

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

AGENDA

Thursday, September 10, 2020 7:00pm 3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200 Fairfax, VA 22031

Meeting to be conducted on WebEx and Live Streamed via YouTube

1. Call to Order Chair Randall

2. Roll Call Ms. Sen, Interim Clerk

3. Adoption of Resolution 20-04 to Find Need to Conduct Meeting by Electronic
Communication Means during Governor's declared State of Emergency during
COVID-19 Pandemic

NVTA Council of Counsels

Recommended action: Adoption of Resolution 20-04 for Electronic Meetings During

COVID-19 Pandemic

4. Minutes of the July 9, 2020 Meeting

Recommended action: Approval [with abstentions from those who were not present]

Presentation

5. NVTA's Project Management and Monitoring System Dashboard

Mr. Nampoothiri, Transportation Planner

Consent Items

- 6. Approval of Standard Project Agreement for Fairfax County—Regional Funding 2018-016-3 (Fairfax County Parkway Widening Ox Road to Lee Highway, includes a grade separated interchange at the intersection of Popes Head Road)
- 7. Approval of Standard Project Agreement for Fairfax County—Regional Funding 2018-010-3 (Route 28 Widening: Route 29 to Prince William County Line)
- 8. Approval of Standard Project Agreement for the Virginia Railway Express—Regional Funding 2018-058-2 (Crystal City Station Improvements)

Action Items

9. Appointment of Joanna Anderson to the Council of Counsels

Ms. Backmon, Executive Director

Recommended action: Appointment of Ms. Anderson

10. Approval of the Transfer of Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Concessionaire Funds
Request for Fairfax County

Ms. Backmon, Executive Director

Recommended action: Approval of Transfer Request

11. Approval of the De-appropriation for the City of Alexandria's West End Transitway

Project

Mr. Longhi, CFO

Recommended action: Approval of De-appropriation

12. Approval of the De-appropriation for Prince William County's Route 28 Project

Mr. Longhi, CFO

Recommended action: Approval of De-appropriation

13. Adoption of Resolution 20-05 –SMART SCALE Project Application Endorsements

Ms. Backmon, Executive Director

Recommended action: Adoption of Resolution

Discussion/Information Items

14. 2020 General Assembly Special Session Update Ms. Baynard, McGuire Woods, LLC

15. Executive Director's ReportMs. Backmon, Executive Director

16. Chair's Comments

Closed Session

17. Adjournment

Correspondence

Next Meeting: October 8, 2020 at 7:00pm

NVTA Offices

RESOLUTION 20-04 FINDING NEED TO CONDUCT MEETING BY ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION MEANS DURING GOVERNOR'S DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY DURING COVID – 19 PANDEMIC

SEPTEMBER 10, 2020 MEETING ELECTRONICALLY

September 10, 2020

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Governor of Virginia declared a state of emergency in Virginia in response to the spread of novel coronavirus, or COVID-19, a communicable disease of public health threat as so declared by the State Health Commissioner on February 7, 2020 ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, in subsequent Executive Orders, particularly Executive Order Nos. 53 and 55, as amended, the Governor of Virginia, among other measures designed to ensure safe physical distancing between individuals, prohibited public and private in person gatherings of 10 or more individuals and ordered all individuals in Virginia to remain at their place of residence, with limited exceptions, to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 and prevent its spread; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority finds that it has a responsibility to demonstrate to the public, through the Authority's conduct, the importance of maintaining proper physical distance from others and to avoid gathering in public where the risks of infection are highest, and to take measures that promote physical distancing in order to protect the public health and mitigate the impacts and spread of COVID-19, including, among others, conducting meetings electronically whenever possible; and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2020, the Virginia General Assembly adopted, and the Governor signed, budget bill amendments to HB 29 that expressly authorize "any public body, including any state, local, [or] regional body" to "meet by electronic communication means without a quorum of the public body . . . physically assembled at one location when the Governor has declared a state of emergency . . ., provided that (i) the nature of the declared emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe for the public body . . . to assemble in a single location; (ii) the purpose of the meeting is to discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body . . . and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities" among other provisions; and

WHEREAS, member jurisdictions of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority have adopted continuity of government ordinances pursuant to Va. Code Ann. § 15.2-1413 which ordinances, among other provisions, contemplate regional bodies of which the locality is a member meeting electronically to transact business to assure the continuity of government; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority hereby finds that meeting by electronic means is authorized because the nature of the declared emergency makes it both impracticable and unsafe for the Authority to assemble in a single location on September 10, 2020, to discuss and transact the business of the Authority listed on the September 10, 2020 Authority Meeting Agenda; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Authority hereby finds that meeting by electronic means is authorized because the items on the September 10, 2020 Authority Meeting Agenda are statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the Authority and the discharge of the Authority's lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the items on the September 10, 2020 Authority Meeting Agenda are encompassed within the continuity of operations ordinances adopted by member localities of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority to assure the continued operation of the government during the disaster posed by the public health emergency resulting from COVID-19.

Adopted the 10th day of September, 2020.



Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

MINUTES

Thursday, July 9, 2020 3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200 Fairfax, VA 22031 Via WebEx and Live Streamed

1. Call to Order Chair Randall

✓ Chair Randall called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

2. Roll Call Chair Randall

- ✓ Voting Members: Chair Randall; Mayor Parrish; Chairman McKay; Chair Wheeler; Board Member Cristol; Mayor Meyer; Mayor Wilson; Mayor Rishell; Council Member Snyder; Delegate Watts; Delegate Roem; Senator Boysko; Ms. Hynes; Mr. Kolb
- ✓ Non-Voting Members; Mayor Wood, Ms. Cuervo, Ms. Mitchell.
- ✓ Staff: Monica Backmon (Executive Director); Michael Longhi (CFO); Keith Jasper (Principal, Planning and Programming); Sree Nampoothiri (Senior Transportation Planner); Harun Rashid (Transportation Planner); Ria Kulkarni (Transportation Planner); Mackenzie Jarvis (Transportation Planner); Peggy Teal (Assistant Finance Officer); Richard Stavros (Investment and Debt Manager); Erica Hawksworth (Communication and Public Affairs Manager); Dev Sen (Financial Analyst); various jurisdictional and agency staff.
- ✓ Other Attendees: Rob Dickerson (Council of Counsels); Steven MacIsaac (Council of Counsels); Ellen Posner (Council of Counsels); Daniel Robinson (Council of Counsels); Jason Mumford (AECOM); David Roden (AECOM); and Amy Volz (AECOM)
- 3. Adoption of Resolution 20-03 to Find Need to Conduct Meeting by Electronic Communication Means during Governor's declared State of Emergency during COVID-19 Pandemic NVTA Council of Counsels

Recommended action: Adoption of Resolution 20-03 for Electronic Meetings During COVID-19 Pandemic

- ✓ Chair Randall made the motion to adopt Resolution 20-03 to Find the Need to Conduct Meeting by Electronic Communication Means during the Governor's declared State of Emergency during COVID-19 Pandemic; seconded by Board Member Cristol. Motion passed unanimously (14-0 vote).
- 4. Minutes of the June 11, 2020 Meeting

Mayor Parrish moved approval of the June 11, 2020 minutes; seconded by Mayor Rishell. Motion passed with abstentions by Senator Boysko as she was not present for the previous meeting (13-0-1 vote).

