NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, Chief Executive Officer

DATE: November 10, 2021

SUBJECT: Chief Executive Officer's Report

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

- 1. Crosstrail Boulevard Sycolin Road to the Dulles Greenway Public Information Meeting. On October 25th, I was invited by Loudoun County to speak at a public information meeting on the Crosstrail Boulevard Sycolin Rd. to the Dulles Greenway project, on which NVTA is investing \$36.7 Million. When the project is completed, travelers in Loudoun County and across the region will benefit from travel time improvements and congestion relief to other major roadways in the corridor, such as Battlefield Parkway and the Route 15 Bypass, providing regional network connectivity, as well as increased access to major employment centers and destinations.
- 2. Inaugural Stakeholder Group Meeting. On October 26th, NVTA hosted an inaugural Stakeholder Group Meeting. The meeting provided an opportunity for NVTA staff to update stakeholders on the current status of the TransAction update and upcoming TransAction activities, as well as an opportunity for participants to ask questions and provide NVTA with any related feedback.
- 3. TransAction Work Session. Also related to TransAction, NVTA staff hosted a
 TransAction Work Session for Authority members on October 28th to discuss
 TransAction next steps and regional transportation priorities and needs, which included diving into the recent public survey results.
- 4. What You Need to Know about Transportation. On October 28th, three Authority members participated in the Northern Virginia Transportation Alliance's 17th Annual What You Need to Know about Transportation event, with keynote speaker Virginia Secretary of Transportation, Shannon Valentine. The transportation expert panel included Authority members Phyllis J. Randall, Katie Cristol, and John Lynch, as well as Christopher Doherty, Corporate Affairs Director, I-66 Express Mobility Partners, and Jeanette Chapman, Director, Stephen S. Fuller Institute. The conversation consisted of

infrastructure investments impacting Northern Virginia, working together across the region to keep Northern Virginians moving, and multimodal solutions.

- 5. Capital COVID-19 Survey. NVTA partnered with the Greater Washington Partnership once again in spreading the word on encouraging organizations and businesses to participate in the follow-up Capital COVID-19 Survey, providing insight into reopening needs and strategies. The survey results are now available and will help the Greater Washington Partnership better understand reopening plans, which will support a stronger, more inclusive recovery.
- 6. Northstar Boulevard (from Route 50 to Tall Cedars Parkway Groundbreaking. On November 5th, NVTA celebrated with Loudoun County and VDOT the ceremonial breaking of ground for the Northstar Boulevard (from Route 50 to Tall Cedars Parkway) project, which will take a multimodal approach to tackling traffic congestion and keep the region moving. Northstar Boulevard is part of the North/South Corridor of Statewide Significance, addressing congestion on parallel north/south routes between I-95 and Dulles Airport and to connect travelers to activity centers in Loudoun County and beyond.
- **7. TransAction Update.** The TransAction team is in the final stages of developing a travel-forecasting model that is based on MWCOG/TPB model and forecasts with additional advancements. The team is currently working on finalizing the TransAction project list, trends analysis, needs assessment, and definition of scenarios for sensitivity analysis.
- **8. FY2022-2027 Six Year Program (SYP).** NVTA staff has been meeting with the jurisdiction staff to understand the applications better and raise any clarification questions. The consultant team, as part of the TransAction update, is finalizing the travel forecast model that, in addition to TransAction, will be used for Six Year Program analytical works too. The deadline for submitting governing body resolutions in support of applications is December 3, 2021.
- **9. Program Implementation Monitoring and Management System (PIMMS).** NVTA staff has coordinated a kick-off meeting to start Phase 4 enhancement tasks with consultant team, which includes:
 - Automate the process of creating financial cash flow analyses reports
 - Provide more access control features for project sponsors
 - Enhance public-facing dashboard (NoVA Gateway) with more project query and mapping functions.

During the recently concluded application phase for the FY2022-2027 Six Year Program, project applicants have utilized the application portal component of PIMMS. Local jurisdiction staff are also utilizing the system's automated features to report cost/schedule changes, submit invoices for reimbursements, and provide project status information.

NVTA Standing Committee Meetings:

- Governance and Personnel Committee: The next meeting of the NVTA Governance and Personnel Committee is scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 5:30pm.
- **Finance Committee:** The NVTA Finance Committee is scheduled to meet next on Thursday, December 16, 2021, at 1:00pm.
- Planning and Programming Committee: The NVTA Planning and Programming Committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, November 29, 2021, at 5:00pm.

