ITEM 8.2 December 5, 2019 PRTC Regular Meeting Res. No. 19-12-

MOTION:	

SECOND:

RE:

ENDORSE THE POTOMAC AND RAPPAHANNOCK TRANSPORTATION

COMMISSION'S CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY FUNDING REQUEST

FOR FY2026

ACTION:

WHEREAS, the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission ("PRTC" or the "Commission") annually submits a list of projects to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) for consideration of regionally-allocated federal CMAQ and/or RSTP funds; and

WHEREAS, PRTC management is proposing two projects for FY2026 CMAQ funding consideration: 1) funding for the Commission's ongoing Bus Shelter Program and 2) replacement of 2009 Model Year 45-foot MCI buses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission does hereby endorse the proposed PRTC CMAQ funding request for FY2026 for regional consideration by the NVTA for its FY2021 – FY2026 CMAQ/RSTP program.

Votes:
Ayes:
Abstain:
Nays:
Absent from Vote:

Alternate Present Not Voting:

Absent from Meeting:



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TO:

Madam Chair Anderson and PRTC Commissioners

FROM:

Betsy Massie

Director of Grants and Project Management

THROUGH:

Robert A. Schneider, PhD

Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Endorse PRTC's Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Authorization Funding

Request for FY2026

Recommendation:

Endorse PRTC's Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding request for FY2026.

Background:

Each year, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) requests jurisdictions and regional transportation providers to identify transportation projects for consideration of the regionally-allocated CMAQ and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds. PRTC annually submits project funding requests for CMAQ only, in consultation with Prince William County staff on the planned submissions.

Each year the NVTA must approve a new six-year CMAQ/RSTP program, removing the first year and adding a new sixth year. The upcoming six year program is for the FY2021 – FY2026 period. Since the NVTA has already approved a program of projects for fiscal years 2020 - 2025, only projects for FY2026 are being solicited.

The total amount estimated for Northern Virginia's FY2026 CMAQ and RSTP Program is approximately \$82,084,861 (\$23,278,925 in CMAQ and \$58,805,936 in RSTP).

PRTC management proposes to submit the following projects for CMAQ funding:

1. **Bus Shelter Program** – This CMAQ funding request will fund the site preparation, purchase, and installation of three (3) bus shelters. The new shelters will improve the bus-passenger experience and provide a sheltered waiting area and other amenities.

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The PRTC Bus Shelter and Solar Lighting Work Plan identifies several stops warranting shelters using Board adopted criteria. However, progress for shelters is governed by resource limitations, which are defined as part of each year's budget. The design to include VDOT permitting, site preparation (concrete pad, sidewalks, retaining walls, etc.), acquisition, and installation of bus shelters is estimated to cost \$58,300 per shelter.

2. Commuter Bus Replacements – This CMAQ request will support the purchase of four (4) – 2009 MCI Model Year 45 foot buses to be replaced in FY2026 because by that time these buses will have reached the end of their useful life, under FTA guidelines. PRTC is estimating the cost to be approximately \$660,000 per bus.

No.	Project Name	Total Request	Federal	State	Local	Туре
1.	Bus Shelter Program	\$175,000	\$140,000	\$35,000	\$0	CMAQ
2.	Commuter Bus Replacements	\$2,640,000	\$2,112,000	\$528,000	\$0	CMAQ

<u>Fiscal Impact:</u> There is no local match required for any of the projects. Consequently, there would be no fiscal impact on PRTC's FY2026 budget.