Presentation

5. COVID-19: Transportation Impacts and Opportunities

Mr. Jasper, Principal Planner

Mr. Jasper introduced Mr. Roden (AECOM), Mr. Mumford (AECOM) and Ms. Volz (AECOM) and commenced the presentation on the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on Transportation, noting:

- ✓ Different recovery scenarios to compare impacts and the use of analysis to structure future planning efforts.
- ✓ Analyze plausible possible future scenarios and scenario development through modeling approaches.
- ✓ Recovery from COVID-19, trip behavior has been impacted starting in March 2020, and resulted in increased telework, closure of schools, and many businesses, a decrease in travel throughout the region and safety concerns regarding transit and shared-rides.
- ✓ Explained the National Trends of Working from Home Chart and Regional Trends of WMATA Ridership, where ridership declined 88% from Q4 FY2020 Budget.
- ✓ Mr. Jasper handed over the presentation to Mr. Roden, who explained the Northern Virginia Re-opening Phases:
 - Phase 1 (Started 5/29) Continued social distancing and teleworking.
 - Phase 2 (Started 6/12) Social gatherings increase to 50 people and restaurant offering indoor capacity at 50% occupancy.
 - Phase 3 (Started 7/1) Limit occupancy of physical spaces and encourage telework.
 - Phase 4 ("New Normal") June 2021-2025
- ✓ Mr Roden explained the different scenarios, Quick Recovery, Active Transportation, Second Pandemic Wave in October, and Cautious Recovery and compared between Short-term (2020-2021) and New Normal (2025).
- ✓ He explained the Short-Term Impacts (Jan 2020 to June 2021), noting:
 - Impact on daily vehicle miles of travel;
 - Impact on vehicle miles traveled, where the Quick Recovery phase would be
 94%:
 - o Impact on daily transit ridership, which would take a long time to recover;
 - o Impact on Person Hours of Delay, that increase in teleworking
 - He further added the Active Transportation compared to Pre-COVID levels where 60% trips less than 5 miles are walk/bike, and Mode Share increases 30%.
- ✓ He further explained about the "New Normal" Impacts (2025), noting:
 - o To evaluate the scenarios using TransAction performance metrics.
 - Multi-modal measures that address accessibility and mobility in the region.

- Overall impact of cautious recovery scenario with weighted performance measures.
- Mr. Jasper summarized the "New Normal" observations using the four scenarios, noting:
 - o 10-15 percent more telework than pre-COVID levels;
 - Reduction in auto and transit trips where;
 - "Active Transportation" scenario has the most significant impact for auto trips (46 percent reduction)
 - "Cautious Recovery" scenarios have the most significant effect for transit trips (37 percent reduction)
 - Reduction in person hours of delay, where;
 - 'Cautious Recovery' scenario has the most substantial impact (85 percent
- ✓ Mr. Jasper concluded the presentation, noting:
 - o Short-Term:
 - The majority of changes occur within the first 18 months and level off around June 2021.
 - o New Normal Teleworking and economic impacts result in:
 - Traffic Volumes and transit ridership do not fully recover to pre-COVID levels.
 - Significant reductions in time spent traveling and time lost in congestion.
 - Congestion reduction impacts are a positive, transit ridership reduction may be challenging to the financial stability of some transit agencies
- ✓ Mr. Jasper asked the Authority members for any questions or comments:
 - Council Member Snyder and Mayor Meyer commented that they would be interested in the long-term impact, which will be determined in the future.
 - Delegate Roem added that there might be an impact on residential development due to COVID-19 and added that Vehicle Miles Traveled is going to be more consistent than ridership on Mass Transit before a vaccine.
 - Ms. Hynes commented that 10-15 percent assumption of telework may eventually increase and that she wonders how the new normal would be and if this would change the mission.
 - Ms. Cuervo agreed with Ms. Hynes and added that as the road use is increasing, the 10-15 percent telework will be beneficial.
 - Mayor Parrish commented that there is more to be determined over time and added that teleworking is a good option.
 - Chair Randall noted that the telework number may go up significantly over time.

Action Items

6. Appointment of Daniel Robinson to the Council of Counsels

Ms. Backmon, Executive Director Recommended action: Appointment of Mr. Robinson to the Council of Counsels

- ✓ Ms. Backmon advised the Authority of Ms. Posner's retirement from Fairfax County noting Mr. Robinson has been designated by Fairfax County Attorneyas her replacement on the Council of Counsels.
- ✓ She further explained that the responsibilities of the Council of Counsels are to provide legal counsel and advice, legal support, and representation to the Authority.
- ✓ She thanked Ms. Posner for her tireless efforts on behalf of the Authority.
- ✓ She added that the Council of Counsels was established by the Authority on July 12, 2007 when Council Member Snyder was part of the legal working group.
- ✓ Chair Randall asked which jurisdictions do the other Council of Counsels members originated from. To which Ms. Backmon stated, that Mr. MacIsaac is from Arlington County, and Mr. Dickerson is from Prince William County.
- ✓ Chairman McKay thanked Ms. Posner for her service and leadership and welcomed Mr. Robinson to the Authority's Council of Counsels.
- ✓ Other Authority members expressed appreciation for Ms. Posner's years of service to the Authority, guidance, openness to resolving any issue.

 Chairman McKay moved the approval of the appointment of Daniel Robinson to the NVTA Council of Counsels; seconded by Mayor Parrish. Motion passed unanimously (14-0 vote).

7. Approval of the Withdrawal/Cancellation of the VRE Lorton and Rippon Station Projects

Mr. Longhi, CFO

Recommended action: Approval of the Withdrawal/Cancellation of the Projects

Mr. Longhi summarized the presented staff report by noting:

- ✓ Withdrawal or Cancellation of the VRE Lorton and Rippon Station Projects was presented to the Finance Committee and received a unanimous recommendation.
- ✓ VRE staff reported they will present a project withdrawal recommendation to the VRE Operations Board in the July 10th dispatch for the July 17th meeting.
- ✓ If the VRE Operations Board takes action on July 17th to withdraw the projects, the project status will be recorded as voluntarily withdrawn instead of canceled.

- ✓ Mr. Longhi noted VRE is welcome to apply for additional projects in the future and opened the floor for any questions or comments.
- ✓ Chair Wheeler and Ms. Mitchell commented that the cancellation of VRE Lorton and Rippon Station Projects would free up revenue for other projects.
- ✓ Board Member Cristol mentioned that on behalf of the VRE Operations Board, she is happy to support this.
- ✓ She further noted that the members of the VRE Operations Board are very strongly supportive of the Franconia-Springfield Passenger Rail Bypass project, as it is a critical project to take advantage of the planned commuter rail track expansion and track acquisitions, which is an upcoming item to discuss in the Adoption of the FY2020-2025 Six Year Program.

Chair Wheeler moved Authority cancellation or acceptance of withdrawal of the VRE Lorton and Rippon Station Projects unencumbering a combined \$16.9 million in project funding; seconded by Chairman McKay. Motion passed unanimously (14-0 vote).

8. Adoption of the FY2020-2025 Six Year Program

Ms. Backmon, Executive Director

Recommended action: Adoption of the FY2020-2025 Six Year Program

- ✓ Ms. Backmon provided an overview of the NVTA staff project funding recommendations and the Planning and Programming Committee (PPC) recommendations approved at their June 19, 2020, meeting.
- ✓ With the cancellation/withdrawal of VRE Lorton and Rippon Station Projects, the available revenue is increased to \$539 Million (\$522M was previously recommended by the Finance Committee and adopted by the Authority).
- ✓ Mayor Wilson, Chair of the PPC, stated that the PPC met on June 19, 2020 and endorsed the NVTA Staff recommendations.
- ✓ He further added that the PPC unanimously recommended additional projects/funding up to \$16,958,821 with the withdrawal/cancellation of the two VRE projects consistent with the Finance Committee recommendation. The additional funding recommendations are:
 - \$700,000 Jermantown Road/Route 29 Intersection Improvements (City of Fairfax);
 - \$8,300,000 Downtown Falls Church Multimodal Improvements (City of Falls Church);
 - \$7,958,821 Franconia-Springfield Passenger Rail Bypass (DRPT)
- ✓ He also added that the PPC commended NVTA staff for the difficult decisions in prioritizing an extremely competitive round of funding.

Mayor Wilson moved Authority adoption of the FY2020 - 2025 Six Year Program.; seconded by Chair Randall. Motion passed unanimously (14-0 vote).