NVTA Statutory Committee Meetings:

- **Technical Advisory Committee:** The NVTA Technical Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet Monday, November 22, 2021, at 7:00pm. Please note that the meeting may be held electronically.
- Planning Coordination Advisory Committee: The NVTA Planning Coordination Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet Wednesday, December 1, 2021, at 6:30pm. Please note that the meeting may be held electronically.

CMAQ-RSTP Transfers:

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

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.

Link to the Projects Status Report: https://thenovaauthority.org/funded-projects/

Attachments:

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

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Chair Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, CEO

SUBJECT: Approval of Reallocation of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds

for Loudoun County

DATE: November 10, 2021

1. Purpose. To inform the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) of Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC) Approval of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for Loudoun County.

2. Background: On September 11, 2008, the Authority 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 October 28, 2021, Loudoun County requested the following reallocation:

 Transfer of \$55,441 of surplus CMAQ funds from Route 1036 – Pacific Boulevard Project (UPC 70760) to Waxpool Road/ Loudoun County Parkway intersection improvements project (UPC 111674).

The Route 1036 – Pacific Boulevard Project (UPC 70760) project is complete, and the ongoing Waxpool Road/ Loudoun County Parkway intersection improvements project needs additional funds to complete the project.

At its meeting on October 28, 2021, the RJACC approved this request.

Attachment(s): DRAFT Letter to VDOT NOVA District Administrator Lynch

Request Letter from Loudoun County

Coordination: Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee



Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

November 18, 2021

Mr. John Lynch District Administrator Virginia Department of Transportation 4975 Alliance Dr. Suite 4E-342 Fairfax, Virginia 22030

Reference: Request to Reallocate Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for Loudoun County

Dear Mr. Lynch:

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).

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The Route 1036 – Pacific Boulevard Project (UPC 70760) project is complete, and the ongoing Waxpool Road/ Loudoun County Parkway intersection improvement project needs additional funds to complete the project.

The RJACC approved the request on October 28, 2021, and the NVTA was informed at their November 18, 2021, meeting. The NVTA has not objected to these 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, CEO, NVTA
Joe Kroboth III, Director, Department of Transportation and Capital Infrastructure

Attachment



Loudoun County, Virginia

Department of Transportation and Capital Infrastructure 101 Blue Seal Drive, S.E., Suite 102, PO Box 7500, Leesburg, VA 20177-7500 Telephone (703) 777-0396 • Fax (703) 777-0626

October 27, 2021

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

Subject: Request to reallocate Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for Loudoun County Virginia

Dear Ms. Backmon,

Loudoun County Virginia requests the Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC) endorse the following CMAQ funding reallocation.

Loudoun County is requesting the approval of the transfer of \$55,441 of surplus CMAQ funding from UPC 70760 – Route 1036 - Pacific Boulevard project to UPC 111674 – Waxpool Road / Loudoun County Pkwy Intersection improvements project.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Bob Brown, Loudoun's representative to the RJACC at 703-777-0122 or at bob.brown@loudoun.gov.

Sincerely.

Je Kroboth III

Director

Cc: Kim McCool, VDOT Jan S. Vaughan, VDOT Bob Brown, DTCI James Zeller, DTCI Jessica Futrell, DTCI

Attachment

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY <u>M E M O R A N D U M</u>

TO: Chair Randall and Members

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Monica Backmon, CEO

SUBJECT: Approval of Reallocation of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)

funds for City of Fairfax

DATE: November 10, 2021

1. Purpose. To inform the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) of Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC) Approval of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds for City of Fairfax.

2. Background: On September 11, 2008, the Authority 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 October 28, 2021, City of Fairfax requested the following reallocation:

- Transfer of \$39,754 of surplus RSTP funds from three projects listed below to City of Fairfax Pedestrian Improvements project (UPC 105573).
 - \$8,050 from UPC 100410
 - o \$22,880 from UPC 105478
 - \$8,824 from UPC 85378

The donor projects are complete, and the ongoing Pedestrian Improvements project could use additional funds to complete the project.

At its meeting on October 28, 2021, the RJACC approved this request.

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Request Letter from City of Fairfax

Coordination: Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee