

# City of Alexandria, Virginia

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: APRIL 17, 2019

TO: MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: CHRISTOPHER ZIEMANN, DIVISION CHIEF, TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

SUBJECT: AGENDA ITEM 9 – FY2020-2025 SIX YEAR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – LETTER OF PROJECT SUPPORT TO THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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**ISSUE:** The Commonwealth is inviting the public to share feedback on transportation projects that have been scored and recommended for funding in the DRAFT FY 2020-2025 Six Year Improvement Program is now open.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Transportation Commission sign a letter of endorsement for the City of Alexandria and DASH projects included in the Draft FY 2020-2025 Six Year Improvement Program.

**BACKGROUND:**

At its May, 2018 meeting, the Transportation Commission endorsed the application from the City and DASH to the Commonwealth's SMART SCALE program as consistent with and supportive of the vision within the City's Transportation Master Plan.

These projects include:

- **West End Transitway** – This project provides reliable, frequent Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service along the Van Dorn, Beauregard, and I-395 Corridors, connecting major activity centers within the region.
- **Improvements to the Landmark Transit Hub** – This project will improve pedestrian and bicycle access to a future transit hub and major mixed use activity center
- **Safety and capacity enhancements at Duke Street / West Taylor Run Parkway / Telegraph Road** – This project will improve pedestrian, bicycle, transit and vehicular safety at a major congested intersection that provides access to the regional roadway network.
- **Citywide Transit Signal Priority** – This project will construct Transit Signal Priority (TSP) at 56 intersections throughout the City and will improve the speed, efficiency and reliability of transit service.