



RESOLUTION #2228

- SUBJECT:** Authorization for the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) Executive Director to Apply for a Mid-Cycle Grant for Technical Assistance from the Department of Rail and Public Transportation on behalf of the NVTC and its Member Jurisdictions as well as the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) and the Virginia Railway Express (VRE).
- WHEREAS:** The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission is eligible to apply for, receive and manage state transit grants;
- WHEREAS:** NVTC, as a service to its member jurisdictions, can also apply for, receive and manage state grants on behalf of those members;
- WHEREAS:** This grant would provide technical assistance and support to NVTC's jurisdictions transit systems, PRTC, and VRE to assess and implement the New Electronic Payment Program (NEPP), a new fare payment system currently in procurement by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA);
- WHEREAS:** This technology solution will be the first of its kind and as such the vendor will be required to demonstrate the proof of concept through a pilot at the expense of the vendor;
- WHEREAS:** The Conceptual Design Review (CDR) will start immediately following the Notice to Proceed, now anticipated the first week in January 2014 and the targeted completion of the CDR is May 2014;
- WHEREAS:** Technical support is needed beginning in January 2014 to support Northern Virginia transit systems in the CDR, the oversight of the pilot, and the conditional approval of the Central Data System (CDS);
- WHEREAS:** NEPP vendor selection is imminent and it is critical that NVTC, PRTC and VRE be ready to fully engage with the design and testing phases of NEPP;
- WHEREAS:** The evaluation and implementation of this system will require specialized technical expertise which is most efficiently achieved by working through the regional transit commission and includes the WMATA compact jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS: Staff of NVTC's member jurisdictions as well as PRTC and VRE have asked NVTC to apply for technical assistance grant funding on their behalf and indicated through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that they are willing to fund a match up to \$100,000.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission authorizes its executive director to apply to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) for technical assistance funding and complete all required applications on behalf of the counties of Arlington, Fairfax and Loudoun; and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church; PRTC; and VRE; a grant for \$200,000 (including the 50% state match) for technical assistance in the development, testing and implementation of the New Electronic Payment Program (NEPP).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC authorizes its staff to amend the commission's 2013 approved work program to include this grant application.

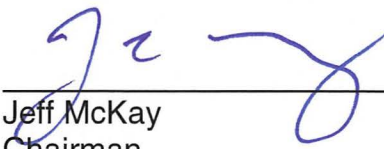
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC authorizes its executive director as trustee of state transit assistance received by the jurisdictions at NVTC, to use funds from members accounts at NVTC and/or from future receipts of such funds to pay any and all expenses (including legal fees) associated with this state grant, after first informing the Northern Virginia NEPP partners and providing appropriate documentation of the expenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC requires its executive director to obtain from NVTC's jurisdictions, PRTC and VRE a signed MOU before execution of the DRPT grant.

Approved this 7th day of November, 2013.



David Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer



Jeff McKay
Chairman