Discussion/Information Items

9. Planning and Programming Committee Report

Mayor Wilson, Chair

✓ No verbal report given

10. Finance Committee

Mayor Parrish, Chair

✓ No verbal report given.

11. Planning Coordination Advisory Committee Report

Mayor Colbert, Chair

✓ No verbal report given.

12. Technical Advisory Committee Report

Mr. Boice, Chair

✓ No verbal report given.

13. Executive Director's Report

Ms. Backmon, Executive Director

- ✓ Ms. Backmon thanked Ms. Posner in addition to the other Council of Counsels for their service to the Authority.
- ✓ Ms. Backmon concluded by thanking the Authority Members and the Staff for their work on the Six-Year Program update. She further added that this was a collaborative effort to stay on track despite the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

14. Chair's Comments

Chair Randall concluded the meeting and thanked all present for their participation.

Closed Session

✓ Motion for Closed Session:

Mayor Parrish moved the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority convene a closed session as authorized by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711.A.7 and 8, for the purpose of consultation with legal counsel concerning potential litigation concerning the terms and conditions of Standard Project Agreements (SPA) 996-14-034-109 and (SPA) 996-80821 with WMATA for 8 Car Train Traction Power Upgrades, and the statutory requirements of Chapter 25 of Title 33.2 of the Code of Virginia governing the NVTA's legal Authority to provide NVTA funding for capital projects.

- Motion made by Mayor Parrish, seconded by Chair Randall. Motion passed unanimously.
- The closed session began at 8:45PM.

✓ Motion to Re-Open the Meeting:

Mayor Parrish moved that the members of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority certify: (1) that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Chapter 37, Title 2.2 of the Code of Virginia; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Authority.

- Motion made by Mayor Parrish, seconded by Delegate Roem. Motion passed unanimously.
- Meeting was reconvened at 10:25 PM.
- **15. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM.

Next Meeting: September 10, 2020 at 7:00pm

NVTA Offices

MEMORANDUM

FOR: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, Executive Director

DATE: September 2, 2020.

SUBJECT: Regional Funding Project 2018-016-3 Fairfax County (Fairfax County Parkway

Widening Ox Road to Lee Highway, includes a grade separated interchange at

the intersection of Popes Head Road)

1 Pacammondation Approval of attached Standard Project Agreement (SDA) 2019 016 2

1. Recommendation. Approval of attached Standard Project Agreement (SPA) 2018-016-3.

2. Suggested motion. I move Authority approval of the proposed Standard Project Agreement 2018-016-3, Fairfax County (Fairfax County Parkway Widening Ox Road to Lee Highway, includes a grade separated interchange at the intersection of Popes Head Road), in accordance with NVTA's approved Project Description Sheet as appended to the Standard Project Agreement; and authorize the Executive Director sign on behalf of the Authority.

3. Background.

- **a.** This project was adopted as part of the FY2018-2023 Six Year Program and received FY2021 appropriation approval on May 14, 2020.
- **b.** The attached SPA presented by the Fairfax County is consistent with the project previously submitted by Fairfax County and approved by the Authority.
- **c.** The attached SPA has been reviewed by the Council of Counsels, who noted that there were no legal issues.

Attachment: SPA for NVTA Project Number 2018-016-3

Link to Access SPA: https://thenovaauthority.org/meetings-events/authority-meetings-2-2/

Coordination: Council of Counsels

MEMORANDUM

FOR: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, Executive Director

DATE: September 2, 2020.

SUBJECT: Regional Funding Project 2018-010-3 Fairfax County (Route 28 Widening: Route

29 to Prince William County Line).

1. Recommendation. Approval of attached Standard Project Agreement (SPA) 2018-010-3.

2. Suggested motion. I move Authority approval of the proposed Standard Project Agreement 2018-010-3, Fairfax County (Route 28 Widening: Route 29 to Prince William County Line), in accordance with NVTA's approved Project Description Sheet as appended to the Standard Project Agreement; and authorize the Executive Director sign on behalf of the Authority.

3. Background.

- **a.** This project was adopted as part of the FY2018-2023 Six Year Program and received FY2021 appropriation approval on May 14, 2020.
- **b.** The attached SPA presented by the Fairfax County is consistent with the project previously submitted by Fairfax County and approved by the Authority.
- **c.** The attached SPA has been reviewed by the Council of Counsels, who noted that there were no legal issues.

Attachment: SPA for NVTA Project Number 2018-010-3

Link to Access SPA: https://thenovaauthority.org/meetings-events/authority-meetings-2-2/

Coordination: Council of Counsels

MEMORANDUM

FOR: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, Executive Director

DATE: September 2, 2020

SUBJECT: Regional Funding Project 2018-058-2 Virginia Railway Express (Crystal City

Station Improvements)

1. Recommendation. Approval of attached Standard Project Agreement (SPA) 2018-058-2.

2. Suggested motion. I move Authority approval of the proposed Standard Project Agreement 2018-058-2, Virginia Railway Express (Crystal City Station Improvements), in accordance with NVTA's approved Project Description Sheet as appended to the Standard Project Agreement; and authorize the Executive Director sign on behalf of the Authority.

3. Background.

- **a.** This project was adopted as part of the FY2018-2023 Six Year Program and received FY2021 appropriation approval on May 14, 2020.
- **b.** The attached SPA presented by the Fairfax County is consistent with the project previously submitted by Fairfax County and approved by the Authority.
- **c.** The attached SPA has been reviewed by the Council of Counsels, who noted that there were no legal issues.

Attachment: SPA for NVTA Project Number 2018-058-2

Link to Access SPA: https://thenovaauthority.org/meetings-events/authority-meetings-2-2/

Coordination: Council of Counsels

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, Executive Director

DATE: September 3, 2020

of Counsels.

SUBJECT: Appointment of New Member to the NVTA Council of Counsels

1. Purpose: To seek Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) approval of the appointment of Joanna Anderson, Attorney for the City of Alexandria, to the NVTA Council

2. Suggested Motion: I move Authority approval of the appointment of Joanna Anderson to the NVTA Council of Counsels.

- **3. Background:** The Council of Counsels was established by the Authority on July 12, 2007, through Resolution 07-08. The City of Alexandria has requested the appointment of their city attorney, Joanna Anderson, to serve as the City of Alexandria's representative on the Council of Counsels.
- **4. Responsibilities:** The Council of Counsels provides legal counsel and advice, legal support, and legal services and representation to the NVTA. The Council of Counsels shall neither be employed nor compensated by the NVTA and shall remain employees of their respective member jurisdictions.

Attachment: City of Alexandria Resolution Requesting Appointment

Attachment

RESOLUTION NO. 2911

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) is a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia created by the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority Act, Chapter 25 of Title 33.2 of the Code of Virginia 1950, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the NVTA has established a Council of Counsels that includes counsel from Arlington, Fairfax County, Prince William County and Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Spera, Deputy City Attorney was representing the City of Alexandria on the Council of Counsels and the position has been vacant since Mr. Spera's departure from the City in 2016; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED that the City of Alexandria City Council does hereby authorize the City Attorney, Joanna Anderson, to be appointed to the NVTA Council of Counsels in order to confer and participate with other attorneys from the NVTA member jurisdictions on matters pertaining to NVTA's purposes, unless and until a conflict of interest arises between the City of Alexandria and NVTA.

Adopted: November 12, 2019

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, Executive Director

DATE: September 3, 2020

SUBJECT: Recommendation to Transfer Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Concession

Payment funds for Fairfax County

1. Purpose. To seek Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) recommendation to transfer Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Concession Payment funds for Fairfax County.

2. Suggested Motion: I move Authority recommendation to transfer \$510,746 in 1-66 Concession funds from Route 29 Widening Phase I (UPC 110330) to Route 50 at Waples Mill Intersection Improvement (UPC 113517).

