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Charlottesville Area Association of REALTORS®
Public Affairs Committee
Wednesday, April 8, 2026, 9:00 am
Hillsdale Conference Center

Attendance

Present Mattias John (Chair), Peg Gilliland, , Kyle Olson, Kathy Markwood, Tammy Wilt

Excused: Erin Hall, May 'Gaby' Hall

Unexcused: Denise Ramey

Staff: Neil Williamson

Welcome and Call to Order

Chair Matthais John called the meeting to order at 9:00 am noting a quorum was present.

Anti-Trust – Matthais reviewed the CAAR Antitrust Statement.

Old Business

RPAC Report – Neil provided a brief RPAC report. He also mentioned the desire to have 100% participation from the Public Affairs Committee.

VAR Legislative Agenda – Neil touched on the success of VR's "tepid" 2026 legislative agenda.

Locality Reports – Neil provided updates on Albemarle, Charlottesville and Greene.

Commonwealth Housing Coalition -

New Business

Code of Public Policy Preliminary discussion – Neil provided the Project Team's changes to the COPP prior to the meeting. This initial discussion was to determine if there were additional areas of concern or things that could be deleted. The group had a feeling they just went through this exercise – two years ago. They did not have significant changes beyond what the Project Team had suggested. The deep dive will be at the next PAC meeting in June.

August Property Rights Luncheon Brainstorming – Neil presented a list of potential speakers for the August 17th Property Rights luncheon focused on Zonings impact on housing affordability. After a brief discussion, the group determined a panel was better than a single nationally prominent speaker. There was a good discussion that each speaker should bring a different angle on the topic. Neil was directed to reach out to speakers and determine their availability for the event.

Staff Update

Neil is out the second week of May and the last couple days of April.

Adjourn

Chair John adjourned the meeting at 9:50 am.

Respectfully submitted, Neil Williamson, Staff Liaison