

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 22, 2015

TO: MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: SANDRA MARKS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, T&ES

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM #4 - LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS FOR THE 2016
GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

ISSUE: Legislative proposals for the 2016 General Assembly Session.

RECOMMENDATION: Provide proposals for Legislative Package for the 2016 General Assembly Session, for Council consideration.

DISCUSSION: The 2016 General Assembly Session will begin on January 13, 2016, and end on March 12, 2016. In anticipation of the Session each year, the Legislative Director is requesting input from the Transportation Commission for the Legislative Package. Proposals will be included in the City's draft Legislative Package which will be presented to Council on October 27, 2015 for their consideration. A Council public hearing on the proposed 2016 Legislative Package will be held on November 14, and it is anticipated that the Council will adopt the package on November 24, 2015.

The last time that the Transportation Commission recommended legislative proposals was on September 7, 2013. At that time, the Commission recommended the following proposals, which were consistent with proposals recommended by the Commission on September 7, 2011:

- 1) Endorse consideration of new revenue sources
- 2) Oppose changes to any formula basis that would reduce funding for Alexandria and Northern Virginia
- 3) Support a "Stop for Pedestrians" policy if introduced by another jurisdiction.

The Commission is not required to make any proposals, if they do not feel any are warranted. All proposals by the Commission are due by September 1, 2015, and therefore staff is requesting recommendations at the July 22 Commission meeting, since the Commission does not meet during August.