

### Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors Meeting



#### June 14, 2023 @ 5:30pm

Meeting Held at DASH Facility: 3000 Business Center Dr., Alexandria, VA 22314 and Held Electronically - Livestream on ZOOM and Facebook Live

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Item #: 1

**Item Title:** WMATA Better Bus Network

Contact: Al Himes, Director, Office of Bus Service Planning & Scheduling, WMATA

**Board Action:** FYI



As part of the June 14, 2023, ATC Board Meeting, WMATA Director of Bus Service Planning & Scheduling, Al Himes, will be providing a presentation about the Better Bus Network project. This project seeks to redesign the regional Metrobus network to better meet current and future travel needs. A full project summary can be found with all project materials at: <a href="https://betterbus.wmata.com/">https://betterbus.wmata.com/</a>.

While there are fewer significant changes in the City of Alexandria compared to other jurisdictions because DASH already completed the DASH New Network in collaboration with WMATA, there are still some proposed changes to routes within Alexandria:

- 1. **Metrobus 10B ("VA-287").** Routing from Ballston to Hunting Point service modified to shifts 10B off Mount Vernon to Route 1 and Potomac Yard using Metroway. This would result in additional connections between Arlington and Potomac Yard but may reduce existing service levels on Mount Vernon Avenue in Arlington and Del Ray.
- 2. **Metrobus 8W (N/A).** This peak-only service would be eliminated, which would result in the removal of all bus service from Taney Avenue. Some portions of the 8W routing would be served by new routes like the "VA-181" and "VA-487".
- 3. **Metrobus 11Y ("VA-481").** This peak-only service (known as the DC-3 during the Yellow Line Shutdown) will be made permanent. It will maintain its existing routing from Mount Vernon through Old Town Alexandria, but will feature a new routing in Washington, DC.
- 4. **Metroway Extension (VA-182).** The Metroway is proposed to be extended to Huntington Metro via Route 1 (Patrick & Henry Streets). This potential change would likely require additional lead time with potential capital improvements for bus prioritization in Old Town.
- 5. **Additional Routes.** The "aspirational" network includes extra service on Eisenhower Avenue and the Van Dorn corridor with the "VA-181", "VA-487" and "VA-488" routes. These new services will provide additional connections Between Alexandria, Arlington, National Harbor and Springfield.

A route comparison table is provided below along with a link to maps from the project website.

DASH and City of Alexandria staff have participated in several briefings about this project and have provided feedback to the project team about the proposed visionary network. This feedback has stressed the importance of minimizing reductions or eliminations of existing Metrobus service in the City of Alexandria (e.g., Mount Vernon Avenue), and the need for further analyses of major changes such as the Metroway extension in Old Town, and the realignment of the Metrobus 10B route to Potomac Yard. DASH and city staff are highly supportive of the increased number of frequent, all-day bus routes across the region, as well as the potential new routes and service expansions in the Eisenhower Avenue and Van Dorn Street corridors.

Better Bus Network - Route Comparison Table

#### **BBN Route Route Destinations**

#### **Existing Route:**

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<u>VA180</u>	Tysons Westpark - King St-Old Town	28A, 8W
<u>VA181</u>	Van Dorn Street - Pentagon	7A, 7M, 8W
VA182	Pentagon - Huntington	Metroway
VA183	King St-Old Town - Fort Belvoir	REX
VA286	Clarendon - Mark Center	25B
VA287	Ballston-MU - Hunting Point	10B, 23B, 23T
VA288	Pentagon - Braddock	10A, 23B
VA289	Van Dorn Street - Pentagon	7A, 7M, 7W
VA291	GMU - King St-Old Town	29K, 29N
VA385	Ballston-MU - Crystal City	22A
VA386	Ballston-MU - Pentagon	25B, 22A, 22F
<u>VA389</u>	King St-Old Town - National Harbor	NH2
VA481	Mount Vernon - Foggy Bottom	DC3, 11C, 11Y
VA486	Landmark Mall - Pentagon	21C
VA487	Van Dorn Street - Pentagon	7A, 7M, 8W, 28F
<u>VA488</u>	Franconia-Springfield - National Harbor	NH2

Better Bus Network maps may be found at the following link: <a href="https://betterbus.wmata.com/maps">https://betterbus.wmata.com/maps</a>

Item #: 3a

**Item Title:** Meeting Minutes—May 10, 2023 **Contact:** Beth Reveles, Secretary to the Board

**Board Action:** Consideration of Approval



# Alexandria Transit Company (ATC) BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES May 10, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alexandria Transit Company was held at 5:30 pm on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at the City Hall Council Workroom and was also available electronically. A recording of the meeting was made and is available upon request.

Board members present in person: David Kaplan, Matt Harris, Hillary Orr, Ajashu Thomas, Linda Bailey, Murat Omay, Brandi Collins

Board members participating electronically: Steve Klejst due to business travel in Lakewood, Colorado. Jesse O'Connell participated from residence due to childcare issues.

Board member absent: Kendel Taylor

Staff members present: Josh Baker, Raymond Mui, Martin Barna, Kaitlyn Beisel, Beth Reveles, Edward Ryder, Stephanie Salzone, Swinda Carcamo, John Lanocha

Other attendees: Jim Murphy, Kara Fast, Jim Durham, Lou Quaglia

Chair David Kaplan welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm. A quorum was reached at 5:44 pm. Murat Omay arrived at 6:01 pm.

#### Public Hearing—FY24 ATC Proposed Budget Public Hearing

Chair Kaplan announced the public hearing on the ATC proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2024. He stated that Public Comment would be combined with the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

Jim Murphy spoke to address the process for evaluating the effectiveness of service changes once they've been implemented, specifically with relation to Line 34. The Pitt Street neighborhood group asks that DASH evaluate the Line 34 route change.

Kara Fast spoke on behalf of Portners Landing. She expressed concern regarding DASH buses turning from Pendleton Street onto N. Pitt Street as the Portners Landing parking lot exit is located approximately 20 feet from that corner. She and the community feel there will be a problem with congestion at that location; therefore, the Line 34 reroute should be reevaluated.

Jim Durham spoke on behalf of the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria Steering Committee and thanked the Board and DASH leadership team for their contributions to public health in Alexandria. DASH has had a positive impact on two of the steering committee's initiatives: poverty (through free fares) and equity (through the implementation of the Alexandria Transit Vision plan).

As there were no other speakers, the Chair called for a motion to close the Public Hearing portion of the meeting. A motion was made by Matt Harris and seconded by Linda Bailey. There was no further discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### Agenda Item #2 – Consideration of Approval of Meeting Minutes

#### #2a - ATC Board of Directors Meeting - April 5.2023

The Chair called for a motion to approve the April minutes and asked if there were any corrections, revisions, or amendments. The Board secretary pointed out an administrative error stating that the minutes included an incorrect date of March 9, 2022, which should have been March 8. 2023.

A motion was made by Matt Harris to approve the corrected minutes and was seconded by Ajashu Thomas. There was no further discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### Agenda Item #3 – Board Member Announcements, Reports & Business Items

#### #3a - Chair's Report: Special Staff Recognition & TransDev Contract Renewal

Chair Kaplan recognized Director of Maintenance John Lanocha who has been with DASH for eight and a half years and who will be retiring at the end of May. He presented Mr. Lanocha with a retirement gift and a Proclamation of Appreciation.

Mr. Kaplan reminded the Board that DASH has a management services agreement with First Transit, which is now Transdev. They provide DASH with compliance related matters as well as transit expertise. The Transdev contract is up for renewal, which includes a three percent fee increase.

The Chair stated that he would like to form a Board committee for next fall/winter to determine if the Board should seek an RFP for other proposals and determine what the Board would want to include in the contract. The Chair asked for volunteers for the committee; Matt Harris, Ajashu Thomas, Linda Bailey, and Steve Klejst volunteered.

