

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

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER THE FEDERAL TRANSIT
ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5310 ENHANCED MOBILITY OF SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS
WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM AND TO AMEND THE FY 2019-2024 TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

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, FAST authorizes the Federal Transit Administration's Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility program to provide capital and operating grants to eligible subrecipients to "improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities...by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available";

WHEREAS, under FAST, projects funded by the Enhanced Mobility program must respond to strategies in a "locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan"; and

WHEREAS, in June 2013, the Governor of Maryland, the Governor of Virginia and the Mayor of the District of Columbia designated the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), as the administrative agent for the TPB, the recipient of the Enhanced Mobility program for the Washington, DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the TPB adopted an Update to the Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan at its regular meeting on December 19, 2018 (R9-2019), which includes the comments and input of the TPB's Access for All Advisory Committee received on June 7, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Coordinated Plan includes the priority projects and selection criteria to be used in the solicitation and selection of Enhanced Mobility grants; and

WHEREAS, a solicitation for Enhanced Mobility grant applications was conducted from September 1 through November 4, 2019, during which more than 3,000 individuals received an announcement of the grant opportunity; and

WHEREAS, more than 70 individuals attended one of six pre-application conferences conducted during the solicitation period for interested organizations and agencies to receive technical assistance on the application process and FTA requirements; and

WHEREAS, a selection committee comprised of local and national experts in transportation and human services met on December 5, 2019 to review the applications and evaluate them against the selection criteria; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee recommended funding 24 projects described in the attached memorandum; and

WHEREAS, the attached FY 2019-2024 TIP amendment includes the project information for these projects;

WHEREAS, there is \$3,111,386 of FY 2018, \$3,220,497 in FY 2019, and \$878,914 of reallocated and carryover FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program funds allocated to COG for supporting projects in the Washington, DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area program; and

WHEREAS, the funds available for the 2019 solicitation also includes \$787,040 in deobligated DDOT 5310 funds FTA designated for use by COG for Capital projects meeting the old 5310 program requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD approves accepting \$787,040 in deobligated DDOT dollars for inclusion in the Enhanced Mobility application to FTA, 24 projects for funding described in the attached memorandum and TIP amendment, and amends the FY 2019-2024 TIP to include these projects.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on January 22, 2020