

# Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

828 Main Street, 12th Floor, November 9, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.

## Final Minutes

### PRESENT

Paul Harvey, Chair (U/R)..... Campbell County  
Mariel Fowler (U/R)..... Bedford County  
Ryan Roberts (U)..... City of Lynchburg  
Tyler Creasy (U/R)..... Amherst County  
Erik Smedley (U/R)..... Bedford County  
Rick Youngblood (U/R) ..... VDOT-Lynchburg District  
Tom Martin (U)..... City of Lynchburg  
Matt Perkins (R)..... Town of Altavista  
Mitch Huber (U/R)..... Virginia Dept. of Rail & Public Transit  
Natalie Wilkins (U) ..... Greater Lynchburg Transit Company  
Kathryn Benedict (U/R) ..... FHWA-Virginia  
Rick Youngblood (U/R)..... VDOT-Lynchburg District  
Carol Moneymaker (U/R)..... VDOT-Salem District

### ABSENT

Mary Zirkle (R) ..... Town of Bedford  
Catherine (Leslie) Gamble (U/R) ..... Amherst County  
Andrew LaGala (U)..... Lynchburg Regional Airport  
Sara McGuffin (U) ..... Town of Amherst  
Johnnie Roark (R)..... Appomattox County  
Russell Thurston (R)..... Town of Brookneal  
Terry McGhee (R)..... Town of Appomattox

*U- Members representing the urbanized area of the region*

*R- Members representing the rural area of the region*

### OTHERS PRESENT

Ryan Krunz ..... VDOT – Central Office  
Mark Hermen ..... Kimley-Horn  
Landon Pratt ..... Kimley-Horn  
Rachel Frischeisen..... City of Lynchburg  
Carson Eckhardt ..... VDOT-Lynchburg District  
Kelly Hitchcock..... CVPDC/CVTPO  
Kirsten Trautman..... CVPDC/CVTPO

#### **1. Welcome & Introductions**

Paul Harvey called the meeting to order at 10:30 and led introductions and welcomed new attendees. Harvey noted Alec Brebner was unable to attend the meeting, thus the SMART SCALE Round 6 discussion would be removed from the agenda.

#### **2. Approval of Meeting Minutes: September 4, 2023**

Harvey entertained a motion to approve the September 4<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.

MOTION: Tom Martin made the motion to approve the September 4, 2023 minutes as submitted. Mariel Fowler seconded the motion. All were in favor; the minutes were approved.

### 3. **FY2024-2027 CVTIP Amendment**

Kelly Hitchcock provided an overview of the proposed FY24-27 CVTIP Amendments, including document wording changes per FTA request. Amendments included the already TTC Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) commuter rail service inclusion and also a range of GLTC FTA 5339 and 5307 program and project adjustments.

MOTION: Matt Perkins made the motion to recommend the CVTPO support the FY24-27 CVTIP amendments. Mariel Fowler seconded. With unanimous support the motion carried.

### 4. **CVPDC/CVTPO Safety Data Analysis**

Paul opened the floor to Ma'in (Ryan) Krunz and Mark Herman to present the preliminary data of the Safety Data Analysis. Mark Herman, Kimley-Horn provided an overview of safety data, with emphasis on fatality (K) and serious injury (A) crashes. The following capture key presented and discussed points.

- Herman provided brief overview of the Statewide Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and presented evaluation emphasis areas.
- Presented crash data for the region and each locality according to the SHSP emphasis areas.
- Data noted for the region the number of crashed impacted/reported including drowsy, alcohol, or distracted incidents.
- Provided overview of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Action Plan – safety evaluation factors
- Noted High-Injury Network goal to identify roadway segments for evaluation/solution evaluation in the network with significant proportion of severe crashes. Key to establish segment lengths that adequately captures adequate crash data. Evaluation strategy different for urban – more data points in the .4 to .6 mile length and rural – fewer points in length, need for additional crash factor, inclusion of expected minor injury (B) crashes.
- Presented recommendation; sought locality input
  - Lynchburg – 2KA per .4 to .6 segment. City supported recommendation.
  - Bedford – 2KA per .4 to .6 segment. Erik noted likely agree, will review with Bedford for confirmation.
  - Appomattox and Amherst – 2KAB crashes in segments. Tyler agreed with recommendation. Rick noted supported approach.
  - Campbell – 3KAB crashes. Given the combination of urban and rural in Campbell the need for additional # of crashed with B included provided a more reasonable image. Harvey approved approach.
- It was also noted that additional ranking that will come next will be the VDOT Tier I and Tier II evolution.
- Presented Underserved community data and use of USDOT equitability evaluation tools and factors.
- Presented the additional work that will be coming: update data with recent VDOT accident data and PSI data; finalize HIN data per locality segment length and crash focus recommendation.

**5. FY24 Work Program Update**

- **PSI/Intersection Safety Study**

Hitchcock noted the project kickoff meeting was held 10/31 and currently includes the six intersections noted previously.

- **RFP Process**

Alec Brebner led the on-call/bench RFP process, with proposed due the 16<sup>th</sup>. With strong firm participation expected, anticipate using the process for multimodal and SS2A projects.

**6. Matters from the Committee**

Hitchcock noted she is coordinating with Lynchburg is submitting a US DOT Thriving Community Technical Assistance grant, focusing on 12<sup>th</sup> Street. The LOI is due 11/15 and if successful, will provided for a final application early in 2024. Kathryn Benedict, FHWA, noted she would be happy to assist in any way with the letter of intent if needed.

**7. Adjournment**

Paul Harvey mentioned that their next meeting would be December 14<sup>th</sup> and entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION: Mariel Fowler motioned, seconded by Ryan Roberts, to adjourn. Harvey adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m.