
**TPB CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MONTHLY REPORT**

April 20, 2016

Douglas Stewart, Chairman

On Thursday, April 14, the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) held its third meeting of the 2016 session. The CAC was briefed on the results of the 'No Build' Scenario Draft Analysis and updates on the Long Range Planning Task Force. The committee also voted to approve its 2016 Work Plan.

DISCUSSION ON 'NO-BUILD' SCENARIO DRAFT RESULTS

Dusan Vuksan gave a presentation on the draft results of a "No Build" scenario analysis, which looked at how the region's transportation system would operate in 2040 with and without the existing projects in the CLRP. This analysis was conducted as an activity of the Long-Range Plan Task Force, formerly known as the Unfunded Capital Needs Working Group.

Mr. Vuksan said the analysis indicated that relative to the No Build scenario, the CLRP would yield significant reductions in congestion, as well as increases in transit use and access to jobs for both highways and transit.

However, CAC members observed that the changes between the two scenarios actually appeared quite small. Members further noted that this information was quite difficult for a non-technical audience to understand. As staff proceeds with the next steps in the analysis, the committee agreed that staff should be sure to focus on how the results are communicated to the region's leaders and to the public.

UPDATE ON THE LONG-RANGE PLAN WORKING GROUP

John Swanson said that the Long Range Planning Task Force will continue the work of the Unfunded Capital Needs Working Group. Staff will work on two objectives: develop the list of unfunded priority projects and promote regional criteria among TPB members.

A committee member observed that the previous name "Unfunded Capital Needs Working Group" was more specific than the new name "Long-Range Plan Task Force," which is very general. He said he was concerned about how this work was being branded and whether the original focus on identifying a limited list of unfunded projects might be diluted. Committee members also emphasized the importance of making the plan focused and relatable for public buy-in.

APPROVAL OF 2016 CAC WORK PLAN

The committee discussed their draft 2016 draft work plan. The plan includes two main priorities: unfunded capital needs and public engagement, and three secondary priorities: transportation safety, bicycle planning, and WMATA. Discussion focused on public engagement. Members wanted to involve TPB members in outreach efforts and also host educational forums focused on the TPB and regional priorities.

A motion to approve the 2016 Work Plan was carried and passed unanimously. The Work Plan is attached to this report.

OTHER DISCUSSION

- Kanti Srikanth reviewed the agenda for the March TPB meeting.
- Ben Hampton and Abigail Zenner presented the new, online-only TPB News site.

ATTENDEES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Douglas Stewart, Chairman

Jeremy Martin, Vice-Chairman

Keith Benjamin, Vice-Chairman

Robyn Jackson

Jeanose Lexima

Nancy Abeles

Tom Sanchez

Stephen Still

Tina Slater

Emmet Tydings

Alex Tremble

Rob Jackson

Lorena Rios

ALTERNATES

Gary Hodge

TPB STAFF AND GUESTS

Kanti Srikanth, staff

Bob Griffiths, staff

Dusan Vuksan, staff

John Swanson, staff

Lamont Cobb, staff

Ben Hampton, staff

Lori Zeller, staff

Abigail Zenner, staff

Bill Orleans