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### Joint Subcommittee to Study the Growing Needs of Public Transit in Northern Virginia

November 5, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

Arlington County Board Room  
2100 Clarendon Blvd. #300, Arlington

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The Joint Subcommittee to Study the Growing Needs of Public Transit in Northern Virginia (the Joint Subcommittee) met in Arlington with Senator Adam P. Ebbin, chair, presiding.<sup>1</sup> The meeting began with opening remarks followed by public comment, presentations, and discussion. Materials presented at the meeting are accessible through the [\*Joint Subcommittee's webpage\*](#).

#### Public comment

The Joint Subcommittee members heard public comment. Bill Pugh, representing the Coalition for Smarter Growth, spoke in favor of the Joint Subcommittee's work and the proposed recommendations.

#### Report from the DMVMoves Task Force Co-Chair

*Paul Smedberg, Co-Chair, DMVMoves Task Force*

*Kate Mattice, Executive Director, Northern Virginia Transportation Commission*

*Tiffany Robinson, Director, Department of Rail and Public Transportation*

Ms. Mattice gave a brief overview of recent activities of the DMVMoves task force, including some of the details of the proposed DMVMoves plan that was approved by the task force on October 29, 2025.

Mr. Smedberg provided additional comments on DMVMoves activities, including recommendations and upcoming follow up meetings related to the recent work of the task force. He also indicated that Washington, D.C. and Maryland are working on reaching their targeted commitments for funding.

Ms. Robinson offered additional comments on questions that arose regarding the DMVMoves plan, including the implementation of a 3% per unit cap, and on some concerns of Washington, D.C. and Maryland.

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<sup>1</sup> **Members Present:** Senator Adam P. Ebbin (chair), Delegate Mark D. Sickles (vice-chair), Senator Jennifer B. Boysko, Senator Scott A. Surovell, Delegate Karrie K. Delaney, Delegate Adele Y. McClure, Walter Alcorn, Kate Mattice, Tiffany Robinson, Paul C. Smedberg (virtual)

**Members Absent:** Delegate Terry L. Austin

## Presentation and Discussion

*Andrew D'huyvetter, Director of Programs and Policy, Northern Virginia Transportation Commission*

*Senator Adam P. Ebbin, Chair*

Mr. D'huyvetter gave an overview of the proposed recommendations for the Joint Subcommittee to consider, explaining details of the provisions and the overarching goals. He gave an overview of the immediate and long-term funding needs that the joint subcommittee voted to solve for at the October 2025 meeting and described the revenue sources that the Joint Subcommittee and technical working group evaluated, which were discussed at the June meeting. He then outlined the assumptions and considerations taken in assembling the proposed recommendations. He outlined the recommended funding needed for the \$153 million WMATA's operating needs, the recommended methods for using existing funding structures, and the recommended establishment of a Northern Virginia Transportation Commission regional transit fund and Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission regional transit fund.

The joint subcommittee members discussed the potential for phasing in different parts of the plan at different times, in light of fiscal challenges.

Mr. D'huyvetter continued outlining the recommendations regarding cost efficiencies and accountability, other revenue sources for further study, and the overall framework for addressing transit needs.

Senator Ebbin provided an overview of the 11 recommendations encompassed by the resolution, allowing for questions and clarifications from the members.

The Joint Subcommittee members amended recommendation 7 to include "encourage transit use" in the list of characteristics of revenues that the General Assembly should consider. The members also amended recommendation 11 to include "assess opportunities to develop revenue from other sources including off-street parking" in the list of potential topics for further study.

## Joint Subcommittee Recommendations

The Joint Subcommittee members discussed and voted on the recommendations outlined in the proposed resolution document presented at the meeting. The Joint Subcommittee voted to adopt the resolution as amended.

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For more information, see the [\*Joint Subcommittee's website\*](#) or contact the Division of Legislative Services staff:

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