



## Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee Second Half-Yearly Report July through December 2023 Update

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The Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee (LUEPC) was established to replace the Planning and Coordination Council (PACC) by the County of Albemarle, the City of Charlottesville, and the University of Virginia (UVA) in 2019. The Committee shares and coordinates land use and development plans and projects; considers environmental and infrastructure issues facing the community; and, from time to time, advances ideas and solutions supporting the mutual advantage of these entities. As part of its charge, the Committee shall, not less than twice each year, submit a report summarizing the group's work.

The County, City and the University face similar environmental planning and project challenges. The committee, by its nature, creates opportunities to address these shared challenges by coordinating community messaging and institutional practices. The second half of 2023 continued the focus on project discussions and coordination. The agendas for the monthly meeting are formed around themes - either geographical areas or specific topics. This report will focus on some of the key themes under discussion. The Committee's meeting minutes and presentations are posted on the LUEPC website which is hosted by the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC): <https://vapacc.org>.

Over 2023, two new concepts were added to the LUEPC meetings:

1. A routine cadence in communications between LUEPC and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) where VDOT representatives are invited on a quarterly basis to share updates on transportation projects, and
2. The inclusion of regular guests with regional perspectives such as the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC).

### Charge Statement

The Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee was established to share and coordinate land use and development plans and projects; consider environmental and infrastructure issues facing the community; and, from time to time, advance ideas and solutions that support our mutual advantage. The LUEPC may also serve as an advisory committee to the City, County, and UVA. The Committee will meet regularly to discuss timely issues from each entity and share that information with the public and each entity's senior leadership at biannual updates of all three entities. Through its work, the Committee further seeks to ensure that the actions, policies, and processes of the Committee are reflective of an ongoing commitment by the entities to support an equitable and inclusive community. The Committee defines equity as all community members having access to community benefits and opportunities needed to reach their full potential and to experience optimal well-being and quality of life; inclusion means that all



peoples shall be respected and valued as members of this community. The Three-Party Agreement dated May 5, 1986, remains in effect as to land use planning between the City, County and UVA.

### Land Use and Environmental Planning Committee Summary of Activity

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Virtual meetings were routinely held via the Microsoft Teams platform. Quarterly meetings were held in person at the site hosted by the chairing organization. For 2023, in-person meetings were held at the County of Albemarle, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, VA 22902 as the County served as chair of LUEPC with UVA serving as vice-chair. In 2024, UVA will serve as the chair of LUEPC.

#### **July 21, 2023:**

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Presenter: Alice Raucher, Architect for the University

- [Fontaine Research Park Update](#)

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- [Karsh Institute of Democracy update](#)

#### **August 18, 2023:**

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Presenter: Alice Raucher, Architect for the University

- [Fontaine Park Update](#)

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Presenter: Sean Nelson, VDOT, Culpeper District Engineer

- [VDOT Update on Transportation Improvement Projects](#)
- [Pipeline Project: Barracks Road Study and Ivy Corridor Study](#)

**September's meeting was canceled.**

#### **October 20, 2023**

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA FOUNDATION

Presenter: Fred Missel

- [Affordable Housing Update](#)

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Presenter: Fred Hancock

- [North Fork Rezoning Update](#)

#### **November 17, 2023**

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Presenter: Sean Nelson and VDOT Team

- [Ivy Road Pipeline Project Update – Michael Barnes, VDOT](#)
- [Fontaine Avenue Update – Zach Harris, Michael Baker](#)

#### **December 17, 2023**

ALBEMARLE COUNTY & CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE

Presenters: Gabe Dayley, Albemarle County, Climate Protection Program Manager and  
Emily Irvine, City of Charlottesville, Climate Program Manager

- [Resilient Together, Charlottesville & Albemarle](#)



## ALBEMARLE COUNTY

Presenter: Greg Harper, Albemarle County, Chief of Environmental Services

- [Flood Resilience through Investments in Infrastructure](#) (includes additional 2 presentations below)
- Branchlands Watershed Flood Risk Assessment
- Drainage Infrastructure Management

## LUEPC Membership

### Albemarle County

Community Development Director

Facilities and Environmental Services Director

Representative from the County Planning Commission

### City of Charlottesville

Neighborhood Development Services Director

Director of Public Works

Director of Utilities

Representative from the City Planning Commission

### University of Virginia

Architect for the University

Associate University Planner

Director of Facilities Management

Operations Director of Real Estate and Leasing Services

### University of Virginia Foundation

Director of Design and Development

Director of Real Estate Asset Management

### Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority

Executive Director

