

MEMORANDUM

FOR: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Councilmember Colbert, Chair-Nominee
Planning Coordination Advisory Committee

DATE: March 5, 2020

SUBJECT: Report from the Planning Coordination Advisory Committee

1. **Purpose.** To inform the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) on recent activities of the NVTA Planning Coordination Advisory Committee (PCAC).
2. **Background.** The PCAC met on February 26, 2020.

During this inaugural meeting for the CY2020, the Committee took action on following two items:

- a. Councilmember Linda Colbert (Town of Vienna) was nominated as Chair; while Councilmember Selonia Miles (Town of Dumfries) was nominated as Vice-chair.
- b. A meeting calendar for CY2020 was approved, with 6:30 p.m. on 4th Wednesday of the month as the usual meeting time.

This was followed by a new member orientation, where NVTA Executive Director Ms. Backmon gave an overview of the organization, its primary responsibilities, and this Committee's role in the overall process.

Staff then presented the following information items:

3. **FY 2020-2025 Six Year Program Update.** The committee received a briefing on the candidate project evaluation as of the date. Staff presented the analysis framework for project evaluation with quantitative and qualitative factors. A tentative schedule with upcoming milestones and adoption date was also discussed.
4. **TransAction Update.** Staff explained the role and process of long-range transportation planning at NVTA, and a brief history of prior plans. Members were briefed on the activities to update the current plan. The NVTA 2019 perception survey was highlighted, where nuances of citizens' attitude towards over-arching quality-of-life factors were discussed.

5. **Transportation Technology Strategic Plan.** To address the rapidly emerging trends in transportation modes and technologies, the Executive Director has convened a group of experts from both public and private sectors to provide advice on this topic. With the active guidance from this group, staff is preparing a strategic plan to integrate into the TransAction update. Members were briefed on the broad topics of this plan.

6. **Next steps.** I envision the PCAC will continue to be engaged in the process to adopt NVTA's FY2020 - 2025 Six Year Program, and the update of its long-range plan TransAction.

The date for the next meeting of the PCAC is Wednesday, March 25, 2020. The meeting will start at 6:30pm at NVTA offices.