

NVTC PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2019

Navy League Building - First Floor Small Conference Room 2300 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22201

5:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- 1. Summary of the February 7, 2019 Program Advisory Committee Meeting
- 2. Commuter Choice
 - A. I-66: FY2020 Project Scores
 - B. I-395/95: Report from the February 21st Joint Commission Working Group Meeting
- 3. Other Business
- 4. Next Committee Meeting: June 6, 2019

Members:

Dave Snyder, Chairman Elizabeth Bennett-Parker John Foust Libby Garvey David Meyer Ron Meyer



NVTC PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY NVTC Office Suite #620 Navy League Building – Arlington, Virginia February 7, 2019

NVTC Program and Advisory Committee Members Present:

David Snyder, Chair Elizabeth Bennett-Parker Libby Garvey John Foust David Meyer

NVTC Program and Advisory Committee Members Absent:

Ron Meyer

Staff and Others Present:

Kate Mattice Chloe Ritter
Matt Cheng Deb Wake
Joey de St. Aubin Rob Whitfield
Allan Fye Malcolm Watson
Dan Goldfarb Tim Roseboom
Jae Watkins

Committee Chairman David Snyder called the meeting to order at 6:17 P.M.

Ms. Mattice began the meeting with an overview of ongoing programs at NVTC. She discussed how the Program Advisory Committee will help advise and set policy for each of NVTC's program areas including the I-66 and I-395/95 Commuter Choice programs, Envision Route 7, Regional Fare Payment and the Transit Resource Center. Ms. Mattice explained that the committee would focus on conversations about these programs and refer items to the full Commission. Mr. Fye discussed the rules and processes of the committee including NVTC's electronic participation policy.

Mr. Fye introduced the new I-395/95 Commuter Choice program, including the call for projects schedule. \$15 million in project funding will be available for the first year for this program, escalated 2.5 percent each year thereafter.

Ms. Mattice reminded the committee that the I-395/95 Commuter Choice program is a collaboration between the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) and NVTC. In addition to staff coordination on the I-395/95 Commuter Choice program, a Joint Commission Working Group is being established with equal representation from both NVTC and PRTC Commissioners.

Ms. Garvey asked if I-395/95 Commuter Choice funds could be bonded. Ms. Mattice responded that they could since it is fixed revenue over a decades-long program, unlike I-66 funding which fluctuates year-by-year. Mr. Meyer pointed out that I-66 Commuter Choice funds could be bonded after a three-year rolling average is determined.

Chairman Snyder asked if there is any proposed legislation in the current General Assembly Session that could affect either the I-66 or I-395/95 Commuter Choice programs. Ms. Mattice replied that there is nothing that would harm revenues but mentioned a budget amendment that calls for reverse tolling on I-66 Inside the Beltway which would result in increased revenue for the I-66 Commuter Choice program. Mr. Foust expressed his concern that reverse tolling would increase congestion on ancillary roads.

Mr. Fye briefed the committee on how scoring will differ between the I-66 and I-395/95 programs, namely that for the first year of the I-395/95 program, the "Regional Priorities" category would be replaced with "Toll Day 1 Ready". Mr. Foust asked why that was prioritized and expressed concern that good projects could get overlooked. Mr. Fye responded that the Commonwealth wants projects ready on toll day one to provide visibility for the benefits of the project. He also noted that the technical merit category constitutes most of the final score. Committee members agreed on the need for some flexibility on "Toll Day 1 Ready" scoring.

In response to a question from Mr. Meyer, Mr. Fye stated that the current schedule has toll day one as October 30, 2019, but that could change if there are delays. It was also emphasized that no more than 50 percent of funds over five years could be spent on operations and that not all the money must be spent each year.

Ms. Mattice mentioned that NVTC is open to negotiating for better terms on the I-66 Inside the Beltway MOA to allow for multi-year agreements that could possibly fund large capital projects such as Long Bridge and to allow for more funds to be used for transit operations.

