

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPLICATION FOR THE TRANSIT RIDERSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, as part of HB 1414 the 2020 Virginia General Assembly established the Transit Ridership Incentive Program (TRIP), the purpose of which is to provide funding to transit agencies to improve the regional connectivity of urban areas and increase statewide ridership by supporting the development of zero and subsidized fare programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the General Assembly allocated \$20 million to TRIP projects in FY 2022, including \$12.5 million dedicated to zero and subsidized fare programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of TRIP's Zero Fare and Low-Income component is to increase a transit system's ridership, accessibility, and equity by deploying a zero or subsidized fare program; and

**WHEREAS**, TRIP Zero Fare and Low-Income projects will be scored based on impact on ridership, applicant commitment, implications for equity and accessibility, and project schedule and readiness; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Alexandria desires to submit applications for allocation of funds of up to \$8,000,000 over four years for the City of Alexandria, through the Transit Ridership Incentive Program; and

**WHEREAS**, if awarded the expected maximum amount of \$7,200,000 through the TRIP program, the City of Alexandria commits at least \$9,830,000 in local support between FY 2023 through FY 2025 for DASH to operate fare free, in addition to the approximately \$1,470,000 committed in FY 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA:**

1. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby supports the applications for an allocation of up to \$8,000,000 through the Transit Ridership Incentive Program;
2. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby commits to its local support requirements of the program, if awarded funds; and
3. The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby grants authority for the City Manager to execute all necessary documents that may be required under this program.

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**JUSTIN M. WILSON,      MAYOR**

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gloria Sitton, City Clerk