

RESOLUTION #2473

SUBJECT: Approve the Submission of a FY 2023 Technical Assistance Application to DRPT for

the Northern Virginia Regional Bus Analysis

WHEREAS: Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) member jurisdictions

provide local, express and commuter bus service, either through their own local transit agencies or through Metrobus, a vital mobility service that both supports Northern Virginia's economic growth and provides climate change-related

benefits;

WHEREAS: Building upon previous analysis by NVTC in 2016, it is necessary and prudent to

periodically re-examine bus transit service at a regional level to ensure a coordinated and collaborative approach to transit planning while leveraging

regional economies of scale;

WHEREAS: The purpose of this study is to: 1) provide a regional context and analysis of

existing and planned services by Northern Virginia's bus transit providers; and 2) serve as a complementary strategic planning resource for the Commission and its

jurisdictional members;

WHEREAS: This study provides a macro level assessment of how bus systems are serving

Northern Virginia by using the transit strategic plans (TSP) developed by individual transit service providers as well as other planning documents developed by NVTC member jurisdictions (capital improvement plans, local transportation/mobility

plans, etc.);

WHEREAS: The study will 1) assess service gaps; 2) identify opportunities for coordination of

service, including the identification of cross-jurisdictional high priority transit corridors; 3) identify opportunities for shared facilities and other infrastructure; and 4) provide a regional-level overview of existing and anticipated financial

needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission

authorizes the executive director, or her designee, for and on behalf of NVTC:

1) To file an application with DRPT under the Technical Assistance Program for FY 2023 in the amount of \$300,000, with state funds anticipated at 50%;

- 2) To accept from DRPT and execute the grant in such amount as may be awarded;
- 3) To furnish to DRPT such documents and other information as may be required for processing the grant request; and
- 4) To enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with NVTC jurisdictions to secure the required local match.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC certifies that the funds for all of the above grant will be used in accordance with the requirements of Section 58.1 638.A.4 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>, that NVTC will provide matching funds in the ratio required by the Act, that the records of receipts of expenditures of funds granted to NVTC may be subject to audit by DRPT and by the State Auditor of Public Accounts, and that funds granted to NVTC for defraying the public transportation expenses of NVTC shall be used only for such purposes as authorized in the <u>Code of Virginia</u>.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC authorizes the' executive director, or her designee, for and on behalf of NVTC and its members, to furnish to the Transportation Planning Board, the Commonwealth Transportation Board, and other state and federal funding agencies such documents, information, assurances and certifications as may be required for pursuing the above grant requests and continuing previously awarded grants.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC authorizes the executive director, or her designee, to amend the above-described applications at the request of NVTC's member jurisdictions to include the most recent information and project costs.

Approved this 3rd day of March 2022.

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Chair

Matt de Ferranti Secretary-Treasurer