

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20002**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROJECTS FOR  
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET ASIDE PROGRAM  
FUNDING UNDER THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
FOR FY 2020 IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), which is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the FAST Act's Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA Set Aside) Program, which is part of the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), provides a portion of funding based on the relative share of the total State population sub-allocated to large urbanized areas, and the MPO is required "to develop a competitive process to allow eligible entities to submit projects for funding in consultation with the relevant State"; and

**WHEREAS**, the TA Set Aside Program provides funding for transportation programs and projects defined as eligible per Section 1109 of the FAST Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT), the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) are responsible for determining the total federal funding amount allocated to the TPB, determining project eligibility, project implementation, and project oversight; and

**WHEREAS**, the TA Set Aside Program provides an opportunity to fund projects that implement regional policies reflected in the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan and in the seven initiatives endorsed by the TPB in December 2017 and January 2018, which include promoting Regional Activity Centers, improving pedestrian and bicycle access to transit, and completing the National Capital Trail; and

**WHEREAS**, the TA Set Aside is a complementary component of the TPB's Transportation/Land-Use Connections (TLC) Program, which supports planning-related projects and events of TPB member jurisdictions; and

**WHEREAS**, a solicitation for TA Set Aside projects was conducted by the District of Columbia Department of Transportation from March 26 to May 17, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB staff and representatives from partner agencies have reviewed the applications and, based on an assessment of project readiness and eligibility and support for

the TPB's regional selection criteria, staff has recommended providing full funding for all four of the applications received; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 12, 2019, the TPB Technical Committee was briefed on the recommended projects;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board approves the projects for funding under the Transportation Alternatives Set Aside Program for FY 2020 in the District of Columbia as described in the attached materials.

**Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on July 24, 2019**