



# County of Fairfax, Virginia

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## Fairfax County Trails, Sidewalks and Bikeways Committee (TSB)

June 11, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Room 8, Fairfax County Government Center

12000 Government Center Pkwy

Fairfax, VA 22035

Website: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/trails>

Howard Albers, Secretary

**Members Present:** Ken Comer (At Large/Chair), Bob Cosgriff (Braddock District/Vice-Chair), Howard Albers (Washington Area Bicyclists Association), Jim Corcoran (Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA)), Lydia Lawrence (Dranesville), Jim Klein (Mount Vernon), Erin Partlan, (Franconia), Brooks Stephens (Providence), and Karen Ampeh (Sully).

**Member Proxies:** Maria Lashinger (Northern Virginia Builders Industry Association) given to the Vice-Chair.

**Members Absent:** Alex Rough (Hunter Mill District), Kathryn McDaniel (Clifton Horse Society), Shawn Newman (Fairfax Alliance for Better Bicycling FABB) Noel Popwell (Springfield), and Mark Tipton (Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Association).

**Seats Vacant:** (Vacant), Fairfax Area Disability Services Board, (Vacant) (Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority), and Vacant (Mason District).

**Others in Attendance:** Andrew Sheldon, Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT),

**Call to Order:** Ken Comer called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. A quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes:** The May14, 2025, meeting minutes were approved.

### Committee Business:

Fairfax County requires that the Trails, Sidewalks, and Bikeways Committee re-approve the Policy for the Remote Participation of Members. A copy was distributed with the meeting agenda, and a copy is attached to the minutes. After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to re-approve the policy. The motion was approved. The remote login procedures will be included in the meeting agenda.

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Bob Cosgriff reported on the June 5 Planning Commission Policy Plan Committee Meeting he attended. Bob mentioned that the current text of the document was not sent to him before the meeting, so he was not able to make comments related to trails, sidewalks and bikeways. Several committee members will draft comments about the need for the county to quantify the level service for all trails, sidewalks and bikeways in the county. The letter will be discussed at the July meeting.

Erin Partlan led a discussion about how to improve coordination with others that are also interested in trails, sidewalks, and bikeways.

Jim Klein reported on the I-495 Southside Express Lane Study meeting that he recently attended. The VDOT drawings and staff comments were too general to describe where the proposed shared use path would be located. Jim suggested that committee members write to VDOT with their concerns.

Howard Albers reported that his term on the TSB Committee representing the Washington Area Bicyclists Association ends on June 30, 2025, and that he will be leaving the committee. A new committee secretary will need to be selected.

**Staff Report:** Andrew Sheldon reported that FCDOT will have a draft of an active transportation map for public review later this summer.

The NOVA Loop Trail is still under review. FCDOT hopes to have it ready by early fall so several trail events can be held in October 2025.

**Public Comments:** None

**Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Minutes were approved by the TSB Committee on 9 July, 2025