

Commission Meeting Alert

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NVTC NOVEMBER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE NEXT ROUND OF INNOVATIVE I-66 COMMUTER CHOICE PROGRAM

**The Commission will also hear updates on a
Bus Rapid Transit system connecting Alexandria and Tysons**

Arlington, Va. - The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, November 14 where Commissioners will be asked to authorize the kickoff of the fourth round of the highly-successful I-66 [Commuter Choice](#) program, which uses toll revenues to pay for congestion-relief efforts. Commissioners will also be asked to accept a milestone report on a planned Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system that would connect Alexandria and Tysons. Additionally, Virginia Deputy Secretary of Transportation Nick Donohue will discuss a proposal to modify an existing agreement in order to free up money to support the Long Bridge passenger rail improvement project and/or improvements for the Rosslyn Metro Station.

CALL FOR PROJECTS FOR ROUND FOUR OF THE I-66 COMMUTER CHOICE PROGRAM

The Commission will be asked to authorize a call for projects for [Round Four](#) (FY2021-FY2022) of the I-66 Commuter Choice program. The goals of the I-66 Commuter Choice Program are to identify and fund projects that move more people, increase opportunities to connect from one mode of travel to another, improve transit service, reduce roadway congestion, and increase travel options. The upcoming call includes two significant changes. They include modifications to the technical evaluation process and moving from a one-year funding scheme to two-year funding.

ENVISION ROUTE 7

The Commission will be asked to accept the findings of the Envision Route 7 [Phase III Conceptual Engineering](#) Report. The Envision Route 7 BRT project is planned as a high-quality transit service that connects the Mark Center in Alexandria to Tysons through Bailey's Crossroads, Seven Corners, and Falls Church. The project is part of a larger network of BRT service being planned to better connect Northern Virginia, including Metroway BRT in the City of Alexandria and Arlington County, the West End Transitway in the City of Alexandria, and the Embark Richmond Highway BRT in Fairfax County.

PRESENTATION BY THE COMMONWEALTH

Deputy Secretary of Transportation Nick Donohue will brief the Commission on the Commonwealth's [proposed changes](#) to the I-66 Inside the Beltway Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). These changes, if supported by the Commission, would allow for a portion of toll revenues from I-66 Inside the Beltway be used to fund debt service and select pay-go costs for a portion of capital costs related to the Long Bridge passenger rail improvement project and/or improvements at or in support of the Rosslyn Metrorail Station. NVTC would see relief in restrictions of the use of funding for transit operations and would be provided a minimum guaranteed funding level.

MEETING LOCATION AND TIME

The meeting is open to the public and will be held at 2300 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 230 (note temporary location), Arlington, Virginia at 7 p.m. The full agenda for the meeting can be found [here](#). The meeting will be livestreamed on [YouTube](#).

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NVTC works to ensure that businesses and residents are served by a high capacity, high quality network of transit systems that allows the region to thrive. It funds and promotes transit in the counties of Arlington, Fairfax and Loudoun and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church. NVTC supports five local bus systems (ART, CUE, DASH, Fairfax Connector, Loudoun County Transit), WMATA (Metrorail/Metrobus) and the Virginia Railway Express. Visit www.NoVaTransit.org or call 703-524-3322 to learn more.

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