Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

828 Main Street, 12th Floor May 8th, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.

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Christopher ArabiaVirginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation	
Lee BeaumontLiberty University	
Don DeBerryCity of Lynchburg	
Paul HarveyCampbell County	
Richard Metz	
Rick Youngblood	
ABSENT	
Doyle AllenBedford County Citizen Representative	
Jeremy Bryant	
Mark CourtneyLynchburg Regional Airport	
Michael GrayVDOT-Salem District	
Jack Hobbs	
Kevin LeamyBedford County	
Tom MartinCity of Lynchburg	
Karen WaltonGreater Lynchburg Transit Company	
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OTHERS PRESENT

David Cook	VDOT-Lynchburg District
Philipp Gabathuler	Local Government Council
Vlad Gavrilovic	Renaissance Planning Group
Matt Perkins	Local Government Council
Bob White	Local Government Council
Bill Wuensch	EP&R

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chairman Paul Harvey called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

2. Approval of the April 11, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Upon the motion of Don DeBerry to approve the minutes of April 11th, 2014 as presented, seconded by Richard Metz, the meeting minutes from April 11th, 2014 were approved unanimously.

3. Recommendation for Approval: Central Virginia Transportation Improvement Program Fiscal Years 2015-2018 (CVTIP 2015-2018)

Bob White provided an overview of the CVTIP 2015-2018 and the elements of the program. Bob specifically highlighted the three primary projects included in the program and the levels of funding according to project grouping. He mentioned that GLTC's items are included in the program and are consistent with what they have had in the past.

Upon the motion of Richard Metz to recommend the Central Virginia Transportation Improvement Program Fiscal Years 2015-2018 (CVTIP 2015-2018) to the CVMPO for approval as presented, seconded by Don DeBerry, this motion was approved unanimously.

Rick Youngblood recognized the staff's efforts and the effort of the CVMPO in moving this process along.

Agenda Addition

Endorsement of Statement of Certification Lynchburg Urbanized Area

Bob White noted that coinciding with putting forth the CVTIP that also put forth is the Statement of Certification Lynchburg Urbanized Area is presented and states that to the best of the CVMPO's knowledge that they are complying with the federal requirements

pertaining to the transportation planning process. Bob asked that the TTC endorse the Statement and recommend approval to the CVMPO.

Upon the motion of Don DeBerry to endorse the Statement of Certification Lynchburg Urbanized Area, seconded by Rick Youngblood, this motion was approved unanimously.

4. Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan Year 2040 Update

Bob White overviewed the ongoing process of the LRTP update. Bob mentioned that one of the principle matters to address was to open discussions on how we propose to move through an evaluation process of the projects that are found principally on the vision list. This discussion aligns with the process already happening on the State and Federal level specifically in regards to performance measures. Bob also mentioned that there have been some adjustments to the scheduling of the update.

Vlad Gavrilovic spoke to the Committee regarding the progress on MindMixer platform that will be used to leverage the public engagement process for the LRTP update. Vlad reviewed the preliminary MindMixer site, *cvlrtp2040.org*, reviewing the general functions of the site and how it interfaces with the LRTP project.

Additionally, Vlad briefed the Committee on prioritization and evaluation of projects for the LRTP 2040 update. He reviewed the guiding principles, goals and criteria from the 2035 update and reviewed the CEDS plan goals and objectives and compared the common themes and differences between the two documents. Moving forward with this existing foundation of prioritization in the region, Vlad discussed general performance management and also reviewed linkages between the CEDS and current LRTP update project. Vlad reviewed a proposed evaluation matrix using the vision themes from the update.

Vlad took a moment to explain current legislation that addresses prioritization of projects at the State level for the funds that are controlled by the Commonwealth Transportation Board, and are guided by a set of five criteria.

Rick Youngblood noted that the Region had recently gone through a prioritization process for the rural transportation projects and he is seeing some similarities in the new legislation. He noted that the Committee should be aware that the new legislation may have significant impacts on projects in the pipeline.

Bill Wuensch provided an update on his work with the regional travel demand model. Bill reviewed some of the differences in capacity needs already being seen in the preliminary stages of the modeling. Bill also identified some of the congestion and

stressed capacity points, most of which are in the City. These also help identify the levels of service at certain intersections and crash/accident rates.

Vlad and Bill took question from the Committee regarding the various aspects of the LRTP plan update and process.

5. Matters from the Committee

Rick Youngblood mentioned that the STARS 2 study on the Lynchburg Expressway is nearing its final stages and Rick expects that finalization of report should be September/October 2014.

Bob White mentioned the Six Year Improvement Program Public Meeting is May 15 at the VDOT Lynchburg District office. Also, he mentioned the MPO will be meeting on May 15th as well.

Chris Arabia mentioned that in September, DRPT will be supporting the "Try Transit" event week. Contest and rewards have been added to the event with a grand prize winner who will enjoy a year-long pass for transit services.

Kelly Hitchcock mentioned Bike Week events including Clean Commute Challenge and Bike Shorts Film festival.

6. Adjournment

A motion was made by Richard Metz to adjourn, seconded by Don DeBerry, and without objection Chairman Harvey adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Signed: Faul E. Harvey, Chair