Ms. Happ updated the committee on the performance and status of the I-66 Commuter Choice program. She reported that 7,000 people are moved through the corridor each day by Commuter Choice projects. NVTC received 20 applications totaling more than \$32 million from eight jurisdictions for the FY2020 call for projects. It is estimated that \$20 million is available for FY2020. NVTC is currently working on determining the best projects through a staff working group, after which the projects would be presented to the Program Advisory Committee and then brought before the full Commission. The proposed program of projects would then be open for public comment and subject to Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) approval.

Chairman Snyder stressed the importance of transparency in the process and requested a simple explanation of the scoring system for public outreach.

Mr. Fye then updated the committee on NVTC's new Transit Resource Center, which is a rebranding and reorganization of existing NVTC services. The center is designed to be broad, including technical support for jurisdictions, multi-jurisdictional project coordination, modeling, and relevant studies. Ms. Garvey expressed interest in the Envision Route 7 program, which Mr. Fye stated is now under the Transit Resource Center.

The committee then discussed a future committee meeting schedule. Committee members agreed that the next meeting should be scheduled on March 7th before the full Commission meeting, to align with the Commuter Choice schedule. Mr. Foust suggested the Program Advisory Committee meeting run concurrently with the Executive Committee meeting to increase time efficiency.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.







I-395/95 COMMUTER CHOICE JOINT COMMISSION WORKING GROUP MEETING SUMMARY Franconia Governmental Center – Alexandria, VA February 21, 2019

Joint Commission Working Group Members Present:

Jeff McKay, Working Group Chair (NVTC)
Elizabeth Bennett- Parker (NVTC)
Libby Garvey (NVTC)
Frank Principi (PRTC)

Joint Commission Working Group Members Absent:

Ruth Anderson (PRTC)
Gary Skinner (PRTC)

Staff and Others Present:

Kate Mattice Malcolm Watson
Bob Schneider Alex Stanley
Allan Fye Emily Guerrero
Patricia Happ Joan Clark

Ben Matters

The first meeting of the Joint Commission Working Group (JCWG) started at 10:00 A.M.

Following a welcome and introductions from Mr. McKay, he turned the meeting over to Kate Mattice, NVTC's Executive Director. It was noted that Ms. Anderson was unable to attend but her Chief of Staff Alex Stanley was present.

Ms. Mattice provided some background to the I-395/95 Express Lanes project; an overview of the Memorandums of Agreement (MOA) that provides funding for the I-395/95 Commuter Choice program; and a summary of the membership, scope, and responsibilities of the JCWG.

Next, Ms. Mattice presented an overview of the proposed evaluation process, scoring criteria, and program schedule. The JCWG discussed each of the proposed program elements and agreed that "Toll Day 1 Readiness" was an appropriate focus for the FY2020 Inaugural Program. Ms. Mattice also provided a summary of upcoming actions related to program implementation, noting both Commissions would take identical actions throughout the program.

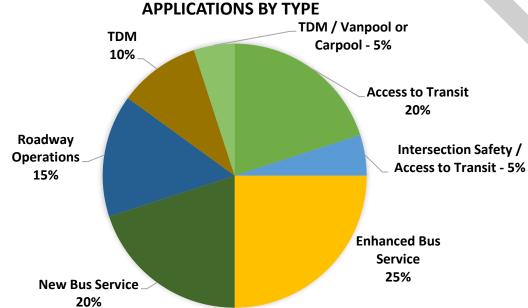
The JCWG also discussed the timeline for their next meeting to be held in mid to late June. Ms. Mattice added that there will be a robust public outreach effort for the program. Staff from NVTC and PRTC will coordinate to develop and implement an outreach plans that spans the entire corridor and both Commission districts.



