

Location	Date / Time		
Elston Inn & Conf. Center	Thursday		
Patio Room C			
450 Sweet Briar Rd	Oct. 15, 2015		
Sweet Briar, VA 24595	4:00 PM		
*** Please note location***			

## **Agenda**

1.	Call to OrderStan Goldsmith, Chair
2.	Approval of the September 17, 2015 Meeting MinutesGoldsmith, Chair
3.	Public Hearing and Approval Consideration of the Plan 2040 Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan
4.	Consideration of a Resolution in Support for the City of Lynchburg FY 2017  Transportation Alternatives Program ApplicationBob White, Deputy Director
5.	Opportunity for Public Comment
6.	Matters from the Members
7.	AdjournmentStan Goldsmith, Chair
Ω	Information Items

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# Central Virginia Metropolitan Planning Organization (CVMPO)

#### October 15, 2015

### **Executive Director's Report**

#### 1. Call to Order

#### 2. Approval of Minutes – September 17, 2015 Meeting

(See Attachment 2)

The minutes of the September 17, 2015 meeting of the CVMPO are attached for your review and approval.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval.

# 3. Public Hearing and Approval Consideration of the Plan 2040 Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan

(See Attachments 3a and 3b)

The Plan 2040 Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan is presented for the member's consideration. A public hearing is required for this item. Attached is a briefing paper regarding the effort. Additionally, a resolution adopting the Plan is also attached.

The Transportation Technical Committee recommends approval of this item. A thirty day comment period is required for the item; comments will be provided at the CVMPO meeting.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

# 4. Consideration of a Resolution in Support for the City of Lynchburg FY 2017 Transportation Alternatives Program Application

(See Attachment 4)

The City of Lynchburg has requested a Resolution of Support by the CVMPO for its pending application to VDOT's Transportation Alternatives Program. The Dearington Elementary Safe Routes to School Completion Project request funding assistance to construct approximately 350 feet of sidewalk along Stoneridge Street in the Dearington neighborhood. The sidewalk installation, when completed and combined with other new sidewalks installed in the community, will create a safe and seamless walking route for students and residents to access Dearington Elementary School.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

- 5. Opportunity for Public Comment
- 6. Matters from the Members
- 7. Adjournment
- 8. Information Items
  - a. The CVMPO will be meeting at 4:00 p.m. on the following dates, unless otherwise noted or notified.
    - January 21, 2016
    - April 21, 2016
    - July 21, 2016
    - October 20, 2016
  - b. The attached list (*See Attachment 8*) identifies Central Virginia Transportation Improvement Program (CVTIP) amendments and adjustments accomplished. The amendments have been approved by the CVMPO. The adjustments have been approved by the staff in accordance with the MPO Adjustment Agreement, dated July 21, 2005. These adjustments do not require CVMPO approval since they are not new projects, but rather are projects that have adjustments made primarily to their funding stream or schedule.



### **Central Virginia Metropolitan Planning Organization**

828 Main Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor Lynchburg, Virginia 24504 September 17, 2015 at 4:00 pm

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

	Liberty University
Carl Boggess	Bedford County
Stan Goldsmith, Chair	
Jack Hobbs	Town of Amherst
William Mays	
Kim Payne	Lynchburg City
Turner Perrow.	Lynchburg City
Dean Rodgers	Amherst County
Frank Rogers	
Chris Winstead	Lynchburg VDOT District
MEMBERS ABSENT	
Ken Bumgarner	Town of Amherst
Ken BumgarnerJohn Sharp	
Ken BumgarnerJohn Sharp	
John Sharp  OTHERS PRESENT	Bedford County
OTHERS PRESENT Gary Christie	Bedford CountyRegion 2000
OTHERS PRESENT Gary Christie	
OTHERS PRESENT Gary Christie	
John Sharp  OTHERS PRESENT Gary Christie  Vlad Gavrilovic  Brad Robinson Matt Perkins.	
John Sharp  OTHERS PRESENT Gary Christie	

#### **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to Order

Stan Goldsmith called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes - July 16, 2015 Meeting

Upon a motion by Jack Hobbs to approve the minutes of July 16, 2015 as presented, duly seconded by Dean Rodgers, this motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Hearing and Consideration and Approval of an Amendment to the Public Participation Plan of the Central Virginia Metropolitan Planning Organization

Gary Christie provided a brief overview of the amendment to the Public Participation Plan to be considered by the MPO. Christie noted that a review by the Federal Transit Administration, in their Triennial Review of the GLTC examining statutory and administrative requirements, found that an addition to the CVMPO Public Participation Plan was needed in order to acknowledge GLTC's public participation process. Christie noted the additional language that would be added to the Public Participation Plan and read it aloud.

Stan Goldsmith, Chair, opened the Public Hearing at 4:05 pm. There were no comments received written or oral. Goldsmith closed the Public Hearing at 4:06 pm.

