

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Monica Backmon, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Approval of Reallocation of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds for City of Falls Church

DATE: October 2, 2020

- 1. Purpose.** To seek Northern Virginia Transportation Authority approval for Reallocation of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds for City of Falls Church.
- 2. Suggested Motion:** *I move Authority approval of the reallocation of Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds for City of Falls Church.*
- 3. 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 NVTVA to the Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC). However, the Authority will need to approve the transfer requests for new projects before any funds can be reallocated.
On September 23, 2020, City of Falls Church requested the following transfers:
 - Transfer of \$54,875 in RSTP funds from “Roosevelt Street Sidewalk Improvements” UPC 103632 to “S. Washington St. Multimodal Improvements” UPC 110038
 - Transfer of \$668,256.52 in RSTP funds from “Bikeshare Connections” UPC 109954 to “S. Washington St. Multimodal Improvements” UPC 110038
 - Transfer of \$430,000 in RSTP funds from “Bikeshare Connections” UPC 109954 to “W&OD Trail Crossings” UPC 111402

Bids for construction for the South Washington Multimodal Improvements Project came in higher than anticipated. The Roosevelt Street Sidewalk Improvements project was completed and closed out in 2019. Bikeshare Connections (Phase 1) was installed in May 2019, but completed in January 2020. While planning for a Bikeshare Phase 2, the City identified local funds which will be available in FY24 and able to dedicate to a Bikeshare Phase 2 project. These two transfers together will provide a total of \$723,131 in contingency funds for the South Washington Multimodal Improvements project with a total cost of over \$9M.

The City requests the remaining \$430,000 in RSTP funds be transferred from Bikeshare Connections to W&OD Trail Crossings, a project funded with TAP funds. The W&OD Trail Crossings 65% design cost estimates came in higher than anticipated, due to escalating construction costs. The current cost is over \$1M. The transfer of RSTP funds will enable the project to advance through the design and RW phases, and provide additional funds for the construction budget.

At its meeting on September 24, 2020, the RJACC recommended approval of the request.

Attachment(s): DRAFT Letter to VDOT NOVA District Administrator Cuervo
Request Letter from City of Falls Church

Coordination: Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee



Attachment A.

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority
The Authority for Transportation in Northern Virginia

October 8, 2020

Ms. Helen Cuervo
District Administrator
Virginia Department of Transportation
4975 Alliance Dr. Suite 4E-342
Fairfax, Virginia 22030

Reference: Request to Reallocate Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds for City of Falls Church

Dear Ms. Cuervo:

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). However, since the receiving projects are new, the Authority needs to approve the transfer requests before any funds can be reallocated.

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On October 8, 2020, the Authority approved the request noted above. 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, Executive Director, NVTA
Cindy Mester, Deputy City Manager
Caitlin Sobsey, Grants Manager, City of Falls Church



September 23, 2020

Noelle Dominguez
Regional Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (RJACC)
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)
3060 Williams Drive, Suite 510
Fairfax, Virginia 22031

Dear Ms. Dominguez:

The City of Falls Church requests the following:

Transfer of \$421,000 in RSTP funds from “Pedestrian, Bicycle, Bridge and Traffic Calming Improvements” UPC 100411 to “Oak Street Over Tripps Run Bridge Rehabilitation” UPC 109953

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The Oak Street Bridge project is underfunded. What the City initially thought was a bridge repair has turned out to be a bridge replacement, increasing the original project cost estimate significantly. The current cost for bridge replacement is estimated to be \$2.4 million. The transfer of \$421,000 in RSTP funds will allow the City to keep advancing this high priority project.

The Roosevelt Street Sidewalk Improvements project was completed and closed out in 2019. The City is requesting the surplus RSTP funds, in the amount of \$54,875, be transferred to the South Washington Multimodal Improvements project. Bids for construction for the South Washington Multimodal Improvements Project came in higher than anticipated. This transfer of RSTP funds, in addition to the RSTP transfer from the Bikeshare Connections project, will complete the construction contingency budget.

Bikeshare Connections (Phase 1) was installed in May 2019, but completed in January 2020. The project was funded with RSTP funds. While planning for a Bikeshare Phase 2, the City identified local funds which will be available in FY24 and able to dedicate to a Bikeshare Phase 2 project. The City requests that \$668,256.52 in RSTP funds are transferred from the Bikeshare Connections Project to the South Washington Multimodal Improvements project. This will provide a total of \$723,131 in contingency funds for the South Washington Multimodal Improvements project with a total cost of over \$9M.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at 703-298-5100 or csobsey@fallschurchva.gov.

Sincerely,

Caitlin Sobsey
Grants Manager

CC: Cindy Mester, Deputy City Manager
Melissa Ryman, Deputy Director of Finance
Zak Bradley, Interim Director of Public Works
Karin Battle, Public Resources Manager
Kerri Oddenino, Senior Planner
Paul Stoddard, Director of Planning

CMAQ/RSTP Transfer Request Form

(One Sheet Needed Per Donor Project)

Date: 9/24/2020

Name of Jurisdiction/Agency Requesting: City of Falls Church

Current Balance of CMAQ/RSTP Funds Currently Allocated to Donor Project (Prior to this Transfer): \$ 54,875.00

From (Donor):

To (Recipient):

UPC	Project Description	Type of Funds	Transfer from Previous Fiscal Years	If No, Year Requested	Transfer Amount	UPC	Project Description	Previously Approved by NVTA	If Yes, Year Approved	JACC Approval (NVTA)	Authority Approval (NVTA)	Funds Verified (VDOT)	Completed (VDOT)
103632	Roosevelt Street Sidewalk Improvements	RSTP	Y		\$54,875.00	110038	S Washington St. Multimodal Improvements	N					

TOTAL OF TRANSFER \$54,875.00

Attach Signed Request of Transfer Letter

CMAQ/RSTP Transfer Request Form

(One Sheet Needed Per Donor Project)

Date: 9/24/2020

Name of Jurisdiction/Agency Requesting: City of Falls Church

Current Balance of CMAQ/RSTP Funds Currently Allocated to Donor Project (Prior to this Transfer): \$ 1,098,256.52

From (Donor):

To (Recipient):

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109954	Bikeshare	RSTP	Y		\$668,256.52	110038	S. Washington St. Multimodal Improvements	N					
		RSTP	Y		\$430,000.00	111402	W&OD Trail Crossings	N					

TOTAL OF TRANSFER \$1,098,256.52

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