RESOLUTION #2402

SUBJECT: Authorize the Executive Director to Execute the Second Amended and Restated MOA to the Memorandum of Agreement Transform66: Inside the Beltway Project

WHEREAS: The Transform66: Inside the Beltway Project consists of dynamic tolling, conversion from HOV-2 to HOV-3, transit service, technology upgrades and infrastructure improvements to increase the number of people traveling in the corridor; and an evaluation of project effectiveness on I-66 and its related arterials;

WHEREAS: In 2015, Virginia Secretary of Transportation Aubrey Layne designated NVTC as the regional authority to identify and facilitate the delivery of the multimodal components of this project to maximize the transportation benefits of this project, as measured by the number of persons that are able to travel through the corridor;

WHEREAS: In January 2016, NVTC and the Commonwealth of Virginia entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) allowing NVTC to use toll revenues from I-66 Inside the Beltway to fund multimodal components that support the toll payers of this facility;

WHEREAS: In October 2016, NVTC and the Commonwealth of Virginia amended and restated the MOA to remove references to the use of tolls for widening the facility; modify language to enhance the credit-worthiness of the toll revenues; clarify the use of funds for transit operations; and address technical corrections identified by the Commonwealth, NVTC staff and NVTC jurisdictions;

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth has identified two projects that support the movement of people along the I-66 Inside the Beltway Corridor and satisfy the requirements for use of toll revenue by benefitting the toll paying users of I-66, which projects are a new bridge structure that crosses the Potomac River to expand the capacity for commuter and intercity passenger rail service and new Metrorail-related improvements to, and serving, the Rosslyn Metrorail Station that would facilitate the movement of passengers and relieve train congestion on the Blue, Orange, and Silver Metrorail lines;

WHEREAS: NVTC and the Commonwealth continue to recognize that transit operations along I-66 provides the most beneficial option for moving more people through the corridor; and

WHEREAS: NVTC seeks to ensure there is a minimum guaranteed funding available from the toll revenues to support at least a $15 million/year with an annual 2.5% escalation multimodal Commuter Choice program administered by NVTC through the life of the agreement.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission hereby authorizes the executive director to execute the attached Second Amended and Restated Memorandum of Agreement Transform66: Inside the Beltway Project, subject to final review by legal counsel, and such further nonsubstantive modifications as may be approved by the executive director in consultation with legal counsel.

Approved this 16th day of January 2020.

Katie Cristol
Chair

Jeffrey C. McKay
Secretary-Treasurer