

RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE TIP ACTION 23-61.3 WHICH ADDS FUNDS TO VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS (VRE) ALEXANDRIA STATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AS REQUESTED BY THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF RAIL & PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (DRPT)

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), as the federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, reauthorized November 15, 2021 when the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was signed into law, for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the TIP is required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as a basis and condition for all federal funding assistance to state, local and regional agencies for transportation improvements within the Washington planning area; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2022 the TPB adopted the FY 2023-2026 TIP; and

WHEREAS, VDRPT has requested an amendment to the FY 2023-2026 TIP to include TIP Action 23-61.3, which adds a net total of approximately \$3.5 million in additional S. 5337-SGR, State, and Local funding to the **Alexandria Station Improvements Project (T11633)**; and

WHEREAS, the review and processing of the amendments included in this TIP Action have been conducted in accordance with the procedures detailed in the TPB's Public Participation Plan and the Procedures for Revisions to the Long-Range Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments have been entered into the TPB's Project InfoTrak database under TIP Action 23-61.3 creating the 61st amended version of the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the draft amendments were posted on the TPB's Steering Committee meeting page seven days in advance of the scheduled approval and can also be found for review online at www.mwcog.org/TIP/FY23-26/Amendments; and

WHEREAS, this project is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement, as defined in Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Transportation Conformity Regulations as of April 2012; and

WHEREAS, full funding for this project was included in the Financial Analysis of the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045 and the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the TIP remains fiscally constrained, as demonstrated in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, the attached materials include:

ATTACHMENT A) Amendment Overview report showing how the amended project record will appear in the TIP following approval, along with a complete listing of all changes made for the most recently approved record version(s),

ATTACHMENT B) Financial Constraint Summary Table demonstrating that the TIP is fiscally constrained.

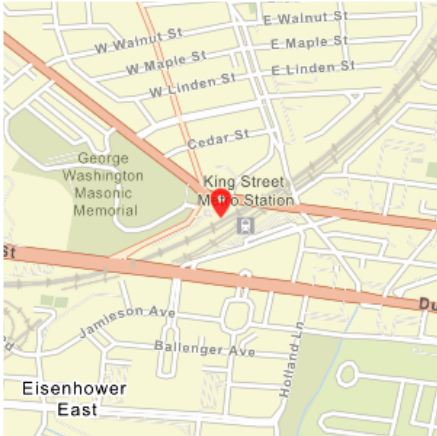
ATTACHMENT C) Letter from VDRPT dated April 18, 2025, requesting the amendment; and

WHEREAS, this resolution and the amendment to the FY 2023-2026 TIP shall not be considered final until the Transportation Planning Board has had the opportunity to review and accept these materials at its next full meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2023-2026 TIP to include TIP Action 23-61.3 which adds approximately \$3.5 million in S. 5337-SGR, State, and Local Funding to the **Alexandria Station Improvements Project (T11633)** as described in the attached materials.

T11633 - VRE Alexandria Station Improvements

Lead Agency	VRE
Project Type	Rail/Fixed Guideways - Capital/SGR
Facility	-
From	-
To	-
Agency Project ID	-
Municipality	City of Alexandria
Completion Date	2026
Total Cost	\$48,541,205



Project Description	The project design and construct an ADA-compliant, grade-separated pedestrian tunnel and elevator access between the two platforms at the VRE/Amtrak station in Alexandria and modify and extend the east platform at the station to accommodate eight-car trains and enable the platform to service two trains simultaneously, from a track on each side of the platform. The west platform adjacent to the station building will also be modified to raise its height relative to the top of rail as part of the project. This project is being designed and constructed in conjunction with the VPRA-led effort to replace the King Street and Commonwealth Avenue railroad bridges immediately north of the station as part of the Alexandria Fourth Track project.
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Phase	Fund Source	Prior	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	Future	Total
CON	DC/STATE	-	\$770,932	\$2,084,879	\$629,216	-	-	\$3,485,027
CON	LOCAL	-	\$16,000	\$521,220	\$157,304	-	-	\$694,524
CON	NHFP	-	\$8,618,727	-	-	-	-	\$8,618,727
CON	S. 5337-SGR	-	\$320,000	\$10,424,394	\$3,146,081	-	-	\$13,890,475
CON	State (NM)	-	\$21,852,452	-	-	-	-	\$21,852,452
Total Con		-	\$31,578,111	\$13,030,493	\$3,932,601	-	-	\$48,541,205
Total Cost		-	\$31,578,111	\$13,030,493	\$3,932,601	-	-	\$48,541,205

