

SUMMARY MINUTES

Thursday, November 13, 2025

7 p.m. EST

2600 Park Tower Drive, Sixth Floor Authority Board Room

Vienna, VA 22180

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1. **Call to Order**

Chair Randall

- ✓ Chair Randall called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Ms. Henderson, Board Secretary

- ✓ Membership Attendees: Chair Phyllis Randall (left at 8:42 p.m.), Vice Chair David Snyder, Chairman Jeff McKay, Supervisor Kenny Boddye (for Chair Jefferson), Vice Chair Matthew de Ferranti, Mayor Alyia Gaskins, Mayor Catherine Read, Mayor Michelle Davis-Younger (left at 8:59 p.m.), Senator Jennifer Boysko, Delegate Briana Sewell (arrived at 7:20 p.m.), Mayor Linda Colbert (remote-personal), Mr. William Cuttler, and Ms. Susan Husain (for Tiffany Robinson). Absent: Mayor Alanna Mensing, Delegate Karrie Delaney and Mr. Gribbin.
- ✓ Staff Attendees: Chief Executive Officer Monica Backmon, Chief Financial Officer Michael Longhi; Principal, Planning and Programming Keith Jasper, Deputy Chief Financial Officer Peggy Teal, Communications and Public Affairs Manager Abigail Hillerich, Senior Manager Transportation Planning and Programming Dr. Sree Nampoothiri, Planning Analytics Manager Harun Rashid; Regional Transportation Planners Griffin Frank, Alyssa Beyers, Kristen Sarik, Starla Couso, and Matthew Bewley; Project Delivery/Grants Manager Amanda Sink; Strategic Communications Specialist Sharara Faisal; Comptroller Lu Han, Senior Accountant Gary Armstrong, Senior Accountant Lauren Wilber, Accounting Assistant Margaret Duker, Executive Assistant Tara Dunion, and Board Secretary Lee Ann Henderson.
- ✓ Council of Counsel Attendees: Mr. Daniel Robinson-Fairfax County and Ms. Christina Zechman-Brown-City of Alexandria.
- ✓ Other Attendees: Ms. Tracy Baynard-McGuire Woods, LLC.

Members of the public, jurisdiction and agency staff were in person and were able to watch the meeting livestreamed via [NVTA's YouTube Channel](#).

Presentations

3. **DMV Moves Update**

Mr. Mercer, Executive Director, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

Mr. Hill, Fairfax County Executive

- ✓ Mr. Mercer stated this was an 18-month process that included members from COG and

WMATA.

- ✓ Mr. Hill stated the task groups worked on WMATA funding. He stated that the process included many stakeholders.
- ✓ He stated that the funding solutions needed to be dependable and bondable, which would allow WMATA to seek some federal funding for signaling upgrades.
- ✓ Mr. Mercer reviewed the key actions recommended by the task groups to provide a more integrated and customer-focused regional transit network. He emphasized that all recommendations have a feedback loop to hold WMATA accountable for execution.
- ✓ Chair Randall questioned the differences in funding mechanisms between Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. Mr. Mercer stated that the Virginia jurisdictions with Metro lines provide a portion of the funding with the Commonwealth augmenting with additional funding. He clarified that Virginia's portion, for the most part, cannot be bonded. He stated that all of Maryland's funding share comes from the state without assistance from the jurisdictions.
- ✓ Vice Chair de Ferranti questioned whether the numbers provided will be verified/tested especially for bus and modes other than Metro. Mr. Mercer noted that many of the local providers do not look as far into the future as Metro, but there would be further scrutiny of the numbers.
- ✓ Mayor Gaskins asked for examples of how Metro would be held accountable. Mr. Hill stated that WMATA will need to establish a more integrated and customer-focused regional transit network and establish a multi-year capital improvement plan. He stated that a schedule/system will be set up outlining what Metro will need to provide year one, year two, year three, etc.
- ✓ Vice Chair Snyder questioned what will be done to decrease metro congestion and provide better service. Mr. Mercer stated that modernizing the system and the addition of bus rapid transit will do a lot to reduce congestion.
- ✓ Supervisor Boddye expressed concern over economic uncertainties in the future. Mr. Mercer pointed out that Northern Virginia is the economic driver for the state even though there are other needs in the state.
- ✓ Chairman McKay pointed out that Northern Virginia is contributing a large share towards the state's GDP. He noted that this report is a major tool for the governance of Metro moving forward. He also questioned whether SJ28 looked at the gaps in Metro's operating budget. Kate Mattice, Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, stated that SJ28 specifically looked at the operating gap of \$153 million in FY27, which is an immediate need.
- ✓ Senator Boysko congratulated everyone who worked on DMVMoves. She noted that not all General Assembly members have an awareness of the impact that Metro has for Northern Virginia and the Virginia economy so it will be important for Authority members to help communicate that to the General Assembly.
- ✓ Chair Randall stated that the federal government needs to contribute more to Metro's financial needs.



4. Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Concession Fee Projects Status Update

Ms. Shropshire, P.E., DBIA, Northern Virginia Megaprojects Director
Virginia Department of Transportation

- ✓ Ms. Shropshire reminded everyone that 66 Mobility Partners committed \$500 million in concession fee payments to advance projects in the I-66 corridor.
- ✓ She reviewed the projects and stated that some of the projects have been completed and others are in various stages of completion.
- ✓ Ms. Shropshire reminded everyone that November 22 would be the opening of the 495 Next project.
- ✓ Mr. Cuttler noted that VDOT's managed lanes increase reliability of trip times for drivers. He thanked Ms. Shropshire and her team for their work in delivering congestion relief to local drivers.

Action Items

5. Approval of October 9, 2025, Meeting Summary Minutes

Chair Randall

- ✓ On a motion by Chair Randall, seconded by Senator Boysko, the Summary Minutes of the meeting of October 9, 2025, were approved with Vice Chair de Ferranti and Supervisor Boddye abstaining.

6. Acceptance of the FY2025 Audited Financial Statements and Compliance Reports

Vice Chair Snyder, Finance Committee Chair
Mr. Garber, Partner, PBMares

- ✓ Mr. Longhi introduced Mr. Mike Garber, partner with PBMares, the Authority's audit firm. Mr. Longhi noted that the Authority is funding a 17-year project pipeline, ensuring that the projects in the pipeline will have the approved funding when they need it.
- ✓ Mr. Garber went over the highlights of the clean audit. He noted that there were no audit entries or adjustments necessary.
- ✓ Vice Chair Snyder thanked everyone on the Finance team for their hard work and diligence producing a clean audit.
- ✓ On a motion by Chairman McKay, seconded by Supervisor Boddye, the FY2025 Financial Statements and Compliance Reports were unanimously accepted.

7. Adoption of the 2025 Strategic Plan

Ms. Sink, Project Delivery/Grants Manager

- ✓ Ms. Sink reviewed the proposed 2025 Strategic Plan. She stated that it has been reviewed and endorsed by the Planning Coordination Advisory Committee (PCAC), Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and the Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC) and is in alignment with the Legislative Priorities of the Authority.
- ✓ Vice Chair Snyder asked for an edit to add language ensuring that it is clear that this was a collaborative effort.
- ✓ On a motion by Chairman McKay, seconded by Supervisor Boddye, the 2025 Strategic Plan with Vice Chair Snyder's edit was approved unanimously.



