



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

County Board Agenda Item Meeting of October 15, 2011

DATE: September 26, 2011

SUBJECT: Approval of receipt of \$1,243,000 pursuant to a new Standard Project Administration Agreement between the County Board of Arlington County, and the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation, for funding portions of the County's Bikesharing Program.

C. M. RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the acceptance of grant funds pursuant to a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia, and the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation ("VDOT"), for the County's Bikesharing Program ("Agreement") in the amount of \$1,243,000.
2. Authorize the County Manager to execute the Agreement and other required documents for use of Congestion Mitigation Air Quality ("CMAQ") Funds FY 2012, subject to the review and approval of the Agreement and documents as to form by the County Attorney.
3. Appropriate \$1,243,000 in CMAQ funds (for 313.346002.43515.B02K) to the FY 2012 Transportation Capital Program.

ISSUES: Arlington County has been awarded Federal CMAQ funds for the Bikesharing Program. Timely acceptance and appropriation of the funds by the County Board will enable the County to proceed with the purchase and deployment of Bikeshare Stations. No issues have been identified.

SUMMARY: This is a request to approve acceptance of a \$1,243,000 in CMAQ grant funds, to authorize execution of a Standard Project Administration Agreement that will enable the County to receive CMAQ funding for the deployment of Bikeshare Stations in the Rosslyn to Ballston Corridor ("RB corridor") and other parts of the County, and to appropriate such funds upon their receipt by the County.

BACKGROUND: The Northern Virginia Transportation Authority ("NVTA") approved \$243,000 in CMAQ funding for FY 2012 for bikesharing equipment and operations. This

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County Attorney:

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amount will pay for the purchase and installation of six bikesharing stations (five 11-dock stations and one 15-dock station) and 38 bikes.

Subsequent to the award of the \$243,000, additional money was approved by NVTVA for Northern Virginia. Arlington County's bikeshare program was awarded an additional \$1 million, which will fund the purchase and installation of 24 stations (19 11-dock stations and five 15-dock stations) and 154 bikes.

This \$1,243,000 in CMAQ funding is in addition to the programmed funding shown in the County Board Approved FY 2011 – FY 2016 Capital Improvement Plan. The CMAQ funds will accelerate the implementation and expansion of the bikeshare program at no additional cost to the County.

DISCUSSION: The CMAQ funds will be used for the purchase and installation of bikeshare station and bikes for Arlington County's Capital Bikeshare Program. Six of the stations will be funded with the \$243,000 award, which will complete the first phase of establishing the bikesharing system in the RB corridor. There will be 31 bikeshare stations in the RB corridor when this first phase is completed; the locations of these stations were determined in a public process between May and July of 2011.

In addition to completing the initial phase of the RB corridor, \$1 million will provide for another 24 stations that will fill out the bikeshare system in the Crystal City/Pentagon City area and in the RB corridor and/or will provide new service in areas not yet served by the system. The location of these additional stations will be determined during the winter of calendar years 2011-2012 during the development of a Transit Development Program for Capital Bikeshare in Arlington County. This will bring the total number of bikeshare stations in the County to 70. Installation of these stations is expected to be complete by the summer of 2012.

FISCAL IMPACT: None. There is no local match requirement for the \$1,243,000 in CMAQ funds.