Chair Kaplan asked for a vote to approve a one-year contract extension with Transdev. A motion was made by Hillary Orr and seconded by Matt Harris. There was no further discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### #3b - T&ES Report

Transportation Deputy Director Hillary Orr provided a review of her written report which was shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Ms. Orr stated that during the June meeting, the Board should be prepared to either endorse the Duke Street in Motion advisory group recommendation to City Council or offer changes to what the advisory group recommends.

City staff, with the assistance of Martin Barna, applied to the Commuter Assistance program grant through DRPT and was awarded \$200,000 for DASH marketing.

#### #3c - ATC Strategic Planning Committee Proposed Goals and Objectives

Chair Kaplan and General Manager Josh Baker decided to postpone this topic to the June Board meeting.

#### #3d – Others

The Chair asked if there were any other announcements from the Board. Hearing none, he moved on to the General Manager's report.

#### Agenda Item #4 - General Manager's Reports

#### #4a - ECPAT Partnership

Chair Kaplan and General Manager Josh Baker decided to postpone this topic to the June Board meeting.

#### #4b - Federal Earmark for On-Route charging

Chair Kaplan and General Manager Josh Baker decided to postpone this topic to the June Board meeting.

#### #4c - New DASH Organizational Structure

Mr. Baker reviewed the new organizational structure which was shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

#### #4d - Red Flag Law awareness

Chair Kaplan and General Manager Josh Baker decided to postpone this topic to the June Board meeting.

### #4e – U.S. DOT's Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program Application Letter of Support

Chair Kaplan, Vice Chair Klejst, Linda Bailey, and Murat Omay did not participate in this portion of the meeting.

Mr. Baker reviewed the letter which was shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Acting Chair Matt Harris called for a motion to approve the letter in support of the US DOT's Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program application. Brandi Collins moved to approve the letter and Ajashu Thomas seconded the motion. Chair Kaplan, Vice Chair Klejst, Linda Bailey, and Murat Omay recused themselves from the vote. There was no further discussion, and the motion carried.

#### Agenda Item #5 - Financial Reports

#5a - FY 2024 Budget

#5b - Financial Report

#5c - Balance Sheet

**#5d – Summary Income Statement** 

#5e - Budget vs. Actual

# 5f – Budget Forecast

Mr. Baker briefly reviewed Director for Finance & Administration Edward Ryder's reports, which were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Chair Kaplan called for a motion to approve either FY 24 budget scenario 1 or 2. Linda Bailey moved to approve FY24 revised budget scenario 2 as proposed by the general manager with adjustments for projected fuel prices and reinstated professional development for Staff. Ajashu Thomas seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### Agenda Item #6 - Planning Reports

#### #6a -Ridership Update

Director of Planning & Marketing Martin Barna reviewed this portion of his report which was shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

#### #6b -Consideration of Adoption of the FY 2024 TDP

Mr. Barna reviewed this portion of his report which was shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

The Chair asked for a motion to adopt the FY24 TDP. A motion was made by Matt Harris and seconded by Murat Omay. There was no further discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

### #6c —Planning Updates: Potomac Yard Metro Station, I-395 Commuter Choice, and Better Bus Network

Mr. Barna reviewed this portion of his report which was shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

#### Agenda Item #7- Executive Session

Consideration of Convening an Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Legal and Personnel Matters, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A1) of the Code of Virginia.

A motion was offered by Murat Omay and seconded by Matt Harris to enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A1) of the Code of Virginia. A vote was called, and the motion was approved unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, a motion was offered by Murat Omay and seconded by Matt Harris to reconvene the public meeting. A vote was called, and the motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was offered by Murat Omay and seconded by Matt Harris to certify what was discussed during the Executive Session was pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A1) of the Code of Virginia. A vote was called, and the motion was approved unanimously.

#### Agenda Item #8-Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

A final motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Murat Omay and seconded by Matt Harris. A vote was called, and the motion was approved unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors is scheduled for June 14, 2023, at 5:30 pm at the DASH facility and via Zoom/Facebook Live.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Beth Reveles

Secretary to the Board

Alexandria Transit Company

Item #: 4b

**Item Title:** T&ES Report

**Contact:** Hillary Orr, Deputy Director, Transportation

**Board Action:** FY1



#### **Eisenhower Avenue Study**

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recently selected Eisenhower Avenue between Van Dorn Street and Holland Lane for a Project Pipeline Study. The Project Pipeline is a state initiative that focuses on identifying and developing solutions for priority Virginia Transportation needs that align with the City goals for the Eisenhower Avenue corridor via a yearlong, three-phased process. Although VDOT is administering the study, the City will be involved in overseeing the outcomes. The beginning and end of each phase involves consensus checks with the consultant, VDOT, and the City. The Study will consider recommendations from previous planning studies as well as evaluate current safety concerns, traffic conditions and counter measures.

The first phase of the study will begin this summer with the identification and validation of both state and City needs. Public involvement is expected to begin later this summer. The end of the first phase will result in preliminary project ideas with alternatives. The second phase, which is expected to be around November 2023, will focus on identifying the preferred solution and public outreach. The third and final phase in winter-spring 2024 will focus on refining the preferred solutions by creating concepts, estimates, and applicable grant materials.

#### **South Pickett Complete Street Project**

The planning, community engagement, analysis, and conceptual design for South Pickett Street (between Duke Street and Edsall Road) to enhance mobility, access, safety, and comfort for all roadway users begins this summer.

#### King Street and Commonwealth Rail Bridges Update

The Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) is moving forward with plans to replace the rail bridges over King Street and Commonwealth Avenue, as presented to the Transportation Commission in Fall 2022.

The bridge designs are currently 30% complete and are expected to be 60% complete by the end of August, at which time the public's input will be requested. The designs are scheduled to be finalized by January 2024. Expected improvements include increasing the height of the King Street bridge to at least 14'6" to meet modern minimum height requirements (the Commonwealth Avenue bridge is already higher than the required minimum). There is a high likelihood that both bridges will be widened, providing the opportunity for the City to re-program the roadway with multimodal improvements.

The City will evaluate the feasibility of multimodal improvements that would connect to and enhance the existing transportation infrastructure and will engage the public when determining what options could be considered. Uses would meet (or exceed) the American Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. The City would perform work as a separate project from VPRA's King & Commonwealth Railroad Bridges Project.

#### **WMATA LIFT Program**

The WMATA FY24 operating budget included a low-income fare pass program for WMATA Metrobus and Metrorail. The program has been developed and WMATA has announced it will be launching on June 20 for online enrollment, with in-person enrollment beginning on June 26. The Metro LIFT program will provide a 50% discount on all trips for individuals enrolled in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). WMATA is working to make the process as seamless as possible. If a customer applies online, the discount will be sent to their existing SmarTrip card within 48 hours. If a customer applies in-person, they are provided with a SmarTrip card with the discount already activated.

#### **TPB Visualize 2050 Plan Update**

In February, the Transportation Planning Board (TPB) approved the Technical Inputs Solicitation which kicked off the development of the Visualize 2050 long-range transportation plan and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and set the schedule for their approval. However, since then, uncertainties with a few of the major projects in our region — the express lanes system in Maryland and the WMATA transit system have resulted in TPB approving a six-month extension to the plan at their April meeting.

The intent of the next plan update, Visualize 2050, is to have all TPB member agencies re-examine the mix of projects in the current plan and resubmit an updated mix of projects supported by updated revenue and expenditure estimates for operations, maintenance, and capital projects, as well as transit service and fare inputs over the next 25 years. The expectation is that this updated project mix will better advance many of the region's goals including equity, safety, reliability, reduced congestion, increased transit ridership, and reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

A complete listing of projects is due to TPB early next calendar year in advance of a public comment period in March.

