

**NVTC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY
NVTC Suite #230 Conference Room
2300 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia
July 6, 2023**

NVTC Executive Committee Members Present:

Dalia Palchik, Chair
Canek Aguirre
Walter Alcorn
Adam Ebbin
Matt de Ferranti
Matt Letourneau (*non-voting member*)
Dave Snyder

NVTC Executive Committee Members Absent:

Sarah Bagley
Paul Smedberg (*non-voting member*)

Other NVTC Commissioners Present:

Jennifer DeBruhl

Staff and Others Present:

Kate Mattice, Executive Director
Genoveva Cutrell
Scott Kalkwarf
Steve MacIsaac
Kirk Dand (Arlington County)
Hunter Simmons (PB Mares) (*via electronic participation*)

Chair Palchik called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 6:13 p.m. She noted that Jennifer DeBruhl was participating virtually from Richmond under the provision of a Commissioner living 60 or miles away from the meeting location. Ms. Mattice confirmed an in-person quorum was present.

Chair Palchik noted that the summary of the June 1, 2023 Executive Committee meeting was provided and there were no corrections from committee members.

Ms. Mattice reminded the committee that the Executive Committee would also be serving as the Audit Committee for this meeting and that NVTC's Auditors, PB Mares, would be joining the meeting later in the agenda. She then previewed the agenda for the July 6, 2023 NVTC Commission meeting. She reviewed the action items and other highlights of the meeting. WMATA General Manager/CEO, Randy Clarke will be presenting early in the agenda and the

Commission will also be briefed on zero and reduced fare policy, disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) goal setting methodology, and the usual reports from VRE and DRPT.

Ms. Mattice announced that according to the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), Metrorail ridership grew faster this past year than any other heavy rail system in the United States. She added that VRE led all US commuter rail systems, up 114%. Mr. Snyder asked for more details, stating that he saw data that the US Capital Region systems also dipped harder and faster than other US transit systems, and asked for clarification on what this means to discussions of growth in local ridership. Ms. Mattice responded that this data is compared to year over year growth and NVTC staff will follow up with Mr. Snyder with more information about loss of ridership and recovery for the local transit systems and how these numbers compare to other systems across the country. Mr. Letourneau added that his impression is that the transit systems in the region are doing comparatively well.

Executive Committee Serving as the Audit Committee

Mr. Kalkwarf introduced Hunter Simmons from NVTC's audit firm, PB Mares. NVTC staff then left the room at 6:15 p.m. and were not present during this discussion.

Senator Ebbin arrived at 6:28 p.m.

Following the discussion with PB Mares, Chair Palchik adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with no further questions.