3. Background.

- As part of the Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Project, the Concessionaire paid the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), a Concession Fee/Payment to fund additional transportation improvements in the corridor (Concession Payment).
- Virginia Code specifies that allocations from the Concession Payments may be used to pay or finance all or part of the costs of programs or projects, but that (i) the allocations must be limited to programs and projects that are reasonably related to or benefit the users of the qualifying transportation facility that was the subject of a concession pursuant to the PPTA; and (ii) the priorities of metropolitan planning organizations, planning district commissions, local governments, and transportation corridors shall be considered by the Board in making project allocations from moneys in the Account.
- On July 13, 2017, the Authority, with input from local jurisdictions, developed a list
 of projects for presentation to and consideration by the Commonwealth
 Transportation Board (CTB) as projects that may be funded with funds from the
 Concession Payment. Both projects were included in the Authority's

recommendation. The Virginia Department of Transportation also recommended that the funding be used to support to fund, in whole or part, several Route 29 Projects in Fairfax County. On December 6, 2017, the CTB endorsed the list of projects recommended by the Authority and the Route 29 Projects.

- On July 16, 2020, Fairfax County requested the transfer of \$510,746 in 1-66
 Concession funds from Route 29 Widening Phase I (UPC 110330) to Route 50 at
 Waples Mill Intersection Improvement (UPC 113517). According to recent
 estimates, the project costs have increased due to market conditions. The estimate
 for the Route 29 Widening Phase I project has been reduced and the project no
 longer requires these funds.
- The RJACC recommended approval of the transfer request at the July 23, 2020 meeting.
- **4. Next steps**. Upon Authority recommendation of approval, the transfer request will be sent to the Commonwealth Transportation Board to be included in their transfer report.

Attachments:

- A. Draft letter to VDOT NOVA District Administrator Cuervo
- B. Request Letter from Fairfax County

Attachment A



Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

September 10, 2020

Ms. Helen Cuervo District Administrator Virginia Department of Transportation 4975 Alliance Dr. Suite 4E-342 Fairfax, Virginia 22030

Reference: Transfer Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Concession Payment funds for Fairfax County

Dear Ms. Cuervo:

As part of the Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Project, the Concessionaire paid the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), a Concession Fee/Payment to fund additional transportation improvements in the corridor (Concession Payment). Virginia Code specifies that allocations from the Concession Payments may be used to pay or finance all or part of the costs of programs or projects, but that (i) the allocations must be limited to programs and projects that are reasonably related to or benefit the users of the qualifying transportation facility that was the subject of a concession pursuant to the PPTA; and (ii) the priorities of metropolitan planning organizations, planning district commissions, local governments, and transportation corridors shall be considered by the Board in making project allocations from moneys in the Account.

On July 13, 2017, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (the Authority), with input from local jurisdictions, developed a list of projects for presentation to and consideration by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) as projects that may be funded with funds from the Concession Payment. On December 6, 2017, the CTB endorsed the list of projects recommended by the Authority.

On July 16, 2020, Fairfax County requested the transfer of \$510,746 in 1-66 Concession funds from Route 29 Widening Phase I (UPC 110330) to Route 50 at Waples Mill Intersection Improvement (UPC 113517). According to recent estimates, the project costs have increased due to market conditions. The estimate for the Route 29 Widening Phase I project has been reduced and the project no longer requires these funds.

On September 10, 2020, the Authority recommended approval of the transfer. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Phyllis J. Randall Chair

cc: Monica Backmon, Executive Director, NVTA Tom Biesiadny, Director, Fairfax County Department of Transportation

Attachment B



County of Fairfax, Virginia

To protect and enrich the quality of life for the people, neighborhoods and diverse communities of Fairfax County

July 16, 2020

Ms. Monica Backmon, Executive Director Northern Virginia Transportation Authority 3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200 Fairfax, Virginia 22031

Re: Reallocation of I-66 Concession Funds

Dear Ms. Backmon: Mouito

Fairfax County requests the approval of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority to transfer a total of \$510,746 in I-66 Concession funds from Route 29 Widening Phase I (UPC 110330) to Route 50 at Waples Mill Intersection Improvement (UPC 113517). According to recent estimates, the project costs have increased due to market conditions. The estimate for the Route 29 Widening Phase I project has been reduced and the project no longer requires these funds.

If you have any questions or concerns about this request, please contact Ray Johnson at (703) 877-5617.

Sincerely,

Tom Biesiadny

Director

cc. Todd Wigglesworth, Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT)

Ray Johnson, FCDOT

Noelle Dominguez, FCDOT

Carole Bondurant, Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)

Bethany Mathis, VDOT

Jan Vaughan, VDOT



M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Michael Longhi, Chief Financial Officer

DATE: September 4, 2020

SUBJECT: FY2021 Regional Revenue Fund De-Appropriation - City of Alexandria

1. Purpose: To seek Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) budget de-appropriation action for the City of Alexandria's West End Transitway: Northern Segment (Phase 1) Project ID 2018-040-1. This action does not change the project's status as an adopted project in the Authority's FY2018-2023 Six Year Program.

2. Suggested Motion: I move Authority cancellation of the FY2021 \$2.2 million appropriation for the City of Alexandria West End Transitway: Northern Segment (Phase 1) Project, reclassifying the funds in the Regional Revenue Fund from appropriated to restricted.

3. Background:

- a. The West End Transitway: Northern Segment Phase 1 project was adopted in the FY2018-2023 Six Year Program for \$2.2 million.
- b. The Authority appropriated \$2.2 million in FY2021 regional revenues to this project at the May 2020 meeting.
- c. Per Policy 29 requirements, NVTA projects are expected to have an executed Standard Project Agreement (SPA) within in three months of funding appropriation and are expected to start drawing project funds in the year of appropriation.
- d. In 2019, the City of Alexandria received SMART SCALE funding of \$57.2 million.
- e. The de-appropriation of the FY2021 NVTA funding will allow the City to align the spending with funding sources, as noted in the attached request letter dated August 5, 2020.
- f. The project will remain an adopted project in the Authority's FY2018-2023 Six Year Program with secure funding pending a future appropriation.

Attachment: City of Alexandria De-Appropriation Request Dated August 5, 2020

Coordination: City of Alexandria

Attachment



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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August 5, 2020

Ms. Monica Backmon, Executive Director Northern Virginia Transportation Authority 3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200 Fairfax, Virginia 22031

Re: Change in Appropriation Year for West End Transitway

Dear Ms. Backmon,

The Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) recently appropriated \$2.2 million for FY 2021 for the West End Transitway (TransAction project #42). We appreciate the Authority's funding and appropriation for this high priority project. As discussed with NVTA in late 2018, the City is moving forward with the Phase 1 Transportation Systems Management (TSM) scenario along the entire corridor between Van Dorn Metrorail station and the Pentagon. In 2019, the City was successful in receiving an additional \$57.2 million in FY 2024-25 SMART SCALE funding toward the construction of the first phase focused on TSM improvements, stations, non-motorized improvements and buses.

The City is requesting that the \$2.2m of FY18-23 NVTA funds be appropriated starting in FY 2022, and that the full amount remain for Right-of-Way services. The City is currently in the procurement process for the design of the West End Transitway, and anticipates the design beginning in early 2021. We anticipate that Right-of-Way services will not begin until at least FY 2022. We intend to use the balance of the FY15-16 NVTA funds toward the project design. If the design bids come in higher than what is available in the FY15-16 fund balance, we will request the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) move up a portion of the FY 2024-25 Smart Scale funds. We are requesting that NVTA cancel the \$2.2m appropriation for FY2021, and re-appropriate the funds in FY2022, at which point we believe we will be able to begin Right-of-Way services. This will not change the project delivery schedule.

