



MEETING ALERT

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NVTC TO HEAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR METRO AND UPDATES TO LONG TERM FUNDING EFFORTS

Commissioners will also hear about improving bus service along Route 7

Arlington, Va. - The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission will hear about recommendations for Metro, efforts to establish dedicated funding for the region's public transit and ways to improve bus service along Route 7 at their monthly meeting Thursday.

Recommendations for Metro

The Commission will be briefed on the [draft version](#) of the 2024 "Report on the Performance of WMATA," which NVTC publishes each year, as mandated by Virginia law. The report outlines recommendations directed at Metro and other entities.

This year's recommendations include:

1. Continue to work with federal, state, regional and local funding partners to develop long term, sustainable, dedicated funding to meet Metro's capital and operating needs.
2. Preserve additional state aid (FY 2026) and operating cap re-baselining contained in the two-year state budget.
3. Establish a revised Virginia and Maryland legislative operating assistance growth cap.

Long-Term Sustainable Dedicated Funding for Public Transit

Sen. Adam Ebbin and staff [will brief](#) the Commission on efforts to identify long-term, sustainable, dedicated funding for public transit in Northern Virginia and the Greater

Washington region. That includes the General Assembly's Joint Subcommittee to Study Growing Transit Needs in Northern Virginia and DMVMoves.

Envision Route 7 Bus Rapid Transit

The Commission will be briefed on two items relating to [Envision Route 7](#), a planned bus rapid transit (BRT) system running between Tysons and Alexandria by way of Falls Church and Seven Corners. The Strategic Implementation Plan outlines ways to accelerate improvements for the planned BRT and the existing Metrobus 28A Route, which currently has one of the highest ridership levels of all Metrobus routes in Northern Virginia.

The Commission will also be briefed on an upcoming study of the segment between Seven Corners and Alexandria, as well as additional review of the Falls Church segment.

Meeting time and location

The Commission meeting **ONLINE ONLY** Thursday, November 7 at 7 p.m. There **WILL NOT** be an in-person meeting. The meeting will be livestreamed at [YouTube.com/@NoVaTransit](https://www.youtube.com/@NoVaTransit). Full meeting materials are [posted online](#). Members of the public wishing to comment on the meeting agenda to the Commission can do so [here](#), until 3 p.m. Thursday.

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