Upon a motion by Kim Payne to approve the amendment to the Public Participation Plan of the Central Virginia Metropolitan Planning Organization to acknowledge GLTC's public participation process, duly seconded by Frank Rogers, this motion carried unanimously.

#### 4. Status Report of the Central Virginia Long Range Transportation 2040

Bill Wuensch provided an update to the CVLRTP planning process. Wuensch stated that the Plan draft documents were available for review and provided an overview of the information presented in the draft plan documents. Wuensch stated that the draft Plan had been presented to the Transportation Technical Committee which approved a recommendation to present the Plan to the MPO for adoption. Wuensch stated that the Plan will be presented to the MPO at its October 2015 meeting.

Wuensch also provided the MPO information on how the Constrained List and the Vision List were developed.

Kim Payne inquired on how projects move from the vision list to the constrained list under HB2.

In reply to Payne's question, Rick Youngblood stated that if a project is scored and selected as a result of the HB2 process then by default that project will move to the constrained list because it will be funded through the program. Youngblood stated that projects that are funded from a different source, and subsequently go through the administrative process, most notably, approved amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program and to the Long Range Transportation Plan through public hearings, then those projects would be added to the constrained project list also.

Jack Hobbs inquired on how new projects, those that may develop prior to the next update of the LRTP, are considered for inclusion in the Plan.

In reply to Hobbs, Gary Christie stated that there will be a way for those newly recognized projects to be included in the CVLRTP. Rick Youngblood noted that through

new study initiatives that it is anticipated that new projects will surface and those projects will be scored and possibly moved into the priority listing through the same administrative process. Christie noted that the administrative process to updating the project list will be identified and presented to the MPO.

Turner Perrow noted a project regarding an entrance to Tyreeanna Road that he presented to the MPO for continued tracking and inclusion in the future in the CVLRTP.

Rick Youngblood stated that the LRTP process involves a substantial modeling effort which begins to identify potential problem areas which in turn helps populate the project list. Youngblood stated, that though the project referenced by Perrow is specifically not mentioned, it is indirectly captured through access management project and that that corridor is referenced in the CVLRTP vision project list.

Chris Winstead stated that one of the HB2 presentations to the Commonwealth Transportation Board in July 2015 was the presentation of a concept that the HB2 process take place every two years and on the off-year that revenue sharing and transportation alternative program programs might be considered on the off-year.

# 5. Region 2000 and Regional Connectivity: A Pilot Study of Economic Opportunity for the Future

Chris Winstead stated that he had spoken with Shannon Valentine and she has sent her regrets for not being present but that she is excited about of the focus on identifying multi-modal transportation options available to us can help sustain and grow jobs in Region 2000 through this study that she helped to initiate. Winstead noted that this pilot study correlates well to the work of the Blue Ridge Economic Coalition.

Vlad Gavrilovic presented background info on this pilot study by providing the project purpose, the proposed approach, and the highlights of the study, for example, one-on-one interviews with businesses and stakeholders and benchmarking of economy/connectivity of Central Virginia against peer regions. Additionally, Gavrilovic stated that one of the aspects of the study is to quantify economic benefits to connectivity to other regions (Roanoke, Danville and Charlottesville). Gavrilovic concluded his presentation with an overview of the benefits of the study to the Region and the Commonwealth, notably to encourage super-regional collaboration.

Stan Goldsmith questioned if this study would impact considerations for Route 29 access from Northern Virginia to the southern part of the State. Gavrilovic stated that this study would identify big picture linkages, such as percentages in improvement in travel time and how that translates into economic productivity, by offering quantifiable data for regions to use in making decisions for imitating specific projects.

Rick Youngblood stated that this study is intended to focus Lynchburg Region/Region 2000 and the regional economic impact of transportation connectivity.

Chris Winstead stated that there are no preconceived notations on the outcomes but rather provide objective understanding of job opportunities and potential hurdles an lend itself to addressing some of these issues.

Kim Payne commented that he hoped that the study would not only focus on commodity movement but also address linkages to the exchange of intellectual capital, an area that generates substantial growth and wealth. Payne questioned how study would be funded.

Gavrilovic noted that the most likely source of funding would be from the State, specifically a grant application through the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment as there is an interest in more specific information from a regional level.

Upon a motion by Kim Payne to approve the concept to study regional connectivity through this approach, duly seconded by Turner Perrow, this motion carried unanimously.

# 6. Discussion and Resolution Identifying HB2 Prioritized Transportation Projects for Submission by the MPO

Gary Christie stated that the MPO is seeking to submit two projects to the HB2 process. Christie noted that the MPO is asked to approve the resolution for the projects in the priority order that they are presented and as recommended by the Transportation Technical Committee, that being 1) Rt. 460, Timberlake Road, at Waterlick Rd. (Rt. 622) in Campbell County-intersection improvements and, 2) Rt. 221, Forest Road-from Gristmill Drive (Rt. 1426) to Graves Mill Drive (rt. 126) In Bedford County-intersection improvements.

