engineering Phase and \$10 million to the FY21 Right-Of-Way phase under the Construction: Safety/ITS/Operational Improvements Grouping category. Mr. Reed moved, seconded by Ms. Dang, to recommend to the HRMPO Policy Board to release the Draft FY18-21 TIP Amendment for the 21-day public comment period. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

2020 HRMPO Meeting Calendar (TAC Memo #19-15)

Chairman Blessing presented the 2020 Meeting Schedule for the HRMPO Policy Board and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) (attached to file minutes). Mr. Howard noted that the 2019 HRMPO Policy Board and TAC meeting schedules are based on a monthly meeting schedule. He stated that the schedules for the HRMPO Policy Board and Technical Advisory Committee will be presented to the Policy Board at their November 21, 2019, meeting and after approval, will be posted on the website and published in the appropriate newspapers, in accordance with the HRMPO Public Participation Plan.

FY20 Small Area Study Updates (TAC Memo #19-16)

Chairman Blessing presented the FY20 Small Area Study Updates. Mr. Howard gave an update on the Small Area Studies, noting that at the June 6, 2019 TAC meeting, the Committee selected two small area/corridor study proposals for the MPO to pursue during FY 2020: 1) Harrisonburg Downtown Enhancements Traffic Impact Analysis; and 2) Rockingham Boyers Road Improvements from Stone Spring to Port Republic Road. He noted that on August 14-15, 2019, Rockingham County staff, in



coordination with VDOT, Sentara Hospital, and HRMPO staff, participated in a two-day Road Safety Assessment (RSA) on Boyers Road and Taylor Springs Lane. Mr. Howard stated that the County and the HRMPO applied for a Road Safety Assessment (RSA) through FHWA'S Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian (STEP) program. He noted that the County has indicated that they can achieve their short and mid-term goals on the Boyers Road Corridor using the findings from the RSA, and planning assistance from VDOT. Alternatively, the County has selected the Mount Crawford park and ride lot as a need for further study using HRMPO Short-Range Planning funding for FY20. Mr. Howard reviewed the Mount Crawford Park and Ride Expansion Planning Refinement Study. He stated that HRMPO staff is currently reviewing fee proposals from consultants to perform a study of the Mount Crawford park and ride lot, which is located on Route 257 at I-81 Exit 240. Mr. Howard noted that the lot is currently operating at over 100% of lot occupancy, has limited lighting, no ADA access, no shelters, nor a dedicated bus zone. He stated that lot improvements would expand regional carpool and transit opportunities in the region and reviewed the Study objectives.

Mr. Howard stated that the Harrisonburg Downtown Enhancement Traffic Impact Analysis study is evaluating the traffic impacts to the overall street network if Main Street and/or Liberty Street were reduced to one automobile travel lane. The study will recommend appropriate mitigations for any significant impacts identified and inform the 2020 Downtown Master Planning process. Mr. Howard stated that the study team held a kickoff meeting on October 9, 2019. He noted that the consultants will work with VDOT and the MPO to utilize a calibrated HRMPO Travel Demand Model and Streetlight Origin-Destination data to estimate the likely rerouting of traffic volumes. Mr. Howard reviewed the tentative study schedule, noting that the final reported is expected in January-February 2020.

Presentation: Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTAS) – Wood Hudson, Department of Rail and Public Transportation, Statewide Transit Planner

Chairman Blessing introduced and welcomed Mr. Wood Hudson, Statewide Transit Planner with the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT). Mr. Hudson gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Public Transportation Safety Plan (PTASP), noting that the Plan applies to all operators of public transportation systems that receive FTA grant funds; primarily 5307 funds. He stated that transit agencies must implement a Safety Management System (SMS) by developing and documenting SMS processes in their Agency Safety Plan. Mr. Hudson reviewed the PTASP applicability and requirements; performance-based planning; and compliance dates, noting that PTASP plans need to be in place and signed off by

transit agencies by July 20, 2020. Mr. Hudson stated that MPOs will have 180 days from July 20, 2020 to incorporate targets and PTASP into the Tip. He reviewed the next steps, noting that DRPT will be developing the group PTASP over the next 8 months and will continue to engage the MPOs through the TAC meetings and quarterly MPO coordination meetings.

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Update

Under VDOT Update, Mr. Komara reported on several construction and bridge projects in the MPO area. He announced that a public hearing on the Route 33 (East Market Street) bridge replacement project and shared use path Interstate 81 Exit 247 ramp operations project in Harrisonburg will be held on December 12, 2019, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Lucy F. Simms Continuing Education Center in Harrisonburg. Mr. Reed gave an update on the Virginia Statewide Transportation Plan (VTrans) mid-term needs and VDOT's Revenue Sharing program. He reported on the importance of VTrans mid-term needs, noting that they serve as a screen for projects applying for consideration under SMART SCALE. Mr. Reed noted that the 2045 VTrans needs will be presented to the Commonwealth Transportation Board for adoption at their December meeting.

Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) Update

Under DRPT Update, Mr. Hudson reported on several upcoming webinars and public meetings regarding the MPO 5303 program to discuss general requirements; Virginia Breeze ridership; and two transit route studies. He reported that the Commonwealth Transportation Board Fall Transportation meeting that was held on October 28, 2019, 3:00 p.m., at the Doubletree Hotel in Harrisonburg was well attended.

Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation (HDPT) Update

Under HDPT Update Mr. Gatobu reported that the HDPT route study analysis for the James Madison University (JMU) routes has been completed and that ridership was up by ten percent. Mr. Gatobu noted that DRPT is looking into improving the routes to enhance ridership and applying for SMART SCALE funds.

Other Business

Mr. Howard reported on the Harrisonburg and Rockingham Bike-Walk Summit that was held on November 1, 2019, at the Hotel Madison Conference Center in Harrisonburg. He noted that the keynote speaker was Mr. Colin Hughes, head of Bikes and Scooter Policy for JUMP and Uber. Mr. Howard stated that the Summit was well attended and expressed his appreciation to everyone who was in attendance.



Upcoming Meetings

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Adjournment

A motion for adjournment was unanimously passed at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Howard".

Jonathan Howard
Transportation Planner