If you have any questions on this matter, please do not he sitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Yon Lambert,

Director

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Michael Longhi, Chief Financial Officer

DATE: September 4, 2020

SUBJECT: FY2021 Regional Revenue Fund De-Appropriation – Prince William County

1. Purpose: To seek Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) budget de-appropriation action for the Prince William County, Construct Route 28 Corridor Roadway Improvements, Project ID 2018-037-1. This action does not change the project's status as an adopted project in the Authority's FY2018-2023 Six Year Program.

2. Suggested Motion: I move Authority cancellation the FY2021 \$89 million appropriation for the Prince William County, Construct Route 28 Corridor Roadway Improvements Project, reclassifying the funds in the Regional Revenue Fund from appropriated to restricted.

3. Background:

- a. The Route 28 Corridor Roadway Improvements Project was adopted in the FY2018-2023 Six Year Program for \$89 million.
- b. The Authority appropriated \$89 million in FY2021 regional revenues to this project at the May 2020 meeting.
- c. Per Policy 29 requirements, NVTA projects are expected to have an executed Standard Project Agreement (SPA) within in three months of funding appropriation and are expected to start drawing project funds in the year of appropriation.
- d. As noted in the attached August 13, 2020 letter requesting the deappropriation:
 - i. The Prince William County Board of Supervisors took action on August 4, 2020, to endorse an alternative alignment for the project.
 - ii. Prince William County intends to request appropriation in a future fiscal year.
- e. The project will remain an adopted project in the Authority's FY2018-2023 Six Year Program with secure funding pending a future appropriation or further action by the Authority.

Attachment: Prince William County De-Appropriation Request Dated August 13, 2020

Coordination: Prince William County



Attachment

Department of Transportation

Ricardo Canizales

Director of Transportation

August 13, 2020

Monica Backmon, Executive Director Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) 3040 Williams Drive Fairfax, VA 22031

RE: FY2021 Regional Revenue Fund De-Appropriation for Route 28 Corridor Roadway Improvements Project (2018-032-1)

Ms. Backmon:

We are requesting to de-appropriate FY2021 Regional Revenue Funds for the Route 28 Corridor Roadway Improvements Project (2018-032-1) as part of the FY2018-FY2023 Six Year Program. The FY2021 Regional Revenue Fund appropriation for the project was approved at the May 14, 2020 Authority Meeting.

At the August 4, 2020 Prince William Board of County Supervisors Meeting, the Board took action to endorse Alternative 4 (widening of existing Route 28) as the project location for the Route 28 Corridor Roadway Improvements Project. It is the intent of the County to request to appropriate the \$89,000,000 in approved FY2018-FY2023 Six Year Program Regional Revenue Funds at a later year.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this request, please contact me at (703) 792-6825.

Sincerely,

Ricardo Canizales

Director of Transportation

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, Executive Director

DATE: September 3, 2020

SUBJECT: SMART SCALE Project Application Endorsements

1. Purpose. To seek Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) endorsement of Northern Virginia localities SMART SCALE project applications for funding consideration.

2. Suggested Motion: I move Authority adoption of Resolution 20-05, Endorsement of Northern Virginia localities SMART SCALE Project Applications, for funding consideration in the Commonwealth of Virginia's SMART SCALE Prioritization Process.

3. Background.

- SMART SCALE is the primary funding program for transportation projects using Commonwealth of Virginia revenues.
- Similar to the Authority's Six Year Program, SMART SCALE uses a biennial schedule and incorporates a data-driven process to screen and evaluate projects, and to prioritize investment decisions.
- The SMART SCALE program is now in its fourth round.
- While the deadline for submitting SMART SCALE applications for this fourth round was August 17, 2020, the deadline for submitting resolutions of support is October 30, 2020.
- An NVTA Resolution of support is needed for applications from transit agencies and localities that address an identified VTRANS need on a Corridor of Statewide Significance.

- Projects approved for SMART SCALE funding will be included in the Commonwealth's Six Year Improvement Program, to be adopted in June 2021, by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.
- Per the Authority's enabling legislation, the Authority recommends to the Commonwealth Transportation Board, priority regional transportation projects for receipt of federal and state funds.
- **4. Next steps**. The Commonwealth will release project evaluations and funding recommendations in January 2021. It is anticipated that the Commonwealth Transportation Board will hold Public Hearings in March/April 2021, and will adopt the Six Year Improvement Program in June 2021.

RESOLUTION 20-05

A RESOLUTION FOR THE SUPPORT OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA PROJECTS TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA'S SMART SCALE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT PRIORITIZATION PROCESS.

WHEREAS, Virginia House Bill 2, signed by the Governor on April 6, 2014 and effective as of July 1, 2014, required the development of a prioritization process, now referred to as SMART SCALE, and directed the Commonwealth Transportation Board to develop and use a scoring process for project selection by July 2016; and

WHEREAS, localities and agencies that wish to submit projects within a Corridor of Statewide Significance must have a resolution of support from the Authority, as the relevant regional entity for Northern Virginia, to be considered for the SMART SCALE prioritization process; and,

WHEREAS, public transit agencies are required to have a resolution of support from the Authority or relevant entity for projects located in the Regional Network to be eligible for SMARTSCALE evaluation; and,

WHEREAS, Authority staff have worked with member jurisdictions and agencies in receiving project submissions for the SMARTSCALE process; and,

WHEREAS, submission of projects to the Commonwealth for the SMART SCALE process does not infer nor commit NVTA Regional Revenues to the project; and,

WHEREAS, Authority approval of the submission of the projects requires a resolution of support by the Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY THAT THE FOLLOWING NORTHERN VIRGINIA PROJECTS ARE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA SMART SCALE PROJECT PRIORITIZATION PROCESS:

