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Agenda item # New Business 1

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

July 17, 2013

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Garczynski Seconded By: Ms. Fisher

Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Revised Improvement Concept Approval, Interstate 66 Corridor

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, and the Federal Highway Administration entered into a Memorandum of Agreement outlining the roles of each agency and the decisions to be made following completion of the Tier 1 Study of the Interstate 66 Corridor from US Route 15 in Prince William to Interstate 495 in Fairfax County pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Tier 1 Study of Interstate 66 presents concepts based on a systems level analysis that focuses on broad issues such as purpose and need, travel modes, technology choices, and general location of multi-modal improvements; and

WHEREAS, the study indicated that the improvement concepts address the needs identified to varying degrees but further indicated that no concept as a stand-alone concept fully satisfies the purpose and need of the study; and

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2013 the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) approved the advancement of the following seven improvement concepts to be advanced for further consideration and for detailed study in subsequent Tier 2 studies at such time as these studies are initiated:

1. General Purpose Lanes;

2. Managed Lanes;
3. Bus Rapid Transit;
4. Improve Spot Locations/Chokepoints;
5. Intermodal Connectivity;
6. Safety Improvements;
7. Transportation Communication and Technology;

WHEREAS, since the May 2013 meeting, the CTB has received further support from the public for the rail concepts which were not advanced at its May 15th meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth's Office of Transportation Public-Private Partnerships issued a Request for Information (RFI) on June 27, 2013 to solicit input on the I-66 corridor including the improvement concepts advanced by the CTB as well as additional rail concepts not previously advanced; and

WHEREAS, based on the RFI and the further support received from the public the CTB believes that support exists for rail concepts and believes those concepts studied should be advanced for further study.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commonwealth Transportation Board that the following additional improvement concepts be advanced for further consideration and for detailed study in subsequent Tier 2 studies at such time as these studies are initiated:

1. Metrorail Extension;
2. Light Rail Transit;
3. VRE Extension

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