

**NVTC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026
NVTC SUITE #230 CONFERENCE ROOM
2300 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22201**

6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Meeting Summary of the January 8, 2026 Executive Committee Meeting
2. General Assembly Update
3. Review of the March 5, 2026 NVTC Commission Meeting Agenda
4. Administrative Items

Members:

Sarah Bagley, Chair
Canek Aguirre
Walter Alcorn
Maureen Coffey
Matt de Ferranti
Darien Flowers
Matt Letourneau
Dalia Palchik
David Snyder

**NVTC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY – JANUARY 8, 2026
NVTC Suite #230, 2300 Wilson Blvd
Arlington, VA 22201**

NVTC Executive Committee Members Present:

Dave Snyder, Chair
Walter Alcorn
Sarah Bagley
Matt de Ferranti
Matt Letourneau

NVTC Executive Committee Members Absent:

Canek Aguirre
Adam Ebbin

Other NVTC Commissioners Present:

Maureen Coffey

Staff and Others Present:

Kate Mattice, Executive Director
Genoveva Cutrell
Andrew D’huyvetter
Sarah Godfrey
Ann McGrane

Vice-Chair Sarah Bagley called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and noted that Chair Snyder was delayed. Vice-Chair Bagley stated that she would chair this meeting in Chair Snyder’s absence. NVTC staff confirmed an in-person quorum. Ms. Mattice shared that one public comment was received and was sent to the Commissioners prior to the meeting.

The summary of the December 4, 2025 Executive Committee meeting was presented and there were no corrections or changes requested by the committee members.

Ms. Mattice gave an overview of the evening’s Commission meeting agenda. She reminded the committee that Commissioners and elected officials have been shuffling around as people continue to fill roles in the new Spanberger administration. As such, new and departing Commissioners will be recognized at the full Commission meeting this evening and more are expected to be announced in the coming weeks. New Commissioners include Supervisor Rachna Sizemore Heizer, from Fairfax County and Darien Flowers, the Commonwealth Appointee to the WMATA Board. Paul Smedberg and Mark Sickles will be

leaving the Commission and will be recognized for their contributions at the full Commission meeting. The consent agenda includes authorization for NVTC to apply for a technical assistance grant from DRPT. The Commission will be asked to authorize the WMATA Committee chair to submit comments on the WMATA FY 2027 proposed budget. There are also a handful of VRE action items, including the VRE budget.

Mr. Alcorn gave a brief update on WMATA Board member activities, including his recent appearance at the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) meeting the previous Tuesday. He stated that the CTB was presented with the recommendations of a study to examine operational efficiencies and cost reductions at WMATA, which was part of legislation passed by the Commonwealth in 2024. Mr. Alcorn observed that the information was well received by the CTB and the recommendations are already under review and, in some instances, implemented.

Ms. Mattice informed the committee that NVTC is closely watching parallel transit-focused bills in the Virginia House and Senate which mirror the Northern Virginia Growing Needs of Public Transit Joint Subcommittee (SJ28) recommendations. These bills would fully fund the recommendations of the SJ28 Joint Subcommittee and significantly boost public transit statewide. Another set of bills would raise transit funding by expanding sales taxes to certain services and lowering the sales tax rate for the rest of Virginia outside of Northern Virginia. These bills would significantly raise transportation revenue statewide, including highway, rail and highway maintenance funds.

Chair Snyder arrived at 6:38 p.m.

NVTC Director of Strategic Communications Sarah Godfrey reported that her team and Director of Programs and Policy Ann McGrane are working on a communications plan for Richmond which includes a strategic but small ad-buy during Session to raise awareness about the value of transit. Ms. Mattice added that when NVTC's Legislative Liaisons Aimee Perron Siebert and Henry Watkins arrive, they will be able to elaborate further on targeting the messaging to the right audience.

Ms. Mattice gave an update on personnel. She stated that outgoing Director of Programs and Policy Andrew D'huyvetter will be moving to Australia. Ann McGrane assumed the role of director on January 1. NVTC is actively in the process of hiring a new deputy director of programs and policy. Sarah Godfrey was also promoted to director of strategic communications.

With no further comments, the Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

NVTC COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026
FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
2300 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22201
[Public Streaming Via YouTube](#)
7:00 p.m.

UPDATED AGENDA

5:45 p.m. Boxed Dinners Available for Commissioners
6:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting – NVTC Suite #230 Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Commission Meeting – First Floor Large Conference Room ([public streaming](#))

NVTC is receiving general public comment. The deadline for written general public comments is 3:00 p.m., Thursday, March 5, 2026 via [NVTC's website](#). Comments will be provided to Commissioners prior to the March 5 meeting.

1. Opening Remarks

- **ACTION: Approve Commissioners Participating Electronically (if needed)**
- General Public Comments Received

2. Recognition of New and Departing Commissioners

A. Oath of Office for New Commissioners

B. Recognition of Departing Commissioners

- **ACTION: Approve a Resolution of Commendation for the Honorable Adam P. Ebbin on His Departure from the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission**
- **ACTION: Approve a Resolution of Commendation for Tiffany Robinson on Her Departure from the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission**

3. ACTION: Approve the Minutes of the January 8, 2026 NVTC Meeting

4. ACTION: Approve the Consent Agenda (subject to approval of the chair)

- A. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2598: Approve the FY 2027 State Assistance Applications to DRPT**
- B. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2599: Authorize the Executive Director to Apply to DRPT for Funding to Support the 2026 Blue and Yellow Lines Construction Marketing Initiative**

- C. ACTION: Authorize the Executive Director to Issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Development and Implementation of the 2026 Blue and Yellow Lines Construction Marketing**
 - D. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2600: Approve Updates to the 2026 NVTC Committee Membership**
- 5. Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA)
 - A. Report from the Virginia WMATA Board Members
 - B. Other WMATA News
 - C. Report from the Chair of the WMATA Committee
- 6. Report from the Chair of the Legislative and Policy Committee
 - A. 2026 General Assembly Legislative Session
 - B. Transit Service Delivery Advisory Committee (TSDAC) Update
 - C. Federal Update
- 7. Report from the Chair of the Program Advisory Committee
 - A. Commuter Choice Program
 - B. Envision Route 7 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
 - C. Zero-Emission Bus Technical Assistance
- 8. Virginia Railway Express (VRE)**
 - A. VRE CEO Report and Minutes
 - B. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2601: Ratify VRE’s Application, on Behalf of the Commissions, to the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) for a FY 2026 BUILD Grant for the VRE L’Enfant Station and 4th Track Improvements Project**
 - C. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2602: Ratify VRE’s Application, on Behalf of the Commissions, to the DRPT FY 2027 I-66 Outside the Beltway (OTB) Funding Program for the Design Phase of the Broad Run Lead Track**
 - D. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2603: Approve and Authorize the VRE CEO to Execute Capital Project Funding Addendum with VPRA for the Alexandria (King Street Station) Pedestrian Tunnel Project**
 - E. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2604: Approve a Contract of Purchase and Sale with the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) for the Broad Run Corridor**
 - F. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2605: Approve a Contract of Purchase and Sale with the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) for Station Site Permanent Easements on the Manassas Line**
 - G. ACTION: Approve Resolution #2606: Approve a Contract of Purchase and Sale with the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) for the Seminary Yard Property**

9. Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT)

10. Executive Director Report

- A. Executive Director Newsletter
- B. NVTC Communications Metrics Report
- C. NVTC Financial Reports
- D. NVTC Letters of Support