

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2010

TO: MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: ABI LERNER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, T&ES

SUBJECT: FUNDING FOR PRIORITY TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

This memorandum provides an update on subcommittee direction to develop a list of priority transportation and outreach strategy for funding those projects. The Transportation Commission established a subcommittee to work with staff to coordinate the outreach plan and identify projects for consideration. The subcommittee includes Commissioners Donna Fossum and Jennifer Mitchell.

The Commission clarified that projects under consideration for potential funding by a Commercial Real Estate Tax may originate in the Long Range Plan although other projects will be considered. The Subcommittee will recommend to the Commission a public process to develop the project list for recommendation to City Council for inclusion in a future CIP.

Using the Transportation LRP and its prioritization scheme as the starting point for the universe of transportation projects to be considered, the project list will specifically consider:

1. Projects with economic benefit to the business community
2. Short-term, mid-term and long-term projects
3. Projects eligible for funding and defined as:
 - a. Streets
 - b. Roads
 - c. Transit
 - d. Wayfinding
 - e. Parking
 - f. Traffic signal system
 - g. Pedestrian/Bike

Next steps:

1. Continue outreach to stakeholder groups on the list of transportation projects
2. Transportation Commission to revise list of priority transportation projects based on input received
3. Provide guidance to City Manager in the early stages of the FY2012 budget process
4. Present recommendations to City Council for consideration during the FY2012 budget process