Item #: 4c

**Item Title:** Northern Virginia Transportation Authority Grant Letter of Endorsement

**Contact:** Hillary Orr, Deputy Director, Transportation

**Board Action:** Consideration of Approval



#### **ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT COMPANY**

June 14, 2023

Re: <u>Endorsement of Grant Application for Application To Northern Virginia</u>
<u>Transportation Authority (NVTA) for Regional Transportation Funding (70% Funds) for</u>
<u>FY 2028-FY 2029</u>

Dear Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, and members of City Council:

At its June 14 meeting, the Board of Directors of the Alexandria Transit Company voted to endorse a grant application to Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) for Regional Transportation Funding for FY 2028-FY 2029. The grant application is for up to \$28 million total for the following projects:

- Up to \$10 million for the extension of the Metroway between Glebe Road and Evans Lane on Richmond Highway, and between Evans Lane and the Arlington border on Potomac Avenue;
- Up to \$5 million for upgrading traffic controllers and provision of connected vehicle infrastructure;
- · Up to \$3 million for the design of safety improvements at seven high crash intersections;
- Up to \$10 million for the implementation of multimodal enhancements to the Van Dorn Bridge over the Norfolk Southern rail tracks.

The ATC Board appreciates the opportunity to review staff recommendations for this important grant program. This grant and recommended projects are consistent with the Alexandria Mobility Plan and NVTA's TransAction plan and will help improve transit operations and safe pedestrian access to stops, making Alexandria a more sustainable, accessible, and safe City with enhanced multi-modal transportation options.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

David Kaplan

Chair, Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors

cc: Jim Parajon, City Manager
Emily Baker, Deputy City Manager
Tarrence Moorer, Interim Director, T&ES
Hillary Orr, Deputy Director, T&ES
Christopher Ziemann, Division Chief, Transportation Planning, T&ES

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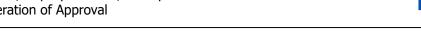
Alexandria, VA 22314

Item #: 4d

**Item Title:** Duke Street In Motion recommendation Letter of Endorsement

**Contact:** Hillary Orr, Deputy Director, Transportation

**Board Action:** Consideration of Approval



Information on the Transportation Commission's recommendation is available using this <u>link</u>.

#### ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT COMPANY

June 14, 2023

#### Re: Endorsement of Duke Street Advisory Group Recommendation for Concept A

Dear Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, and members of City Council:

At its June 14th meeting, the Alexandria Transit Company (ATC) Board of Directors received an update from the Duke Street in Motion Project Team on the results of the analysis of the two end-to-end corridor concepts and the Advisory Group's recommendation. The Board voted to endorse the Advisory Group's long-term vision for center running lanes and separated bicycle and pedestrian facilities throughout the corridor as well as the group's near-term recommendation in support of Busway Concept A – Mostly Center Running and Mixed Traffic and Curb Concept Y with more separated bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

The ATC Board believes the improvements are critical to meeting goals of the Alexandria Transit Vision Plan, the Alexandria Mobility Plan, the Environmental Action Plan 2040, Vision Zero, and the City's ALL Alexandria initiative. Improved transit travel times with better frequency and reliability, enhanced station amenities, and improved access to stations will all help improve the bus rider experience and attract new ridership. They will also promote the city's goals for sustainability and make Alexandria more equitable and accessible for all. The ATC Board appreciates the City's plans for grant-funded capital improvements along this critical regional transit corridor and strongly supports this project which will benefit DASH Line 30 riders and the community as a whole.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

David Kaplan, Chair, Alexandria Transit Company

cc: Jim Parajon, City Manager
Emily Baker, Deputy City Manager
Yon Lambert, Director, T&ES
Tarrence Moorer, Director, T&ES
Hillary Orr, Deputy Director, T&ES
Christopher Ziemann, Division Chief, Transportation Planning
Jen Monaco, Transit Program Manager, Transportation Planning



Item #: 46

**Item Title:** ATC Strategic Planning Committee Proposed Goals and Objectives

**Contact:** Steve Klejst and Murat Omay

**Board Action:** Discussion



Mr. Klejst and Mr. Omay will provide an update on the ATC strategic plan.

Item #: 5a

**Item Title:** Red Flag Law Awareness Campaign

**Contact:** Paul Friedman, Founder & Executive Director, Safer Country

**Board Action:** FY



Safer Country is an Alexandria based 501(c)(3) charity whose mission is to prevent gun violence through research, education and advocacy by empowering the public and government to effectively implement gun safety laws to save lives.

To accomplish this, Safer Country is working to:

- Promote the creation and effective implementation of temporary gun violence removal order laws (a.k.a. extreme risk or red flag laws, gun violence restraining orders or GVRO's, extreme risk protection orders or ERPO's, emergency substantial risk orders or ESRO's, firearm restraining orders or FRO's, among other names.)
- Ensure prohibited names, particularly people who have committed acts of domestic violence, are entered into the background check system for gun purchases.
- Requiring fingerprints at the point of sale, to ensure that buyers have no disqualifying criminal records
- Seek annual reports from the states on their progress on the full spectrum of gun violence prevention issues.

Safer Country has approached DASH with a request to support the Red Flag Law Public Awareness Campaign allowing the posting of information about Red Flag Laws on DASH Buses. Virginia is the 19th state to pass a red flag law. This law can prevent suicides as well as homicides and mass shootings. Called an Emergency Substantial Risk Order (ESRO) in Virginia, it's a civil court order that temporarily removes a gun from someone a court has found to be a danger to themselves or others. If the order is extended beyond that after a court hearing involving the person at issue, it's called a Substantial Risk Order (SRO.) Such information is currently posted on all Fairfax Connector Buses and has been given preliminary approval by the General Manager.

Virginia's law was passed and took effect in 2020. Safer Country brought the idea for the campaign to Fairfax County in mid-2021. The Board of Supervisors passed a resolution to create the campaign and an ad hoc committee was established under the auspices of the Office of Public Affairs. The slogan "Prevent A Gun Tragedy –

Speak Up!" was proposed by Paul Friedman who will be in attendance at the Board Meeting to speak regarding the campaign. The information to be posted will be in English and Spanish with a link to a webpage created specifically for this effort.

A sample of the bus posting is provided here:



Item #: 6a

**Item Title:** Financial Report

**Contact:** Edward Ryder, Director of Finance & Administration

**Board Action:** FYI/Discussion



#### **April 2023 Results**

In April, due to the recognition of TRIP grant funding, ATC experienced a monthly surplus of \$2,627,126. ATC has a monthly year-to-date deficit of (\$375,321), and a projected year-end deficit of (\$1,493,194).

The most significant factors contributing to the forecasted deficit are operations overtime, fuel costs, and increased costs for repairs parts & supplies. These factors have consistently remained as the primary drivers of the projected deficit throughout FY 2024.

#### **FY23 Year-End Forecast**

Based on the current financial trajectory, ATC anticipates a year-end deficit of (\$1,493,194) for FY 2023. Staff have submitted a Supplemental Appropriation Ordinance (SAO) for the June 2023 SAO cycle to cover the forecasted deficit.

Item #: 6b

**ASSETS** 

**Item Title:** Balance Sheet

**Contact:** Edward Ryder, Director of Finance & Administration

**Board Action:** FYI/Discussion



33,917,259

35,401,265

## ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT COMPANY Balance Sheet as of April 30, 2023

ASSETS		
Cash - City of Alexandria Pooled	\$	(5,207,494)
Cash - Payroll Account		98,687
Due from Other Governments		183,907
Receivables		2,051,164
Prepaid Expenditures		270,992
Parts and Supplies Inventory		973,992
Capital Assets		68,018,776
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(30,988,759)
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	35,401,265
LIABILITIES Assourts Payable	\$	267.059
Accounts Payable Payroll Liabilities	Ş	267,958 25,677
Accrued Vacation		1,190,371
Deferred Revenue (CARES Act)		1,190,371
Total Liabilities	\$	1,484,006
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NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$	37,030,017
Unrestricted		(3,112,758)

This statement is <u>unaudited</u> and prepared for the sole use of management and the Board of Directors of ATC.

