

RESOLUTION #2360

SUBJECT: Accept the Northern Virginia Regional Fare Collection Strategic Plan

WHEREAS: The region's transit fare collection system needs to be upgraded and replaced as components near end of life, and to keep pace with customer expectations and changing technology;

WHEREAS: The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) continues to take a leading role in planning and coordinating improvements among the Northern Virginia transit systems;

WHEREAS: These transit systems include Arlington Transit (ART), City of Fairfax CUE, Alexandria DASH, Fairfax Connector, Loudoun County Transit, Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC), and the Virginia Railway Express (VRE);

WHEREAS: NVTC is working to ensure current and future needs for regional fare collection are met and assist in coordination with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), a major partner in regional fare collection, to allow interconnectivity between all the transit systems;

WHEREAS: In August 2017, the transit systems entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for NVTC to allocate grant funding and provide resources to coordinate upgrades to existing regional fare collection systems and explore options and enhancements for the regional fare collection program;

WHEREAS: In the fall of 2017, NVTC, in collaboration with its regional partners, initiated a strategic planning process to allow the transit systems to collectively organize around a shared vision for future regional fare collection methods;

WHEREAS: The purpose of the plan is to provide a roadmap for advancing fare collection in the region and to provide input into WMATA fare collection modernization initiatives; and

WHEREAS: The process culminated in a Northern Virginia Regional Fare Collection Strategic Plan, which lays out a vision, identifies strategic priorities and initiatives, and translates these into actions to be taken by NVTC and the transit systems in the coming years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission hereby accepts the Northern Virginia Regional Fare Collection Strategic Plan for NVTC and the transit systems to move forward with the recommendations of the plan.

Approved this 7th day of June 2018.

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