Kim Payne questioned if these submittals impacted the project submissions from the other entities in the region.

In reply, Gary Christie stated that the MPO project submission will be considered in the statewide scoring and evaluation for funding whereas those prioritized projects submitted by the localities will be considered in both the statewide and district level application programs for funding consideration.

Upon a motion by Frank Rogers to approve the resolution to support the projects submissions by the MPO as prioritized, duly seconded by Jack Hobbs, this motion carried unanimously.

#### 7. Resolution Supporting Locality Project Submissions to HB2

Gary Christie stated that the resolution of support for those projects pertaining to Corridors of Statewide Significance submitted by the localities within the MPO planning boundary to the HB2 process will need a support from the MPO. Projects listed in the resolution for consideration of support were:

Amherst County

Project Description: Route 29 Business (Madison Heights) Sidewalk Improvement – complete sidewalk network along Route 29 Business

Project Type: Corridor of Statewide Significance, Regional Network, Safety

Project Description: Woody's Lake Road reconstruction and safety improvements Project Type: Corridor of Statewide Significance, Regional Network, Safety

Project Description: US Route 60 Sidewalk extension – Construct pedestrian facilities along Route 60 between Main Street and Whitehead Drive.

Project Type: Corridor of Statewide Significance, Regional Network and Safety

Campbell County

Project Description: Route 622 – Lynbrook Road roadway reconstruction and realignment.

Project Type: Corridor of Statewide Significance, Regional Network and Safety

City of Lynchburg

Project Description: Route 221 (Lakeside Dr.)/ Route501 (Old Forest Rd.) Intersection improvements – one way pairs.

Project Type: Corridor of Statewide Significance, Regional Network, Safety

Project Description: Odd Fellows Road - Part B – widen and reconstruction of roadway from Mayflower Dr. to Lynchburg Expressway.

Project Type: Corridor of Statewide Significance, Regional Network

Greater Lynchburg Transit Company

Project Description: Central Business District Circulator – Provide a fixed route circulator to service Lynchburg's downtown area.

Project Type: Corridor of Statewide Significance, Regional Network

Upon a motion by Kim Payne to adopt the resolution of support as presented for project applications submitted to HB2 by localities for projects within the MPO planning boundary, duly seconded by Turner Perrow, this motion carried unanimously.

#### 8. Opportunity for Public Comment

Stan Goldsmith, Chair opened the meeting for public comment. No comments were received written or oral.

#### 9. Matters from the Members

There were no further matters discussed.

#### 10. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Will Mays to adjourn, seconded by Jack Hobbs, Stan Goldsmith, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 5:00 pm.

Signed:	Date:	



Plan 2040 Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan

MPO Board Briefing Package

October 2015



# **Briefing Materials**

for MPO Board Review

# October 15, 2015 CVMPO Board Meeting

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# Part 1- Project Overview

The final documents of the Plan 2040 Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan will be considered for adoption by the Central Virginia MPO Board during this meeting.

#### **Background**

A long range transportation plan (LRTP) is a federally mandated planning effort that develops strategies and recommendations that can be used to improve a region's transportation system during the next 25 years. These plans must be updated every five years in order for an MPO to remain eligible for federal transportation funding. The plan being considered for adoption today—Plan 2040 CVLRTP— is the culmination of a 16 month planning effort that builds on the findings of the previous 2035 Plan, while updating some of the recommendations and strategies to better reflect the current planning context.

#### **Guiding Principles**

The planning effort was guided by a vision of the region's future that is founded upon the following principles:

- Our people enjoy a strong sense of community
- Our businesses thrive and prosper
- Our natural beauty flourishes
- Our region is accessible to businesses and visitors from around the world
- Our communities are safe and accessible to people of all ages and abilities

#### **Project Evaluation Tool**

One of the primary purposes of an LRTP is to identify transportation improvement projects that can be completed during the planning period in order to achieve the MPO's goals. In the effort to make this project selection process transparent and unbiased, forthcoming federal and state transportation planning legislation will require MPOs to select projects using performance based planning techniques.

In a performance based planning effort, future strategies and recommendations are identified through the use of standard and objective performance measurements. Pursuant to these efforts, a major focus of this plan update was to develop an objective project evaluation tool that effectively reflects the CVMPO's transportation needs and goals while satisfying these new legislative requirements. The objectives for this tool included the following:

- Create a transparent and objective project evaluation process that can effectively respond to the changing needs of the Central Virginia MPO region.
- Create a project evaluation tool that reflects the transportation goals and objectives that are supported by members of the public and local leaders.



