## ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS April 2021

## A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND GRANT FUNDS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 FOR THE ENHANCED MOBILITY OF SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM

The board will be asked to adopt Resolution R20-2021 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to receive and expend grant funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) in the amount of \$591,353 for the region. On March 11, 2021, ARP was signed into law by President Biden. It includes \$30.46 billion in supplemental appropriations allocated to support the transit industry during the COVID-19 public health emergency. Specifically, \$50 million of the \$30.46 billion will be distributed to the Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program through formula grants. The goal is to provide operational and payroll support to Enhanced Mobility grantees in the region that have been adversely impacted by COVID-19 through a competitive solicitation process consistent with the region's FTA-approved Program Management Plan. Funding for this effort will be provided through a grant from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). COG is the designated recipient to administer the program funds. No COG matching funds are required.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R20-2021.** 

## B. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND GRANT FUNDS FROM THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION FOR THE ENHANCED MOBILITY OF SENIORS & INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM

The board will be asked to adopt Resolution R21-2021 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to receive and expend grant funds from the Federal Transit Administration's Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) Program in the amount of \$6,901,542. COG and the Transportation Planning Board (TPB) are the designated recipient for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program for the Washington, DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area. Enhanced Mobility provides funding for transportation for people with disabilities and older adults who have difficulty using public transportation. The program provides matching grant funds for non-profit organizations, local governments, transit agencies, and private for-profit providers. No COG matching funds are required.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R21-2021.**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolutions were adopted by the COG Board of Directors April 14, 2021 Janele Partman COG Communications Specialist