

City of Falls Church
Citizens Advisory Committee on Transportation

May 9, 2018

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority
3040 Williams Drive, Suite 200
Fairfax, VA 22031

Dear Northern Virginia Transportation Authority,

At its May 9, 2018 Meeting, the Citizens Advisory Committee on Transportation (CACT) voted unanimously to submit a public comment in support of the City of Falls Church's application to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)'s FY2018-2023 Six Year Program for the West Falls Church and Joint Campus Revitalization District Multimodal Transportation Project. This project is part of the Falls Church Multimodal Improvements and Metro Station Access Projects (TransAction IDs #66 and #334 respectively).

This project includes traffic signals and crosswalks, widened sidewalks, utility undergrounding, bus stop enhancements and bicycle access improvements. These enhancements will optimize and leverage connections to the regional transportation network for residents, workers and visitors to the City of Falls Church and neighboring Fairfax County. Also, the project will improve the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists through high visibility pedestrian crossings, lighting improvements, and improved ADA access.

Consistent with the TransAction Vision, the project will provide viable alternatives to single occupancy vehicle trips in the Falls Church regional activity center, easing congestion and promoting concentrated growth. Pressure on the regional highway system will be reduced, quality of life enhanced, and the environmental impacts of automobile traffic mitigated.

Because of its proximity to the W&OD trail, I-66, the West Falls Church Metrorail Station and Route 7, the project will improve integration between modes and systems aligning with the TransAction Vision of joining facilities into an interconnected network.

On behalf of the City of Falls Church, the CACT urges approval of this grant.

Sincerely,

Andrea Caumont
Chair, Citizens Advisory Committee on Transportation