Welcome and Introductions – Joe Voorhees welcomed everyone, introduced his colleague and guest, Brian Gadsby, and called the meeting to order. John Uhrin and Ben Davenport are no longer on Virginia Beach City Council. Joe and David Weiner have already reached out to Mayor Dyer to begin discussing the future and relevance of VB 2040. David also called Aaron Rouse, David Nygaard, Sabrina Wooten, Jessica Abbott, and Jim Wood. Newly appointed council members David Nygaard (Beach District 6 Representative who replaced John Uhrin) and Aaron Rouse (At-Large Representative) should be petitioned to join VB 2040. It is good to have both a district city council member and an at large member liaison for VB 2040.

VB 2040 Current Status and Future Direction Discussion – Martha McClees shared that she has heard that VB 2040 is perceived as vague. This committee has to create value and do more presentations as a conduit between citizens and City Council and as Communication Ambassadors. VB 2040 needs to reiterate their purpose which is to help citizens understand the city trajectory:
What’s going on now that’s going to affect education, transportation, the economy, etc and Where are we now vs Where are we headed? VB 2040 also needs a main focus and or major initiatives to focus on that are important to City Council as well. The committee needs to do a fact finding session with City Council to see what their vision is in general and what their vision is for VB 2040. The committee is a volunteer, council appointed, citizen coalition. City Manager, Dave Hansen, has asked about 2030 for the City of Virginia Beach vs 2040. A shortened timeline becomes a comprehensive plan. The committee also needs to define and connect with more Vision Partners.

City Council Briefing - February 19, 2019 – David Weiner suggested the VB 2040 committee brief City Council after Council’s goal-setting workshop on February 11 and 12, 2019. Charleen Cooper will email and ask if the VB 2040 City Council briefing date can be moved to March. There has got to be more accountability on City Council as well by asking for better attendance and representation at the VB 2040 meetings. Kathy Warren shared that there will be a presentation to City Council on the VB Trail on February 26, 2019 and after that, VB 2040 can promote video marketing for the committee.

Review and Finalize 2019 Committee and Subcommittee Roster and 2018 Attendance – Joe Voorhees discussed the importance of attendance consistency and welcomed two guests that are interested in joining the committee, Brian Gadsby and Sandra Roberts. He will reach out to Carol Curtis and Erica Cuffee to confirm their commitment level. The Subcommittee Roster was reviewed, updated with 2 additional names and approved. The committee agreed to remove the July 2019 meeting from the calendar.

Community Outreach Initiatives
- St Nicholas Catholic Church Seniors Group - January 15, 2019 – Joe Voorhees and David Weiner
- Thalia Civic League in February 2019 – Joe Voorhees will confirm date and time
- Philippine Cultural Center of Virginia – February 26, 2019 – Edwina Bergano
- What’s Next?
- Reviewed revised PowerPoint presentation as a committee. Need to do research to get updated City Council picture. Joe will reformat active lifestyle, thriving economy, and vision to reality slides. VB 2040 award winning photo needs to be added to PowerPoint. The committee needs to get forms from the organizations that have already been presented to in an effort to get Vision Partner numbers up. A Vision Partner is being defined as an organization whose decisions align with VB 2040’s vision.

2019 Financial Disclosure – Charleen Cooper reminded the committee that the annual Financial Disclosure form was due January 1, 2019 and the City Clerk, Amanda Barnes, would appreciate 100% participation from the committee in submitting this information as soon as possible.

Took VB 2040 Committee Picture in SGA Studio

News You Can Use - Roundtable!
- Jason Barney shared that there will either be a new inlet from Backbay to the ocean or large pumps with flood or tide gates. The committee can get either Tom Leahy or Mark Johnson as future guest speakers to elaborate on the matter. The Army Corps is being asked to validate the Dewberry Study on Sea Level Rise.
• Brian Gadsby shared that Sentara Princess Anne Hospital (SPAH) opened a new medsearch facility to decrease registration to hospital bed/room time.
• Kathy Warren updated the committee with information from the SGA Office. The Resort Action Plan from 2008 is being updated. Economic Vitality is presenting to City Council their Capital Improvement Program FY20-25 Budget on February 26, 2019. FY20 funding will be available July 1, 2019.
• Karen Kwasny shared that water quality testing started in Ashville Park.

Next Meeting:  Friday, February 8, 2019; 9:00-11:00 am