

NVTC COMMISSION MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2006 8:00P.M.

NVTC CONFERENCE ROOM

NOTE: A buffet supper will be available for attendees prior to the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Oath of Office for New Commissioner.

Matthew Tucker, Director of the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation will be joining NVTC as a new commissioner.

<u>Recommended Action:</u> Chairman Connolly will administer the oath of office.

2. Minutes of NVTC Meeting of July 6, 2006.

Recommended Action: Approval.

3. Legislative Items.

- A. Delegate Dave Albo will report on his bill to provide regional funding of transportation in Northern Virginia including \$50 million annually for Metro and \$20 million for VRE.
- B. NVTC staff has prepared a new resource that shows in tables and maps the additional state transit formula funding by state legislative district that would be realized if the General Assembly met its statutory target of 95% of eligible transit operating and capital costs.
- C. NVTC staff has prepared responses to a hostile editorial in the Richmond Times Dispatch and met with that newspaper's editorial board in an effort to set the record straight.



D. Staff has prepared draft letters to Senators Allen and Warner urging the Senate Homeland Security Committee to act promptly on Rep. Davis's bill to provide \$1.5 billion of federal assistance to WMATA.

Recommended Action: Authorize Chairman Connolly to send the letters to the Senators.

4. Preliminary FY 2008 NVTC Administrative Budget and Performance Objectives.

The preliminary budget would increase total expenditures by 5 percent while holding local funding constant. A total of 20 performance measures are included covering all of NVTC's functions.

<u>Recommended Action:</u> Authorize NVTC's executive director to forward the preliminary budget to NVTC's jurisdictions for use in planning their local budgets.

5. VRE Items.

- A. Report from the VRE Operations Board and VRE Chief Executive Officer (with minutes of the VRE Board meeting of August 18, 2006)— Information Item.
- B. VRE Ridership—<u>Information Item.</u>
- C. Status of Procurement of 50 Railcars—Information Item.
- D. Broad Run Maintenance Facilities—Action Item/Resolution #2031.
- E. Renew Contract for Banking Services and Line of Credit—<u>Action</u> Item/Resolution #2032.
- F. Option for Facilities Maintenance—Action Item/Resolution #2033.
- G. MOU with Fairfax County for Burke Centre—<u>Action Item/Resolution</u> #2034.
- H. Referral of FY 2008 Draft Budget to Jurisdictions—<u>Action</u> Item/Resolution #2035.
- I. Agreement with DRPT for L'Enfant Storage Track—<u>Action Item/Resolution #2036.</u>

6. Authorization to Apply for Federal Grant Funds for Alexandria and Fairfax County.

Alexandria and Fairfax County staff have asked NVTC staff to apply for earmarked federal funds. In Alexandria the project is to determine the benefits for transit of applying new technologies made possible by citywide internet access (wi-fi). In Fairfax County the project is to improve bus service in the Route 1 corridor.

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution #2037, which authorizes NVTC's executive director to apply for the funds and complete all required certifications. Also, it authorizes NVTC staff to add managing the Alexandria project to the commission's work program. Also, it provides a means to protect NVTC against the unlikely event of a 13(c) labor protection claim.

7. Analysis of A.M. Peak Period Travel in Northern Virginia's I-66 Corridor.

At NVTC's request, MWCOG, with funding from VDOT, has completed a draft final report documenting the results of a traffic count at a screenline at Glebe Road in the I-66 corridor in fall of 2005. This report is the first time MWCOG has performed a corridor-specific count over two days including transit. Staff will illustrate the highlights.

Recommended Action: Authorize staff to issue a media release on the positive results for public transit and ridesharing in the corridor.

8. Metro Items.

- A. Recruitment of General Manager.
- B. Metro Advertising at Gas Stations.
- C. Extended Phone and Internet Access.
- D. Consideration of Tunnel Under Tysons Corner on Metrorail to Dulles Project.

Recommended Action: Authorize Chairman Connolly to send a reply to WMATA Chair Gladys Mack regarding the recruitment of a General Manager.

9. Status Report on FAMPO Formula Funding Issue.

The commission acted at its July meeting to oppose efforts to divert some federal transit funding to the Fredericksburg area. Staff will provide an update.

Discussion Item.

10. Modeling Transit System Improvements to Accommodate Growth at Fort Belvoir.

Delegate May has provided state funding for state of the art modeling. NVTC staff compiled a list of available resources to assist in that effort.

Discussion Item.

11. Regional Transportation Items.

- A. Citizen Letters to NVTC.
- B. Status of TransAction 2030 Transportation Plan.
- C. Congestion Pricing Pilot Project.

Presentation Item.

12. NVTC Financial Items for June and July, 2006.

Reports are provided.

Information Item.

13. Closed Session for Personnel Item (Section 2.2.-3711.A.(1) of the Code of Virginia).