

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: APRIL 6, 2011

TO: MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: ABI LERNER, P.E. DEPUTY DIRECTOR, T&ES

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM #2 - FUNDING UPDATE & ACTIONS OF MAJOR
TRANSPORTATION BODIES

ISSUE: Update of Funding and actions of major Transportation bodies.

RECOMMENDATION: No Action is required. Information only.

DISCUSSION:

This memorandum provides a brief monthly update on funding and/or actions of major regional transportation bodies that relate to Alexandria.

General updates on funding-related issues of local, regional and national importance are provided below. Attachment 1 is the Commission's regular Monthly Update of Regional Transportation Board Major Actions and Funding.

City: City Council

The City's Long Range TDM Plan was presented before City Council on March 22, 2011.

State: Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB)

The Commonwealth Transportation Board has an Alexandria request to reprogram some funds. This includes the transfer of \$1 million from the Clermont Connector to the Potomac Yard project.

Regional: Transportation Planning Board (TPB) and Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA), Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) , Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC)

Transportation Planning Board (TPB)

The Transportation Planning Board approved funds to provide research support for WMATA Governance activities. The Transportation Planning Board also approved a resolution which amends the FY2010 CLRP to modify the plan to allow an HOV access ramp at I-395 and Seminary Road.

Washington Area Transit Authority (WMATA)

The WMATA Board received a report on taking three peak hour Blue Line trips across the Yellow Line bridge, across the Potomac River, and the process such a proposal will require to notify the general public. The Board also received a briefing on the status of the Metro Access program. The WMATA Board had further questions on Governance.

Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC)

NVTC representatives held a meeting in which various pieces of legislation affecting transit were discussed. One of the primary areas of concern is HR-1 (the federal bill) which would eliminate \$150 million of federal assistance, match by \$150 million of state funds, which pays for many of the infrastructure renewal and safety projects at WMATA.

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)

The NVTA Jurisdiction and Agency Coordinating Committee (JACC) developed a final set of recommendations regarding of FY2013-FY2017 RSTP-CMAQ allocation plan and transmitted it to the Commonwealth. The plan will be approved by the NVTA at its April, 2011 meeting..

Federal: Funding Updates and Grant Notices of Awards

None

Attachment 1: Monthly Update of Non-Federal Transportation Board Major Actions & Funding