



**Steering Committee Meeting Agenda
In-Person Meeting at James Island Town Hall
1122 Dills Bluff Road.**

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

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- I. Welcome and Call to Order – Chair Skardon
- II. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance – Chair Skardon
- III. Approval of Minutes – Chair Skardon
- IV. Public Comments
- V. Old Business
 - a. SCDOT Road Safety Assessment – Shawn Salley
 - b. Steering Committee Neighborhood Updates
 - c. Meeting Date and Time
 - d. Update Municipal Webpages to Cross-Reference new BCDCOG page
- VI. Jurisdictional Updates for Folly Rd.
 - a. SCDOT
 - b. Charleston County – Emily Pigot
 - c. CARTA – Belén Vitello
 - d. City of Charleston – James Wallace
 - e. Town of James Island – Brook Lyon
 - f. James Island Public Service District
 - g. City of Folly Beach – Aaron Pope
- VII. Work Plan Progress Updates
 - a. Codify updated governance proposals and amendments – Chair Skardon
 - b. Rethink Folly Road, Phase II Extent – Kyle James
 - c. CARTA bus stop priorities – Belén Vitello
- VIII. Next Meeting – Wednesday, September 9, 2026
- IX. Adjourn



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May 13, 2026 at 3:00 P.M.

- I. Welcome and Call to Order – Chair Skardon
- II. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance – Chair Skardon
- III. Approval of Minutes – Chair Skardon
 - Motion: Fred Whittle
 - Second: Councilmember Jim McBride
 - Approved
- IV. Public Comments — None
- V. Work Plan Progress

Chair Skardon presented the previous operating agreement and suggested edits (document provided to committee in advance). Some suggested edits that generated discussion included: BCDCOG takes over Rethink Folly Committee program management; elect chair and vice chair at end of year instead of beginning; meet quarterly instead of six times a year; set meeting schedule in December; hold two meetings virtually; allow Chair to cancel up to two meetings a year if there is not a reason to meet; recommend Rethink Folly meetings immediately precede Intergovernmental meetings and are moved to Mondays to accommodate legislators.

Beth Saunders expressed concerned about reducing meetings per year which might affect committee progress. Mayor Lyon agreed with Beth Saunders, and she also noted that most people that she has spoken with do not want meetings back-to-back or on Mondays, as Intergovernmental meetings are already quite long. Mayor Lyon agreed with Chair Skardon that we should meet when legislators can participate during the first two quarters of the year when they are in session.

Vice-chair Drayton-Crumblin agreed with Beth Saunders and Mayor Lyon, and also would consider changing the steering committee meeting time to accommodate people.

Mayor Lyon expressed a concern with changing the date of the committee chair and vice-chair elections because there is general election turnover at the end of the year.



Beth Saunders agreed with Chair Skardon that the steering committee shouldn't meet in instances where there is not a lot of work to do. However, she noted in the past, the committee hasn't done well at assigning tasks and following up on them.

Committee agreed to:

- Keep meetings at 6 with discretion of chair to cancel 2 if needed (but not back-to-back)
- Use the last meeting of year to set schedule for coming year
- Poll steering committee to see what times work best for meetings
- Discuss these edits further and codify in July

Committee voted to support BCDCOG taking over the Rethink Folly steering committee program management.

- Motion: Logan McVey
- Second: Fred Whittle
- Approved

Chair Skardon presented the new Program Management document (provided in advance). No one had anything to add.

Chair Skardon presented the new committee list. She reached out to everyone to update in advance. Any further suggestions should be sent to Chair Skardon.

Joe Walters asked if he could nominate additional individuals to represent the different quadrants in the Rethink Folly corridor study (e.g., Folly Beach Conservation Area, Neighborhood Preservation Area, and Maybank/ North Village). Chair Skardon requested that Mr. Walters work with her and BCDCOG to identify those additional representatives.

Mayor Lyon requested all of James Island Town Council, James Island Public Service Commissioners, and City Councilmember Appel be added to the committee. Discussion ensued involving the importance of having 1-2 appointed representatives from each body for consistency, though any and all elected officials can and should attend the meetings.

Chair Skardon explained we are on track with our Annual Work Plan, and she got a commitment from SCDOT to quarterly Folly Road (and Harbor View Road) maintenance.

Kyle James from BCDCOG presented the new webpage for Rethink Folly, including maps, meeting minutes, etc. Still need to identify the historical record of changes made from the Folly Road Zoning Overlay. Kyle can make any changes based on committee input.

Next steps in July: Identify gaps, particularly for transportation sales tax (TST)-proposed segment of Rethink Folly. Make sure we all update the project page links on our entities' webpages.



VI. Jurisdictional Updates for Folly Rd.

Charleston County - None.

CARTA – None.

City of Charleston: James Wallace shared that the Charleston County project at the intersection of Folly Road and Harbor View Road will add a crosswalk connection to the existing bus stop, and the 70% design drawings are currently being reviewed by SCDOT. Grimball Folly Assemblage went to the City of Charleston's Technical Review Committee (TRC) for first review in April (still a lot to do from a Traffic & Transportation perspective). The intersection at Folly Road and S Grimball Road may have the turn lanes re-stripped via SCDOT's road safety assessment or through a proposed redevelopment site plan for a mini golf course.

Town of James Island – Mayor Lyon shared the Town will discuss SCDOT's road safety assessment at its next Town Council meeting on May 21st.

James Island Public Service District – None.

City of Folly Beach: Councilmember Skip Fink shared an update on the City of Folly Beach's stormwater system project along Center Street. He also shared that the turn lane project at Peas Island has been submitted to SCDOT for review but is on hold by SCDOT.

VII. Next Meeting – Wednesday, July 8 at 3 P.M.

VIII. Adjourn

In attendance: Charleston City Councilmember Leslie Skardon (Chair), James Island Town Councilmember Julia Drayton-Crumblin (Vice Chair), Jacquie Berger (Lowcountry Local First), Folly Beach City Councilmember Skip Fink, James Island Planning Commissioner Kelly Hall, Kyle James (BCDCOG Planner), James Island Mayor Brook Lyon, Charleston City Councilmember Jim McBride, Logan McVey (citizen representative for Charleston County), James Island Town Councilmember Troy Mullinax, Beth Saunders (citizen representative for City of Folly Beach), Belen Vitello (BCDCOG Transit Planner), Joe Walters (business/property owner representative), Fred Whittle (business/property owner representative), Katie Zimmerman (Charleston Moves)