



**RESOLUTION #2435**

- SUBJECT:** Accept the 2021 Northern Virginia Regional Fare Collection Strategic Plan
- WHEREAS:** The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) continues to lead the planning and coordinating of fare collection improvements and initiatives among the Northern Virginia transit systems;
- WHEREAS:** The Northern Virginia transit systems include Arlington Transit (ART), City of Fairfax CUE, Alexandria DASH, Fairfax Connector, Loudoun County Transit, Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC)/OmniRide, and the Virginia Railway Express (VRE);
- WHEREAS:** Fare collection technology and innovation has drastically accelerated since the 2018 Northern Virginia Regional Fare Collection Strategic Plan and an update to the plan is necessary to address new challenges and maintain a state of good repair while modernizing the fare collection systems;
- WHEREAS:** NVTC continues to coordinate with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), a major partner and the backbone of the regional fare collection system SmarTrip, and to facilitate interconnectivity between all the transit systems;
- WHEREAS:** The 2021 Northern Virginia Regional Fare Collection Strategic Plan identifies 13 key actions by NVTC to: 1) support and coordinate fare collection initiatives for NVTC transit systems; and 2) provide input into WMATA fare collection modernization by supporting the study and development of upgrades; and
- WHEREAS:** NVTC has received and will apply for future Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) grant funding to: 1) provide technical assistance to the transit systems; and 2) coordinate upgrades and enhancements to existing fare collection systems.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission accepts the 2021 Northern Virginia Regional Fare Collection Strategic Plan to move forward with the actions of the plan.

Approved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.

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Dalia Palchik  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Katie Cristol  
Chair