Project Endorsement List

ROUND 4 SMART SCALE Submitted Applications

App ID#	Project Name	Organizati on	Project Description					
6781	Route 1 at E. Glebe Road Intersection Improvements	Alexandria City	This project will improve the vehicular and non-motorized safety and access at the intersection of Glebe Road at Route 1 (Richmond Highway). Improvements include provision of a dedicated left turn, a dedicated through lane and dedicated right turn lane for eastbound traffic and new signalization. The improvements also include new pedestrian and bicycle facilities along E. Glebe Road between Route 1 and LaVerne Street and crosswalk improvements at the intersection.					
6851	Route 1 South Median Refuge Island	Alexandria City	install a 10-12' landscaped median and refuge islands at crossings on Route 1 (South Patrick Stree a high-crash corridor, from Wolfe Street to Jefferson Street and narrow the adjacent travel lanes					
6844	Landmark Mall Transit Center	Alexandria City	Development of a new Transit Center at the redeveloped Landmark Mall site. This location will serve two Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) corridors (Alexandria's West End Transitway, Alexandria's Duke Street Transitway) as well as several local bus routes. The Transit Center will be incorporated in the new mixed use development planned on the 51 acre former Landmark Mall site.					
6858	Upper King Street Multimodal Reconstruction	Alexandria City	The Upper King Street Multimodal Reconstruction project will design and reconstruct King Street between Quaker Lane and Menokin Drive. The intention of the project is to improve traffic safety, accommodate vehicle volumes, and implement multimodal improvements that better accommodate pedestrians, transit users, and bicycle riders while improving conditions for stormwater and sustainability.					
6948	Mount Vernon Trail North Enhancements	Arlington County	The northern section of the Mount Vernon Trail (MVT) is showing significant deterioration in the Arlington County section between Theodore Roosevelt Island and Four Mile Run Trail. This project includes trail pavement rehabilitation/widening, bridge replacement/widening, and safety enhancements across approximately 3.2 miles of the MVT located on National Park Service (NPS) land in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The NPS is currently developing 30 percent designs for the project.					
6988	Arlington Blvd Safety Improvements - Glebe to Fillmore	Arlington County	Construct safety improvements on Arlington Blvd between Glebe Rd and Fillmore St, including a raised median dividing the roadway where it is currently undivided, adding or extending left turn lanes, constructing service roads, removing on-street parking, upgrading street lighting, and improving bus stops.					
7182	Courthouse Metro Second Elevator	Arlington County	This project will provide for the design, engineering, and construction of two new elevators into the Court House Metrorail Station from the street level along Clarendon Blvd to the station's mezzanine. This project will remove the existing single elevator from street level to the station mezzanine and expand access into and from the Metrorail Station by building two new elevators. A bus bridge will be established for ADA purposes while the two new elevators are under construction.					
6822	Route 1 (Fraley Boulevard) Widening	Dumfries Town	The intent of this project is to widen US 1 NB from a 2-lane undivided roadway to a 6-lane divided roadway from Brady's HIII Road to Possum Point Road, so both NB/SB traffic will be on the existing US 1 NB alignment.					
6662	Chain Bridge Road Sidewalk and Bus Stop Improvements	Fairfax City	This project is construction of 1,850 linear feet of new sidewalk as well as improvements to bus stop facilities along the west side of Chain Bridge Road (Route 123) from Taba Cove to Warwick Ave. Upon completion, this project will provide new, continuous pedestrian access and transit accommodations along Chain Bridge Road between two local Activity Centers (Old Town Fairfax to					
6675	Country Club Commons Connector Trail	Fairfax City	This project is construction of a 650-foot (0.12 mi), off-road, "shortcut" trail to connect neighborhoods and commercial destinations south of Fairfax Blvd (Route 50) and west of Rebel Run to the George Snyder Trail, the I-66 trail, the Vienna Metrorail station, numerous retail and employment destinations and regional bus routes. Without this connection, it is a circuitous distance of 1.4 miles to reach the same location. This trail will encourage non-vehicular local and					
6766	Route 7 Widening (I-495 to I-66)	Fairfax County	Widening of Route 7 between I-495 and I-66 by one lane in each direction. Widening will be to the outside, reserving the median for future Bus Rapid Transit (BRT).					
6767	Braddock Road at Old Lee Road Improvements	Fairfax County	The project will improve the intersection of Braddock/Old Lee and realign the S-curve on Braddock Road to mitigate congestion and improve safety of vehicles and pedestrians. The intersection improvement would add signalization, a 200ft southbound turn lane, and a 1,100ft Jug-handle eastbound turn lane. Realignment of S-curve will have a typical cross section of two 11ft lanes with a 10ft shared-use path. The project has moderate ROW, utility (gas, fiber, electric), and environmental impacts.					
6749	Richmond Highway Corridor Improvements	Fairfax County	This project will construct multimodal improvements including roadway widening along the 3.1-mile section of Richmond Highway between Mount Vernon Memorial Highway/Jeff Todd Way and Sherwood Hall Lane from 4 to 6 lanes in Fairfax County, and reserve a median for future Bus Rapid Transit (BRT).					

6752	Soapstone Road Extension/Dulles Toll Road Overpass	Fairfax County	The Soapstone Road extension is a new roadway, approximately one-half mile long between Sunrise Valley Drive and Sunset Hills Road, in Fairfax County (Reston), Virginia.
6754	Frontier Drive Extension	Fairfax County	Extend Frontier Drive from its terminus south of the Franconia-Springfield Parkway to Loisdale Road, including improved access to the Franconia-Springfield Transit Center and braided ramps to and from the Franconia-Springfield Parkway.
6755	Seven Corners Ring Road (Phase 1A Segment 1A)	Fairfax County	This includes the construction of a portion of the Seven Corners "Ring Road" from Arlington Blvd (Route 50) Westbound Ramp to the intersection of Castle Place and Sleepy Hollow Road with 11-foot travel lanes, a 12-foot bi-directional cycle track, and 8-foot parking lanes.
6756	Braddock Road Multimodal Improvements Phase 1	Fairfax County	Multimodal improvements on Braddock Rd (Southampton Dr to Ravensworth Rd) providing access management and bike/ped improvements via intersection improvements, modifications to I-495 ramps, paths/sidewalks, traffic signals, bus stops, and crosswalks.
6761	Fairfax County Parkway Widening (Route 123 to Nomes Court)	Fairfax County	Widen Route 286 from Route 123 to Nomes Court from four lanes to six lanes, improve the Route 123 interchange, upgrade at-grade intersections and improve pedestrian and bicycle amenities along the project corridor.
6765	Route 7 Widening (Route 123 to I-495)	Fairfax County	Realignment of S-curve on Braddock Road and intersection improvements at Old Lee Road.
7151	S Washington St Bus Stop Enhancements	Fall Church City	The project is along S Washington St from the int at S Maple Ave to the int at Graham Rd (approx. 2100'). 6 new bus shelters will be constructed. At ints of Marshall and Greenway Blvd: decrease lane width, improved int. geometry, ped refuge areas at medians, ped streetlights, brick paver crosswalks, curb bump outs, improve ramps. Marshall int incl signal mast arm replacement & upgraded signal equipment. Greenway Blvd int includes 1 new HAWK signal. Project incl right of way
6809	Route 15 Leesburg Bypass Interchange with Edwards Ferry Road	Leesburg Town	Grade-separated Interchange to eliminate traffic signals on the Route 15 Leesburg Bypass at Edwards Ferry Road and Fort Evans Road intersections. Project will mitigate traffic congestion, improve safety and include multi-modal provisions for pedestrians/bikes.
6641	Route 7 Improvements, Phase 3 (Route 9 to Dulles Greenway)	Loudoun County	This project provides for the planning, design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction to widen Route 7 eastbound from two lanes to three lanes between Route 9 and the Dulles Greenway (Route 267), and westbound from two lanes to three lanes from South King Street to West Market Street.
6642	Sycolin Road-Loudoun Center Place to Crosstrail Boulevard	Loudoun County	This project provides for the planning, design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction to widen Sycolin Road to a four-lane, median divided road between Loudoun Center Place and Crosstrail Boulevard within a 120 ft. right of way, featuring shared use paths on both sides of the road.
6989	Route 28-Centreville Road Corridor Improvements	Manassas Park City	Innovative intersection improvements at five intersections, installation of continuous raised median, pedestrian improvements, and associated utility reconfiguration along the Rt. 28 corridor between the intersection of Old Centreville Road/Blooms Quarry Lane to north of the Bull Run Creek Bridge.
6784	Wellington Road Widening: University Blvd to Balls Ford Road	Prince William County	The project consists of widening Wellington Road from University Boulevard to relocated Balls Ford Road/Devlin Road from two lanes to four lanes, including a sidewalk and shared-use path. The length of the project is approximately 1.6 miles and will add need capacity to this roadway that connects Route 234 to Route 29.
6785	Sudley Manor Intersection Improvements	Prince William County	The project consists of interchange/intersections improvements at the intersection of Route 234 (Prince William Parkway) and Sudley Manor Drive / Wellington Road. Sudley Manor Dr will be grade separated from Route 234 and an innovative intersection will be constructed at the Wellington Road intersection to increase capacity, improve person throughput, and reduce congestion along this CoSS corridor.
6786	Route 15 Improvements with Railroad Overpass	Prince William County	This project consists of widening Route 15 from 2 to 4 lanes and constructing an overpass over the existing Norfolk Southern Railway tracks. The project extends about 1000' north of the tracks, and extends approximately 1200' south of the tracks. Project will tie into the Transform I-66 Outside the Beltway diverging diamond interchange at Route 15 to improve accessibility to I-66.
6787	University Blvd Extension - Devlin Road to Wellington Road	Prince William County	University Boulevard extension from Devlin Road to Wellington Road (Progress Court) as a two or four lane roadway. The roadway will run roughly parallel to Wellington Road and Linton Hall Road, minor arterial roadways with Annual Average Daily Traffic volumes between 15,000-29,000, to alleviate congestion on these roadways and provide capacity for intra-County traffic between the western and eastern portions of Prince William County.
6788	Van Buren Road Improvements: Route 234 to Cardinal Dr.	Prince William County	The project will extend Van Buren Road from its current terminus at Route 234/Dumfries Road to Cardinal Drive near the intersection of Cardinal Drive and Benita Fitzgerald Boulevard as a four-lane divided roadway.
6791	Route 294 and Old Bridge Road Intersection Improvements	Prince William County	The project consists of improvements at the intersection of Prince William Parkway (Route 294) and Old Bridge Road. The improvements include realigning and straightening Prince William Parkway, improving left and right turn movements and realigning Old Bridge to intersect with Prince William Parkway as a side street. This project will mitigate traffic diverting from the Route 294 (principle arterial) to Old Bridge Road (minor arterial) to improve throughput and overall Level of Service
6793	North Woodbridge Mobility Improvements (Marina Way extended)	Prince William County	The project will construct an internal road network in North Woodbridge by constructing extension that will connect Route 1 to Route 123. Marina Way is a 0.26 extension that will connect Horner Road create a parallel facility to Route 1. This project is adjacent to I-95, Route 1, Route 123, the I-95/123 commuter lot and the Woodbridge VRE.

