

**Fairfax County Transportation Advisory Commission**  
**Meeting Notes**  
**Regular Meeting – 7:30 PM, September 17, 2019**

Location: Fairfax County DOT, 4050 Legato Road, Suite 400, Conf. Rooms 400.06 & 400.08  
Fairfax, Virginia 22033

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

Note-Taker: Lew Brodsky

**TAC Members in Attendance:** Chairman Jeff Parnes (Sully), Secretary Roger Hoskin (Mason), Kevin Morse (Braddock), Lewis Brodsky (Lee), MaryPauline Jones (Fairfax Area Disability Services Board).

**TAC Members Absent:** Vice Chairman Jenifer Joy Madden (Hunter Mill), Eric Thiel (Springfield), Linda Sperling (At Large), Mike Champness (Dranesville). Vincent Fusaro (Mount Vernon) resigned (via email) on August 15, 2019. The Providence District representative remains vacant.

**Agenda and Discussion Topics**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Parnes at 7:30 p.m. He noted a quorum was present. The first order of business was a presentation (with discussion) entitled “Transform 66 Outside the Beltway.” The presenter was Christopher Doherty, Director of Corporate Affairs, I-66 Express Mobility Partners (EMP). Also attending and contributing were Martha Coello, FCDOT Special Projects Manager; and Michelle Holland of VDOT. A paper copy of Mr. Doherty’s [PowerPoint slides](#) is attached to these minutes.

Discussion points included:

- This is a major public/private partnership project (\$3.5 billion) to relieve congestion on I-66 outside the beltway (reportedly, the road suffers 8-10 hours of congestion per day), install HOV express lanes on Interstate 66 (with and without tolling), preserve and improve multimodal/bicycle paths, improve key interchanges, and preserve median space for possible future use by an extended Metrorail system.
- EMP was the successful bidder (of two bidders) on this project. EMP is comprised of four companies, all based overseas: Cintra (Spain), Meridiam (France), APG (Netherlands), and John Laing Group (UK).
- Mr. Doherty said EMP has thus far conducted approximately 250 community outreach briefings about this project. There is an active public website about the project: [transform66.org](http://transform66.org).
- The plan is to complete and open the I-66 “HOV 3” express lanes by December 2022.
- Certain trucks will be allowed on the express lanes; some towed vehicles may not be allowed. Trucks will be charged a toll three times the rate for an automobile

There was discussion about the plans to improve two I-66 interchanges: Route 28 and Nutley Road. The re-design of the Route 28 interchange will eliminate the Route 28 traffic lights on the north

and south sides of I-66 with a series of ramps, bridges, and flyovers. At Nutley Road, dual rotaries will be used to improve access ramps and slow traffic coming off I-66.

Chairman Parnes expressed concern about plans for a new truck-friendly overpass at Poplar Tree Road. He remarked that portions of the road itself have signs posted disallowing “thru trucks,” and that the new overpass will attract truck traffic. The VDOT and FCDOT representatives said they will look into this.

### **Acceptance of Minutes:**

The July TAC meeting minutes were approved.

### **TAC Transportation Achievement Award:**

MaryPauline Jones chaired the committee that considered candidates for the 2018 award. She moved that the award be presented to Nathan Williamson. This was approved by unanimous vote of the commissioners present.

### **Futures Working Group Meeting Schedule:**

Two meetings are scheduled for this group: October 1 and October 29, 2019.

### **Board of Supervisors Transportation Committee Meeting:**

TAC Chairman Parnes attended this meeting on September 10, 2019.

It included an update on Metrorail’s summer construction and the re-opening of the Blue and Yellow Line stations south of Reagan National Airport. Many commuters had become accustomed to using the special bus routes and shuttles that were running during the shutdown and some had asked that those Fairfax Connector routes be continued. Other topics discussed; Update on Silver Line Phase 2 construction and implementation; Merrifield Site Special Plan Amendment; and changes to Federal Law removing toll exemptions for Hybrid vehicles.

**Other Business:** none

### **Planned Agenda for Next Meeting:**

Update on scooter regulation from FCDOT.

Commissioner Champness will talk about activities of the Subcommittee on Planning for the Future, in preparation for the Board Transportation Committee meeting in December.

- **October 15, 2019:**
  - Update on Scooter Regulation – Noelle Dominguez, FCDOT
  - TAC Subcommittee on Planning for the Future Report to the BOS (Preparation for the BTC Meeting on December 10, 2019) – Commissioner Champness

- **November 19, 2019:**
  - Smart Traffic Lights – VDOT
  - Finalize TAC Subcommittee on Planning for the Future Report to the BOS (Preparation for the BTC Meeting on December 10, 2019) – Commissioner Champness
- **December 17, 2019: TAC Annual Dinner Meeting**
- **January 21, 2020:** Metrorail Silver Line Phase II Bus Service Reconfiguration – Michael Felschow, FCDOT
- **February 18, 2020:** Bicyclists and Motorists Interaction
- **March 17, 2010:** Presentation on Implementation and Results of Fairfax Commuter Route 698 and 699
- **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

**Announcements:**

Chairman Parnes noted that it is time to identify candidates for election to the positions of TAC Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary. Commissioners interested in announcing for these positions should notify Calvin Lam.

Commissioner Brodsky informed the commissioners that he is resigning as Lee District Commissioner and that this is the last meeting he will attend. He said Lee District will appoint his replacement.

**Upcoming Events/Other Meetings:**

<b>September 10, 2019</b>	<b>1:30 pm</b>	<b>Board Transportation Committee Meeting</b>
<b>October 22, 2019</b>	<b>1:30 pm</b>	<b>Board Transportation Committee Meeting</b>
<b>December 10, 2019</b>	<b>1:30 pm</b>	<b>Board Transportation Committee Meeting</b>

**Upcoming TAC Meetings:**

August 6, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
<b>August 20, 2019</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)</b>
September 3, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
<b>September 17, 2019</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)</b>
October 1, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
<b>October 15, 2019</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)</b>
November 5, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
<b>November 19, 2019</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)</b>
December 3, 2019	7:30 pm	TAC Work Session (FCDOT)
<b>December 17, 2019</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>TAC Regular Meeting (FCDOT)</b>