**Total Net Position** 

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION** 

Item #: 60

**Item Title:** Summary Income Statement

**Contact:** Edward Ryder, Director of Finance & Administration

**Board Action:** FYI/Discussion



### ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT COMPANY Summary Income Statement for the Month Ended April 30, 2023

REVENUES:	Actual	Budget	Variance	FY2023 Projected	FY2023 Annual Budget	Variance
Passenger Revenue	86,475	_	86,475	86,475	-	86,475
Charter Revenue	75,783	_	75,783	97,244	_	97,244
Advertising Revenue	36,082	252,300	(216,218)	55,538	336,400	(280,862)
Miscellaneous Revenue	83,351	50,000	33,351	92,197	60,000	32,197
Total Operating Revenue	281,691	302,300	(20,609)	331,455	396,400	(64,945)
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Virginia TRIP Program	2,829,644	1,131,858	1,697,786	2,829,644	2,829,644	
City Contribution - King Street Trolley	904,170	904,167	3	1,085,004	1,085,000	4
City Contribution - Regular Subsidy	20,066,220	20,066,216	4	24,079,464	24,079,459	5
Total Revenue	24,081,725	22,404,540	1,697,794	28,325,567	28,390,503	9
EXPENDITURES:						
Operations	13,596,539	13,179,419	(417,121)	16,898,595	16,159,400	(739,195)
Maintenance	6,178,842	5,137,854	(1,040,988)	7,225,605	6,242,392	(983,213)
Administration	4,529,113	4,700,850	171,737	5,504,562	5,791,790	287,228
Capital Outlay	152,552	190,000	37,448	190,000	190,000	(0)
Total Expenditures	24,457,047	23,208,122	(1,248,924)	29,818,762	28,383,582	(1,435,180)
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(375,321)	(803,582)	448,870	(1,493,194)	6,921	(1,435,171)

This statement is <u>unaudited</u> and prepared for the sole use of management and the Board of Directors of ATC.

Item #: 6d

**Item Title:** Budget vs. Actual

**Contact:** Edward Ryder, Director of Finance & Administration

**Board Action:** FYI/Discussion



### ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT COMPANY Summary Income Statement for the Month Ended April 30, 2023 With Application of I-395 Reimbursements

With Application of I-395 Reimbursements										
		Apr					FY 23			
Description	Apr Actuals	Forecast	Variance	YTD Actuals	YTD Forecast	Variance	Projected	FY 23 Budget	Variance	
REVENUE				06.475	-	06.475	06.475	-	06.475	
Passenger Revenue	11 020	-	11 020	86,475		86,475	86,475	-	86,475	
Other Charter Revenue	11,929	-	11,929	75,783	- 252,300	75,783	97,244	226 400	97,244	
Advertising Revenue	1 022		(2.070)	36,082		(216,218)	55,538	336,400	(280,862)	
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,022	5,000	(3,978)	83,351	50,000	33,351	92,197	60,000	32,197	
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	12,951	5,000	7,951	281,691	302,300	(20,609)	331,455	396,400	(64,945)	
Virginia TRIP Program	2,829,644	1,131,858	1,697,786	2,829,644	1,131,858	1,697,786	2,829,644	2,829,644		
City Contribution - Regular Subsidy	2,006,622	2,006,622	1,037,780	20,066,220	20,066,216	1,037,780	24,079,464	24,079,459	5	
City Contribution - Kegular Subsidy  City Contribution - King Street Trolley	90,417	90,417	0	904,170	904,167	3	1,085,004	1,085,000	4	
TOTAL REVENUE	4,939,634	3,233,896	1,705,738	24,081,725	22,404,540	1,677,185	28,325,567	28,390,503	(64,936)	
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OPERATING EXPENDITURES										
OPERATIONS										
Wages - O	867,010	842,613	(24,397)	8,317,773	8,895,993	578,219	10,525,715	10,924,400	398,685	
Overtime - O	139,226	82,837	(56,389)	2,000,069	911,207	(1,088,862)	2,353,431	1,118,300	(1,235,131)	
Fringe Benefits - O	162,845	152,637	(10,208)	1,591,535	1,763,507	171,973	1,908,043	2,145,100	237,057	
Payroll Taxes - O	76,181	67,044	(9,136)	787,630	737,489	(50,141)	988,767	905,100	(83,667)	
Retirement Contributions - O	77,792	70,111	(7,681)	814,906	771,222	(43,684)	1,021,506	946,500	(75,006)	
Total Operations Personnel	1,323,054	1,215,243	(107,812)	13,511,913	13,079,419	(432,494)	16,797,462	16,039,400	(758,062)	
Operating Materials and Supplies	792	3,333	2,541	22,795	33,333	10,538	29,640	40,000	10,360	
Operator Training	1,893	2,790	897	30,731	27,898	(2,833)	34,006	33,478	(528)	
Training and Travel - O	676	3,877	3,201	31,100	38,768	7,668	37,487	46,522	9,035	
TOTAL OPERATIONS EXPENDITURES	1,326,415	1,225,243	(101,172)	13,596,539	13,179,419	(417,121)	16,898,595	16,159,400	(739,195)	
MAINTENANCE										
Wages - M	165,106	180,311	15,205	1,790,779	1,983,422	192,644	2,196,824	2,434,200	237,376	
Overtime - M	7,382	9,126	1,744	84,737	100,385	15,648	105,319	123,200	17,881	
Fringe Benefits - M	26,685	28,711	2,027	272,359	315,822	43,463	328,359	387,600	59,241	
Payroll Taxes - M	12,981	14,311	1,330	142,242	157,422	15,180	176,742	193,200	16,458	
Retirement Contributions - M	12,829	14,970	2,142	140,300	164,674	24,374	174,430	202,100	27,670	
Total Maintenance Personnel	224,983	247,430	22,447	2,430,416	2,721,726	291,310	2,981,674	3,340,300	358,626	
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Fuel & Lubricants	151,342	123,474	(27,868)	1,955,931	1,234,743	(721,188)	2,228,767	1,481,692	(747,075)	
Repair Parts & Supplies	107,509	66,283	(41,226)	1,143,647	662,833	(480,814)	1,283,647	795,400	(488,247)	
Maintenance Services	39,390	22,917	(16,473)	262,844	229,167	(33,677)	305,692	275,000	(30,692)	
Building Maintenance	34,231	26,359	(7,872)	384,198	272,719	(111,480)	424,019	330,000	(94,019)	
Training and Travel - M	-	1,667	1,667	1,806	16,667	14,861	1,806	20,000	18,194	
TOTAL MAINTENANCE										
EXPENDITURES	557,455	488,130	(69,326)	6,178,842	5,137,854	(1,040,988)	7,225,605	6,242,392	(983,213)	
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ADMINISTRATION	172.544	100.017	7 272	1 701 122	1.016.757	125 626	2 200 570	2 207 000	101 224	
Wages - A	173,544	180,817	7,273	1,781,132	1,916,757	135,626	2,206,576	2,397,900	191,324	
Fringe Benefits - A	21,991	24,303	2,312	215,583	256,823	41,241	266,868	333,290	66,422	
Payroll Taxes - A	13,046	13,833	787	132,136	146,632	14,496	173,086	183,600	10,514	
Retirement Contributions - A	20,474	14,426	(6,048)	142,186	153,687	11,501	176,222	192,100	15,878	
Total Administrative Personnel	229,055	233,379	4,324	2,271,037	2,473,900	202,863	2,822,752	3,106,890	284,138	
Incurance	76.006	70 402	1 400	769 256	704 022	16,477	025 222	041 800	16 477	
Insurance Professional Services	76,986 50.489	78,483 85 717	1,498 35,227	768,356 853 406	784,833 857 167		925,323 1,001,439	941,800	16,477 27,161	
	50,489	85,717		853,406	857,167	3,761		1,028,600	27,161	
Utilities	37,722	27,083	(10,638)	319,754 93,808	270,833	(48,920)		325,000	(48,920)	
Telecommunications	9,705	9,667 5,002	(39) 4 620		96,667	2,858	113,142	116,000	2,858 15 200	
Printing & Advertising	1,263	5,883 4 167	4,620	52,400	58,833 41,667	6,433	55,400	70,600	15,200	
Training, Travel, Events	1,132	4,167	3,034	41,540	41,667	127	49,072	50,000	928	
Office Equipment and Supplies	5,717	8,758 150	3,041	64,572	87,583 12 700	23,011	82,089	105,100	23,011	
Employee Recognition Dues and Subscriptions	2 900	150 1 567	150	14,507	13,700	(807)	14,626	14,000	(626)	
Grant Local Match	3,898	1,567	(2,332)	16,201	15,667	(534)	19,334 47,464	18,800	(534)	
TOTAL ADMIN EXPENDITURES	1,886 <b>417,853</b>	454,854	(1,886) <b>37,00</b> 1	33,532 <b>4,529,113</b>	4,700,850	(33,532) <b>171,737</b>	5,504,562	15,000 <b>5,791,790</b>	(32,464) <b>287,22</b> 8	
TOTAL ADMIN EXCENDITORES	417,005	+34,034	37,001	4,323,113	4,700,000	1/1,/3/	3,304,302	3,731,730	201,228	
CAPITAL OUTLAYS (non-CIP)										
Computer and Office Equipment	-	-	-	-	60,000	60,000	37,448	60,000	22,552	
Maintenance Equipment	10,784	_	(10,784)	10,784	-	(10,784)	10,784	-	(10,784)	
Other Equipment Investments	-	_	- (20,704)	141,768	130,000	(11,768)	141,768	130,000	(11,768)	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAYS (non-CIP)	10,784	-	(10,784)	152,552	190,000	37,448	190,000	190,000	(0)	
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TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	2,312,508	2,168,226	(144,281)	24,457,047	23,208,122	(1,248,924)	29,818,762	28,383,582	(1,435,180)	
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	2,627,126	1,065,669	1,561,457	(375,321)	(803,582)	428,261	(1,493,194)	6,921	(1,500,116)	
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**Item Title:** Budget Forecast

