



GOVERNANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 14, 2024

6:00 pm

3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22031

Meeting conducted in-person and live-streamed via YouTube

SUMMARY MINUTES

1. Call to Order

- ✓ Mayor Davis-Younger called the Governance and Personnel Committee (GPC) meeting to order at 6:06 pm.
- ✓ Attendees:
 - Members: Chair Jefferson, Mayor Davis-Younger, Mayor Read
 - Staff: Monica Backmon (CEO), Amanda Sink (Executive Assistant), Michael Longhi (CFO), Lee Ann Henderson (Board Secretary)
 - Other Attendees: Councilmember Snyder (Authority member), Tracy Baynard (McGuireWoods LLC), Daniel Robinson (Council of Counsel), Christina Brown (Council of Counsel)

Action Items

2. Approval of January 11, 2024, Meeting Summary Minutes

- ✓ Mayor Davis-Younger moved approval the January 11, 2024, GPC Meeting Summary Minutes
seconded by Chair Jefferson. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

4. Update on 2024 General Assembly Session

- ✓ Ms. Baynard opened with noting that the General Assembly Session was relatively quiet in terms of transportation which allowed members to focus on concerns of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). She noted that Senator Boysko's bill securing the technical amendment to the Virginia Code regarding the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) appointment, SB 158, was passed by the General Assembly as in now before the governor. Additionally, HB 120, which mandates that the Speaker of the House must appoint members of the House of Delegates to key transportation entities such as the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA), the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC), and other regional bodies, has passed the General Assembly and is now awaiting the Governor's approval. This

legislation ensures direct representation and engagement of House members in shaping transportation policies and decisions within these critical organizations.

- ✓ Ms. Baynard discussed the concerns regarding funding for WMATA's FY2025 and FY2026 budgets. She noted that the top two concerns of Northern Virginia jurisdictions including temporary relief of the 3% cap and additional state funding to match local funding were addressed in the conference budget.
- ✓ Ms. Baynard then discussed traffic safety initiatives. She noted two bills were passed by the General Assembly: HB 1071, which permits localities to reduce the speed limit to less than 25 miles per hour, but not less than 15 miles per hour, on highways within the localities boundaries, located in a business district or residence district including VDOT roadways; and SB 336, which expands use of photo speed monitoring cameras to "high-risk intersections." She added that several other safety bills failed to pass in the General Assembly noting that Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will continue efforts to bring forth initiatives for the 2025 General Assembly session for consideration.
- ✓ There was discussion amongst the members regarding the care of camera placements, privacy issues, driver behavior concerns, and equity considerations. Mayor Davis-Younger asked if there are specific groups to help VDOT in their initiative to address traffic safety concerns. Ms. Baynard answered that anyone who wants to be involved is welcome to contribute but she will need to get clarity on how.

5. Adjournment

- ✓ Mayor Davis-Younger concluded the meeting at 6:23 pm.