FY2020 I-66 Commuter Choice Program Draft Application Evaluations

Applicant	FY2020 I-66 Commuter Choice Application Title	Application Type	Technical Merit (55 Points)	Cost Effectiveness (15 Points)	Regional Priorities (20 Points)	Applicant Preference (10 Points)	Application Score (100 Points)	Funding Request	<u>Cumulative</u> Funding Request
NVTC	Program Administration, Evaluation, and Oversight	Program Administration	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000
NVTC	I-66 Commuter Choice Marketing and Outreach	Program Administration	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 400,000	\$ 800,000
Arlington County	Enhanced Bus Service on Metrobus 3Y: Lee Highway-Farragut	Enhanced Bus Service	55	10	20	10	95	\$ 1,040,000	\$ 1,840,000
Fairfax County	Enhanced Bus Service from Government Center to D.C.*	Enhanced Bus Service	55	10	20	10	95	\$ 1,939,500	\$ 3,779,500
Loudoun County	Enhanced Bus Service from Stone Ridge to D.C.*	Enhanced Bus Service	49	15	20	10	94	\$ 532,031	\$ 4,311,531
PRTC (OmniRide)	Enhanced Bus Service from Gainesville to D.C.	Enhanced Bus Service	55	10	20	0	85	\$ 1,519,100	\$ 5,830,631
PRTC (OmniRide)	Enhanced Bus Service from Gainesville to Pentagon*	Enhanced Bus Service	49	5	20	10	84	\$ 4,671,700	\$ 10,502,331
PRTC (OmniRide)	New Bus Service from Haymarket to Rosslyn	New Bus Service	43	15	20	0	78	\$ 776,700	\$ 11,279,031
Prince William County	New TDM Outreach to the I-66 Corridor	Transportation Demand Management (TDM)	38	15	13	10	76	\$ 200,000	\$ 11,479,031
Fairfax County	New Bus Service from Stringfellow to Constitution Center	New Bus Service	55	5	13	0	73	\$ 4,326,000	\$ 15,805,031
PRTC (OmniRide)	I-66 Slug Line Campaign	TDM / Vanpool or Carpool	38	15	20	0	73	\$ 287,800	\$ 16,092,831
Loudoun County	New Bus Service from Stone Ridge to Pentagon	New Bus Service	49	10	13	0	72	\$ 1,257,226	\$ 17,350,057
Loudoun County	New Bus Service from Purcellville to D.C.	New Bus Service	46	10	13	0	69	\$ 949,482	\$ 18,299,539
Arlington County	Expanded TDM Outreach to the I-66 Corridor	TDM	41	10	13	0	64	\$ 1,350,000	\$ 19,649,539
Arlington County	Lee Highway HOV & Bus-Only Lane in Rosslyn	Roadway Operations	40	5	13	0	58	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 21,149,539
Town of Vienna	Bike Share Implementation	Access to Transit	29	10	7	10	56	\$ 550,000	\$ 21,699,539
Arlington County	Vehicle Presence Detection Enhancements on Lee Highway	Roadway Operations	29	15	7	0	51	\$ 300,000	\$ 21,999,539
City of Fairfax	Bike Share Implementation	Access to Transit	29	5	7	10	51	\$ 1,085,000	\$ 23,084,539
Arlington County	Lee Hwy and Washington Blvd Intersection Improvements	Roadway Operations	26	15	7	0	48	\$ 400,000	\$ 23,484,539
Fairfax County	Trail Access to Vienna Metrorail Station	Access to Transit	35	5	7	0	47	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 26,484,539
City of Falls Church	N Washington St & Gresham Pl Intersection Improvements	Intersection Safety / Access to Transit	20	5	7	10	42	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 27,984,539
Prince William County	Residency Road Trail Access to VRE Broad Run Station	Access to Transit	29	5	7	0	41	\$ 4,882,800	\$ 32,867,339

COMPOSITION OF FY2020 I-66 COMMUTER CHOICE



- This summary table represents the draft I-66 Commuter Choice Program FY2020 application evaluations as of February 28, 2019.
- Applications have been evaluated based on the information documented in the submitted applications or in subsequent technical clarifications. The evaluation is consistent with the methodology established in the I-66 Commuter Choice Program Project Selection Process and adopted by the Commission in November 2018.
- Transit operating funding requests total \$6,605,987 (20 percent of all requested funds) and are defined based on FTA Circular 9300.iE (urbanized area formula grant program) and FTA Circular 9040 (rural area formula grant program) and includes fuel, oil, driver salaries and fringe benefits, dispatcher salaries and fringe benefits, and licenses.
- Applications marked with * represent transit projects that were awarded funding in the initial year of the I-66 Commuter Choice Program. Together, these applications are requesting \$7,143,231 in overall funding, of which \$2,692,131 are for transit operating expenses.

