

MINUTES

Transportation & Parking Committee

April 14th, 2026

11:00am

Zoom

Present – Diane Agud, Hollis Wittman, Amanda Covey, AJ Prussin, Brock Burroughs, Sonya Shelor, Joe Cooley, Lydia Qualls, Bria Weisz, Prehaan Parikh, Jason Brooks, Jacob Lahne

Absent with Notice: Kayla Robertson, Jenn Million, Carrie Cox

Absent: Joe Cooley, Lydia Qualls, Prehaan Parikh

Guests: April Williams, Mike Dunn

April Williams, in the absence of chair, called the meeting to order at 11:01am. A quorum wasn't present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was not made to adopt the agenda due to incomplete committee.

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of March 10th, 2026.

Noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Website.

3. Presentation

- a. Mike Dunn, Transportation & Planning Engineer, presented on the Mobility Framework Update. Mike Dunn outlined some high-volume pedestrian areas on campus to include Prices Fork Rd. Mike also outlined some data between bike/pedestrian crashes throughout the presentation. Mike also states during the presentation that the transit center has made quite a difference on campus, vehicle crashes are declining, parking occupancy is stabilizing and there are occupancies open in high parking areas, and accessible parking could use more availability. Bria Weisz asks about occupancy based on past type for faculty/staff vs. graduate student parking. Mike advised Bria he could look into this question and get back to us.
- b. April Williams, Parking Services Assistant Manager, presented on parking services updates: April presents proposed changes for Summer & Fall of 2026, and asks for feedback to be sent to aconley@vt.edu– There will be a virtual permit system, which means no physical permit hanging in your car. Your license plate will be your permit and is powered by license plate recognition. There are several pros for virtual permits to include no lost or stolen permits, no transferring between vehicles, no mailing of permits, etc. There will also be auto-renewal for faculty/staff permits that will be payroll deduction and can be renewed year after year without logging in. Cost will be distributed year-round throughout the entire year. A smaller amount will come out of your paycheck since the deduction is spread out among more pay periods. When you start the process, it will continue until you end it. Mid-year permits will still be prorated. ParkMobile changes will include reduced use across campus, restricted to specific locations, support with LPR, and reducing confusion. April also gave a reminder that there is the option of a parking portal as compared to ParkMobile. There are also some planned changes & lot adjustments to Litton Reaves, Squires Lot, and Coliseum Lot. The row of Graduate parking will

move to architecture annex and Squires Lot will now be all faculty/staff. The Architecture Annex will then be all C/G. Parking Services would like to eliminate the graduate parking permit since there are no differences between the graduate/commuter permit. Graduate only parking will no longer exist, graduate and commuter students will park in the same designated areas. This will simplify parking zones and enforcement on campus. Parking is being repurposed and not eliminated. Physical meters to be eliminated on campus due to them being old and end of life. All existing meters are no longer supported. There are currently 15 metered spaces that require maintenance and are constantly getting complaints about them not reading coins, as well as having inconsistent time limits. These will transition to ParkMobile and have a unique zone code for timed spaces to be consistent for one hour parking. April explains that these changes will support campus growth and demand, align with peer institutions, reduce operational costs, improve sustainability efforts and enhance overall campus experience. Bria Weisz asks in respect to feedback can the graduate student senate be advised of these changes to get feedback from them. Pamela Tate stated that Carrie Cox will be conducting a presentation to the graduate student senate. April Williams states, again, that it is not a loss of spaces just a relabeling. Pamela Tate stated that Bria can take this information back to the senate. Another question is put forth about data collection and cybersecurity of license plates with personal identifying information. Pam Tate states this has gone through legal and is compliant with data collection retention by the State of Virginia. Diane Agud asks about the investment in the readers, to ask if there are some readers on cars and trucks. Pam Tate said they have had the readers for two years, so it is not a current investment. Pam Tate says NEC gate will be accessed through the hokie passport instead of the permit/license plate. The Alexandria campus is already virtual, and it works very well there. Bria Weisz asks how this will affect carpool permits. LPR will not impact flexibility with carpool permits, where April Williams says the user does have responsibility to update their account with their vehicles, but the LPR system will make sure the vehicle matches the permit.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00pm.