

NVTC COMMISSION MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 1, 2010 6:30 PM NVTC CONFERENCE ROOM

NOTE: NVTC will meet early, beginning at 6:30 P.M. The Executive Committee will not meet. A buffet supper will be provided for attendees.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the NVTC Meeting of June 3, 2010.

Recommended Action: Approval.

2. VRE Items.

- A. Report from the VRE Operations Board and VRE Chief Executive Officer--<u>Information</u> Item.
- B. Extend Operating/Access Agreement with CSXT--Action Item/Resolution #2147.
- C. Extend Operating/Access Agreement with Norfolk Southern--<u>Action Item/Resolution</u> #2148.
- D. Modify Contract for New Locomotives--Action Item/ Resolution #2149.

3. Selection of Consulting Team for NVTA's TransAction 2040 Plan Update.

NVTC issued the Request for Proposals on behalf of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority. Two responsive and responsible proposals were received by NVTC and evaluated and ranked by a selection team of local and regional staff.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: Approve Resolution #2151. The resolution accepts the ranking of the selection team and following confirming action by NVTA, authorizes NVTC's staff to negotiate with the top-ranked firm and execute a contract that is acceptable to NVTA's Council of Counsels. If negotiations with the top-ranked firm are not successful, then negotiations should proceed with the second-ranked firm and if successful a contract should be executed.



4. NVTC Office Lease.

NVTC's lease at the Ellipse in Ballston expires at the end of 2010. After a year of considering alternatives, NVTC staff has identified the top candidates. An economic comparison is provided.

Recommended Action: Authorize NVTC's Executive Director with the assistance of the commission's tenants agent, to negotiate a lease for property in the Navy League Building at 2300 Clarendon Boulevard in the Court House area of Arlington. If negotiations are successful, he would return for approval of the final lease agreement by NVTC at its September 2, 2010 meeting.

5. Endorsement of TIGER II Applications.

Fairfax County will apply for funding for the I-66/Vienna ramp which was included in TPB's Tiger I application but not funded. Other NVTC jurisdictions are cooperating with TPB's bike sharing and bike access to WMATA projects.

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution #2150 which endorses the application of Fairfax County with NVTC as a partner and also endorses TPB's bike sharing and bike access projects.

6. Comments on Draft List of State Governmental Reforms.

An attachment provides a list of Governor McDonnell's appointments to the Government Reform Commission. A list of 129 ideas is available for comment. Local/regional staff discussed those pertaining to public transit and NVTC staff prepared the attached list of proposed comments.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: After discussion, authorize NVTC staff to submit comments on behalf of the commission.

7. Comments on Funding of Intercity Passenger Rail Service in Virginia.

Comments are requested as DRPT undertakes a study mandated by SJ63 of the 2010 General Assembly Session. Local/regional staff discussed the issues and NVTC staff prepared the attached list of proposed comments.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: After discussion, authorize NVTC staff to submit comments on behalf of the commission.

8. Comments on Virginia's Surface Transportation Plan for 2035.

The draft was released on June 16 and comments are due by July 30, 2010. NVTC staff has prepared comments.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: After discussion, authorize NVTC staff to submit comments on behalf of the commission.

9. WMATA Items.

The status of important WMATA developments, including adoption of the FY 2011 budget and the execution of the Metro Matters II multi-year capital funding agreement, will be reviewed by NVTC's WMATA Board members. Exhibits illustrating WMATA's sources of funding and a legal analysis of the Commonwealth's responsibility for matching funds (\$50 million annually) will be provided. A draft response is provided to Secretary Connaughton's May 26th letter regarding matching funds and WMATA governance.

Recommended Action: Provide direction to staff.

10. NVTC Motor Fuels Tax Issues.

NVTC, PRTC and jurisdiction staff continue to have concerns about the proper allocation of revenues to individual jurisdictions. The Virginia Department of Taxation has not addressed these concerns.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: Approve a letter from NVTC Chairman Hudgins to the Acting Tax Commissioner requesting immediate action, with a copy to Senator Saslaw.

11. Pentagon Transit Security Issues.

Pentagon officials may unilaterally alter access of transit customers in the name of increased security for the building. That action would abrogate an understanding arranged by members of Congress to protect the access of the 30,000 daily transit customers using the Pentagon Transit Center.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: Approve a letter from NVTC Chairman Hudgins to the appropriate Pentagon officials, with copies to NVTC's congressional delegation, seeking collaboration with NVTC's jurisdictions and transit systems.

12. Mid-year Review of Major NVTC Projects.

NVTC staff will briefly update the commission on progress with NVTC's work program.

Information Item.

13. Regional Transportation Items.

- A. APTA's Public Transportation Fact Book for 2010.
- B. Feedback on NVTC's Regional Transit Tour (June 30-July 1, 2010).
- C. Letter to NVTC from the Northern Virginia Transportation Coalition.
- D. Loudoun Tysons Express Launch.

Information Item.

14. NVTC Financial Items for May, 2010.

Information Item.

Reminder: NVTC will not meet in August. The next scheduled commission meeting is September 2, 2010.