RESOLUTION #2278

SUBJECT: Authorization to Submit an Application to the Commonwealth Transportation Board for the VRE Gainesville-Haymarket Extension Project for Evaluation Under HB2

WHEREAS: The passage of HB2 requires the development of a prioritization process to evaluate candidate projects and directs the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to develop and use a scoring process for project selection;

WHEREAS: The CTB will review the prioritization project list and will use the scoring, along with other information to inform future funding decisions;

WHEREAS: Projects must go through the HB2 process to receive funding under the new transportation funding formula including the High-Priority Projects Program;

WHEREAS: The VRE Gainesville-Haymarket Extension Project is a transit/rail capacity expansion project that is eligible for funding through the High-Priority Projects Program; and

WHEREAS: The VRE Operations Board recommends the following Commission action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission authorizes its Executive Director to submit the Gainesville-Haymarket Extension Project to the CTB for evaluation under the HB2 scoring process and funding consideration in the SYIP, to make necessary corrections to project amounts or descriptions, and to execute all project funding agreements that may result from CTB consideration of the project.

Approved this 3rd day of September 2015.