Project that requires

NVTA resolution



Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

TO: Monica Backmon, Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Tracy M. Baynard

DATE: September 2, 2020

RE: Update on the 2020 Virginia General Assembly Special Session

Purpose: To update the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) on the 2020 Virginia General Assembly Special Session.

The Special Session is moving along with a hope that the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee and the House Appropriations Committee can provide budgets for full votes next week.

This session does not have many initiatives affecting transportation funding or operations of the Authority. However, a few issues have engaged Authority and local government liaisons.

Proposed changes regarding long term stays in transient housing

The Virginia Poverty Law Center (VPLC) sought a way to permit individuals using hotels/motels as permanent housing to receive rental assistance from local, state or federal sources. The proposal created doubt on whether the transient occupancy tax (TOT) would still be imposed and collected. (SB 5089-Locke and HB 5120 - Jenkins).

If true, this would remove a source of transportation funding for (1) the Metro Capital Fund and (2) transportation purposes for Prince William County, Manassas and Manassas Park. Upon reflection and due to the numerous concerns raised Senator Locke withdrew her bill and HB 5120 looks like it will not be taken up.

Provisions Related to Joint Public Hearing of the Authority, NVTC and VDOT

The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) is pursuing a budget language amendment that would allow the Authority, NVTC, CTB and VRE and to hold the annual joint public meeting (HB 1285 (2018), remotely due to Governor Northam's state of emergency declaration that makes it unsafe to meet in person.

Delegate Rip Sullivan has submitted the language for consideration.

The Budget

At this time the Senate and House do not look like they will have budgets ready for full floor votes until next week.

The proposed budget language amendments from the administration do not seem to be in jeopardy. These amendments provide flexibility in how the Commonwealth Transportation Board mitigates the impact of lower transportation revenue.

The General Assembly members are not expressing concern about the transportation flexibility language but may ask that the Secretary or Commonwealth and Transportation Board provide information on how the flexibility is used.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, Executive Director

DATE: September 3, 2020

SUBJECT: Executive Director's Report

Purpose: To inform the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) of items of interest not addressed in other agenda items.

- 1. W&OD Trail Enhancements Groundbreaking in City of Falls Church On August 26, 2020, NVTA joined the City of Falls Church and NOVA Parks to celebrate the start of construction on a nearly 1.5-mile-long segment of the W&OD Trail. The Authority is funding more than \$3.24 million in this regionally significant project through the FY2018-23 Six Year Program.
- 2. Virginia Transit Association Virtual Event Presentation On August 21, 2020, I participated in a "Nimble Transit Network Planning" virtual event hosted by the Virginia Transit Association. I presented on the Authority's Six Year Program Adoption, transit investments in the region, and impacts of COVID-19 on transportation, according to our recent analysis in collaboration with AECOM. Fellow panelists included Jennifer DeBruhl, Chief of Public Transportation, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), and Martin Barna, Director of Planning & Scheduling, DASH Bus.
- 3. Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce Annual State of Transportation Presentation On August 5, 2020, I joined fellow panelists Shannon Valentine, Virginia Secretary of Transportation, and Kate Mattice, Executive Director, Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC), to discuss the state of transportation in Northern Virginia and the Commonwealth of Virginia. I discussed the Authority's investments in a regional multimodal network, COVID-19's impacts on transportation, the adoption of the FY2020-2025 Six Year Program, and the update to TransAction.
- **4. NVTA** in the News Through proactive media outreach efforts and campaigns, the Authority has received significant news coverage as of late. For instance, though the Six Year Program Virtual Media Briefing NVTA hosted July 10, 2020, and a collaborative effort

with the Joint Regional PIO Group, more than 40 media placements were secured on the FY2020-2025 Six Year Program Adoption. Additionally, through targeted press outreach, print, radio and television placements were secured on the COVID-19 Analysis in partnership with AECOM; those placements included INSIDE NOVA, WTOP and Fox 5. Lastly, through multiple deskside briefings and conversations, I will be featured in a Washington Business Journal Executive Profile in an upcoming edition of the print/online publication.

5. Capital COVID Survey: Return to Work (Powered by the Greater Washington Partnership and EY) – NVTA joined the Greater Washington Partnership, MWCOG, WMATA, NVTC, MDOT, and other leading business organizations in launching the Capital COVID Survey: Return to Work. As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, the Greater Washington Partnership, which is leading this initiative, has heard directly from employers and transportation agencies across the region that they need better insight into how and when organizations are planning to reopen worksites, and how employers feel about the ability of transit agencies to safely return employees to worksites. NVTA shared the survey with the Joint Regional PIO Group, asking the group to share with their jurisdictions/agencies, as well as partners in the business community. Additionally, NVTA promoted the survey on social media. The deadline to submit survey feedback was August 28, 2020. Each organization, agency and jurisdiction that completed this survey will receive a summary of the survey results, transit agency ridership information and crowding trends for all Washington metro area agencies (e.g., WMATA, VRE, MARC, etc.), and projections for the upcoming month that are aimed at supporting key reopening decisions.

6. NVTA Standing Committee Meetings:

- **Finance Committee:** The NVTA Finance Committee is scheduled to meet next on September 17th at 1:00pm. The meeting will held electronically.
- **Planning and Programming Committee**: The NVTA Planning and Programming Committee is TBD.
- **Governance and Personnel Committee:** The next meeting of the NVTA Governance and Personnel Committee is scheduled for the fall of 2020. Exact date TBD.

7. NVTA Statutory Committee Meetings:

- **Technical Advisory Committee:** The NVTA Technical Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet September 16th at 7:00pm. Please note that the meeting may be held electronically. The meeting will be held electronically.
- Planning Coordination Advisory Committee: The NVTA Planning Coordination Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet September 23rd at 6:30pm. The meeting may be held electronically.

8. CMAQ-RSTP Transfers:

• CMAQ and RSTP Transfers requested since the last Executive Director's report are presented in Attachment A.

9. Regional Projects Status Report:

• Please note the updated Regional Projects Status Report (Attachment B), which provides a narrative update for each project and the amount of project reimbursements requested and processed to date.

Attachments:

- **A.** CMAQ-RSTP Transfers
- **B.** Regional Projects Status Report

Attachment A



Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

September 10, 2020

Ms. Helen Cuervo District Administrator Virginia Department of Transportation 4975 Alliance Dr. Suite 4E-342 Fairfax, Virginia 22030

Reference: Reallocate Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds for Fairfax County

Dear Ms. Cuervo:

On September 11, 2008, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) delegated the authority to approve requests to reallocate Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funding between projects that were previously approved by the NVTA to the Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC).

On July 23, 2020, Fairfax County requested the following transfer of RSTP funds:

• \$1,356,665 from the Seven Corners Interchange Improvements (UPC T17486) to Soapstone Drive Extension (UPC 112479).

