

# Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

#### PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 10:30 am Northern Virginia Transportation Authority 3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200 Fairfax, Virginia 22031

#### **SUMMARY NOTES**

#### I. Call to Order/Welcome

Chairman Nohe

- Chairman Nohe called the meeting to order at 10:40 am.
- Attendees:
  - o **PPC Members:** Chairman Nohe (Prince William County); Chairman Bulova (Fairfax County); Council Member Rishell (City of Manassas Park).
  - Authority Members and other Elected Officials: Council Member David Snyder (City of Falls Church); Mary Hynes (Governor's Appointee, CTB Member).
  - NVTA Staff: Monica Backmon (Executive Director); Carl Hampton (Debt and Investment Manager); Keith Jasper (Principal); Michael Longhi (CFO); Sree Nampoothiri (Transportation Planner); Harun Rashid (Transportation Planner); Peggy Teal (AFO).
  - Staff: Sarah Crawford (Arlington County); Noelle Dominguez (Fairfax County); Bob Brown (Loudoun County); James Davenport (Prince William County); Pierre Holloman (City of Alexandria); Wendy Sanford (City of Fairfax); Sonali Soneji (VRE); Maria Sinner (VDOT); Ciara Williams (DRPT); Arianna Koudounas (MWCOG/TPB).
  - o **Other:** Bob Chase (Northern Virginia Transportation Alliance)

## **Action**

#### II. Meeting Summary Notes of March 27, 2017, PPC Meetings

• The March 27, 2017 Planning and Programming Committee meeting summary was unanimously approved.

#### III. Six Year Program Framework

- Council Member Snyder requested the PPC to incorporate consideration of long term benefits into the Six Year Program Framework.
- The Planning and Programming Committee unanimously recommended Authority approval of the Six Year Program Framework as proposed by NVTA staff and directed staff to include consideration of long term benefits in the framework and the

Commonwealth Transportation Board's Revenue Sharing schedule to the integrated NVTA schedule presented in the framework.

#### IV. Date of Public Hearing

• The Planning and Programming Committee unanimously recommended Authority approval to authorize July 13, 2017 as the date of the Public Hearing for the TransAction Update.

## **Discussion/Information**

## V. TransAction Preview: Baseline Analysis

- Mr. Jasper presented the findings of the TransAction baseline analyses.
- In response to Ms. Hynes' question on the difference between TransAction Baseline and Transportation Planning Board's (TPB) Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP), Mr. Jasper stated that only those projects with fully committed funding are included in the TransAction Baseline.
- Mr. Jasper agreed with Chairman Nohe that this could be considered the "No-Build" even though it does include projects that are fully funded.
- Ms. Hynes suggested including a list of major projects included in the TransAction baseline in the presentation to the Authority.
- Chairman Bulova suggested providing a comparison of today's commute pattern and those in 2040.
- Ms. Hynes suggested including non-motorized trips along with motorized trips and transit trips in the key results table.
- In response to Mayor Rishell's question on the margin of error of the TransAction Baseline modeling, Mr. Jasper noted that analyses use standard modeling practices and the consideration of scenarios provides a sensitivity test.
- Mayor Rishell asked whether the auto trip totals represented both the very short trips (for example from home to the VRE a half mile away) and also the longer trips where someone would commute by car all the way in to DC to go to work. Mr. Jasper responded that they were both counted within the grand total. Mayor Rishell expressed some concern that this may result in a misinterpretation of driving patterns.
- In response to Ms. Hynes' question on the share of WMATA projects within the estimated \$43.9 billion total Draft Plan cost (capital), Mr. Jasper stated that the actual number need to be calculated but it includes the full estimated costs of major projects such as new Rosslyn Tunnel, and Orange and Blue Line Extensions. Ms. Hynes suggested ensuring the capture of costs associated with additional rail cars, power upgrades, etc.
- Council Member Snyder suggested including data and graphics on air quality to the presentation.

#### VI. NVTA Update

• Ms. Backmon informed the members that the next Authority meeting is scheduled on May 11<sup>th</sup> and the Authority is expected to approve the public hearing date and public

comment period for the TransAction Plan Update. She added that the Authority is expected to approve the Six Year Program Framework also.

# **Adjournment**

# VII. Adjourn

• The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.