

## County of Fairfax, Virginia

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# Fairfax County Transportation Advisory Commission 2022 WORK PLAN

**GUIDING PRINCIPLES, FOCUS AREAS and OUTREACH PARTNERS January 18, 2022** 

### **Guiding Principles**

- Apply holistic approach to addressing issues to maximum extent practical
- Recognize complexion of issues differ between Magisterial districts, across demographics, and among transportation users of varying economic means
- Inform and integrate transportation improvement priorities with economic development strategies, land use plans, and equity and environmental considerations
- Question pre-COVID assumptions in post-COVID environment
- Solicit involvement from citizens, advocacy groups, and other outside stakeholders in TAC conversations/initiatives based on issues being addressed
- Fairfax desires to be a test bed for new transportation technologies
- Goal of TAC: *Not just take a position, but point to a solution*

#### **Focus Areas**

- Transit Oriented Development (CP Objectives 3, 5, 7, 11)
  - Lead Commissioner(s)
    - Sitnikb
    - Hoskin
  - o Urban design standards/"Making Place" (e.g., Tysons, Mosaic District, Reston, etc.)
    - Retain/enhance access to flexible non-POV transportation options
  - Future road design parameters
    - Complete Streets (target seven activity areas first) "Complete network of streets"
    - Inform and informed by definition of roads vs. streets; narrow lanes
    - Revise 85% solution criteria?
    - Lower speed limits/enforcement
    - LOS exemptions
    - Four quadrant crosswalks (tie to pedestrian and bike safety)
    - Balance with smoothing traffic flow and classic road improvement projects
  - o Curbside management and parking strategies; last mile delivery strategies
  - Outreach partners
    - TBD
- Vehicle congestion mitigation (CP Objectives 3, 5, 7, 11)
  - Lead Commissioner(s)
    - Champness



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- Transportation Demand Management
  - Encourage continued telework; balance with return-to-work plans
  - Demonstrations
  - Review proffer strategy and post-COVID TDM incentive structure
  - Widen participation beyond new developments
  - Provide employee productivity assurances to participating organizations
- Outreach partners
  - Tysons Transportation Management Association (TMA) Task Group
  - Dulles Area Transportation Association
  - Other TMAs and other partners TBD
  - Planning and Zoning Commission
  - Others TBD
- Trails, Sidewalks and Bikeways (CP Objectives 4, 5, 9, 13; Active Trans Plan Update)
  - Lead Commissioner(s)
    - Westenhoff
    - Glenn
  - Active Fairfax and Safe Streets for All Program
  - Pedestrian and bike safety
    - Progress on "Vision Zero"/"Toward Zero Deaths"
      - Road design standards
      - Stop use of 85<sup>th</sup> percentile standard on non-interstate roads
    - Safety education programming for motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians
      - Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS)
      - Learn to Ride programming
    - Legal rights of vulnerable road users
      - Role for enforcement?
  - Walking and biking network
    - Building a connected trail network
    - Sidewalk and trail maintenance and snow removal
    - Pedestrian oriented streetlighting
  - Outreach partners
    - Fairfax Alliance for Better Bicycling
    - Fairfax Families for Safe Streets
    - Capital Trails Coalition
    - Coalition for Smarter Growth
    - Fairfax County Trails, Sidewalks, and Bikeways Committee
    - Others TBD
- Strategies and Policies (CP Objectives 1, 6, 8, 10, 12)
  - Lead Commissioner(s)
    - Hancock
  - o Provide inputs into Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan (CP)

- o Look for opportunities to provide inputs into other plans, as follow:
  - Fairfax County Strategic Plan
  - Fairfax County Health Plan
  - Transportation Priorities Plan (TPP)
  - County-wide Transit Network Study
  - Other plans TBD
- o Identify strategies and policies to modify or create
- Outreach partners
  - FCDOT
  - VDOT
  - Others TBD
- Areas to monitor
  - o Major legacy infrastructure investments (Comprehensive Plan (CP) Objectives 1, 2)
    - Lead Commissioner(s): TBD
    - Outreach Partners: TBD
  - o Flexible non-POV transportation (CP Objective 2; Active Trans Plan Update)
    - Lead Commissioner(s): TBD
    - Outreach Partners: TBD
  - o Monitor development of new transportation technologies (CP Objective 13)
    - Lead Commissioner(s): Theil
    - Outreach partners: Relay Team, Others TBD

#### **Outreach Partners**

- Partnerships/Outreach/Communications (CP Objectives 3, 5, 13)
  - o FCDOT
  - VDOT ✓
  - Regional cooperative bodies (Transportation Planning Board, NVTA, NVTC Planning Group, MWCOG, GWBOT, GWP, etc.)
  - o Transportation advocacy groups/working groups
  - Citizen HOAs etc: Cornerstones, Young Adult Advisory Council, Good Shepherd (Richmond Highway)
  - Other Fairfax County Boards and Commissions
  - o Supervisor's transportation aides
  - o State and local elected officials (for information exchange, not advocacy)
  - o Federal: National Park Service, Federal Highway Administration, DOT
  - Utilize extensive FCDOT outreach network