

**Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Minutes  
October 10, 2018**

**Committee Members Present:**

Mr. Dave Swan, Chair, Stafford County  
Mr. Guy Gormley, City of Fredericksburg  
Mr. Dave McLaughlin, City of Fredericksburg  
Mr. Neil Holloran, Spotsylvania County  
Mr. Melvin Allen, Stafford County  
Mr. Timothy Brown, Stafford County  
Mr. Morgan Burch, Stafford County  
Mr. Bobby Anderson, At-Large  
Mr. Rupert Farley, At-Large  
Mr. Larry Gross, At-Large

**George Washington Regional Commission (GWRC) Staff:**

Mr. Nick Quint, FAMPO  
Ms. Briana Hairfield, FAMPO  
Mr. John Bentley, FAMPO  
Mr. Colin Cate, FAMPO  
Ms. JoAnna Roberson, GWRC

**Call to Order** – Mr. Swan called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Farley requested that Item 7a. under the Discussion Item category be removed from the agenda as Resolution No. 19-07 is a housekeeping resolution that requires no action being taken from CTAC.

Mr. Quint also advised that item 7e under the Discussion Item category also needed to be removed from the agenda (which is the I-95 Phase 2 Highway report & Resolution No. 19-11 endorsing the study) as this item was discussed at a previous meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Gormley and seconded by Mr. Anderson, with all concurring, the October CTAC agenda was approved as amended.

**Approval of September 12, 2018 CTAG Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Swan advised that at the September 12 meeting CTAC voted to approve Resolution No. 19-06 that amends the TIP to add UPC#111980 as an action item. However, Mr. Swan stated the item was discussed but CTAC did not actually take a vote and the minutes need to reflect this accordingly.

Upon motion by Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Dave McLaughlin, with all concurring, the September 12 minutes were approved as amended.

## **Review of September 17, 2018 FAMPO Policy Committee Meeting**

Mr. Quint advised that discussion occurred at the September 17 Policy Committee meeting on the legislative priorities and this item will be discussed at tonight's CTAC meeting. Mr. Quint also advised there was lengthy discussion regarding the budget for GWRC/FAMPO and no resolution was presented. Mr. Quint advised that further discussion will occur from the Policy Committee and CTAC will be updated as the issue moves forward.

Mr. Quint advised that discussion also occurred regarding the possibility of FAMPO moving out from GWRC and becoming its own entity. Mr. Quint stated there was no action taken on this item and it is an item where discussion will continue and CTAC will be advised as further discussion occurs.

Mr. Gross asked if it is common statewide for an MPO to be an independent entity. Mr. Quint stated that staff is compiling research and data on this item now and that preliminary data indicates that the majority are a subsidiary to another agency.

**Public Comment - None**

## **FAMPO Administrator Report**

Mr. Quint advised that there would not be any FAMPO meetings scheduled for November. Mr. Quint relayed that VDOT will be hosting its Fall Transportation Meeting on November 28 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the VDOT District Auditorium. Mr. Quint stated this is an important meeting and occurs twice a year. Mr. Quint relayed that there will be displays on the submitted Smart Scale projects, and there will be an opportunity to give public comment to the Secretary of Transportation.

Mr. Gormley stated his concern with the time of the meeting. The 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. timeframe does not allow for those commuting outside of the region to be available to attend. Mr. Gormley asked that FAMPO staff forward this request to VDOT District office and request that the meeting time be changed to 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. for future semi-annual transportation meetings.

## **Discussion Items**

- a. Adopted Resolution No. 19-07, Authorizing Staff to Issue a Request for Proposals to Hire New On-Call Planning Service Consultants– Nick Quint**

Per request of CTAC committee, Resolution No. 19-07 was removed from agenda at beginning of tonight's meeting.

- b. Performance Based Planning – Nick Quint**

Mr. Quint advised that performance based targets for bridge repairs is a target request from VDOT. Resolution No. 19-09 is requesting authorization by VDOT to move to a more performance driven approach for performance measures included in the bill. Mr. Quint advised there are 14 applicable performance measures that will be applicable to FAMPO. Mr. Quint stated there are 17 total new

performance measures being implemented; however, the other 3 only currently apply to regions larger than FAMPO.

Mr. Quint stated the State develops targets & MPO's can accept the state targets; develop its own; or implement a combination of the two. Mr. Quint stated that it would require a lot of work from FAMPO staff for the MPO to develop its own performance measures.

- i. Resolution No. 19-09, Adopting the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Transportation Pavement/Bridge & System Performance Targets

There was no action taken by the FAMPO CTAC on Resolution No. 19-09 at the October CTAC meeting.

