

## Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 13

## RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

**December 4, 2013** 

## **MOTION**

Made By: Mr. Garczynski Seconded By: Mr. Miller Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

## <u>Title: I-95 Transit and TDM Plan Technical Memorandum #3 – Implementation Authorization</u>

**WHEREAS,** the Commonwealth of Virginia is committed to addressing the transportation needs for the Interstate 95 (I-95) corridor through a package of concurrent improvements, including:

- I-95 HOT/HOV Lanes
- Constructing an HOV/transit only ramp at Seminary Road
- Increased Transit Service

**WHEREAS**, to address the Commonwealth's commitment to increase transit service on I-95, the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) has developed a long-range Transit and TDM Plan for I-95 that is focused on the needs for commuter trips originating within the I-95 travel corridor and south of the Interstate 495 (I-495) beltway; and

**WHEREAS**, the I-95 Transit and TDM Plan recommendations are limited to improvements that directly maximize the capacity of the I-95 HOT/HOV lanes and service to major destinations within the I-495 beltway; and

**WHEREAS,** the long-range I-95 Transit and TDM Plan recommendations and the associated capital and operating costs are detailed in the I-95 Transit and TDM Technical Memorandum #3, hereto attached, marked as Attachment A; and

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**WHEREAS**, the program of transit service improvements are to be phased into five-year increments through 2035, and assume that service will originate in the counties of Prince William and Fairfax; and

WHEREAS, per item 441 of the FY 2013 and FY 2014 Appropriation Acts, 2012 Va. Acts ch. 3 and 2013 Va. Acts ch. 806, prior to the annual adoption of the Six-Year Improvement Program, the Commonwealth Transportation Board may allocate funding from the Commonwealth Mass Transit Trust Fund to implement the transit and transportation demand management improvements recommended in the I-95 Transit and TDM Plan Technical Memorandum #3; and

**WHEREAS**, the I-95 HOT/HOV lanes are anticipated to be in service by the end of calendar year 2014, and the Commonwealth Transportation Board desires for the Transit and TDM service under the I-95 Transit and TDM Technical Memorandum #3 to be implemented and transit service initiated on the first day of the opening of the I-95 HOT/HOV lanes; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth Transportation Board desires to advance the planning and implementation process for this service and desires that the Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to solicit service proposals and develop the necessary program to provide this service with the Commonwealth Transportation Board intending to allocate up to 100 percent state capital assistance and up to 70 percent state operating assistance for the services originating in Fairfax County and up to 55 percent state operating assistance for the services originating in Prince William County as recommended in the I-95 Transit and TDM Plan Technical Memorandum #3.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Commonwealth Transportation Board, in directing its intent to advance a balanced transportation solution to help relieve the congestion of the I-95 Corridor and in its intent to advance the I-95 Transit and TDM Plan Technical Memorandum #3 as a part of the suite of projects associated with the I-95 HOV/HOT lanes, hereby directs the Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to solicit proposals based on the I-95 Transit and TDM Plan Technical Memorandum #3 with its implementation for service initiation upon the first day of the opening of the I-95 HOV/HOT lanes. Solicitation of proposals by the Department may include public, municipal, and private passenger bus operators. Upon evaluation of the proposals by the Director, the Director will include the recommended approach and grant or contract funding award to a service provider or providers in the Department of Rail and Public Transportation's FY 2015 – FY 2020 Six-Year Improvement Program.