

Charlotte Regional Alliance For Transportation

Technical Committee Meeting

January 22, 2019

10:00 AM

Gastonia City Hall

181 S. South Street, Gastonia

2nd Floor Conference Room

MINUTES

Members and Guests Present:

Andy Bailey	NCDOT-TPD, Western Piedmont Group Supervisor
Loretta Barren	FHWA, Transportation Planner
Stuart Basham	NCDOT Division 10, Division Planning Engineer
Dominique Boyd	NCDOT-TPD, Transportation Engineer
Curtis Bridges	CRTPO, Planner
Neil Burke	CRTPO, Secretary
Reuben Crummy	NCDOT-TPD, Transportation Engineer
Anna Gallup	CDOT, MRM Program Manager
Juan Garcia	Gaston County, Transportation Planning Analyst
Randi Gates	GCLMPO, Administrator
Chris Herrmann	RFATS, Transportation Planner
David Hooper	RFATS, Administrator
Robby Moody	CRCOG, Senior Planner
Michelle Nance	CCOG, Planning Director
Judy Dellert O'Keef	CRTPO, Public Information Specialist
Anil Panicker	NCDOT Division 12, Division Planning Engineer
Jason Wager	CCOG, Planner
Ricky Wyatt	SCDOT

- 1. Welcome:** The meeting began at 10:07 am. Mrs. Randi Gates opened the meeting by thanking everyone for attending then suggested going around the room with everyone introducing themselves and what group they represent.
- 2. Approval of Minutes:** Meeting minutes were reviewed. Neil Burke made a motion to approve the minutes and Robby Moody seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.
- 3. ACV Update (Information):** Jason Wager (CCOG) gave an informational presentation

on the latest developments CCOG has made in Autonomous Connected Vehicles (ACV) advancement. Mr. Wager discussed how CCOG has continued to try and prepare local governments and MPOs for the rollout of ACV and the unpredictable timeline of the program. CCOG, and the ACV taskforce, want to ensure continued discussion and planning for the appearance of ACV and have prepared an educational document for elected officials and staff that Mr. Wager presented to CRAFT for comments and reactions.

4. **UPWP Planning Priorities & Budgeting:** Randi Gates (GCLMPO) asked for discussion on the best way to coordinate language as it relates to the regional planning efforts for the Draft FY 19-20 UPWP. Discussion surrounded whether NCDOT would be partnering in the cost for CommunityVIZ and/or ITS. Andy Bailey (NCDOT-TPD) cautioned that it would be wise for communities to have contingency plans to cover these programs should NCDOT decline to fund either or both of them. Mr. Bailey also encouraged a resolution from CRAFT supporting one or both programs as regionally important.

Curtis Bridges (CRTPO) will work to get a resolution in support of CommunityViz and Centralina COG will draft a resolution of support for ITS. Michelle Nance (CCOG) stated that CCOG could provide a cost estimate for the FY 19-20 Regional Transit Engagement Series by mid-February so that MPOs can budget for their individual share.

5. **Annual Agenda Review & Priority Setting:** Randi Gates (GCLMPO) asked for a review of the Annual Agenda and Priorities following its creation in July 2018. Mrs. Gates asked for any additions/edits to the agenda to update for FY 19-20. It was decided that ArcGIS Online Initiative should be added to the agenda as a quarterly topic.

Neil Burke (CRTPO) noted that, due to staffing changes at CRTPO, it will not be feasible to have a CommunityViz update at the March meeting. The CommunityViz update will be moved to the May meeting.

Following a suggestion by David Hooper (RFATS) the possibility of including a TAM Plan special presentation at the March meeting was discussed. The possibility of including NCDOT, CATS and SCDOT in the discussion was mentioned.

6. **Regional Project Coordination:** Randi Gates (GCLMPO) gave a brief overview of the Catawba Crossings project history as well as the current status and future goals.

There was discussion of a P5.0 project from NC-279 to Pole Branch Rd. and the possibility of creating a map and list for a future meeting.

7. **Regional Updates:** Michelle Nance (CCOG) announced several upcoming events:
 - a. **COGU dates for 2019 are set** – AICP credits are available for these events
 - b. **COG Conference** – March 7-8, 2019
 - c. **GCLMPO/CRTPO 2nd Annual Meeting** – March 13, 2019
 - d. **Regional Transit Engagement Series** - Since the May 2018 Regional Transit Summit CCOG created an Advisory Group that has met fifteen (15) times.

Additionally, CCOG went county-to-county to conduct engagement and to discuss what should be in the scope for a regional plan and transit readiness. There have also been several meetings with stakeholders beyond elected officials. CCOG is currently looking at funding streams.

- e. **ITS** - There have been three (3) general meetings and three (3) smaller, scoping meetings. CCOG is moving forward with the SPR funding application.
- f. **CommunityViz** – CCOG is still waiting on the final funding decision from NCDOT.
- g. **Regional Freight Plan** – Mrs. Nance requested feedback on whether the private sector meetings seemed beneficial and if they should continue. General consensus was that the meetings should continue.
- h. **Mobi Awards** – CCOG is considering applying for this NCDOT award for the Freight Study.

Jason Wagerman (CCOG) noted that the Regional Transit Guide is being completed.

- 8. **Transportation Improvement Program Update:** David Wasserman (NCDOT) noted that the Draft STIP was released in early January with a few schedule adjustments and answered questions about specific projects. Mr. Wasserman also offered to present to the TCC or Boards as necessary.
- 9. **Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be March 26, 2019, hosted by RFATS.
- 10. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am.