

Reston Transportation Service District Advisory Board

North County Government Center

February 25, 2019

Board Members in Attendance:

Kelley Westenhoff

Alexander Rough

Margaret "Maggie" Parker

Peter Henry

John R Mooney

Anne Mader

Mark Ingraio

Robert Goudie

Board Members not in Attendance:

Hank Schonzeit

Others in Attendance:

Tom Biesiadny, FCDOT

Ray Johnson, FCDOT

Mary Ann Tsai, Department of Zoning

Summary Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Maggie Parker.

There was a brief round of introductions.

Maggie Parker moved to approve the October 23, 2018 minutes, the motion was seconded by Robert Goudie. The board approved the minutes with Mark Ingraio abstaining, stating he was not present at the October 23rd meeting.

Lee Lipsey, a home owner in West Market, asked whether the committee was advising the Board of Supervisors about parking management and plans for on street parking. Maggie Parker responded that the committee cannot direct the BOS on the policy. Tom Biesiadny mentioned that Fairfax County does not have a current on-street parking plan. However, there are high level plans to study best practices for Reston and Tysons to help direct future parking policies. Lee Lipsey brought up other concerns regarding discrepancies between the Reston website and the Tysons website in regards to the potential uses for revenue from paid parking. She is also concerned that the website shows there are four vacancies on the committee. Goldie Harrison from Supervisor Hudgins office agreed to post a need for volunteers in the next newsletter. Lee Lipsey mentioned she would encourage women voters to get involved.

Ray Johnson, FCDOT, presented a review of the Reston Transportation Funding Plan, which was approved by the Board of Supervisors on February 28, 2017. A detailed presentation packet was presented which included a review of the Reston Funding Plan. The review included a list of roadway improvements, intersection improvements, and grid of streets that were adopted by the Board of Supervisors on February 28, 2017. There was an overview of how the Reston Network Analysis Advisory Group was used to shape future grid of streets, and timing/prioritization for project funding, as well as, how VDOT gathered feedback and input from the greater Reston Community. Ray Johnson continued by reviewing the current costs of the funding plan improvements, which he explained is reviewed annually to respond to areas of growth and change within the TSAs. A summary was given of the projects, revenue sources, and allocations, as well as, the projects priorities and their general timeframes. Ray Johnson explained that the staff welcomes feedback from the committee on the prioritization of projects. The staff recommends to the committee that the Reston Transportation Service District Rate be held at \$0.021 per \$100 of assessed value in fiscal year 2020, which is consistent with the funding plan. The staff is not recommending any changes to the rate. Maggie Parker explained that the Tysons rate is \$0.05 and it has been recommended to remain the same for FY 2020.

Ray Johnson reviewed the Fairfax County road fund area rates and adjustments. He also explained that the Reston Parkway at Baron Cameron Avenue intersection project should be initiated by the end of FY 2019. Tom Biesiadny explained that this is the second project FCDOT is recommending to initiate this year. Ray Johnson reminded the committee that The Reston Funding Plan cash flow was presented to the Advisory Board in the Fall of 2018 and that it is available online at the Reston Transportation Service District Advisory Board's County website.

Ray Johnson updated the Advisory Board about the current development activity of the Reston Transit Station Areas. New major construction areas include CoreSite Data Center, Reston Gateway, and Reston Station Office Building 3. Mary Anne Tsai updated the board on the current development totals for approved and in-process Reston TSA Development applications. Four total zoning actions were approved from October 1, 2018- January 31, 2019. These four areas include, Pulte Home Corporation, Woodfield Acquisition, Ag-Arc, and JBG/1831 Wiehle & EYA. There are four development applications that have been submitted and are in process. These include, APA Properties, Campus Commons, Association Drive, and Reston Crossing.

Ray Johnson gave the following project updates:

- Interim improvements at Fairfax County Parkway at Sunrise Valley Drive.
- Soapstone Connector
- Town Center Parkway DTR Underpass

Reston – Wide Project Updates included:

- Dulles Rail Silver Line Phase 2
- Dulles Corridor Metrorail Projects
- Route 7 Widening
- Reston Metrorail Access Group

John R Mooney asked about the right of way for the Soapstone Connector Project. Tom Biesiadny responded that the alignment in red (on page 27 of presentation) is the preferred alignment. A discussion was had that there is concern about a group of historic buildings on Association Drive and VDOT is looking for alternatives to avoid these buildings. There will be a community process within the next year. Maggie Parker and John Mooney asked about the Route 7 widening project construction planning. Tom Biesiadny responded that there will be a public meeting, it is tentatively set for May 7th, to discuss the details of how the construction will take place.

Robert Goudie brought up concerns that the county is not doing a good enough job communicating the Reston Funding Plan Project to the community and that citizens do not fully understand the process. There was a discussion regarding funding sources. Tom Biesiadny explained that funding sources may change over the years and the cash flow is a reasonable estimate based on the timeline, but this may also change over time. VDOT applies for the NVTA every two years and is constantly applying for and securing other funds as the projects move along.

Ray Johnson responded to a follow –up from the previous meeting stating that per the Fairfax County Department of Taxation in July 2018, there were 7,259 vehicles registered in the Reston Service District. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 25, 2019. The Advisory board will discuss and vote on the service district FY 2020 rate recommendation for the Board of Supervisors. Robert Goudie requested that the Advisory Board consolidate its meetings. John Mooney expressed that he had no objections so long as the committee has sufficient time and information to perform its purpose as a deliberative assembly and does not become just a rubber stamp. Overall the group agreed this was a good idea for future meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.