

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 9

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

December 4, 2023

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Laird Seconded By: Mr. Byers

Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: FY2024-FY2029 SYIP Project Updates

WHEREAS, Section 33.2-214 (B) of the *Code of Virginia* requires the Commonwealth Transportation Board (Board) to adopt by July 1st of each year a Six-Year Improvement Program (Program) of anticipated projects and programs and that the Program shall be based on the most recent official revenue forecasts and a debt management policy; and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted the Six-Year Improvement Program of projects for Fiscal Years 2024-2029 on June 21, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 General Assembly passed HB 2338/SB 1326 to expand funding eligibility for the Transit Ridership Incentive Program (TRIP) to include two additional project types: improvements to the accessibility of transit bus passenger facilities and efforts to improve crime prevention and public safety for transit passengers, operators, and employees; and

WHEREAS, DRPT has identified \$4,423,874 in unobligated TRIP funds to allocate toward projects as identified in Appendix A; and

WHEREAS, DRPT applied for and received \$3,200,000 in federal discretionary funding from the 2022 FRA Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE) grant program to be used for improvements to four rural railroad crossings identified in Appendix A; and

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WHEREAS, DRPT has identified \$650,000 from the Commonwealth Rail Fund to contribute towards a match for the RCE Federal discretionary grant program identified in Appendix A; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that the projects are appropriate for the efficient movement of people and freight and, therefore, for the common good of the Commonwealth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board, that the projects shown in Appendix A are added to the Six-Year Improvement Program of projects and programs for Fiscal Years 2024 through 2029 and are approved.

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Appendix A: DRPT FY2024-FY2029 SYIP Project Updates for TRIP Midcycle Grants and Rail Crossing Elimination

Grantee	Project	Total Project Cost (first year)	Proposed DRPT Match	Proposed Local Match	Federal Award
City of Alexandria	Alexandria Landmark transit center amenities	\$800,000	\$544,000	\$256,000	-
Arlington Regional Transit	ART bus stop improvements	\$540,000	\$367,200	\$172,800	-
Bristol Transit	Bristol Transit vehicle security cameras	\$37,563	\$21,563	\$16,000	-
Bristol Transit	Bristol bus shelter improvements	\$120,000	\$81,600	\$38,400	-
Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission	CSPDC Lewis Street Hub improvements	\$2,045,000	\$805,150	\$1,239,850	-
District Three Governmental Cooperative	District Three zero-fare project	\$70,000	\$56,000	\$14,000	-
GRTC Richmond	GRTC Richmond bus stop improvements	\$579,491	\$394,054	\$185,437	-
GRTC Richmond	GRTC Chesterfield bus stop improvements	\$80,869	\$54,991	\$25,878	-
Hampton Roads Transit	HRT ferry shelter improvements	\$825,000	\$561,000	\$264,000	-
Hampton Roads Transit	HRT bus stop improvements	\$279,000	\$189,720	\$89,280	-
Hampton Roads Transit	HRT operator safety barriers	\$1,445,278	\$982,789	\$462,489	-
Petersburg Area Transit	PAT Multimodal Center security guards	\$150,246	\$120,197	\$30,049	-
Petersburg Area Transit	PAT Multimodal Center security cameras	\$296,469	\$201,599	\$94,870	-
Roanoke County	Roanoke County bus shelter	\$30,000	\$20,400	\$9,600	-
Williamsburg Area Transit Authority	WATA transit vehicle security cameras	\$89,826	\$23,612	\$66,214	-
TRIP Total		\$7,388,742	\$4,423,874	\$2,964,867	
DRPT	DC2RVA Rural Crossings Safety Improvements	\$4,000,000	\$650,000	\$150,000	\$3,200,000
RCE Total		\$4,000,000	\$650,000	\$150,000	\$3,200,000
Grand Total		\$11,388,742	\$5,073,874	\$3,114,867	\$3,200,000

CTB Decision Brief

<u>Six-Year Improvement Program Updates for Federal Discretionary Match Fiscal Years</u> 2024 - 2029

Issue: Each year the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) must adopt a Six-Year Improvement Program (Program) and allocations in accordance with policy or statutory formula.

Facts: The CTB must adopt a Six-Year Improvement Program of anticipated projects and programs by July 1st of each year in accordance with Section 33.2-214 (B). The CTB adopted the FY 2024-2029 SYIP on June 21, 2023. The projects in the DRPT Appendix A were not in the final FY 2024-2029 SYIP adopted by the CTB. DRPT solicited midcycle applications for the Transit Ridership Incentive Program following legislative modifications to the program in the 2023 General Assembly Session. DRPT also was awarded \$3.2 million in federal discretionary funding from the 2022 FRA Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE) grant program to be used for improvements to four rural railroad crossings.

Recommendations: The Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) recommends the inclusion of the projects, \$4,423,874 of Transit Ridership Incentive Program funds, \$3,200,000 in Federal Railroad Crossing Elimination program funds and \$650,000 of funding from the Commonwealth Rail Fund for projects in Appendix A to the Program for Fiscal Years 2024-2029.

Action Required by CTB: The CTB will be presented with a resolution for a formal vote to add the projects listed in DRPT Appendix A to the Program for FY 2024-2029.

Results, if Approved: If the resolution is approved, the projects listed in DRPT Appendix A will be added to the Program for FY 2024-2029.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

Public Comments/Reactions: None.