**c. Resolution 19-10, Endorsing Regional Base Year & Future Years Population & Employment Control Totals for Use in the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – Nick Quint**

Mr. Quint advised that even though the region is continuing to grow rapidly, it is not growing as quickly as had been projected. Mr. Quint stated the previous projections were adjusted and decreased to more accurately reflect the expected population growth for 2050. Mr. Quint advised the population growth is expected to be 11,500 less than was previously projected.

There was no action taken by the FAMPO CTAC on Resolution No. 19-10 at the October CTAC meeting.

**d. SMART SCALE Update – Nick Quint**

Mr. Quint advised that the presentation tonight came from the September CTB meeting. Mr. Quint relayed that a total of 468 Smart Scale applications were submitted statewide for Round 3. Mr. Quint stated that VDOT expects 10% of the applications to be screened out. Mr. Quint advised that to date, FAMPO has not had any projects screened out. Mr. Quint relayed that both the Richmond & Staunton MPO's submitted the largest number of applications with Richmond submitting 85 & Staunton submitting 71. Mr. Quint stated that the Fredericksburg District (which includes this region, the Northern Neck and the Middle Peninsula) had the second lowest total at 35. Mr. Quint stated that a lot of the localities in the eastern part of the District did not submit any applications.

Mr. Quint advised that the submitted projects have an estimated total cost of \$12,389.30 billion, and there is only \$750 million of available funding. Mr. Quint relayed that there was an increase in bicycle/pedestrian projects submitted and this was the second highest project category submitted

Mr. Quint advised that the SMART SCALE schedule is as follows:

- September – final screening and validation;
- October-November – fall transportation meetings statewide, measure development and scoring;
- January 15, 2019 – scores released to CTB and public; and
- February-April – Draft SYIP submitted for review with adoption at the June CTB meeting.

**e. Resolution 19-12, Endorsing the Recommendations from the King George County Transit Study – Nick Quint**

Mr. Quint advised that currently there is no transit service in King George County outside of private vanpools that operate between the Fredericksburg region and Dahlgren. Mr. Quint stated that King George County terminated its previous FRED service in 2012. Mr. Quint relayed the purpose of the existing market analysis looks at where likely transit riders live, where employment and retail services are concentrated and what the major travel patterns for the county are.

Mr. Quint stated that no action has been taken either by King George County or FAMPO at this time; however, the following 3 recommendations are being presented for consideration:

1. Express bus service between Dahlgren and Fredericksburg during peak periods with a local circulator running midday on Routes 3, 206 and 301;
2. Same as Option 1, but with more express trips added; and
3. Local circulator on most trips & some local trips going to Fredericksburg via the Route 301 and 3 corridors

Mr. Quint advised that Resolution No. 19-12 is endorsing the recommendations made from Foursquare. There was no action taken by CTAC on Resolution No. 19-12 at the October CTAC meeting.

**f. Resolution 19-13, Directing that a Public Comment Period & Public Hearing be Held Prior to Amending the Fiscal Year 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) – Nick Quint**

There was no action taken by CTAC on Resolution No. 19-13 at the October CTAC meeting.

**g. Resolution 19-14, Amending the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to update the Mudd Tavern Road Widening Project – Nick Quint**

Mr. Quint advised that Resolution No. 19-14 is amending the TIP to add funding for this fiscal year for right-of-way cost and for next year construction cost west of I-95 to Route 1 and this project will go from 2 to 4 lanes.

There was no action taken by CTAC on Resolution No. 19-13 at the October CTAC meeting.

**Correspondence** – Included in tonight’s agenda packet and are self-explanatory

**Member Report**

Mr. Brown asked who sets the CTAC agenda. Mr. Quint stated that FAMPO sets the agenda; however, at any time, any member can request an agenda item be added for discussion purposes at an upcoming meeting. Mr. Quint stated that should a member wish to add an agenda item they just need to contact him, and the item will be added to the next agenda.

Mr. Hollaran asked if the FAMPO CTAC agenda packets could be received earlier as he just received this the day before the meeting. Ms. Hairfield stated that usually the agenda packet is posted on the FAMPO website by Monday.

Mr. Farley asked if there is any data or feedback available regarding either success or failure on the northbound Route 3 entry lane project. Mr. Quint stated that to date no official data has been provided from VDOT; however, the general comments staff has heard seem to be mixed – some feel it has helped Route 3 but not reduced traffic congestion on I-95. Mr. Quint stated he would follow-up with VDOT to see if any data is available. Mr. Gormley stated that possibly VDOT could be asked to come to the December CTAC meeting to provide updates on the Route 3 safety improvement project.

## **Adjourn**

The October meeting concluded at 7:20 p.m. The next CTAC meeting will be held on December 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. *Meeting Minutes completed by Joanna Roberson*