NVTC Commission Meeting
September 2, 2021

The meeting will start momentarily.

Meeting materials available at www.novatransit.org
1. Opening Remarks
2. 2021 Commission Look Ahead
3. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve the July 1, 2021 NVTC Meeting Minutes
4. **ACTION ITEM:** Consent Agenda
5. Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
6. Legislative Update
7. Commuter Choice Program
8. Transit Technology Program
   • Zero-Fare and Reduced-Fare Options White Paper
9. Virginia Railway Express
   **ACTION ITEMS:**
   • Norfolk Southern Operating Access and Amtrak Access and Storage Agreements
   • Amend Agreements with the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority and with CSXT to Include the Potomac Shores Station
   • Execute Purchase Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of the Navy
   • Amended VRE Financial and Debt Management Principles
10. Department of Rail and Public Transportation
11. Executive Director Report
1. Opening Remarks

• Public Comments Received

2. 2021 Commission Look Ahead

- I-66 Commuter Choice Supplemental Program
- FY 2023-24 I-66 Commuter Choice Call for Projects
- Envision Route 7 BRT Mobility Study/Public Engagement
- 2022 NVTC Legislative Agenda + December Legislative Briefing
- NVTC Annual Report on WMATA, including NVTC policy recommendations
- Zero Emissions Bus Symposium
- FY 2023 General and Administrative Budget
3. Approve Minutes

ACTION ITEM: Approve the Meeting Minutes from the July 1, 2021 Commission Meeting

4. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Resolution #2454: Authorize the NVTC Executive Director to Sign Non-Disclosure Agreements on Behalf of NVTC

B. Approve Resolution #2455: Approve a Memorandum of Agreement Pertaining to NVTC General Counsel Services

C. Authorize the Chair to Sign a Letter of Endorsement for the Transit Ridership Incentive Program (TRIP)
5. WMATA

A. WMATA COVID-19 Response
B. Report from the Virginia WMATA Board Members
C. Other WMATA News

PAUL SMEDEBERG
COMMONWEALTH APPOINTEE TO THE WMATA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MATT LETOURNEAU
NVTC APPOINTEE TO THE WMATA BOARD OF DIRECTORS LOUDOUN COUNTY
5. WMATA (continued)

D. Report from the Chair of the NVTC WMATA Committee

• Next NVTC WMATA Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 16 at 6PM
6. Legislative Update

Virginia General Assembly Special Session

U.S. Congress

- U.S. Senate Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
  - $89.9 billion for public transit, an increase of $41.1 billion (63%) from current levels.
  - The reauthorization of dedicated federal funding for WMATA at $150 million annually through FY 2030.
- $66 billion for passenger and freight rail
- Budget Reconciliation
- Next Steps
7. Commuter Choice Program

A. Staff Recommendation for I-66 Supplemental Round Four (FY 2022) Program

B. Notice of I-66 Supplemental Round Four (FY 2022) Public Comment Period

Groundbreaking for Spotsylvania Park and Ride Lot, August 24, 2021
### Staff-Recommended Supplemental Program

The Commission resolved to select a Supplemental Round Four (FY 2022) Program of Projects upon approval of the Initial Round Four (FY 2021) program in October 2020. This draft program will be reviewed with the Program Advisory Committee on September 13.

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Supplemental Program Comment Period

- Open September 3-17
- Targeted Social Media
- Interactive Virtual Town Hall Meeting: September 8 at noon over YouTube
- Online Comment Form
I-66 Corridor Program: Next Steps

- **Commission Action** to approve the program - Oct. 7
- **CTB Action** on the Commission-approved program - Oct. 20
- **Standard Project Agreements** executed with recipients thereafter

- **Commission Action** to open the Round Five (FY 2023-FY 2024) call for projects - Nov. 4

- **Public Comment** Sep. 3-17; Virtual Town Hall meeting noon Sep. 8
- **Program Advisory Committee** meets to endorse a program for the full Commission’s consideration - Sep. 13, 4 p.m. at NVTC office

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8. Transit Technology Program

Zero-Fare and Reduced Fare Options for Northern Virginia Transit Operators

- Northern Virginia has a unique transit environment that provides both opportunities and challenges for new fare programs.
- There are benefits for ridership growth after eliminating fares.
- Reduced-fare programs can result in a net cost increase.
- Full systemwide zero-fare options can reduce fare collection costs, but other capital and operating costs may increase.
- Funding is available to help establish these types of fare programs, but long-term sustainable revenue replacement sources are needed.
- Zero- and reduced-fare programs underway in Virginia are opportunities to watch and learn.
9. Virginia Railway Express

A. VRE COVID-19 Response

B. VRE CEO Report and Minutes

C. **ACTION ITEM**: Approve Resolution #2456: Authorize the VRE CEO to Amend the Norfolk Southern Operating Access and Amtrak Access and Storage Agreements

D. **ACTION ITEM**: Approve Resolution #2457: Authorize the VRE CEO to Amend Agreements with the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority and with CSXT to Include the Potomac Shores Station

E. **ACTION ITEM**: Approve Resolution #2458: Authorization to Execute Purchase Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of the Navy

F. **ACTION ITEM**: Approve Resolution #2459: Approve the Amended VRE Financial and Debt Management Principles

G. VRE FY 2023 Key Budget Issues
10. Department of Rail and Public Transportation

A. DRPT Monthly Report
B. Quarterly Updates on WMATA Reform
11. Executive Director’s Report

A. Executive Director Newsletter
   • Summer Fellows
   • Staffing Changes
   • Upcoming Meetings
     • Program Advisory Committee | September 13 at 4:00 pm
     • NVTC’s WMATA Committee | September 16 at 6:00 pm
     • Legislative and Policy Committee | October 7, prior to the Commission meeting.

B. NVTC Financial Reports (June/July 2021)
Commissioner Comments

Chair Cristol will open the floor for any final questions and comments from Commissioners

Next Commission Meeting is October 7, 2021
Meeting is adjourned. Thank you for attending.