

MEETING WILL BEGIN SOON



ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT COMPANY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JUNE 12, 2024

CALLING OF THE ROLL



David Kaplan Chair of the Board



Steve Kleist Vice-Chair



Ajashu Thomas







Kursten Phelps



Arish Gajjar













BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Those wishing to speak during the hearing may pre-register at <u>dashbus.com/</u> and join via Zoom.

Alternatively, attendees may use the "RAISE HAND" feature to be recognized for comment.





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PUBLIC HEARING

Each speaker is permitted 3 minutes for the public hearing on the proposed budget.

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When the **RED** light appears, you are out of time.



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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consideration of approval of **Meeting Minutes from the May 8, 2024** meeting of the Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors.





CHAIR'S REPORT





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WMATA Budget

- Fiscal Year 2025 operating budget maintains current service levels for Metrobus and Metrorail.
- Use of six-car trains to increase weekend and off-peak service.
- Fare increase across the board of 12.5%.
- Virginia General Assembly budget includes \$60M in FY 2025 and \$80M in FY 2026 in additional state aid for WMATA, with a 50/50 match required from local jurisdictions.

King-Bradlee Safety & Mobility Enhancements

- Preferred design: Alternative 2 (One-Way Traffic & Bus Lane).
- One-way traffic with a dedicated bus lane between S Taylor Street and Menokin Drive.
- Safety and mobility improvements in the study area.
- Staff will present recommendations to the Traffic & Parking Board on June 24.





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Alternative 2

Access Road looking West near the McDonald's Driveway











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Alternative 2

From King Street, Looking at North Dearing Street









South Pickett Street Corridor Improvements

- Goal: Safer, more comfortable travel for all users on South Pickett Street.
- Treatments include reducing travel lanes, dedicated left turn lanes, median islands, new crosswalks, protected bicycle lanes, tactical bus boarding islands, and reducing speed limit from 35 MPH to 25 MPH.
- Enhances access to future Duke Street Transitway.
- Formal recommendation expected this summer.

Eisenhower Avenue Transportation Study

- Goal: Improve safety and access for all modes.
- Treatments include congestion improvement, reducing travel lanes, new east-west cycle facility connections, new pedestrian crossings, tactical bus boarding islands, and reducing speed limit from 35 MPH to 25 MPH.
- Focus on Van Dorn Street and Eisenhower Avenue congestion and safety.
- Formal recommendation expected this summer.



Eisenhower Avenue Transportation Study









Eisenhower Avenue Transportation Study

Long-term: Small Area Plan Cross-section



Off-Peak Parking is Considered in Bus Lanes

Interim-Term Crosssection Ideas -Seperated Bike Facility on North Side









Duke Street Transitway

- Public hearing held on May 20 for Duke Street at West Taylor Run project.
- Traffic and Parking Board endorsed Option 2: one-way westbound street with a separated bike path.
- Staff to recommend updates for Cambridge Road intersection and service road on June 24.
- Future changes to include transit queue jumps at Quaker Lane and Duke Street.





Duke Street Transitway

Recommendation: Option #3 (The Through-cut)

<u>Safety</u>

- Conflict Points reduce from 41 to 27
- Pedestrian refuge with less conflicting movement
- Minimal conflicts with all modes at service road
- Faster travel on Duke Street reduces cut-through traffic
- Potential for conflict free crossing of Duke Street



Level of Service (LOS) Increasing travel delays

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Traffic Operations Intersection LOS C • Delay: 31s from 181s

Cambridge LOS F • Delay: 72s from 195s







Quaker Lane & Duke Street









LETTERS OF SUPPORT

<u>Consideration of letters of support for</u> <u>the following:</u>

- Duke Street Transitway
- South Pickett Street Corridor
- Eisenhower Avenue Transportation
 Improvements

Board Action







OTHER BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND UPDATES





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GENERAL MANAGERS REPORTS

- a) Ridership Update
- b) Transit Management Services Contract
- c) General Managers Revised Budget
- d) Collective Bargaining
- e) SUN Conference
- f) EPA Clean Heavy Duty Vehicle Grant





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RIDERSHIP UPDATES

DASH Monthly Ridership Trends (FY 2017 - FY 2024)



In May, 2024 - DASH experienced the highest ridership in a single month in our 40-year history!



