

GOVERNANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 11, 2025

5:30 p.m. EST

2600 Park Tower Drive, Suite 601

Vienna, VA 22180

This meeting will be held in person and livestreamed via YouTube.

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SUMMARY OF MINUTES

1. Call to Order

- ✓ Chair Randall called the Governance and Personnel Committee (GPC) meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.
- ✓ Attendees:
 - Members: Chair Randall, Mayor Davis-Younger, and Chair Jefferson
 - Staff: Monica Backmon (CEO), Michael Longhi (CFO), Lu Han (Comptroller)
 - Other Attendees: Daniel Robinson (Fairfax County); Christina Zechman Brown (City of Alexandria); Tracy Baynard (McGuire Woods, LLC)

Action Items

2. Approval of February 13, 2025, Meeting Summary Minutes

Chair Randall

- ✓ Chair Randall moved approval of February 13, 2025, GPC Meeting Summary Minutes seconded by Mayor Davis-Younger. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Davis-Younger abstaining.

Discussion Items

3. 2026 Legislative Priorities

Ms. Baynard

- ✓ Ms. Baynard presented 2026 General Assembly Calendar and Special Dates. (*Pending Adoption of Organizing Resolution)
 - November 17, 2025: Prefiling for 2026 Session begins
 - December 1, 2025, 5:00 pm: Last day to request draft for a prefile bill or joint resolution
 - December 4, 2025: Last day for any interim committee, subcommittee, commission, etc. to finish their work
 - December 17, 2025: Governor Youngkin releases proposed budgets
 - December 31, 2025: Last day for DLS to make draft of prefile bill or joint resolution available
 - January 14, 2026, 10:00 am: Last day to prefile bills or joint resolutions
 - January 14, 2026, 12:00 pm: Virginia General Assembly convenes

- January 16 5:00 pm: Likely deadline for member budget amendments*
- January 17, 2026: Inauguration
- February 17: Crossover - last day for each body to act on their bills*
- February 22: House and Senate report out their budgets*
- March 14, 2026: Sine Die*
- April 13, 2026: Governor has to offer any vetoes or amendments*
- April 22, 2026: Veto Session*
- May (TBD), 2026: Last day governor can veto a bill*
- ✓ Ms. Baynard presented NVTa related Legislation
 - Bike-Ped Study: NVTa is complementing study on Bike-Ped funding options.
 - Senator Ebbin's FOIA Bill: Revised draft includes exemptions for time-sensitive items and non-final actions.
 - Hampton Roads Transportation: Two failed bills from last session - requesting to increase regional sales tax by 0.3% and Hampton Roads Transit seeking dedicated funding similar to WMATA/VRE,
- ✓ Ms. Baynard presented upcoming transportation topics
 - Northern Virginia DMV Moves and SJ28 Working Group
 - Transportation Funding Challenges
 - Photo Speed Enforcement
- ✓ Ms. Baynard presented committee structure changes. The Senate and House can rearrange committee chairs and members when the new session begins.
- ✓ Chair Randall questioned what happens to the outgoing Governor's budget if a new Governor takes office? Ms. Baynard answered, the outgoing Governor submits the budget on December 17. The incoming Governor takes office on January 17 and can revise or deconstruct the proposed budget.
- ✓ Chair Randall, Chair Jefferson and Ms. Baynard discussed ongoing WMATA and metro funding.

4. Adjournment

- ✓ There being no further business for the Committee, Chair Randall adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.