

RED LINE TASK FORCE
Meeting Summary
December 14, 2011
DISCUSSION SUMMARY

MEMBERS: Mayor John Woods, Mayor of Davidson, Chair
Mayor Jill Swain, Mayor of Huntersville
Mayor Jeff Tarte, Mayor of Cornelius
Bill Thunberg, Mooresville Representative (Absent)
Carroll Gray, Lake Norman Transportation Commission
Iredell County Representative (Vacant)
Commissioner Harold Cogdell, Jr., Mecklenburg County, Vice Chair (Absent)
Mayor Anthony Foxx, Mayor of Charlotte (Absent)

CATS

STAFF: Brian Nadolny, North Corridor Project Manager
John Joye, Senior Assistant City Attorney

OTHERS: Paul Morris, NCDOT Deputy Secretary for Transit
Councilman David Howard, Charlotte City Council
Greg Ferguson, Huntersville Town Manager
Mark Briggs, Parsons Brinckerhoff
Katherine Henderson, KKH Consulting
Leamon Brice, Davidson Town Manager
Adam Guerino, City of Charlotte Finance
Zac Gordon, Town of Huntersville
Jonathon Wells, Charlotte Mecklenburg Planning Department

Meeting time 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 4:10 p.m.

II. Discussion

The Task Force debriefed the December 13th Red Line Summit. Deputy Secretary Paul Morris thought the meeting was well attended and very successful, as elected officials and the public got to hear the whole Red Line Regional Rail story in one setting. Others agreed that it was a great kick off to the review cycle and the participants were very engaged.

There were several questions and concerns coming out of the meeting. There was a concern about the JPA governance and the board itself and whether elected officials should serve on the board. This will be open for debate over the next several months. Most people understood that the JPA was a project delivery authority and not a governance and taxation authority. There were also questions about the special

assessment districts. Mark Briggs will develop some real cases examples from the towns to help explain the impacts.

Councilman Howard requested that an action plan for the city be developed. He will update Mayor Foxx and refer this as an information item to the Transportation Committee at their second January meeting.

Katherine Henderson discussed the process for the upcoming schedule. Typically, the consultant team will be in the Charlotte area on the first and fourth weeks of the month. However, because of the New Year's holiday and town board schedules, they will be in town the second and fourth weeks in January. The team will be looking to overlap meeting for efficiencies where possible.

The task force strategized on what meetings need to be held and what groups needed to be contacted. These included members at the State level, Iredell County, developers, and Chambers of Commerce.

In January, all data will be pulled from the town and CATS websites and linked to a new Red Line Regional Rail site. All communications will flow through the website. Any questions about the RLRR will be written requests and posted on the site so all jurisdictions will be able to review.

To accommodate members of the task force and to allow for addition workloads in the coming months, the task force agreed to expand the meeting time by an hour. First quarter 2012 meetings will be held from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

The task force created a Review and Adopt Working Group to oversee the review process in the first quarter of 2012. A senior staff contact will be appointed from each jurisdiction. The members will meet biweekly so all issues can be reviewed and resolved. The plan would be to meet in person during the first week of the month and by conference call during the third week of the month. The mayors will work with Katherine to get this working group formed.

III. Action Items

1. Develop real case special assessment district examples from the towns – Mark Briggs
2. Appoint members and create the Review and Adopt Working Group – Mayors/Katherine Henderson
3. Create new Red Line Regional Rail website in January – Katherine Henderson
4. Publish a meeting calendar for upcoming January meetings – Katherine Henderson

IV. Adjourn

V.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

NEXT RED LINE TASK FORCE MEETING: JANUARY 25, 2012 IN CMGC CONFERENCE ROOM 266 AT 3:00 P.M.

Red Line Task Force Sign In

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Brian Nadolny	CATS
Katherine Henderson	KKH Consulting
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Jeff Tarte	CORNELIUS
Mark Buzgey	Parsons Brinckerhoff
Adam Guerino	Charlotte
John Joye	CATS Atty
Zoe Gordon	Huntersville
PAUL MORRIS	NGDOT
Greg Ferguson	Huntersville
CARROLL GRAY	LATE
Josh Woods	Davidson
Jonathan Wells	Planning
David Howard	Charlotte City Council
Jill Swain	Huntersville