Current Change Reason	Schedule / Funding / Scope- Update Cost change(s) - Programming Update
Funding Changes	S. 5337-SGR - Decrease funds in FY 2024 in CON from \$10,744,394 to \$10,424,394+ Increase funds in FY 2025 in CON from \$0 to \$3,146,081 LOCAL - Decrease funds in FY 2024 in CON from \$537,219 to \$521,220 + Increase funds in FY 2025 in CON from \$0 to \$157,304 DC/STATE + Increase funds in FY 2023 in CON from \$64,000 to \$706,932 DC/STATE - Decrease funds in FY 2024 in CON from \$2,148,879 to \$2,084,879 + Increase funds in FY 2025 in CON from \$0 to \$629,216
Federal Project Cost	Increased from \$19,683,121 to \$22,509,202 (14.36%)
Total Project Cost	Increased from \$45,008,603 to \$48,541,205 (7.85%)

ATTACHMENT B
PROGRAMMED SUMMARY BY FUND

Fund Type	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
FEDERAL					
NHFP	\$8,618,727	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,618,727
S. 5337-SGR	\$52,949,217	\$25,048,036	\$98,601,233	\$15,556,921	\$192,155,407
Federal Subtotal	\$61,567,944	\$25,048,036	\$98,601,233	\$15,556,921	\$200,774,134
STATE & LOCAL					
DC/STATE	\$14,847,837	\$5,289,241	\$45,020,339	\$2,430,944	\$67,588,361
State (NM)	\$39,378,452	\$0	\$2,100,000	\$18,200,000	\$59,678,452
LOCAL	\$4,836,096	\$1,322,310	\$30,129,707	\$1,807,736	\$38,095,849
State & Local Subtotal	\$59,062,385	\$6,611,551	\$77,250,046	\$22,438,680	\$165,362,662
Grand Total	\$120,630,329	\$31,659,587	\$175,851,279	\$37,995,601	\$366,136,796



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April 18, 2025

The Honorable James Walkinshaw, Chair
Chair, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 300
Washington, DC 20002-4202

Dear Chair Walkinshaw:

The Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) requests amendments to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to amend a VRE project. Please see the initial request by Cynthia Porter-Johnson attached. A breakdown of the amendment request is included below:

VRE Alexandria Station Improvements (TIP ID: T11633)

This amendment adds additional 5337 funding to the Alexandria Station Improvements project, which will provide an ADA-compliant, grade-separated pedestrian tunnel and elevator access between the two platforms at the VRE/Amtrak station in Alexandria and modify and extend the east platform at the station to accommodate eight-car trains and enable the platform to service two trains simultaneously, from a track on each side of the platform. The west platform adjacent to the station building will also be modified to raise its height relative to the top of the rail as part of the project. The project will improve safety and ADA accommodations for passengers and improve boarding times.

- Deduct \$320,000 (Section 5337) FFY24 for CON Phase
- Deduct \$64,000 (DC/State) FFY24 for CON Phase
- Deduct \$15,999 (Local Match) FFY24 for CON Phase
- Add \$3,146,081 (Section 5337) FFY25 for CON Phase
- Add \$629,216 (DC/State) FFY25 for CON Phase
- Add \$157,304 (Local Match) FFY25 for CON Phase
- Add \$3,532,602 to project cost for

NEW PROJECT COST = \$48,541,205



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The funding sources for this project include existing VRE Section 5337 Formula funds and local matching funds. The TIP will remain fiscally constrained. This project does not add railroad capacity and is exempt from air quality conformity analysis. No public review and comment are required although VRE solicits public comment at all VRE Operations Board meetings.

DRPT requests approval of this project to the TIP by the Transportation Planning Board's Steering Committee at its meeting on May 2, 2025. I will be present and available to answer any questions about this amendment request. Upon formal adoption from the Transportation Planning Board, the DRPT FY24-27 STIP will be updated to reflect the amended project.

Thank you for your assistance in facilitating this amendment action. Should you have any questions, please reach out to me at (703) 253-3334 or at amy.garbarini@drpt.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

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