TRANSIT MANAGEMENT TECHNICAL **ADVISORY SERVICES CONTRACT**

Action Item

- The Board Committee has approved a revised implementation timeline for the new services contract as follows:
 - June 2024 Current Contract Extension
 - July August 2024 New Contract drafted •
 - September 2024 Board considers approval of new Contract •
 - October 1, 2024 New Contract effective date •
- Due to difficulties completing a draft contract and completing required reviews in time for this meeting, the General Manager recommends the Board consider the contract extension for current services until September 30, 2024.
- The Board will be asked to consider approval of the new contract at the September 11, 2024 meeting.





FY25 PROPOSED BUDGET

- Since the conclusion of the City's budget process, including the add/delete process, staff have analyzed the total allocation for DASH.
- Following submission of Current Services, we have received additional insight into expected costs for FY2025 and rebuilt the budget proposal accordingly.
- A public hearing has been completed at the beginning of this meeting.
- The Board must consider approval of the FY 2025 Budget today.



FY25 PROPOSED BUDGET

- Line 104 funding is restored (\$180,000) and service expenses have been added back into the budget, primarily operations personnel.
- Liability Insurance costs are reduced based on the final pricing provided by insurance providers.
- Fringe Benefits reduced based on final renewal quotes.
- Adjustments for "Facilities Maintenance" reorganization.
- Minor adjustments to account for attrition.
- Adjustments to travel account for increased Commuter Benefits costs.
- Cost savings from insurance and healthcare renewals are redistributed to professional development priorities, including training and employee recognition, restoring some losses incurred over the past two fiscal years.



GENERAL MANAGER'S REVISED FINAL BUDGET

34,777,203

Action Item

EXPENDITURES	FY25 Revised		FY25 Original		Change	% Change
Personnel	27,413,789	78.8%	27,207,623	78.6%	206,166	0.8%
Non-Personnel	7,173,414	20.6%	7,199,580	20.8%	(26,166)	-0.4%
Capital Outlay	190,000	0.5%	190,000	0.5%		0.0%
TOTAL	34,777,203		34,597,203		180,000	0.5%
REVENUES	FY25 Revised		FY25 Original		Change	% Change
City Contribution Operating	32,872,921	94.5%	32,692,921	94.5%	180,000	0.6%
City Contribution Trolley	1,560,582	4.5%	1,560,582	4.5%	-	0.0%
Virginia TRIP Program	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	0.0%
Passenger Revenue	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	0.0%
Charters	130,000	0.4%	130,000	0.4%	-	0.0%
Advertising	153,700	0.4%	153,700	0.4%	-	0.0%
Miscellaneous Revenue	60,000	0.2%	60,000	0.2%	-	0.0%

34,597,203



TOTAL

0.5%

180,000



OTHER UPDATES

- Financials
- Maintenance Collective Bargaining
- SUN Conference Updates (Raymond Mui)





CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION FOR THE EPA CLEAN HEAVY DUTY VEHICLE PROGRAM

Action Item

- DASH is seeking to apply for grant funding through the EPA's Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicles Grant Program
- Provides up to \$1.59 Million in Federal funding to convert up to six (6) diesel replacement buses to electric
- Includes associated equipment for the vehicles
- Board is requested to consider approval of the resolution enclosed in the Meeting Packet



CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to Enter Session:

"I ______ (name) move that the Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors convene an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A.1) of the Code of Virginia"



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THE BOARD IS CURRENTLY IN

EXECUTIVE SESSION



RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION & CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to Exit Session:

"I _____ (name) move to reconvene the public meeting of the Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors."

Motion to Certify Session:

"I ______ (name) move to certify that, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia to the best of each member's knowledge only public business matters that were identified in the motion by which the executive session was convened, and that are lawfully exempted by the Freedom of Information Act from the Act's open meeting requirements, were heard, discussed or considered by the Board during the executive session."



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WRAP-UP & CONSIDERATION OF ADJOURNMENT

Next ATC Board of Directors Meeting: September 11, 2024 @ 5:30pm

Location: DASH Headquarters



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THE BOARD MEETING HAS CONCLUDED

NEXT MEETING

SEPTEMBER 11, 2024 5:30PM

