

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission (HRTAC or Commission)

Amendment to the Approved FY2021-2026 HRTAC Six Year Improvement Plan – Recommendation to Fund HRBT Project Toll Facility Collection Equipment Construction and Integration

**Public Hearing
By Conference Call*
January 11, 2021
10:15 a.m.**

Dial Toll Free Telephone Number to Attend: (855) 735-2639

**Notice is hereby given that the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission will hold a public hearing on January 11, 2021 at 10:15 a.m. In light of the Governor's Declared State of Emergency due to COVID-19, it is impracticable and unsafe for the Executive Director to conduct a public hearing in a single location, so, consistent with the Commission's meeting practice during the State of Emergency, the public hearing will be held electronically, by telephone, using the following toll free telephone number: (855) 735-2639.*

The subject matter of the hearing is described below. The public is encouraged to participate in the public hearing process by (i) attending the meeting by dialing into the telephone line (time will be allotted for comments from the public), and/or (ii) submitting written comments not later than 10:15 a.m. on Monday, January 11, 2021, by (a) mailing them to Kevin Page, Executive Director, Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake, VA 23320 or (b) e-mailing them to KPage@HRTAC.ORG.

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Information**

Background:

The Project Agreement for Funding and Administration for the I-64 Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel Expansion Project ('PAFA') executed by and between VDOT and HRTAC and the Commission's approved funding and debt management plans include toll collections and toll sourced financing of the Commission's obligations to support the I-64 Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel Expansion Project ('HRBT Project'). As project development and financing has matured, the need for the inclusion of the physical construction and integration of the toll collection facility for the HRBT project has been identified. Working with VDOT, the toll collection facility construction and integration project will be added as an element of the HRBT Project; and, for the specific construction of the collection equipment for the HRBT Project, revenues will be provided through the identified project contingency funds provided for in the PAFA. Future actions to provide funding for the integration of the tolling system will result in fiscal impacts that will be brought to the Commission on a case by case basis. A Commission authorized public hearing will need to be conducted to receive public input in relation to the proposed amendment to add the HRBT Project Toll Facility Collection Equipment Construction and Integration Project and identified initial source of project funding. At the December 10, 2020, Regular Meeting, the Commission took action and: i. Amended the Approved FY2021-2026 HRTAC Six Year Improvement Plan to add the Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel Toll Facility Collection Equipment Construction and Integration as a project of the I-64 Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel Expansion Project; and, ii. Authorized the Executive Director to conduct a public hearing.

Fiscal Impact

There is a \$23,500,000.00 initial fiscal impact relating to this action item that will be sourced through the HRBT project contingency line item identified in the HRBT Project PAFA. Future actions to provide funding for the integration of the tolling system will result in fiscal impacts that will be brought to the Commission on a case by case basis.