

# CMRPC TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE BYLAWS DISCUSSION

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- CMRPC Bylaws Update
  - CMRPC Subcommittee Bylaws Update
  - T-Committee Bylaws last updated in 2009
  - Effort includes Physical Development, Legislative Affairs Bylaws Review
  - Review being conducted by the Bylaws Committee, *currently underway*
  - Provide feedback to Sherrie Haber from T-Committee members
  - Committee Purpose

# EXISTING PURPOSE OF THE T-COMMITTEE

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- The purpose of the T-Committee is to serve as the transportation advisory group for the Commission. The functions of the Committee are to:
  - Advise the Commission vote on the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO) matters and bring forth the Commission view on CMMPO matters.
  - Provide technical feedback to the Commission transportation staff on internal planning efforts related to transportation planning, including the integration of economic development and land use concerns.
  - Direct the Commission transportation staff on non-CMMPO planning efforts.
  - Advise the Commission transportation staff on reviews of transportation impacts associated with proposed major regional developments.
  - Become a point of reference with local communities dealing with transportation planning issues.

# PROPOSED T-COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- Existing Bylaws allow for occasional revisions & updates
- Proposed one (1) Commission member per each of the six (6) long established transportation planning subregions (6).
- Proposed maximum two (2) Technical members (ex. – Town DPW staff, engineers) in place of Commission membership.
- Proposed one (1) “At-Large” member to allow for a seven (7) person committee.
- Proposed quorum for virtual, hybrid or in-person meetings would be a total of four (4) Commission and Technical members in attendance.

# PROPOSED BYLAW INCORPORATION OF ANNUAL MEETING BALLOT QUESTIONS

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- Potential to **incorporate** language that has been *reiterated for decades* at the Commission's Annual Meeting into the bylaws.
- **Last Year's QUESTION FOUR:** Do you agree that each year within the Annual Ballot process:
  - Assign the Commission's review and voting privileges to its standing Transportation Planning Committee (T-Committee) on significant CMMPO business.
  - This includes endorsements of major documents (LRTP, TIP, UPWP) and other significant matters and actions for which motions are made.
  - Further, the Commission Chairperson or his/her designee shall represent the Commission's interest at the CMMPO meetings.
  - *(Example: CMRPC Chair can appoint the Chair of the T-Committee to attend/participate/vote at the monthly CMMPO meeting.)*

# PROPOSED BYLAW INCORPORATION OF ANNUAL MEETING BALLOT QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)

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- On occasion, the CMMPO will be required to take quick action on urgent matters in order to meet state or federal deadlines.
- These may involve adjustments and/or amendments (with no comment period) to the LRTP, TIP, UPWP and other concerns that are regularly first reviewed by the T-Committee.
- *(In the typical course of events during the public comment period, the T-Committee will review such matters and make a recommendation to the Commission regarding its vote as a CMMPO member.)*
- **Last Year's QUESTION FIVE:** Do you agree that each year within the Annual Ballot process:
  - In the event that the Commission is unable to convene to direct the Chairperson's actions on CMMPO questions,
  - Do you authorize the Chairperson, or his/her designee from the T-Committee,
  - To act on the Commission's behalf on matters requiring a CMMPO vote in a manner consistent with the recommendation(s) of the T-Committee?