**Contact:** Edward Ryder, Director of Finance & Administration

**Board Action:** FYI/Discussion



#### Summary Income Statement for the Month Ended April 30, 2023 With Application of I-395 Reimbursements

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	Jul	Aug	Sep*	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar*	Apr	May	Jun*	FY 23 Projected	FY 23 Budget	Variance
REVENUE	0.504	50.005			F76		6 403	4.003					06.475		06 475
Passenger Revenue Other Charter Revenue	8,591	69,005 503	1 125	-	576	-	6,402 500	1,902 29,345	25,064	11.020	10,731	10,731	86,475 97,244	-	86,475 97,244
Advertising Revenue	7,317	4,405	1,125			20,358	300	11,320	23,064	11,929	17,729	1,727	55,538	336,400	(280,862)
Miscellaneous Revenue	1.412	12.958	15.677	12.390	1.000	9,929	7.535	19,601	1.827	1,022	4.423	4.423	92.197	60.000	32.197
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	17,320	86.870	16,802	12,390	1,576	30.287	14,437	62,168	26,891	12,951	32,883	16,881	331,455	396,400	(64,945)
TOTAL OF ENATING REVERSE	17,520	00,070	10,002	12,550	1,570	50,207	1-1,-137	02,100	20,031	12,551	52,005	10,001	551,455	330,400	(04)543)
Virginia TRIP Program	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	2,829,644	-	-	2.829.644	2,829,644	
City Contribution - Regular Subsidy	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	2,006,622	24.079.464	24,079,459	5
City Contribution - King Street Trolley	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	90,417	1,085,004	1,085,000	4
TOTAL REVENUE	2,114,359	2,183,909		2,109,429	2,098,615	2,127,326	2,111,476	2,159,207	2,123,930	4,939,634	2,129,922	2,113,920	28,325,567	28,390,503	(64,936)
OPERATING EXPENDITURES															
OPERATIONS														1	
Wages - O	298,091	600,801	970,614	819,555	786,170	807,636	859,633	870,660	1,437,602	867,010	842,391	1,365,551	10,525,715	10,924,400	398,685
Overtime - O	152,543	199,601	341,811	237,578	190,955	205,721	179,910	166,750	185,975	139,226	139,226	214,136	2,353,431	1,118,300	(1,235,131)
Fringe Benefits - O	160,090	131,433	97,828	168,788	157,564 74.029	327,653	164,610	80,777	139,945	162,845	147,087	169,421	1,908,043	2,145,100	237,057
Payroll Taxes - O	34,638	61,944 90,434	99,813	80,095 79,609	74,029 74,362	76,722 79,279	83,070 82,078	78,552 77,295	122,585	76,181 77,792	78,552 79,377	122,585	988,767	905,100 946.500	(83,667) (75,006)
Retirement Contributions - O  Total Operations Personnel	35,255 <b>680,617</b>	1,084,212	96,281 <b>1,606,347</b>	79,609 <b>1,385,626</b>	1,283,081	79,279 <b>1,497,012</b>	1,369,301	1,274,034	122,522 2,008,630	1,323,054	1,286,633	127,223 1,998,916	1,021,506 <b>16,797,462</b>	16,039,400	(75,006) (758,062)
Total Operations Personnel	000,017	1,004,212	1,000,347	1,303,026	1,203,081	1,457,012	1,303,301	1,274,034	2,000,030	1,323,054	1,200,033	1,330,316	10,/3/,462	10,033,400	(730,062)
Operating Materials and Supplies	966	3,516	15,911	(7,772)	1,565	1,704	761	743	4,610	792	3,423	3,423	29,640	40,000	10,360
Operator Training	7,445	109	4,630	4,906	1,981	4,556	2.714	588	1,910	1,893	1,637	1.637	34.006	33.478	(528)
Training and Travel - O	10.609	3.164	6.011	1.192	-,361	5.032	602	291	3,524	676	3.193	3.193	37,487	46,522	9.035
TOTAL OPERATIONS EXPENDITURES	699,636	1,091,001		1,383,951	1,286,627	1,508,303	1,373,378	1,275,656	2,018,674	1,326,415	1,294,887	2,007,169	16.898.595	16.159.400	(739,195)
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MAINTENANCE															
Wages - M	106,471	167,894	252,983	196,998	167,756	165,565	166,749	161,961	239,297	165,106	166,749	239,297	2,196,824	2,434,200	237,376
Overtime - M	6,722	14,232	11,170	4,520	7,887	5,660	7,198	11,880	8,086	7,382	7,382	13,200	105,319	123,200	17,881
Fringe Benefits - M	27,645	24,118	25,623	27,501	29,226	27,805	33,666	25,836	24,253	26,685	28,000	28,000	328,359	387,600	59,241
Payroll Taxes - M	8,537	13,715	19,873	15,189	13,254	12,884	14,120	13,085	18,604	12,981	13,800	20,700	176,742	193,200	16,458
Retirement Contributions - M	8,619	13,381	19,507	13,762	13,215	13,370	13,779	13,051	18,786	12,829	13,930	20,200	174,430	202,100	27,670
Total Maintenance Personnel	157,994	233,341	329,156	257,970	231,338	225,284	235,512	225,814	309,025	224,983	229,862	321,396	2,981,674	3,340,300	358,626
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Fuel & Lubricants	216,385	264,829	204,558	217,212	221,449	176,195	176,666	156,353	170,941	151,342	136,418	136,418	2,228,767	1,481,692	(747,075)
Repair Parts & Supplies	113,476	95,435	132,180	134,375	116,742	145,804	69,945	105,899	122,282	107,509	70,000	70,000	1,283,647	795,400	(488,247)
Maintenance Services	22,520 32,826	15,117 18,758	40,134 70,439	25,838 48,693	22,898 28,459	17,272 50,138	18,798 36,516	48,020 24,649	12,857 39,489	39,390 34,231	21,424 19,910	21,424 19,910	305,692 424,019	275,000 330,000	(30,692) (94,019)
Building Maintenance Training and Travel - M	32,626	942	253	46,093	20,439	361	30,316	24,649	250	34,231	19,910	19,910	1.806	20,000	18,194
TOTAL MAINTENANCE		342	233			301		_	230			_	1,800	20,000	10,134
EXPENDITURES	543,202	628.422	776.718	684.088	620.885	615.054	537,438	560,735	654.845	557.455	477.614	569.149	7.225.605	6.242.392	(983.213)
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ADMINISTRATION															
Wages - A	99,347	174,420	244,538	165,976	168,241	180,299	163,543	167,492	243,733	173,544	170,445	255,000	2,206,576	2,397,900	191,324
Fringe Benefits - A	22,741	21,826	20,158	22,334	22,233	22,756	17,779	23,356	20,408	21,991	20,514	30,771	266,868	333,290	66,422
Payroll Taxes - A	7,459	12,301	18,626	12,464	12,416	12,306	12,639	12,590	18,289	13,046	15,300	25,650	173,086	183,600	10,514
Retirement Contributions - A	7,484	11,796	17,846	12,305	13,137	14,197	13,269	12,912	18,769	20,474	13,636	20,400	176,222	192,100	15,878
Total Administrative Personnel	137,030	220,343	301,168	213,078	216,028	229,557	207,230	216,350	301,198	229,055	219,894	331,821	2,822,752	3,106,890	284,138
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Insurance	71,401	76,986	80,834	76,986	77,223	76,986	76,986	76,986	76,985	76,986	78,483	78,483	925,323	941,800	16,477
Professional Services	60,935	111,263	92,563	90,164	71,870	83,741	56,147	97,544	138,689	50,489	50,489	97,544	1,001,439	1,028,600	27,161
Utilities	26,505	31,721	25,052	23,761	28,304	55,174	33,755	20,836	36,926	37,722	27,083	27,083	373,920	325,000 116.000	(48,920)
Telecommunications	9,487	9,122	9,345	9,574	7,541	11,329	9,194	9,142	9,370	9,705	9,667	9,667	113,142		2,858
Printing & Advertising	10,236	35,246 7,479	(27,538) 3,690	1,435 1,282	23,610 883	3,904 1,148	1,378 235	1,378 16,614	1,488 1,661	1,263 1,132	1,500 3,766	1,500 3,766	55,400 49,072	70,600 50,000	15,200 928
Training, Travel, Events Office Equipment and Supplies	7,415 2,977	11,538	7,462	7,881	3,720	7,670	2,751	3,809	11,046	5,717	3,766 8,758	3,766 8,758	82,089	105,100	23,011
Employee Recognition	887	11,330	7,462	8,174	3,552	1,106	166	600	11,046	3,717	60	60	14,626	14,000	(626)
Dues and Subscriptions	1,549	1,364	744	1,204	3,552 684	1,106	1,567	3,258	665	3,898	1,567	1,567	19,334	18,800	(534)
Grant Local Match	- 1,549		-	- 1,204	15,674	- 1,203	15,972	3,230	-	1,886		13,932	47,464	15,000	(32,464)
TOTAL ADMIN EXPENDITURES	328,422	505,062	493,342	433,539	449,088	471,881	405,381	446,516	578,030	417,853	401,268	574,181	5,504,562	5,791,790	287,228
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CAPITAL OUTLAYS (non-CIP)															
Computer and Office Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37,448	37,448	60,000	22,552
Maintenance Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,784	-	-	10,784	-	(10,784)
Other Equipment Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	141,768	-	-	-	-	141,768	130,000	(11,768)
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAYS (non-CIP)	-	-	-		-	-	-	141,768	-	10,784	-	37,448	190,000	190,000	(0)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	1,571,260	2,224,485	2,902,958	2,501,578	2,356,600	2,595,238	2,316,197	2,424,675	3,251,548	2,312,508	2,173,768	3,187,947	29,818,762	28,383,582	(1,435,180)
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	543,098	(40,576)	(789,117)	(392,149)	(257,985)	(467,912)	(204,720)	(265,468)	(1,127,619)	2,627,126	(43,846)	(1,074,027)	(1,493,194)	6,921	(1,500,116)

