

## **RESOLUTION #2425**

- **SUBJECT:** Adopt the Technical Evaluation Process for the Commuter Choice on the I-395/95 Corridor Program and Authorize the Executive Director to Issue a Call for Projects for I-395/95 Corridor Round Two (FY 2022-FY 2023)
- WHEREAS: The agreement between the Commonwealth and 95 Express Lanes LLC secured an annual payment for transit services of \$15 million per year, escalating by 2.5% per year, to fund multimodal projects along the I-395/95 corridor;
- WHEREAS: The Memorandum of Agreement adopted by the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) and the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) in November 2017 and adopted by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) in December 2017, between the CTB, NVTC, PRTC, Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) and Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requires:
  - 1. A request for projects from all jurisdictions that are members of either NVTC or PRTC and other public transportation providers providing service in those jurisdictions.
  - 2. The selection and technical evaluation of projects by NVTC/PRTC, the development of a funding strategy for each proposed project, and the submission of each proposed project by NVTC/PRTC to the CTB.
  - 3. NVTC/PRTC to hold a public hearing prior to NVTC/PRTC's selection of projects for submission to the CTB.
- **WHEREAS:** The Memorandum of Agreement between NVTC and PRTC for Distribution and Allocation of I-395 Annual Transit Investment Funds, adopted by both Commissions in January 2019, establishes that NVTC will administer the Commuter Choice program; and
- WHEREAS: The Joint Commission Working Group, composed of members from NVTC and PRTC; the NVTC Program Advisory Committee; and applicant staff support the continued use of the Technical Evaluation Criteria from the Commuter Choice on the I-66 Corridor Round Four call for projects and their application to the I-395/95 Corridor program for sake of predictability and program consistency.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission hereby authorizes the executive director to initiate a call for projects for Commuter Choice on the I-395/95 Corridor Round Two (FY 2022-FY 2023) and adopts the Technical Evaluation Criteria for the program.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the adoption of the Technical Evaluation Criteria shall also apply to subsequent Commuter Choice calls for projects on the I-66 Inside the

Beltway and I-395/95 corridors until such time as the Commission wishes to revisit the criteria.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the elements of this authorization and adoption pertinent to the I-395/95 corridor program is contingent upon the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission's approval of a comparable resolution.

Approved this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020.

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