Rt 29 Solutions Hydraulic Planning Advisory Panel

March 9, 2017
Agenda Item 1: Introductions

Advisory Panel members

Technical team members
Agenda Item 1: Introductions (continued)

Advisory Panel members

Chip Boyles, TJPDC
Morgan Butler, SELC
Vito Cetta, Weather Hills Homes
Kathy Galvin, City Councilor
Mark Graham, Albemarle Co.
Alex Ikefuna, Charlottesville

Kurt Keesecker, BRW Architects
Diantha McKeel, Chair Albermarle BOS
John O’Connor, O’Connor Capital Partners
Chuck Rotgin, Great Eastern Mgt. Co.
Del Sanders, Charlottesvile Holiday Inn
Alan Taylor, Riverbend Development
Agenda Item 1: Introductions (continued)

Technical Team Members

Dave Covington, VDOT Program Leader
John Lynch, VDOT Culpeper District Administrator
Joel DeNunzio, VDOT Charlottesville Residency Administrator
Lou Hatter, VDOT Rt. 29 Solutions Communications Leader
Jitender Ramchandani, DRPT Transit Planning Project Development Mgr.
Sal Musarra, Kimley Horn Associates, Phase 1 Consultant Leader
Paul Prideaux, Michael Baker International, Phase 2 Consultant Leader
Debbie Messina, Philip A. Shucet Co, Facilitation Team
Philip Shucet, Philip A. Shucet Co, Facilitator
Agenda Item 2: Charge to the Hydraulic Planning Advisory Panel

Secretary of Transportation Aubrey Layne’s charge to the Panel:

*To provide general advice and input to the City of Charlottesville, Albemarle County, VDOT and the Commonwealth Transportation Board regarding future land use and mobility improvements in the general area near the Hydraulic Road and Rt. 29 intersection.*

The Secretary understands that land use decisions are in the hands of the localities, but also emphasizes that decisions to submit a future Smart Scale application for state-funded transportation improvements are also in the hands of the localities.
Agenda item 3: Study Process

Study to be conducted in 2 phases

- Phase 1, Land use planning: Developing the Small Area Plan
- Phase 2, Transportation Planning: Developing transportation solutions to support the Small Area Plan

- Consultant support will supplement VDOT technical team
- Phases 1 and 2 overlap to assure continuity and collaboration between land use and transportation teams.
- Land use decisions belong to City Council and the Board of Supervisors
- Transportation solutions must float up from the City, County and MPO
- The study is limited to the Hydraulic “Small Area”; scope is important
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 1: Land Use Planning (Small Area Plan)

Primary Goals - Engage the Advisory Panel and the public to:
- Develop a common vision for character, form and intensity of development within the defined Small Area
- Develop conceptual land use plan to guide growth and urban form
- Develop illustrative concept for development of core focus area
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 1: Land Use Planning (continued)

Key methodologies

- Existing conditions and trends analysis
- Collaborate between land planning and transportation solution analyses
- Attend Advisory Panel work sessions, input and plan refinement
- Conduct Advisory Panel charette
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 1: Land Use Planning (continued)

Primary outcomes of Phase 1
• Small Area Conceptual Land Use Plan
• Core Focus Area Illustrative Plan
• Small Area Plan Report
• Small Area Plan Abstract

Phase 1 approval process
• Charlottesville Council: adoption of land use plan
• Board of Supervisors: adoption of land use plan
• MPO: include land use in regional transportation model
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 1: Land Use Planning (continued)

Opportunities for public input
• Website: route29solutions.org
• Communications leader: lou.hatter@vdot.virginia.gov
• Advisory panel members
• Twitter @Rt29Solutions (Panel members are encouraged to follow)
• VDOT Facebook page
• Public Meeting 1 – receive input on future land use
• Public Meeting 2 – receive feedback on conceptual land use plan
• City and County Planning Commission Meetings
• City Council and Board of Supervisor Meetings
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 1: Land Use Planning (continued)

Key interim milestones

- Existing Conditions Summary: Apr 2017
- Client Charette: Apr 2017
- Third Party Transportation Inputs: May 2017
- Public Meeting 1: May 2017
- Public Meeting 2: Aug 2017
- Phase 1 complete: Sep 29, 2017
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 2: Transportation Planning

Primary Goals - Engage the Advisory Panel and the public to:
- Work iteratively with Phase 1 land use team to develop multimodal transportation solutions
- Understand potential environmental affects associated with solutions
- Understand potential cost of appropriate solutions
- Present results in easy-to-understand visuals
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 2: Transportation Planning (continued)

Key methodologies

• Document existing conditions to form a baseline
• Collect travel demand, origin-destination, and safety data
• Collaborate between land planning & transportation solution analyses
• Develop multimodal transportation recommendations
• Develop high-level estimates of potential environmental effects
• Develop planning level estimates of costs
• Develop implementation plan for potential Smart Scale applications
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 2: Transportation Planning (continued)

Primary outcomes of Phase 2
- Multimodal transportation solutions that respond to Small Area Conceptual Land Use Plan
- Implementation plan in preparation for next round of SmartScale
- Transportation Plan Report
- Transportation Plan Abstract

Phase 2 recommendations and approvals
- MPO: Prepare and endorse Smart Scale application(s)
- VDOT: Smart Scale evaluation and scoring
- CTB: Decision to fund project(s)
Agenda item 3: Study Process (continued)

Phase 2: Transportation Planning (continued)

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Phase 2: Transportation Planning (continued)

Key interim milestones: *(target dates to be refined as scope develops)*

- Participate in Phase 1 Client Charette (Apr 2017)
- Existing Transportation Conditions Summary *(Q2 2017)*
- Provide iterative transportation feedback to Phase 1 team *(continuous)*
- Detailed multimodal transportation impact analysis *(Q3-Q4 2017)*
- VDOT Public Hearing *(Q2 2018)*
- Phase 2 complete *(Q3 2018)*
Agenda Item 4: Previous studies for reference

Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission reports

- 29H250 Intersections Study, May 2003
- 29H250 Phase 2 Report, Sep 2004

Albemarle County reports

Agenda Item 5: Public input process

Panel meetings are open to the public but are not public meetings. There is no public testimony or public comment at panel meetings. All meetings are live streamed; audio and video archived on VDOT’s Youtube channel. Public comments are reported to the panel at each meeting.

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Agenda Item 6: Meeting calendar

Hydraulic Planning Advisory Panel Meeting Schedule: Phase 1

2nd and 4th Thursdays (all dates are 2017)

Mar 9  Mar 23
Apr 13  Apr 27
May 11  May 25
Jun 8   Jun 22

_Jul (no panel meetings; technical team evaluations continues)_

Aug 10  Aug 24
Sep 14  Sep 28
Agenda Item 7: New business and wrap up

Agenda item 8: Adjourn
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