- Create a project evaluation tool that is compatible with the performance factors that are defined by Virginia's House Bill 2.
- Create a project evaluation tool that strongly considers the economic development initiatives led
  by the region and the state, and acknowledges the importance of effective interregional
  transportation infrastructure for supporting the economic prosperity of the region.

#### **Outcomes**

After successfully developing a project evaluation tool that met these objectives, the tool was used to rate and prioritize the region's potential future transportation improvement projects. These results were used to create a prioritized Vision (Unconstrained) Project List. Note that due to funding constraints, the VDOT Six Year Improvement Program projects comprise the Fiscally Constrained Project List.

Furthermore, the Plan 2040 CVLRTP has enabled the CVMPO to achieve the following outcomes:

- To successfully satisfy emerging federal and state transportation planning requirements related to Performance Based Planning.
- To create a project evaluation tool that is compatible with Virginia's HB2 funding program, thus enhancing the region's competitiveness for available CTB funding.
- To establish a transparent evaluation process with stakeholder buy-in.
- To create a platform for transportation discussions and strategies in for the forthcoming Region 2000 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy update.

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# Part 2- Presentation of Final CVLRTP Document

Deliverable: Pre	esentation to MPC	Board; Final	<b>CVLRTP Documents</b>
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Purpose:	To present the final documents of the Plan 2040 CVLRTP in consideration for official adoption
MPO Action Requested:	Consider decuments and recommendations for final adoption

# A. Links to Plan 2040 CVLRTP Documents

The final documents for the Plan 2040 CVLRTP are available at the following location:

http://www.cvlrtp2040.org/take-a-look-at-the-final-2040-long-range-transportation-plan



# RESOLUTION ADOPTING PLAN 2040 - CENTRAL VIRGINIA LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Central Virginia Metropolitan Planning Organization (CVMPO) adopted the Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan, Year 2035 on October 21, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, the CVMPO is federally mandated to update its long range transportation plan every five years; and

WHEREAS, Plan 2040 Central Virginia Long Range Plan provides a blueprint for a transportation system that is vital to Central Virginia's growth and quality of life; and

**WHEREAS,** Plan 2040 includes regional multi-modal transportation vision, guiding principles and goals as well as a set of transportation projects to advance the growth and quality of life for Central Virginians; and

**WHEREAS,** Plan 2040 was developed in conjunction with an extensive public involvement effort, consideration of financial constraints, environmental, socioeconomic, and economic impacts, and consideration of the transportation and land use concerns of local, state, and federal governments;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the CVMPO does hereby duly adopt Plan 2040 - Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan.

ADOPTED this 15 <sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015 upon motion by, luly seconded by			
ATTESTED BY:  Gary F. Christie, Secretary Central Virginia Metropolitan	CERTIFIED BY:		
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## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT FOR THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG FY2017 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM APPLICATION

**WHEREAS**, the Central Virginia Metropolitan Planning Organization has and continues to support transportation projects that improve the safety for pedestrians to access community resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Central Virginia Metropolitan Planning Organization has and continues to support local and regional planning and construction projects to expand pedestrian and bicycle facilities and encourage residents to access community resources utilizing alternative transportation modes; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lynchburg has and continues to invest in expanding pedestrian and bicycle facilities to create safe walking and bicycling conditions for all residents, including creating safe access for students to local schools, and

**WHEREAS**, the City is requesting Transportation Alternatives Program funds to assist constructing new sidewalks in the Dearington neighborhood to increase safe pedestrian access for students to access Dearington Elementary School.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Central Virginia Metropolitan

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### **Attachment 8**

CVTIP 2015-2018 Amendment/Adjustments				
Date	Type of Change	UPC	Description	Resolution
5/15/2014	Adoption	NA	The Central Virginia Transportation Improvement Program (CVTIP) FY2015-2018 has been reformatted from the CVTIP FY2012-2015. Project descriptions and associated funding allocations in the CVTIP FY2015-2018 supercede those in the CVTIP FY2012-2015 as well as any associated adjustments and amendments.	NA
11/20/2014	Amendment	106533 106537	These amendments to the funding of the Odd Fellows Road Interchange and Greenview Drive Projects are related to Debt Service additions based upon the use of Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicles (GARVEE) Bonds being used to fund the projects.	NA
4/16/2015	Amendment	105610 105609	GLTC requested an MPO amendment to Section 4 of the Central Virginia Metropolitan Organizattion's Transportation Improvement Program FY15-18 (CVTIP hereafter) in order to properly align funding with current capital needs. This amendment also proposes the addition of two rail projects. Currently there is no "Construction: Rail" grouping for Lynchburg in the STIP.	NA
7/16/2015	Amendment	NA	This amendment includes funding realignments in Section 4 of the CVTIP to meet current capital needs of GLTC.	NA