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Honorable Mayor Wilson and Members of City Council
City Hall
301 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

June 20, 2024

Re: **Endorsement of Consideration of FY 2030 SMART SCALE Funding Requests**

Dear Mayor Wilson and Members of City Council:

At its June 20 meeting, the Transportation Commission voted to endorse the staff-recommended list of four projects for pre-application for grant funding for the FY 2030 SMART SCALE program. The proposed application for the three City projects and one DASH project would include up to \$50 million for the following requests:

1. King Street-Bradlee Safety and Mobility Enhancements: Up to \$20 Million
2. Eisenhower Avenue and Van Dorn Street Improvements: Up to \$25 Million
3. Duke Street and Route 1 Intersection Improvements: Up to \$5 Million

Additionally, the Commission voted to endorse the joint application from NVTVA and Arlington County to improve the Shirlington Rotary, which would have a positive effect on Alexandria.

Transportation Commission is aware that because the timeline for submissions of pre-applications is significantly sooner than the application deadline, staff will develop more detailed cost estimates over the next several months, and that the amounts above are maximum funding requests.

The Transportation Commission appreciates the opportunity to review staff recommendations for SMART SCALE funding, as well as to provide its endorsement to Council.

May you have any questions; do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melissa McMahon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Melissa McMahon
Chair, Alexandria Transportation Commission

cc: Alexandria Transportation Commission
Jim Parajon, City Manager
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18 June 2024

Dear Commissioner Brich,

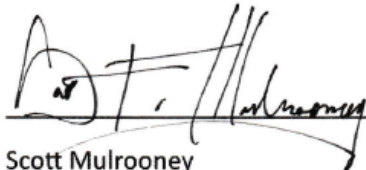
The Parkfairfax and Parc East Condominium Unit Owners Associations are writing to express strong support for the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, Arlington County and the City of Alexandria joint application for SMART SCALE funding to execute the recommendations of the I-395 Shirlington Interchange Improvements Study, State Project #0395-100-842.

Our communities comprise roughly 3500 residents in the City of Alexandria who live immediately adjacent to the Shirlington Rotary, where inadequate merge and weave provisions have resulted in frequent accidents and daily near-misses for decades. Many residents opt for longer neighborhood detours, simply to reduce their chances of being accident victims.

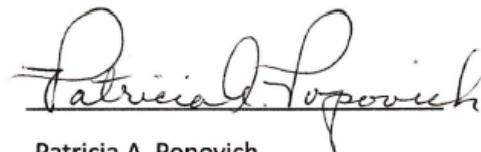
Nearly two dozen DASH and Metrobuses per hour enter and exit the Rotary from both Alexandria and Arlington, with the challenging yield protocol resulting in frequent delays and rider frustration. Improving safety and traffic flow will incentivize transit use, consistent with Commonwealth multi-modal transportation objectives.

Representatives of our communities have been engaged with your team since 2018 through public outreach. The very thorough Shirlington Interchange Improvements Study culminated in a "hybrid" solution and final report issued in January 2020.

We will greatly appreciate your support for the joint SMART SCALE funding application as part of the VDOT Six-Year Improvement Program.



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