

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING “SMART SCALE” FOR FY 2026 to FY 2027

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 up to \$143.5 million for City of Alexandria projects, through the VDOT SMART SCALE Program; and

WHEREAS, up to \$143.5 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) Route 1 at E. Glebe Road Intersection Improvements – Up to \$10,000,000; 2) Route 1 South Improvements – Up to \$3,500,000; 3) Duke Street Transitway – Up to \$75,000,000; 4) Upper King Street Multimodal Improvements – Up to \$40,000,000; and 5) Landmark Transit Center – Up to \$15,000,000; 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 up to \$143.5 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: _____

JUSTIN WILSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria Sitton, City Clerk