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

October 23, 2023

Re: <u>Endorsement of Grant Application for the Department of Rail and Public Transportation</u>
(DRPT) FY 2024 Mid-Cycle Transportation Ridership Incentive Program (TRIP) New
Passenger Amenities Category

Dear Mayor Wilson and Members of City Council:

At its October 18 meeting, the Transportation Commission voted to endorse a grant application for funding of up \$544,000 through the DRPT FY 2024 Mid-Cycle TRIP New Passenger Amenities category.

The Transportation Commission supports staff's proposal to request funding to provide passenger amenities at Landmark/West End until the facility funded through SMART SCALE can be constructed, at which point the amenities can be relocated to other high need areas in the City.

This project supports the Alexandria Mobility Plan strategy to improve the rider experience and will ensure that appropriate amenities are available for this major transfer facility at the opening of Duke Street and West End Transitways. It also provides the opportunity to potentially leverage the new developer-funded Transportation Management Plan GoAlex Fund for the local match for these amenities.

The Transportation Commission appreciates the opportunity to review staff's proposal and to provide its endorsement to Council.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Melissa McMahon

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Chair, Alexandria Transportation Commission

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