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Fairfax County Transportation Advisory Commission Meeting Notes

REGULAR MEETING – February 15, 2022, at 7:30 pm

Location: Virtual Meeting

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

Note-Taker: Roger Hoskin

TAC Members in Attendance: Chair Mike Champness (Dranesville), Vice Chair MaryPauline Jones (Fairfax Area Disability Services Board), Secretary Roger Hoskin (Mason), Linda Sperling (At-Large), Kevin Morse (Braddock), Kelley Westenhoff (Hunter Mill), Pete Sitnik (Mount Vernon), and Jeremy Hancock (Providence).

TAC Members Absent: Alexis Glenn (Lee), M. David Skiles (Sully), and Eric Thiel (Springfield).

Others in Attendance: FCDOT staff: Jeff Hermann, Marcus Moore, and Calvin Lam (Staff Liaison to the TAC). Michael A. Davis, Land Development Services, Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES); William Mayland and Austin Gastrell, Department of Planning and Development (DPD); and Iain Banks, Nelson/Nygaard, Consultants.

Special Guests/Observers/Public: N/A

Opening Remarks

The meeting was called to order by Chair Champness at 7:33 pm. Chair Champness then proceeded with the protocol necessary to justify a virtual meeting.

To fulfill procedural obligations of virtual meetings, Chair Champness and Commissioner Jones performed the opening procedures for a virtual meeting via WebEx. Meeting recording and materials will be posted online at: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/tac/meetings

The location of each member was announced by voice because they are participating remotely from their private residence.

- Chair Michael Champness – McLean
- Linda Sperling (At-Large) – Clifton
- Kevin Morse (Braddock) - Burke
- Kelley Westenhoff (Hunter Mill) – El Paso, TX
- Secretary Roger Hoskin (Mason) – Falls Church
- Pete Sitnik (Mount Vernon) – Mount Vernon
- Jeremy Hancock (Providence) – Falls Church

- Vice Chair MaryPauline Jones (Fairfax Area Disability Services Board) – Herndon

Chair Champness made a first motion to *"determine that each member's voice can be adequately heard by each other member of this Commission."* It was seconded by Commissioner Morse and unanimously approved.

Chair Champness made a second motion that *"the State of Emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe for this Commission to physically assemble and unsafe for the public to physically attend any such meeting. I further move that this Commission may conduct this meeting electronically through a dedicated audio-conferencing line, and that the public may access this meeting by Microsoft Teams online platform or by calling: 1-571-429-5982, phone conference ID: 692 790 810. The phone number for ADA is 711. Access information is also available at the TAC website at: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/tac/meetings".* It was seconded by Commissioner Sitnik and unanimously approved by the Commission.

Chair Champness made a third motion that *"all of the matters on the agenda previously furnished and posted on the TAC website are necessary for continuity in Fairfax County government, and/or are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations and the discharge of this Commission's lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities".* It was seconded by Commissioner Morse and unanimously approved by the Commission.

Commissioner Sitnik made a motion to approve the January meeting Minutes. It was seconded by Commissioner Morse. Commissioner Hancock made a motion to amend the Minutes. It was approved as amended from the floor by the Commissioners, with Commissioner Westenhoff abstaining.

Agenda and Discussion Topics:

Parking Reimagined: Off-Street Parking and Loading Regulations

Michael A. Davis, Land Development Services, Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES); William Mayland and Austin Gastrell, Department of Planning and Development (DPD); and Iain Banks, Nelson/Nygaard, Consultants; made a presentation on the revision of parking regulation. The objective of the Parking Re-Imagined project is to update parking regulations in light of changes in County demographics and changing policy objectives for the County. Parking is to be considered as a resource much as any other land use in the County. As a resource, parking should be managed to enhance its value, and demand for parking is being altered by technology and changes in behavior. The objective is to propose changes in zoning code that take into account changes in development and desired changes in development.

Parking regulation should consider different demand management approaches like tiered regulation based on land use density, shared parking, among other techniques. The Commission's questions centered on estimation of demand, would estimation error on the side of sufficiency, equity issues were raised regarding non-motorized uses e.g., bicycles, scooters and pedestrians, parking and electric vehicle demand was raised and parking for commercial vehicles was raised. Also, discussed was integration of on-street parking demand and off-street parking

demand.

A likely timeline is to have an initial proposal by May, then proceed through the public outreach and revision phase before presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

Review of TAC 2022 Work Plan

The TAC prepared to present the Work Plan to the Board Transportation Committee (BTC) on March 1, 2022. There were no comments from the Commission. Commissioner Sitnik made a motion to approve the 2022 Work Plan version 7 to present the Plan to the BTC. It was seconded by Commissioner Jones and unanimously approved by the Commissioners.

Public Comment Period: N/A

Other Business and Announcements

Discussed were possible topics for the March meeting. Also, raised was the non-attendance of one Commissioner and possible remedies.

Commissioner Jones moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 pm. It was seconded by Commissioner Morse and unanimously approved by the Commission.