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**Item Title:** Detailed Ridership Update

**Contact:** Tristan Cunningham, Service Planning Manager

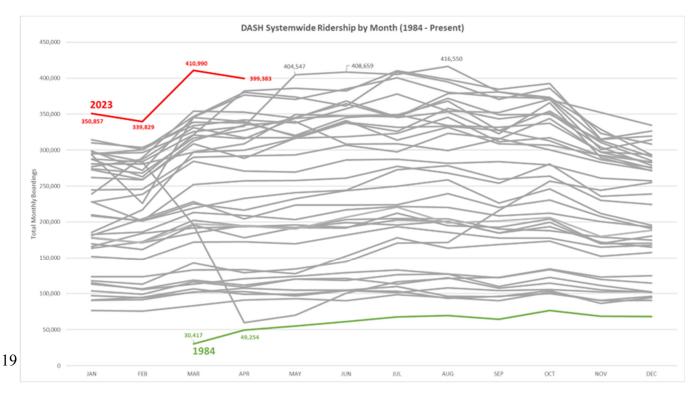
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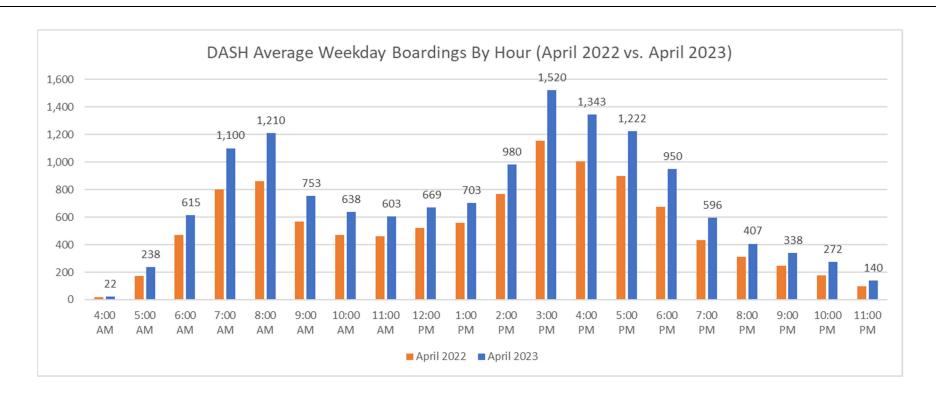


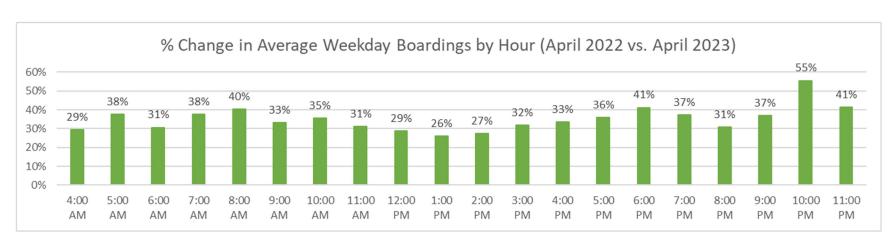
The following section provides a summary of recent DASH ridership trends. At a systemwide level, DASH has seen unprecedented ridership totals for each of the last five months. The 411,000 boardings recorded in March represent the second-highest ridership total for any month in DASH history. The following graphs provide additional insights into the growth of the last year (April 2022 vs. April 2023), which has occurred relatively evenly across the different routes and day types.

