

**Henderson County
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Transportation Advisory Committee held a regularly scheduled meeting on June 17, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. in the King Street Meeting Room and online via Microsoft Teams. Voting members present online are denoted with the letter "O".

Voting Member	Present	Absent
Beau Waddell, Chair at-large		√
VACANT, Vice-Chair at-large		√
Lauren Mabin, at-large	√	
Warren Ladbrook, at-large	O	
Sheila Franklin, Henderson County	√	
Jay Egolf, Henderson County	√	
Jennifer Hensley, City of Hendersonville	√	
Emily Whitmire, Village of Flat Rock	O	
Shanon Gonce, Town of Mills River		√
George Banta, Town of Laurel Park	√	
Tyler Morrow, Town of Fletcher	√	

Also present at the table: Autumn Radcliff, Planning Director; Lee Stevens, Planner III; Troy Wilson, NCDOT; Susie Moore, NCDOT; Rusty Darnell, NCDOT; Scott Collier, NCDOT; Chuck McGrady, NCDOT BOT; Tristan Winkler, FBRMPO

Ms. Autumn Radcliff, Henderson County Planning Director, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Councilman George Banta motioned to appoint Commissioner Jay Egolf as the acting chair for the meeting, and the motion carried.

Public Comment:

Mr. Carlos Ruiz and Mr. Ward Seguin gave public comments.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

Councilwoman Jennifer Hensley moved to approve the agenda and summary. Motion carried.

Discussion:

Orrs Camp Road Update

Mr. Troy Wilson, NCDOT, provided crash data for the intersection of Orrs Camp Rd, Mitchell Dr, and US 64. Ms. Susie Moore, Mr. Scott Collier, and Mr. Rusty Darnell, also of NCDOT, supplied information on traffic conflicts at the intersection due to the current design, and shared potential improvements and the impact of future development.

SPOT Prioritization, P8

Mr. Winkler described the purpose and function of the SPOT prioritization processes and explained the three tiers of funding. The TAC was tasked with prioritizing three projects to recommend to the MPO for Henderson County out of the list of five Regional Impact Projects. Each project was presented in order of its quantitative score. After discussion, the three projects selected by the TAC for prioritization were Project 1. US 25 BUS (Asheville Hwy) intersection improvements, Project 2. US 176 (Spartanburg Hwy) access management, and Project 5. US 64 (Brevard Rd) intersection improvements.

Federal Legislation Update

Mr. Winkler explained that Congress is currently developing the Build America 250 Act to replace the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which will expire in September 2026. Mr. Winkler detailed the changes possible under the new legislation, including a shift away from discretionary to formula-based funding,

changes in local match requirements, and the potential elimination of certain programs. Given the work left to do in developing the new law, an extension of the IIJA is possible.

Updates:

NCDOT, Hendersonville, Laurel Park, Fletcher, and Flat Rock gave updates. Mr. Chuck McGrady stated that this will be his last meeting with the Henderson County TAC, as he is stepping off the NCDOT Board of Transportation in July.

Next Meeting:

The next TAC meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2026.

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 PM.

This is a meeting summary. The official minutes are the recording of the meeting. Anyone can request a copy of the meeting recording by contacting County staff.