



HRTAC RESOLUTION 2017-02

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING - STUDY OF COMPONENTS NOT INCLUDED IN THE SELECTED HRCS SEIS ALTERNATIVE

WHEREAS, the funding of the Hampton Roads Crossing Study (the “Project”) is covered by the HRTAC 2016-2022 funding plan adopted by the Commission on March 17, 2016 (the “Funding Plan”); and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2016, the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) unanimously approved the Hampton Roads Crossing Study Alternative A as the Preferred Alternative; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2016, HRTAC unanimously supported the HRTPO’s selection of Alternative A and allocated up to \$7,000,000, to include the reallocation of the balance of the \$5,000,000 that was initially allocated by the Commission toward the cost of the Hampton Roads Crossing SEIS, to be applied toward the cost of further study of the Hampton Roads Crossing Study SEIS components not included in the selected SEIS Alternative – specifically the I-564/I-664 Connectors (Patriot’s), I-664/MMMBT (Including Bowers Hill), and VA 164/164 Connector; and,

WHEREAS, the Project has evolved to include the further study of the HRCS SEIS components not included in the selected alternative; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, March 16, 2017, the Commission amended the Funding Plan to allocate a total of \$7,000,000* towards the cost of a study of the HRCS SEIS components not included in the selected SEIS Alternative A; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funding is available for the study phase of this Project that has been separated into two discrete parts: one relating to Bowers Hill (\$4,000,000) following the NEPA process, and the other a planning evaluation of the feasibility of the remaining components not selected in the HRCS SEIS Alternative (\$3,000,000); and,

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to amend its Approved HRTAC 2016-2022 Funding Plan to include a contingency of up to \$4,000,000 to be available to complete the work under the Memorandum of Understanding; and,

WHEREAS, sufficient funding is available to establish a contingency of \$4,000,000 to be available if additional funding is required for the work; and,



WHEREAS, any future incremental allocations to advance the project will be allocated on a case by case basis; and


WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation (“VDOT”), Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (“HRTPO”), and the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission have developed an MOU that establishes a framework to advance these two study efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission approves the Memorandum of Understanding and authorizes the Chair to execute and deliver the document; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commission’s executive director will consult with VDOT and the HRTPO as they perform the work under the Memorandum of Understanding, and if he determines additional funding may be reasonably required, he will seek the Commission’s authorization of that additional funding, it being the Commission’s intent to support the completion of the work under the Memorandum of Understanding; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission authorizes a public hearing relating to an amendment to its Approved HRTAC 2016-2022 Funding Plan to include the \$4,000,000 contingency, which amendment will be considered at the Commission’s June 15, 2017 meeting.

APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission at its meeting on the 16th day of March, 2017.



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