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NVTC Endorses 10 Transform 66 Multimodal Applications for Funding

Arlington, VA – Citing the potential to move more people and reduce roadway congestion on I-66 inside the Beltway, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) today recommended a total of \$9.8 million in funding for 10 multimodal components under the Transform 66 Multimodal Project. The components – which include new and enhanced bus service, bus stop improvements, transit information and incentives programs, and a transit access project – will be operational by summer 2017, when tolling on I-66 inside the Beltway begins, and benefit those who use the portion of the Interstate between I-495 and U.S. Route 29 in the Rosslyn area of Arlington County.

“NVTC is bringing the region together to improve travel choices and increase reliability for drivers and riders alike,” said NVTC Chairman Jay Fisette. “Tonight’s vote not only sets the stage for improved transit service but for enhanced transportation connections along I-66 inside the Beltway. These projects, which encompass five jurisdictions, are key to helping unlock gridlock in Northern Virginia.”

The selected components will provide a variety of benefits to those who travel the I-66 corridor inside the Beltway. Collectively, they will:

- move an additional 1,800 people daily through the corridor in the morning peak period within the first year of operation;
- save approximately 370,000 hours of travel delay per year;
- connect 20 activity centers across Northern Virginia and the District; and
- allow the corridor to operate more efficiently by providing traveler information and transportation demand management services.

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In March 2016, NVTC received \$42.7 million in funding requests for 19 components from Arlington County, the City of Alexandria, Fairfax County, the City of Falls Church, Loudoun County, and the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC). Of these, 13 component applications indicated that the component would be ready to implement by toll day one. The Commission approved the following projects for submission to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB):

Selected FY2017 Transform 66 Multimodal Components	Funding
Fairfax Connector Express Service from Government Center to Foggy Bottom	\$3,336,836
Loudoun County Stone Ridge Enhanced Transit	\$1,940,939
PRTC Gainesville to Pentagon Commuter Service	\$887,900
Peak Period Service Expansion to Metrobus Route 2A, Washington Blvd – Dunn Loring	\$1,000,000
Peak Period Service Expansion to ART Bus Route 55	\$450,000
Bus Stop Consolidation and Accessibility Improvements	\$462,000
Expanded Transit Access, Bike Share	\$500,000
Multimodal Real-Time Transportation Information Screens	\$250,000
Loudoun County Transportation Demand Management	\$623,000
Expanded TDM Outreach to the I-66 Corridor	\$350,000
Total Recommended FY2017 Transform 66 Multimodal Project	\$9,800,675

The list of components will go before the CTB on June 14 for final approval.

Details about the selected components are available at www.novatransit.org/i66multimodal.

NVTC works to ensure that businesses and residents are served by a high capacity, high quality network of transit systems that allows the region to thrive. It funds and promotes transit in the counties of Arlington, Fairfax and Loudoun and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church. NVTC supports five local bus systems (ART, CUE, DASH, Fairfax Connector, Loudoun County Transit), WMATA (Metrorail/Metrobus) and the Virginia Railway Express. Visit www.NoVaTransit.org or call 703-524-3322 to learn more.

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