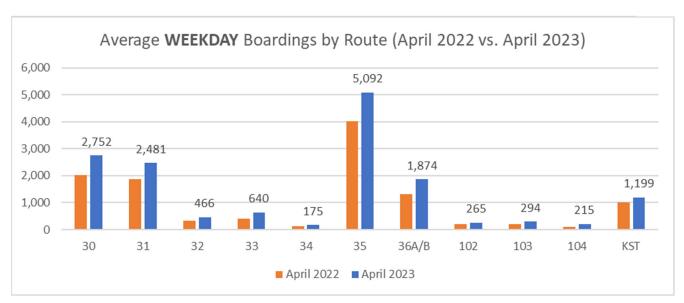
Additional ridership data for the Duke Street corridor (Line 30) is included at the end of this section.

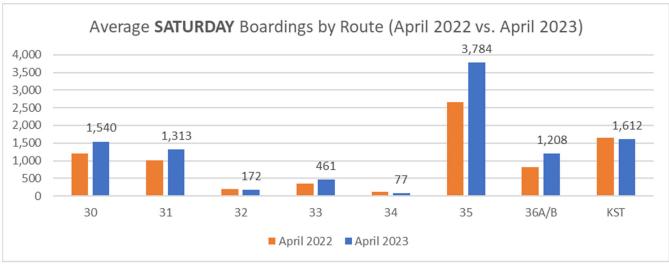


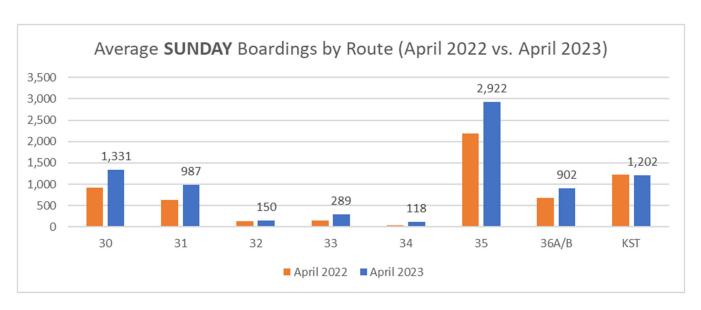


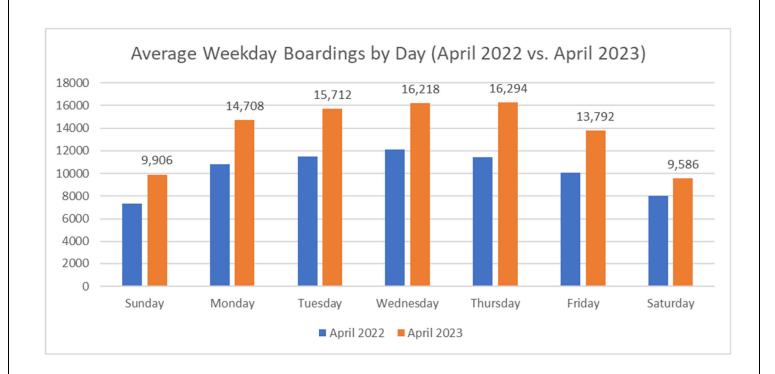


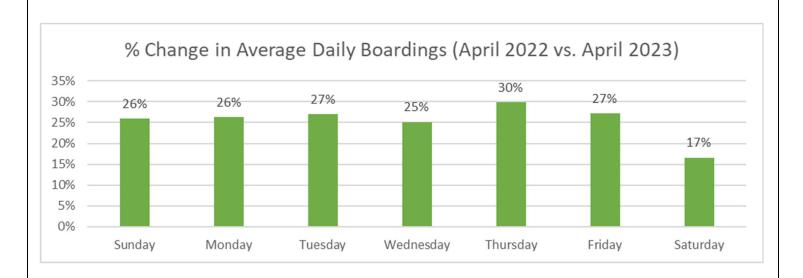






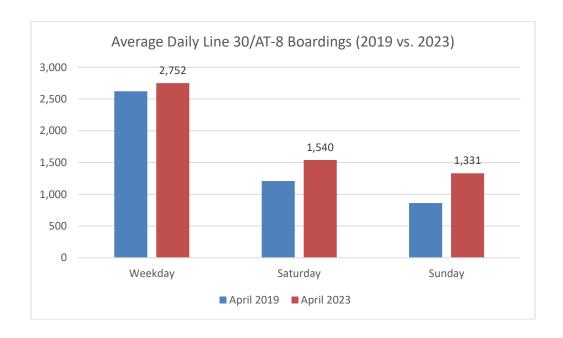






#### Line 30 / Duke Street Ridership Update

The Duke Street corridor is one of the most important transit corridors in the City of Alexandria, as evidenced by its consistently strong ridership performance over the last few decades and its inclusion as one of the City's three enhanced transitway corridors. **Line 30, formerly known as the AT-8, continues this trend and is now exceeding pre-pandemic ridership levels by 5% on weekdays and by 28% and 54% on Saturdays and Sundays, respectively.** The line graph below also shows the ridership growth in average weekday boardings that has occurred since the Line 30 improvements were introduced in October 2022.





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Item Title:Executive SessionBoard Action:Discussion/Approval



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Consideration of Convening an Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Legal and Personnel Matters, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A1) of the Code of Virginia

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Item #: 9

Item Title:Next Meeting Date & AdjournmentBoard Action:Discussion/Consideration of Approval



The next regular meeting of the Alexandria Transit Company Board of Directors is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 5:30pm

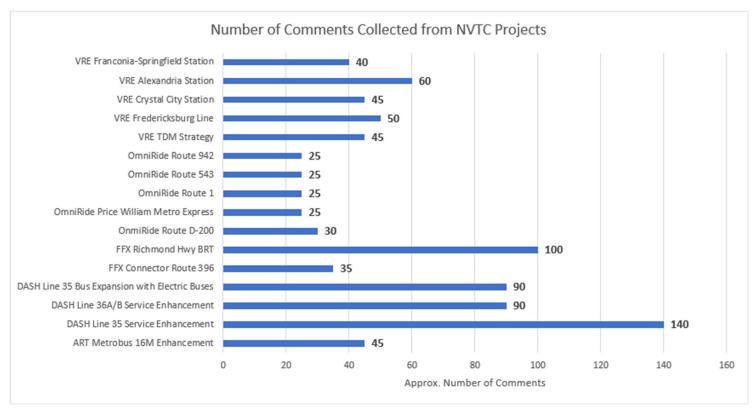
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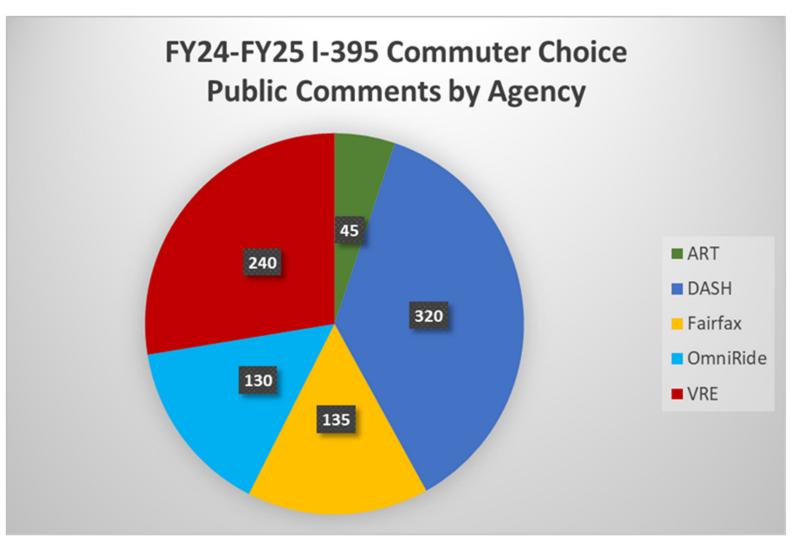
**Consider Adjournment** 



### **Attachment**

Comments Received by Northern Virginia Transportation Commission Regarding DASH Projects





#### 1. Overall Theme of Comments

- a. DASH Line 35 Service Enhancement: VanDorn Street Station to the Pentagon
  - i. Line 35 is a lifeline route for the West End of Alexandria. Residents have grown to rely on this service, and it has become essential to their daily commutes and their daily routines for work, school, and doctor's appointments. Residents are requesting more service and bigger buses to improve their lives in the West End.
- b. DASH Line 36A/B Service Enhancement: Mark Center to Potomac Yard-VT Station
  - i. Line 36A/B is primarily used by students, seniors, and those with disabilities. This service is essential for those without regular access to a personal private vehicle. Line 36A/B establishes free and convenient service to promote growth and wellness throughout the community by providing equitable access to cleaner sustainable public transit options.
- c. DASH Line 35 Bus Fleet Capacity Expansion with Electric Busses: Van Dorn Street Station
  - i. The Line 35 bus electrification project is accepted and promoted by the community because it allows for cleaner, quieter more efficient vehicles traveling through the West End. This project supports cleaner vehicles because they would primarily travel through disproportionate, lower income minority areas and allow people to breathe easier while also having the opportunity to access free and frequent public transit.

