

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: NOVEMBER 2, 2011

TO: MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: T&ES STAFF

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM # 6 – TRANSITWAY CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY –
CORRIDORS A AND B

ISSUE: Update on the Transitway Corridor Feasibility Study, including Corridor A (North-South) and Corridor B (Duke Street)

RECOMMENDATION: No Action is required. Information only.

DISCUSSION: The study has been proceeding with analysis for Corridors A (Route 1/North-South), and B (Duke Street/Eisenhower Avenue). At its August 18, 2011 meeting focused on Corridor B, the High Capacity Transit Corridor Work Group (CWG) recommended that Duke Street be the roadway to be used for dedicated transit, and that Eisenhower Avenue be considered for additional improvements to existing transit, such as improved service frequencies. The CWG recommended criteria to be used for preliminary screening of alignment concepts. The project consultant will be evaluating alignment concepts and will bring the results back to the CWG at its November 17, 2011 meeting.

At its September 15, 2011 meeting focused on Corridor A, a number of alignment options were presented to the CWG, including use of West Street, Route 1, and Washington Street. The project team is in the process of determining next steps for refinements to Corridor A concepts.

Staff will provide an overview to the Transportation Commission of the current alignment concepts being considered for both Corridors A and B.