

**RESOLUTION #2254**

**SUBJECT:** Authorization to Transmit the Amended VRE Master Agreement Regarding Weighted Voting to the Participating and Contributing Jurisdictions for Approval

**WHEREAS:** The Virginia Railway Express (VRE) Master Agreement for the Provision of Commuter Rail Service in Northern Virginia (the "Master Agreement") was approved by the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) and the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC), as well as the Participating and Contributing Jurisdictions;

**WHEREAS:** The Master Agreement sets forth the requirements for passage of motions by the VRE Operations Board;

**WHEREAS:** The Virginia General Assembly has enacted a statutory requirement amending §15.2-4507 and providing that for each year the state contribution is greater or equal to the highest contribution from a single jurisdiction, the Chairman of the Commonwealth Transportation Board or his designee shall have a weighted vote equal to the highest contributing jurisdiction;

**WHEREAS:** An amendment to Section II, Part B, Paragraph 4 of the current Master Agreement is necessary for compliance with §15.2-4507 as amended; and

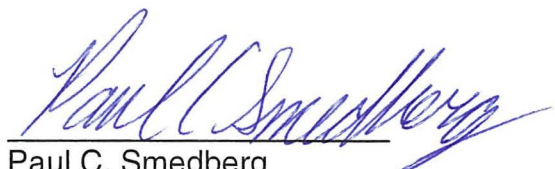
**WHEREAS:** The VRE Operations Board recommends the following action.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission does hereby authorize the transmittal of the attached proposed amendment to the Master Agreement for the Provision of Commuter Rail Service in Northern Virginia to the Participating and Contributing Jurisdictions for their approval and execution, after which it will be approved and executed by the Commissions.

Approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July 2014.



Jay Fisette  
Secretary-Treasurer



Paul C. Smedberg  
Chairman