#### 2. Useful, Helpful or Interesting Comments

- a. DASH Line 35 Service Enhancement: Van Dorn Street Station to the Pentagon
  - i. Please support the continuation of DASH Line 35
  - ii. This provides a vital service to me and so many others.
  - iii. I use DASH 35. As COVID continues to recede I'm hoping to use this line more and more. This line is very important to me
  - iv. We need to preserve bus routes for our neighbors w/o car
  - v. Can you please place a DASH bus stop at Pentagon City before the final stop at the Pentagon Metro Station. THANKS!!
  - vi. I love this line. It is always dependable
  - vii. The 35 is the primary route I use to get to most of Alexandria. The main reason being that the wait times are minimal. If the wait times increase, I will be driving everywhere again.
  - viii. This is very valuable to me as a West-end resident
  - ix. Very convenient to Metro
  - x. This bus line is an absolute lifeline to the large concentration of Afghan refugees that live along Beauregard Street in West Alexandria. This free bus line allows entire families to access free service including food pantries, ESL classes, and grocery shopping. The fact it is free opens the world to these folks.
  - xi. We need to do all we can to support commuter options between this high population area and points northeast. With the construction work planned in

- the Landmark area, we need to reduce the number of single occupancy cars on the road. Allowing convenient and free access to public transportation supports this effort
- xii. Please increase the Dash Line 35&36 buses. Seniors need access for shopping and doctors appointments. I see the Metro bus but feel more comfortable when using Dash Buses
- xiii. This line is essential to my daily commute to/from work! I ride from the west end of Alexandria to Pentagon nearly daily to catch Metro. This line is the single most important bit of public transit for me!
- xiv. Line 35 is my regular commuting route to get between home (on Edsall Road) and Van Dorn Street Station. Frequent service allows me to physically tolerate all kinds of weather while I wait for the bus, and it eases crowding on the buses, which is vital for riders like me who have mobility issues and need to sit in a seat while we ride the bus. More frequent service on this route makes the difference between being able to keep working and having to leave my job and my livelihood. Please fund this project!
- xv. I live in Southern Towers and take this bus to and from work in the Pentagon five days a week
- xvi. "I live near the DASH 35 bus line and I use it for my English classes and shopping and appointments. Please keep the bus free. Paying money to ride that bus would take away money we need for our rent and other expenses

#### b. DASH Line 36A/B Service Enhancement: Mark Center to Potomac Yard-VT Station

- i. Si esta linea es MUY IMPORTANTE! La necesitamos, los que vivimos aqui y trabajamos y no tenemos coche.
  - 1. English translation: Yes, this line is VERY IMPORTANT! All of us with no cars that work and live here need it

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- i. I am blind and depend heavily on the 36 eight bus to go from my home to the shopping center at the King Street and Quaker Lane intersection, as well as to the metro. This service is essential for me. Thank you.
- ii. Please continue this line as my students use it to travel from home to the INOVA for their traning program from hoome and also to and from the high school , daily during the school year
- iii. Please keep this running through Parkfairfax. Many residents rely on this service. Also, Dash only services parkfairfax during rush hour, so we have no doreslct access to old town outside of that's. And there is no dash service from parkfairfax to del ray. This is needed too
- iv. I'm a legally blind Alexandria resident who depends on this bus line for trips to my doctor's office, hospital, and shopping. This bus line helps me maintain my independence and cut down on the cost of Ubers. I have taught all of my children to use this line, and they can ride it independently now. It takes them to the high school, the store. and more. Please continue to provide this line in the future
- v. Ensuring continued DASH Line 36 service between the Mark Center and Potomac Yard-VT Station is vital to support the commutes of scores of federal,

- military, and contractor work force members to their worksite. Additionally, this route provides an essential path to support transit across the area
- vi. I live on East Glebe Rd in Alexandria. I frequently take the 36A and 36B routes to get to Shirlington to catch connecting busses as well as King Street. Without frequent service on this line, I am much more likely to be forced to use Uber/Lyft and increase traffic congestion on 395.
- vii. Please fund Line 36A/B service enhancement. The frequent service that would be enabled by this funding would enable myfriends who are visually impaired to have accessible transportion to their destinations. in the City of Alexandria, and beyond via connection on Line 36A/B. Line 36A/B is also a lifeline for students who are learning to use bus transit as a preferred transportation option- a great investment
- viii. I take this bus to go to school and work everyday of the week. Early mornings and late evenings
- ix. I usually transfer onto the 36 a or B after getting off the Dash 35 a few times a week. I live off of Seminary Road and it is extremely convenient
- x. Please keep this service. I find it useful for visiting my house of worship which is served by no other bus route
- xi. 36A/B service has been essential in allowing me to access important services (e.g., doctors) as well as retail for household necessities. Continuation of this program would allow for increased access to (and therefore economic activity for) the Potomac Yard Shopping Center and the Bradley Shopping Center, and would also foster easy connection to the Potomac Yard Metro Station
- xii. DASH Line 36B provides the only regular bus service for the Park Place Condominiums at 2500 N Van Dorn Street. Park Place has more than 400 units and nearly 1,000 people. Your funding helps keep this line operational. Without this line, transportation options for the Park Place community are extremely limited other than to revert to personal vehicles.

### d. DASH Line 35 Bus Fleet Capacity Expansion with Electric Buses: Van Dorn Street Station

- i. I support all expansions of public transportation service. Public transportation is exceedingly important for economic diversity and the environment
- ii. The new electric buses would allow DASH to meet demand for the route efficiently while improving air quality in these neighborhoods. Even with buses arriving every 10 minutes on weekdays, the route experiences crowding at peak times. DASH Line 35 ridership has grown significantly and provides service to a number of predominantly non-White and lower-income communities in Alexandria's West End, parallel to I-395. The funding would help avoid overcrowding on buses and continue DASH's transition to a fullyelectric clean bus system
- iii. The expansion of the electric bus fleet in the region is crucial to reducing air pollution in a minority heavy community. The disproportionate impact of air pollution on minority populations should be taken into consideration when looking at this request.
- iv. Please DO NOT change the timetables of this route!
- v. Keep this line! This bus service connects our west end lower income neighborhoods to a giant employment center and transportation hub.

- vi. Expanded with 24 hr service
- vii. Please fund DASH Line 35 Bus Fleet service enhancement. THanks to previously-awarded Commuter Choice funding, Line 35 is extremely popular. That reults in crowded buses, so we need the larger buses requested in this grant request!

  Thanks
- viii. This line is essential to my daily commute to/from work! I ride from the west end of Alexandria to Pentagon nearly daily to catch Metro. This line is the single most important bit of public transit for me!
- ix. I live near the DASH 35 bus line and I use it for my English classes and shopping and appointments. Please keep the bus free. Paying money to ride that bus would take away money we need for our rent and other expenses
- x. Support! Shifting to electric buses with more capacity meets the city's sustainability goals and provides more comfortable rides for transit dependent population.