

## CA-MPO Policy Board Meeting

Minutes, August 26, 2026

### DRAFT

A video of this meeting can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=anWYB6atG9E>

| VOTING MEMBERS & ALTERNATES        |   | STAFF                                  |   |
|------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------------|---|
| Ann Mallek, Albemarle              | x | Gretchen Thomas, TJPDC                 | x |
| Ned Gallaway, Albemarle            | x | Lucinda Shannon, TJPDC *               | x |
| Jen Fleisher, Charlottesville      | x | Gorjan Gjorgjevski, TJPDC              | x |
| Natalie Oschrein, Charlottesville  | x | Taylor Lowery, TJPDC                   | x |
| Stacy Londrey, VDOT                | x | Logan Ende, TJPDC *                    | x |
| Carrie Shephard, VDOT (alternate)  | x |                                        |   |
| NON-VOTING MEMBERS                 |   | GUESTS/PUBLIC                          |   |
| Christine Jacobs, TJPDC            | x | Ben Chambers, City of Charlottesville  | x |
| Julia Monteith, UVA                | x | Tonya Swartzendruber, Albemarle County | x |
| Garland Williams, CAT              |   | Jessica Dimmick, Albemarle County      | x |
| Ivan Rucker, FHWA                  |   | Ann Wall, Albemarle County             |   |
| Daniel Koenig, FTA                 |   | Zoë Macomber, City of Charlottesville  | x |
| Mike Murphy, Jaunt *               | x | Neil Williamson                        | x |
| Wood Hudson, DRPT *                | x | Chuck Proctor, VDOT                    |   |
| Daniel Sonenklar, DRPT (alternate) |   | Sandy Shackelford, VDOT                |   |

\* virtual attendance

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The MPO Policy Board Chair, Ned Gallaway, presided and called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Gorjan Gjorgjevski called roll.

### 2. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC (MINUTE 1:33)

#### Comments from the Public:

None.

**Comments provided via email, online, web site, etc.:** Paul Grady arrived at the meeting after the public comment portion was over, so he left written comments with Gretchen Thomas. They are attached as Appendix A.

### 3. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (MINUTE 1:49)

#### Approval of the Agenda

**Motion/Action:** Ann Mallek made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Natalie Oschrein seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of June 24, 2026, Meeting Minutes



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**Motion/Action:** Ann Mallek made a motion to approve the minutes. Jen Fleischer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**4. NEW BUSINESS (MINUTE 2:28)**

Remote Electronic Participation and All-Virtual Meeting Policy

Gorjan Gjorgjievski read the meeting policy and noted additional information was presented in the agenda packet.

**Motion/Action:** Natalie Oschrein made a motion to approve the policy. Ann Mallek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

FY27 CA-MPO Activities

Taylor Lowery presented the Board with transportation planning and funding activities from 2024 through 2033. She reviewed the FY27 UPWP Activities including Smart Scale Round 7 and the activities included for that activity. Other activities include benchmarking efforts, setting federal performance targets, 2050 LRTP and FY27-30 TIP data, and additional TIP-related activities. Also included in the FY27 UPWP is bicycle and pedestrian counting, and continued work on the TDM study. There was a brief question-and-answer session.

SMART SCALE Round 7 Update (Minute 23:35)

Taylor Lowery presented the board with the final applications and cost estimate changes for Smart Scale Round 7 projects submitted on August 3, 2026.

Ann Mallek asked for a chart on the figures for the projects.

FY24-FY27 TIP Adjustments (Minute 35:08)

Mr. Gjorgjievski shared the TIP adjustments. He noted that this is an administrative/informational item only and does not need any action by the Board.

STARS and Project Pipeline Update (Minute 37:18)

Sandy Shackelford provided a brief overview of the Round 7 Smart Scale applications. She said 22 applications were submitted for the Culpeper district.

She continued with the proposed upcoming Culpeper District STARS and Pipeline studies. The STARS studies include US29 at I-64 (Exit 118) for Albemarle, and Preston Avenue at Ridge-McIntire Road for the City of Charlottesville. The Pipeline study is US29 at Airport Road for Albemarle.

She presented the planning study next steps, which includes setting up scoping meetings with project stakeholders, and moving into the framework phase that will precede the study phase. Ann Mallek suggested a list of projects that have already been studied so a new consultant does not come to the table without knowledge of that history.

There was a discussion about how the projects were chosen.

She continued by discussing the framework document components. They include the study intent, its characteristics, and the study area. It also includes roles & responsibilities, data collection plan, analysis years, periods & scenarios, traffic operations & safety analysis tools, measures of effectiveness, calibration assumptions & targets, the traffic forecasting approach, concept development & cost estimation,

environmental considerations, a public engagement plan, and include any other items that need to be agreed upon/defined as part of the study process.

**5. STAFF UPDATES (MINUTE )**

A written staff update was included in the meeting packet. Ms. Lowery highlighted some of the items in the report. She noted that the CTB has a new staff member. She also noted that the PDC was not awarded the BUILD grant for the pedestrian bridge.

Ms. Taylor gave background on the pedestrian bridge.

**6. ROUNDTABLE UPDATES (MINUTE 1:03:30)**

The voting and non-voting Policy Board members shared updates from their organizations.

**7. ADDITIONAL MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC (MINUTE 1:17:26)**

None.

The next meeting will be on October 28, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in person at Water Street Center, 407 E Water Street, Charlottesville.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

**Committee materials and meeting recording may be found at  
<https://campo.tjpd.org/committees/policy-board/>**

## **Appendix A**

I have come to loggerheads with your bylaws again. I was going to make a presentation today, but your bylaws would not allow my drawing to be included in the packet. I have also been told that your bylaws would not allow me to pass out copies of the drawing to everyone. And the fact that the CTAC committee is dead leaves the public without an option to make a meaningful presentation to the MPO. That's not right. The MPO needs to change its bylaws. I would recommend meeting every month, every year. In the off years, like this year, that you offer the public a 20-minute block of time every other month that they could sign up for and if no one signs up, then the meeting ends 20 minutes early. You always seem to be rushing to get everything done in the meetings now, so why not spread everything out over more meetings? I realize it would cost more, but the public is being cheated now the way things are, and that needs to be fixed as soon as possible. Thank you, Paul Grady