8. Approval to Transmit the Regional Approach to Funding Northern Virginia's Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Report to House and Senate Transportation Committee Chairs

Ms. Couso, Transportation Planning and Programming Manager

Ms. Widness, Kimley-Horn, LLC

- ✓ Ms. Couso stated that the report was created in response to the formal request from the Virginia Senate and House Transportation Committee chairs to study possible funding approaches to the VDOT Bicycle Pedestrian study.
- ✓ Ms. Widness went over a list of 14 possible funding strategies to create revenue to fund bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure.
- ✓ Chair Randall noted that this is an incredible amount of work done in a very short period of time.
- ✓ Chair Randall moved to approve transmittal of the Regional Approach to Funding Northern Virginia's Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Report to House and Senate Transportation Committee Chairs, which was seconded by Vice Chair Snyder.
- ✓ Senator Boysko offered an alternate motion to look further into funding streams, seconded by Vice Chair de Ferranti. Delegate Sewell stated that this report is a more than adequate response and expressed concern about undermining the way direction is received from the General Assembly since this was not part of the initial request from the House and Senate Transportation Chairs. Senator Boysko withdrew her motion with agreement from Vice Chair de Ferranti.
- ✓ The original motion made by Chair Randall and seconded by Vice Chair Snyder was approved unanimously.

9. Approval of Recommendation to Allocate Additional Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Concession Funds for the City of Fairfax

Ms. Backmon, Chief Executive Officer

- ✓ Ms. Backmon reviewed the City of Fairfax's request to allocate additional Transform 66 Outside the Beltway concessionaire funds towards the George Snyder Trail project. It was noted that this is the first step in receiving additional federal funding to address project shortfalls. She noted that this has been coordinated with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC) without issues.
- ✓ On a motion by Mayor Read, seconded by Senator Boysko, the motion to approve the recommendation carried unanimously.

10. Approval of Authority Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2026

Ms. Backmon, Chief Executive Officer

- ✓ Ms. Backmon noted that the meeting schedule for Calendar Year 2026 would remain the second Thursday of the month with no meeting in August unless required by special circumstances. She noted that the first meeting of the year (January) is the Annual Organizational meeting.
- ✓ Chairman McKay noted that public schools are starting earlier in August, making July the month for vacations and travel. He suggested that be taken into consideration when creating the 2027 meeting calendar.
- ✓ On a motion by Senator Boysko, seconded by Supervisor Boddye, the 2026 Meeting Calendar was approved unanimously.



Discussion/Information Items

11. HB1915 Annual Report Ms. Beyer, Regional Transportation Planner
 - ✓ Ms. Beyer reviewed legislative requirement for each jurisdiction encompassed by the Authority reporting on any conflicts between TransAction and their comprehensive plans. She noted the single conflict is being resolved through the routine update process.
12. Joint Commission on Transportation Accountability (JCTA) Report Ms. Sarik, Regional Transportation Planner
 - ✓ Ms. Sarik briefly reviewed the JCTA report and noted that it has been submitted to the Commission as required.
13. Governance and Personnel Committee (GPC) Report Chair Randall
 - ✓ Ms. Backmon stated that the Legislative Priorities will be discussed next month. She emphasized that the Priorities language will state that any transit revenue be net new revenue.
14. Finance Committee Report Vice Chair Snyder, Chair
 - Mr. Longhi summarized the three standard monthly reports.
15. Planning Coordination Advisory Committee (PCAC) Report Mayor Colbert, Chair
 - ✓ Ms. Backmon noted that the report is in the agenda packet.
16. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Report Chair Boice, Chair
 - ✓ Ms. Backmon noted that the report is in the agenda packet.
17. CEO Report Ms. Backmon, Chief Executive Officer
 - ✓ Ms. Backmon noted that the resolutions of support for the Six Year Program Update have been received and staff is in the process of analyzing the requests, which totaled \$1.3 billion.
 - ✓ Ms. Backmon introduced her new executive assistant, Tara Dunion.
18. Chair's Comments Chair Randall
 - ✓ Vice Chair Snyder expressed that it is important to continue to be receptive to all modes of transportation.
19. Adjournment Chair Randall
 - ✓ There being no further business before the Authority, Vice Chair Snyder adjourned the meeting at 9:09 p.m.