While the Seven Corners Interchange project remains a priority for Fairfax County, Soapstone Drive is significantly further along in implementation and is in need of additional funds.

NVTA's delegation requires that the RJACC notify the NVTA of these requests. The RJACC approved the request on July 23, 2020, and the NVTA was informed at their September 10, 2020, meeting.

The NVTA has no objection to the requested reallocations. Please take the necessary steps to reallocate these funds in the Transportation Improvement Program and the State Transportation Improvement Program. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Phyllis J. Randall Chair

cc: Monica Backmon, Executive Director, NVTA Tom Biesiadny, Director, Fairfax County Department of Transportation



County of Fairfax, Virginia

To protect and enrich the quality of life for the people, neighborhoods and diverse communities of Fairfax County

July 17, 2020

Ms. Noelle Dominguez, Chairman Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee Northern Virginia Transportation Authority 3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200 Fairfax, Virginia 22031

Re: Reallocation of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Funds

Dear Ms. Dominguez: Noull

Fairfax County requests the approval of the Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC) to transfer a total of \$1.375,000 in RSTP funds from Seven Corners Interchange Improvements (UPC T17486) to Soapstone Drive Extension (UPC 112479). While the Seven Corners Interchange project remains a priority for Fairfax County, Soapstone Drive is significantly further along in implementation and is in need of additional funds.

If you have any questions or concerns about this request, please contact Ray Johnson at (703) 877-5617.

Sincerely,

TomBiesiadny

Director

cc. Todd Wigglesworth, Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT)

Ray Johnson, FCDOT

Carole Bondurant, Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)

Bethany Mathis, VDOT Jan Vaughan, VDOT

Fax: (703) 877-5723 www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot



CMAQ/RSTP Transfer Request Form

(One Sheet Needed Per Donor Project)

Date: 7/17/2020			
Name of Jurisdiction/Agency Requesting:	Fairfax County		
Current Balance of CMAQ/RSTP Funds Currently Al	located to Donor Project (Prior to this Transfer):	\$4,357,600 \$1,356,665	

From (Donor):

To (Recipient):

UPC	Project Description	Type of Funds		If No, Year Requested	Transfer Amount	<u>UPC</u>	Project Description	Previously Approved by NVTA	If Yes, Year Approved	JACC Approval (NVTA)	Authority Approval (NVTA)	Funds Verified (VDOT)	Completed (VDOT)
	Seven Corners Interchange	RSTP	Ÿ		\$1,356,665 (31,357,666.6 0	112479	Soapstone Drive Extension	Y	2020				
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TOTAL OF TRANSFER

\$1,356,665.00

Attach Signed Request of Transfer Letter





As of September 1, 2020.			
NVTA's Regional Fund Program FY2014 - FY2025		Upcoming Public Information Meeting(s):	
Total Revenue Allocated		1. Loudoun County - Evergreen Mills Rd Intersection Alignment - Virtual public information meeting, September 22, 2	2020.
Total Amount Reimbursed	\$474.075.250	2. Arlington County - Boundary Channel Drive Interchange - Virtual public hearing, November 4, 2020.	
Total Number of Individual Projects	106		
,	142	NOTE: For latest information on project events, please refer to the "Events and Meetings" section on our home pag	je -
SPAs		https://thenovaauthority.org/	
Currently Active	65	For full status information, please check NVTA web page on regional fund projects - https://thenovaauthority.org/fu	inded-projects/
Closed-out	42		
Not Yet Executed	35		
Substantive Status Updates (during June - August 2020)**			
Project Title (program year)		Updated Status	% Reimbursed
Arlington County			
Boundary Channel Drive Interchange (FY2014)	VDOT submitted the	Public Hearing Design Plan set in August, 2020. A virtual public hearing is scheduled on November 4, 2020.	50.7%
Columbia Pike Multimodal Street Improvements (FY2014)	NVTA-funded constru	uction tasks completed, NVTA SPA was closed out in July.	100.0%
Pentagon City Multimodal Connections and Transitway Extension (FY2018-23)	Multimodal connecti is delayed.	ons: 90% Design Plans submitted for VDOT review; Transitway extension: Design process for Crystal Drive segment	0.0%
Fairfax County			
Innovation Center Metrorail Station (FY2014, FY2015-16)	All construction tasks	s completed, received Non-Residential Use Permit in June, 2020.	FY2014: 92.2%
			FY2015-16: 99.4%
Fairfax County Parkway Widening Rte. 123 to Rte. 29 (FY2015-16, FY2017, FY2018-	For Popes Head Road	d interchange, IJR report was submitted in June, and Field Inspection (FI) plan in July, 2020. Overall project PE phase	FY2015-16: 40.0%
23)	is delayed, anticipate	d to complete by fall 2023, and the ROW phase by spring 2025.	FY2017: 0.0%
Route 1 Widening - Mount Vernon Memorial Highway to Napper Road (FY2015-16,	Project completion is	delayed by 1 year, from late 2027 to late 2028.	FY2015-16: 100.09
FY2018-23)	'		FY2018-23: 0.0%
Loudoun County			
Evergreen Mills Road Intersection Realignments – Watson Road and Reservoir Road (FY 2018-23)	Staff is working on a	Virtual Public Information Meeting on September 22, 2020.	2.5%
Prince William County			
Route 28 Corridor Feasibility Study - EIS (City of Manassas to Fairfax County)	County Board has rei	ected staff-recommended Alternative 2B alignment, and recommended Alternative 4 (Route 28 widening) with	FY2015-16: 67.6%
(FY2015-16, FY2018-23)	operational improve		FY2018-23: 0.0%
City of Alexandria	1-1	·······	
Potomac Yard Metrorail Station (FY2014, FY2015-16, FY2017)	NEDA re evaluation f	or modified south-west access was approved by FTA.	FY2014: 100.0%
FOLOITIAC TATA MELIOTALI STATION (F12014, F12013-10, F12017)	NEFA Te-evaluation i	of infounted south-west access was approved by FTA.	FY2014: 100.0% FY2015-16: 100.0%
			FY2017: 91.0%
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City of Falls Church	I		
Falls Church Enhanced Regional Bike Routes (W&OD) (FY2018-23)	Ceremonial groundb	reaking and pre-construction meeting held on August 26, 2020.	11.0%
City of Fairfax			
Jermantown Road Corridor Improvements Project (FY2018-23)	PE contract awarded	, 30% Design Plans expected in fall/winter 2020.	0.0%
Roadway Network Northfax West (FY2018-23)	60% Design Plan com	pleted, moving onto ROW phase.	0.4%
City of Manassas	•		
Route 28 Widening: Godwin Drive to the Southern City Limits (FY2015-16)	Project was advertise	ed for construction in July, 2020.	19.1%
Town of Leesburg		•• 	
Route 7 (East Market Street)/Battlefield Parkway Interchange (FY2015-16, FY2017, FY2018-23)	Battlefield Parkway v	vas closed to traffic end of July for major construction activities.	FY2015-16: 100.0%
Town of Horndon			FY2017: 0.0%
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Herndon Parkway Intersection Improvements at Van Buren St (FY2014)	Construction advertis	sement is delayed, expected in fall 2020.	5.2%
Town of Dumfries			
Route 1 (Fraley Blvd) Widening: Brady's Hill Road to Dumfries Road (FY2015-16, FY2018-23)	PE phase completion	is delayed, now anticipated to complete by FY2022.	FY2015-16: 30.4%

^{**}Substantive changes: SPA appendices A/B, Project administration, Start/completion of phases, Groundbreaking/ribbon-cutting ceremonies, Public information meetings, Major engineering progress.

VRE						
VRE Lorton Station Second Platform (FY2014)	Project withdrawn by VRE.					
Rippon Station Expansion and Second Platform (FY2015)	Project withdrawn by VRE.	100.0%				
Franconia-Springfield Platform Improvements (FY2015-16)	Anticipated construction completion date is revised, from 2026 to 2023.	4.3%				