

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Martin E. Nohe and Members
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Phyllis J. Randall, Chair – NVTA Governance and Personnel Committee

DATE: April 6, 2018

SUBJECT: Governance and Personnel Committee Report

- 1. Purpose:** To provide a report of the activities of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority's (NVTA) Governance and Personnel Committee.
- 2. Background:** The Governance and Personnel Committee met on February 28 and March 22, 2018. The February 28th meeting was the second meeting of the Committee in the month February.
The next meeting date and time have not been determined. The following summarizes the March 22nd meeting:
- 3. Discussion Item: 2018 Legislative Update.**
The Committee received an overview of bill filings from Ms. Tracy Baynard of McGuire Woods Consulting, the Authority's legislative liaison. In addition to the Committee, the meeting was attended by a number of Authority Members. A lengthy discussion by Authority Members as well as jurisdiction and NVTA staff ensued. Primary topics included:
 - a.** The Conference Bill with comparisons to the Substitute House and Senate Bills.
 - b.** The amount of Commonwealth specific contribution to the WMATA funding goal.
 - c.** Alternative proposals, which had arisen in the past several months were reviewed and discussed.
 - d.** The Committee and meeting participants worked to develop a letter to send to Governor Northam.
 - e.** A general outline of the letter with four specific recommendations and amendments in order of preference was agreed to. The four specific recommendations and amendments in order of preference was agreed to (noted below):
 1. More state funding for Metro.
 2. Reconsider the funding plan for Metro contained in Senate Bill 856 as it passed the Senate on February 13, 2018 as an alternative.
 3. Restore the Grantors Tax of \$.15/\$100 that was provided to the Authority in HB 2313.
 4. Cap any contribution from local Metro funding jurisdictions at no more than \$31 million.
 - f.** The presentation of the letter, such as adding jurisdiction seals, was discussed and recommended.

- g.** The Committee requested NVTAs staff and Ms. Baynard to prepare and circulate the letter as expediently as possible.