Honorable Mayor Wilson and Members of City Council  
City Hall  
301 King Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  

May 18, 2022  

Re: Endorsement of Grant Application for the FY 2022 Low or No emission (Low-No) and Buses and Bus Facilities Program  

Dear Mayor Wilson and Members of City Council:

At its May 18 meeting, the Transportation Commission voted to endorse the staff-recommended projects for the FY 2022 Low or No Emission (Low-No) and Buses and Bus Facilities program through the Federal Transit Administration.

The following projects ($44.7 million estimated total) will be submitted within these applications, and the Commission endorses a submission of up to $50 million in the event cost estimates increase:

- **FY23 Bus Replacement** ($17 million): Retire and replace ten (10) buses and five (5) trolleys with electric
- **FY24 Bus Replacement** ($10.8 million): Retire and replace ten (10) buses with electric
- **FY24 Expansion Buses** ($2.5 million): Upgrade six (6) Smart Scale clean diesel buses to electric
- **Charging Equipment** ($2.4 million): Install required charging infrastructure to support new electric buses
- **Electric upgrades at DASH Facility** ($10 million): Build new electrical service, including on-site equipment and infrastructure to support all electric bus charging requirements fleet conversion up to 6 megawatts of power
- **Workforce Development** ($2 million): Required 5% of federal request

This request supports the goals of the Alexandria Mobility Plan and the Environmental Action Plan 2040. The Transportation Commission appreciates the opportunity to review staff recommendations for Lo-No Grant and Bus and Bus Facilities grant applications, as well as to provide its endorsement to Council.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.
Sincerely,

Oscar Gonzalez
Chair, Alexandria Transportation Commission

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