



**RESOLUTION #2599**

**SUBJECT:** Authorize the Executive Director to Apply to DRPT for Funding to Support the 2026 Blue and Yellow Lines Construction Marketing Initiative

**WHEREAS:** The Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) recognizes the need to support transit riders during and after the planned shutdown of WMATA’s Crystal City Metrorail Station for 10 weekends between February and June 2026, with Ronald Reagan National Airport and Potomac Yard Stations also closed for three weekends between March and May 2026;

**WHEREAS:** DRPT is making funding available to both support mitigation transit services during the project as well as a regional marketing campaign to bring back transit riders following the project;

**WHEREAS:** DRPT has a total \$80,000 available in FY 2027 funding to support shutdown mitigation and marketing;

**WHEREAS:** NVTC will request \$80,000 to develop and implement a marketing effort to bring back riders to public transit once the Crystal City, Ronald Reagan National Airport and Potomac Yard Stations reopen;

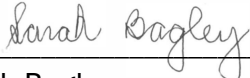
**WHEREAS:** The funding requires a local match of 20% (\$20,000) which NVTC will provide from its General and Administrative Budget; and

**WHEREAS:** The Commission has consistently supported efforts to improve Metrorail and transit ridership and supported a series of successful marketing campaigns to date.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission hereby authorize the executive director, or her designee, to apply to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for funding to support the Blue and Yellow Lines Construction Marketing Initiative, to execute the associated funding agreement with DRPT and for NVTC to provide the 20% local match required for the grant.

Approved this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026.

  
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