



Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee First Half-Yearly Report January through June 2024 Update

The Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee (LUEPC) was established to replace the Planning and Coordination Council (PACC) by the County of Albemarle, the City of Charlottesville, and the University of Virginia (UVA) in 2019. The Committee shares and coordinates land use and development plans and projects; considers environmental and infrastructure issues facing the community; and, from time to time, advances ideas and solutions supporting the mutual advantage of these entities. As part of its charge, the Committee shall, not less than twice each year, submit a report summarizing the group's work.

The County, City and the University face similar environmental planning and project challenges. The committee, by its nature, creates opportunities to address these shared challenges by coordinating community messaging and institutional practices. The first half of 2024 continued the focus on project discussions and coordination. The agendas for the monthly meeting are formed around themes - either geographical areas or specific topics. This report will focus on some of the key themes under discussion. The Committee's meeting minutes and presentations are posted on the LUEPC website which is hosted by the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC): <https://vapacc.org>.

Beginning 2023, two new concepts were added to the LUEPC meetings:

1. A routine cadence in communications between LUEPC and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) where VDOT representatives are invited on a quarterly basis to share updates on transportation projects, and
2. The inclusion of regular guests with regional perspectives such as the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC).

Charge Statement

The Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee was established to share and coordinate land use and development plans and projects; consider environmental and infrastructure issues facing the community; and, from time to time, advance ideas and solutions that support our mutual advantage. The LUEPC may also serve as an advisory committee to the City, County, and UVA. The Committee will meet regularly to discuss timely issues from each entity and share that information with the public and each entity's senior leadership at biannual updates of all three entities. Through its work, the Committee further seeks to ensure that the actions, policies, and processes of the Committee are reflective of an ongoing commitment by the entities to support an equitable and inclusive community. The Committee defines equity as all community members having access to community benefits and opportunities needed to reach their full potential and to experience optimal well-being and quality of life; inclusion means that all



peoples shall be respected and valued as members of this community. The Three-Party Agreement dated May 5, 1986, remains in effect as to land use planning between the City, County and UVA.

Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee Summary of Activity

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Virtual meetings were routinely held via the Zoom meeting platform. Quarterly meetings were held in person at the site hosted by the chairing organization. For 2024, in-person meetings were held at Zehmer Hall, 104 Midmont Ln, Charlottesville VA 22903 and the County of Albemarle, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, VA 22902 as UVA served as chair of LUEPC with the City serving as vice-chair. In 2025, the City will serve as the chair of LUEPC.

January 19, 2024:

ALBEMARLE COUNTY AND UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Presenters: David Benish, Albemarle County, Planning Chief

Julia Monteith, UVA Office of the Architect, Associate University Planner

- [Three-Party Agreement Presentation](#)

February 16, 2024:

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA & RIVANNA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

Presenter: Elisa Langille, UVA Office of the Architect, Campus Planner

- [Institute of Biotechnology at Fontaine Research Park Presentation](#)

Presenter: Bill Mawyer, RWSA Executive Director

- [Ragged Mountain Reservoir Water Supply Presentation](#)

March 15, 2024

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Presenters: Dr. Torsha Bhattacharya, Virginia State office of Trails, Program Manager,

David Cook, VDOT, State Bicycle and Pedestrian Planner

- [VDOT State Trails Office Updates](#)

Presenter: Christine Fix, VPRA, Director of Planning

- [Virginia Passenger Rail Authority](#)

Presenter: Taylor Holden DRPT, Rail Planning and Data Manager

- [DRPT Corridor ID Program Virginia Overview](#)

April 19, 2024

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA FOUNDATION

Presenters: Frank Hancock, UVA Foundation, Real Estate Project Manager

Andi Cumbo, Birdwood Genealogy

- [Birdwood Cultural Genealogy Presentation](#)

May 17, 2024

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Presenter: Charles Proctor, VDOT, Planner

- [VDOT Barracks Road and Ivy Road Pipeline Studies Presentation](#)

The June meeting was canceled.



LUEPC Membership

Albemarle County

Community Development Director
Facilities and Environmental Services Director
Representative from the County Planning Commission

City of Charlottesville

Neighborhood Development Services Director
Director of Public Works
Director of Utilities
Representative from the City Planning Commission

University of Virginia

Architect for the University
Associate University Planner
Director of Facilities Management
Operations Director of Real Estate and Leasing Services

University of Virginia Foundation

Director of Design and Development
Director of Real Estate Asset Management

Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority

Executive Director

