

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

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER THE SECTION
5310 ENHANCED MOBILITY OF SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
PROGRAM OF THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) FOR CY 2014
AND TO AMEND THE FY2015- 2020 TIP TO INCLUDE THE PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP- 21) for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, MAP-21 created the Enhanced Mobility program which provides 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 MAP-21, projects funded by the Enhanced Mobility program must respond to strategies in a “locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan”; and

WHEREAS, the TPB created the Human Services Transportation Coordination Task Force in July 2006 to oversee the development of a Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan (“Coordinated Plan”) and a competitive selection process for the SAFETEA-LU Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom programs;

WHEREAS, in June 2013 the Governor of Maryland, the Governor of Virginia and the Mayor of the District of Columbia designated 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 Task Force oversaw the update to the Coordinated Plan to prepare for the implementation of the Enhanced Mobility program and approved the update in May 2014;

WHEREAS, the Task force includes representatives from public, private and non-profit transportation and human services providers, as well as members of the public who provided insight into local transportation needs and strategies for improvement; and

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

WHEREAS, the TPB adopted an Update to the Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan at its regular meeting on November 19, 2014 (R9-2015); and

WHEREAS, a solicitation for Enhanced Mobility grant applications was conducted from August 28 to October 24, 2014, during which approximately 1,200 organizations and agencies received an announcement of the grant opportunity; and

WHEREAS, four pre-application conferences were 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 familiar with special needs populations, met in November and December 2014 to review the applications and evaluate them against the selection criteria; and

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

WHEREAS, the attached FY2015-2020 TIP amendment includes the project information for these projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD approves the nine projects for funding described in the attached memorandum and TIP amendment under the Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility program of the Federal Transit Administration and amends the FY2015-2020 TIP to include the projects.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on January 21, 2015.