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Fairfax County Transportation Advisory Commission

Meeting Notes

Regular Meeting – 7:30 PM, December 18, 2018

Location: **Duangrat's Thai Restaurant 5878 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041**

Web Site: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/tac/meetings>

Note-Taker: Michael Champness

TAC Members in Attendance: Chairman Jeff Parnes (Sully), Vice Chairman Jenifer Joy Madden (Hunter Mill), Secretary Roger Hoskin (Mason), Linda Sperling (At-Large), Kevin Morse (Braddock), Mike Champness (Dranesville), Lewis Brodsky (Lee), Vincent Fusaro (Mt. Vernon), and MaryPauline Jones (Fairfax Area Disability Services Board).

TAC Members Absent: Eric Thiel (Springfield). The Providence District representative remains vacant.

Others in Attendance: Tom Biesiadny, Mark Canale and Calvin Lam (FCDOT).

Agenda and Discussion Topics

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Parnes at 7:35 p.m. The minutes of the November 13, 2018, meeting were all accepted.

Commissioner Champness updated the TAC and its guests Tom Biesiadny, FCDOT Director, and Mark Canale, the recipient of the TAC Transportation Achievement Award on the results of the December 11th Futures Work Group (WG) meeting, where Eta Davis discussed County plans to submit a bid for a grant to support an autonomous vehicle shuttle, and Hari Sripathi updated the group on VDOT autonomous vehicle efforts. The WG also discussed ways it could support needed assessments of new technologies, to include discussing with Reg Viray of Virginia Tech Technical Institute the possibility of using Virginia Tech students earning course credit. Six members of the TAC were able to participate, the largest number yet to attend a Futures WG meeting. Unfortunately, Leonard Wolfenstein and Sean Schweitzer from FCDOT were unable to attend due to other mandatory County obligations.

Commissioner Champness asked Mr. Biesiadny about his preferences for how the Futures WG could best assist FCDOT to assess emerging technologies. Mr. Biesiadny did not have a specific area he needs the TAC to focus on, and asked the Futures WG to provide him recommendations of where to concentrate. Mr. Biesiadny asked Commissioner Champness to come meet with him early in 2019 to discuss this topic further and explore options for how the WG could proceed.



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Commissioner Champness mentioned that a primary take-away from the Futures WG meeting was the need for the WG to remain mindful of the appropriate role(s) for Fairfax County in emerging transportation technologies. In particular, the WG discussed the unique role of the TAC in providing policy advice to the Board of Supervisors and in providing an outlet for public involvement, and how this role complements the more technical efforts of VDOT. Another example discussed extensively during the meeting was the role of Fairfax County in establishing curb-side access rules that balance parking, delivery, and passenger pick-up needs, among others. Mr. Sripathi referred the WG to recent efforts of the Institute of Transportation Engineers, ITE.ORG.

Mr. Biesiadny mentioned that just earlier that week, FCDOT staff had presented the initial results of a Tysons/Reston On-Street Parking Management Study to the Board Transportation Committee, and suggested that the TAC might want to get an update briefing. The TAC agreed with this suggestion, but because of pressing TAC business in early 2019 decided to have the presentation given to the Futures WG instead. The target dates for the parking study briefing to the TAC Futures WG is either January 22 or 29, 2019.

Comment & Feedback on Previous Meetings' Presentations

Commissioners did not have any comments or feedback on last month's presentation on the Metro Bus Transformation Project.

TAC Subcommittee on Planning for the Future Working Meeting

The Futures Working Group is scheduled tentatively for January 22 or 29, 2019, for a briefing on the Tysons/Reston On-Street Parking Management Study.

Planned Agenda for next meeting

- **January 15, 2019:** Fairfax Connector and Metrobus Plans for Alternative Service during WMATA's Reconstruction of Blue/Yellow Lines South of Reagan National Airport Station

Topics for Future Meetings

- **TBD:** Joint meeting date with the Planning Commission's Transportation Committee on what their vision is for future development and any changes in planning and zoning guidelines that may be needed to account for future work environment given the pace and impacts of technology advances.



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Other Business

None

Announcements and Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events/Other Meetings:

February 12, 2019	3:00 pm	Board Transportation Committee Meeting
May 14, 2019	9:30 am	Board Transportation Committee Meeting
July 9, 2019	9:30 am	Board Transportation Committee Meeting

Upcoming TAC Meetings:

January 8, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
January 15, 2018	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
February 5, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
February 19, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
March 5, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
March 19, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
April 2, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
April 16, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
May 7, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
May 21, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
June 4, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
June 18, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
July 2, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
July 16, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
August 6, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
August 20, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
September 3, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
September 17, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
October 1, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
October 15, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
November 5, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
November 19, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)
December 3, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
December 17, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)