

### HRPDC/HRTPO COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

The CAC held its regular meeting on December 12 at Norfolk International Airport and received a briefing from Executive Director and CEO Mark Perryman on the current state of the Airport and its future capital improvement program. This interactive session provided the CAC members an opportunity to ask questions about trends at the Airport and to provide input on future plans.



### WILLIAM AND MARY AND VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)

On November 18, the HRPDC/HRTPO staff attended a tour of the William and Mary Campus and the VIMS facility. Our staff received briefings on the following areas:

- Welcome and Overview of current efforts and future plans by Dr. Katherine Rowe, President, William and Mary
- School of Computing, Data Sciences, and Physics
- Global Research Institute, Institute for Integrative Conservation, Whole of Government Center of Excellence
- Entrepreneurship Hub
- Tour of Batten School and VIMS
  - Acuff Center for Aquaculture
  - Multispecies Research Group
  - Environmental Chemistry and Marine Pollution Lab

The tour provided the HRPDC/HRTPO staff team with comprehensive information on efforts at the William and Mary Main Campus and VIMS facility that can be incorporated into our regional planning initiatives. We want to thank President Rowe and Monty Mason, Senior Director of Community Affairs and Partnerships, for their hospitality and efforts to arrange this visit and information briefing.



## REGIONAL TRANSIT ADVISORY PANEL (RTAP)

The RTAP held its regularly scheduled meeting at the Regional Building on January 3. Approximately 40 RTAP members attended and participated in an engaged discussion on the following agenda topics:

- HRT briefing on legislative initiatives related to sustainable and predictable funding for the Tide Light Rail system and increased statewide operating and capital funding
- HRTPO/HRPDC Regional Legislative Agenda and the need for adequate funding to support Hampton Roads Transit, Williamsburg Area Transit Authority, and Suffolk Transit
- Overview of Paratransit Services and Coverage Zones
- Information sharing roundtable discussion by RTAP members



## VIRGINIA OUTDOORS COALITION

On January 7, the Executive Director provided a presentation to the Virginia Outdoors Coalition on biking/walking trail plans and funding needs in the Hampton Roads region. This session included a discussion of the Great Outdoors Act legislation that is expected to be considered in the upcoming General Assembly session.

## HOUSING PRESENTATION TO THE VIRGINIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

On December 9, the Executive Director was invited to provide a presentation to the Housing Executive Committee of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce. This Committee is in the process of collecting information on housing issues, challenges and needs that can be incorporated into Blueprint Virginia 2030. The Executive Director provided background information on housing trends and needs in Hampton Roads and discussed the regional housing assessment that will be advanced by the HRPDC.



## **OTHER MEETINGS AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OUTREACH**

- Met with a representative of the Future of Hampton Roads on November 29 to discuss HRPDC and HRTPO regional initiatives
- Attended the Hampton State of the City Address on December 3
- Attended a meeting of the Greater Norfolk Corporation and the Norfolk Innovation Corridor on December 5
- Participated in a meeting with the Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions on December 5 to discuss potential energy planning issues that are anticipated to be considered at the upcoming Virginia General Assembly session
- Attended the December 12 meeting of the Hampton Roads Military and Federal Facilities Alliance
- Provided staff support at the December 13 meeting of the Southside Network Authority
- Met with representatives of GO Virginia on December 17 to discuss potential broadband funding opportunities
- Participated in a meeting of the Elizabeth River Foundation on December 18

## **ADMINISTRATION/MANAGEMENT**

- Year-end administrative tasks
- Project Management and oversight for the Regional Building parking lot project
- SNA Executive Director onboarding
- Preparation for the upcoming General Assembly session
- Oversight for Regional Building meeting support, maintenance, and repairs
- IT management
- GIS server project management
- Financial management, human resources, meeting and IT support for the HRPDC, HRTPO, HRTAC, HRMFFA, SNA, and visiting organizations and community groups