

RESOLUTION NO. 2836

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING “SMART SCALE” FOR FY 2024 to FY 2025

WHEREAS, in 2014, HB2 was signed into law, and in June 2016, the program was renamed SMART SCALE. SMART stands for System Management Allocation of Resources for Transportation and SCALE stands for Safety, Congestion mitigation, Accessibility, Land use, Environmental and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of SMART SCALE is to fund the right transportation projects through a prioritization process that evaluates each project’s merits using key factors, including: improvements to safety, congestion reduction, accessibility, land use, economic development and the environment. The evaluation focuses on the degree to which a project addresses a problem or need relative to the requested funding for the project; and

WHEREAS, projects are scored based on an objective and fair analysis applied statewide. SMART SCALE also requires that project benefits be analyzed relative to project cost. CTB policy requires the project benefits be analyzed relative to the amount of SMART SCALE funds requested, so the final SMART SCALE score is based on the project cost to the state; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria desires to submit applications for an allocation of funds of \$88.7 million for both City of Alexandria and Alexandria Transit Company (DASH) projects, through the VDOT SMART SCALE Program; and

WHEREAS, \$88.7 million is requested to fund the critical transportation needs in the City of Alexandria, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the following project City of Alexandria applications include: 1) West End Transitway Corridor Investments - \$60,000,000; 2) Safety and Capacity Enhancement at Duke/Taylor Run/Telegraph - \$4,500,000; 3) Access Improvements to Landmark Transit Hub - \$10,000,000; and

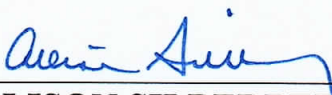
WHEREAS, the following project Alexandria Transit Company (DASH) applications include: 1) DASH Zero Emission Fleet Program - \$12,000,000; and 2) City TSP on Major Corridors - \$2,160,000; and

WHEREAS, the expected applications will be prioritized and based on the 2018 limit number of applications allowed per applicant, based on population thresholds; and

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 this application for an allocation of \$88.7 million through the Virginia Department of Transportation SMART SCALE Program; and
2. 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: June 26, 2018


ALLISON SILBERBERG MAYOR

ATTEST:


Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk



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Honorable Mayor Silberberg and Members of City Council
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May 16, 2018

Re: Endorsement of Consideration of State SMART SCALE Funding Requests (formerly HB2): for FY24-25

Dear Mayor Silberberg and Members of City Council:

At its May 16, 2018 meeting, the Transportation Commission voted to endorse the staff-recommended list of projects to seek grant funding for \$87,660,000 for the FY24-25 SMART SCALE program. This includes the following funding requests:

City of Alexandria

- a) West End Transitway – Southern Segment - \$24,000,000
- b) Access Improvement to Landmark Transit Hub - \$10,000,000
- c) Safety & Capacity Enhancements at Duke/ Taylor Run/Telegraph - \$4,500,000
- d) Eisenhower Avenue Metro Station North Entrance - \$35,000,000

DASH

- a) DASH Zero Emission Fleet Program - \$12,000,000
- b) Citywide TSP on Major Corridors- \$2,160,000

The scope and funding amount for the West End Transitway project is subject to change, dependent on the amount of funding awarded by the NVTa (Northern Virginia Transportation Authority). The NVTa is scheduled to adopt its FY18-23 Six Year Program in June 2018.

Applications are due on August 1, 2018 and will be submitted to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) for review. The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) is expected to make funding determinations for FY 2024-2025 program in June 2019.

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

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'S.J. Klejst', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

S.J. Klejst

Chair, Alexandria Transportation Commission

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