# **Northern Virginia Transportation Authority**

Summary Minutes NOVEMBER 10, 2005

held at the Northern Virginia Regional Commission 3060 Williams Drive, Suite 510 Fairfax, Virginia 22031

# Members (those present are highlighted)

William Euille
Christopher Zimmerman
Robert Lederer
Gerald E. Connolly
David Snyder
Scott K. York
Harry J. "Hal" Parrish, II
Bryan Polk
Martin Nohe (alternate)
William Mims
Vincent F. Callahan, Jr.
Jeff Frederick
Margaret E. G. Vanderhye
Tanya Husick (alternate)
Bob MacDonald (alternate)

Mayor, City of Alexandria
Arlington County Board
Mayor, City of Fairfax
Chairman, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors
Falls Church City Council; NVTA Chairman
Chairman, Loudoun County Board of Supervisors
Vice Mayor, City of Manassas
Manassas Park City Council
Prince William Board of County Supervisors
Virginia Senate, District 33
Virginia House of Delegates, District 34
Virginia House of Delegates, District 52
Governor's Appointee
VDRPT (non-voting member)
No. Va. District, VDOT (non-voting member)

Staff Present

Linda Summerall NVRC

# Call to Order

Vice Chairman Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:52 p.m.

#### Roll Call

The roll was called and members present or absent were noted for the record.

#### Approval of Minutes

Mr. Connolly moved approval of the minutes of the October 13, 2005, meeting. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

# Presentation:

# TransAction 2030

Paul Ryus of Kittelson & Associates distributed a document on Multimodal Corridor and Regional Transit Level of Service. He explained that the Florida Dept. of Transportation measures were used because FDOT has been the national leader in looking at level of service from a multimodal perspective. This method can look at the trade-offs between projects and how they impact different modes (i.e., widening a road may improve conditions for automobiles but worsen conditions for pedestrians).

A draft document of the prioritized list of projects was distributed and reviewed.

The public hearing for the TransAction 2030 Plan will be held December 6 at George Marshall High School in Falls Church. The hearing notice has been placed in *The Washington Post*, the *Connection* newspapers, the *Washington Hispanic* newspaper and the *Manassas Journal Messenger*. The announcement has also been shared with the transit and highway agencies and the jurisdictions' public information officers.

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Ms. Lynott reviewed the layout for the public hearing. A member of the Interim Technical Committee will be posted at each station to answer questions from the public. Ms. Vanderhye suggested asking the public for feedback, and emphasizing to the public that this plan is a work in progress.

#### Discussion Items:

A. <u>Approval of Project Priorities for Distribution at Dec. 6 TransAction 2030 Public Hearing</u> Mr. York moved approval. The motion was seconded.

Mr. Connolly complimented the staff. Ms. Vanderhye asked for general talking points for Authority members.

The motion carried unanimously.

# B. Approval of FY 2007 CMAQ/RSTP Project List

Mr. Connolly moved approval. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

#### Information Item:

## Report on Transportation Studies and Commissions

There are currently three transportation studies at the state level underway. Both the state House and Senate have appointed committees and the Governor has recently appointed a commission.

The Interim Technical Committee distributed a draft of suggested Northern Virginia projects for submission to the Governor's Commission on Transportation in Urbanized Areas. Mr. Biesiadny said transportation funding requests must be submitted to the Secretary of Transportation by November 14. Mr. Connolly moved submission of the projects and the motion was seconded.

Mr. Nohe expressed concern over the small amount of funding for Omniride buses benefiting Prince William County. Mr. Connolly explained that the funding for all projects is one-time, non-recurring funding that must be spent on capital projects. The motion passed unanimously.

# Other Business:

A. Vice Chairman Zimmerman asked the members of the Metro Funding subcommittee to meet after the conclusion of the Authority meeting.

B. Delegate Frederick relayed his constituents' opposition to HOT lanes on I-95; constituents have heard that HOV lanes have been eliminated after HOT implementation. He suggested delaying implementation of HOT lanes on I-95 until HOT lanes on the Beltway have been evaluated.

The members agreed that staff should draft a letter expressing the Authority's concerns and hopes for HOT lanes.

# Adjournment

Vice Chairman Zimmeraman adjourned the meeting at 9:43 p.m.