

ITEM #6: WILLIAMSBURG AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY (WATA) STRATEGIC PLANNING EFFORT – REQUEST TO EXCHANGE RSTP FUNDING - WATA

Williamsburg Area Transit Authority (WATA) was previously awarded \$300,000 in FY 2025 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funding to support development of a Strategic Plan and Comprehensive Operating Analysis. After coordination discussions between WATA and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), it has been agreed that, in line with recent changes to State code, this planning effort for the transit agency should begin sooner in FY 2021. Accordingly, WATA is seeking to exchange its FY 2025 RSTP funding with an earlier year funded RSTP project in order to meet the desired timeline.

WATA is seeking a total of \$250,000 in RSTP funding (which could be divided equally between FY 2021 and FY 2022) for the strategic planning effort in exchange for an equivalent sum in FY 2025. TPS members are requested to review current RSTP funded projects to determine if the above described swap of funding years could be accommodated in order to both meet the transit study timeline and also obligate regional funds sooner. The FY 2020-2026 CMAQ/RSTP Available Funding, Allocations, and Reserves table is attached.

Ms. Barbara Creel, WATA Budget and Grants Administrator, will brief the TPS on this item.

Attachment 6

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For discussion and informational purposes.

**Table 1: FY 2020 - FY 2026 CMAQ and RSTP Funding
Available Funding, Current Allocations, and Reserves**

CMAQ	Previous	FY - 20	FY - 21	FY - 22	FY - 23	FY - 24	FY - 25	FY - 26
Marks	\$0	\$13,999,683	\$14,243,448	\$14,243,448	\$14,243,448	\$15,080,199	\$15,361,905	\$15,361,905
Allocations	\$0	\$13,999,683	\$14,243,448	\$13,937,656	\$13,661,828	\$14,161,525	\$14,339,003	\$15,094,600
Available	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$305,792	\$581,620	\$918,674	\$1,022,902	\$267,305
Total								\$3,096,293
RSTP	Previous	FY - 20	FY - 21	FY - 22	FY - 23	FY - 24	FY - 25	FY - 26
Marks	\$0	\$35,497,259	\$34,383,730	\$35,040,488	\$35,708,410	\$36,387,688	\$37,078,513	\$37,078,513
Allocations	\$0	\$35,497,259	\$34,322,550	\$34,978,269	\$34,790,097	\$35,359,271	\$35,289,001	\$36,763,786
Available	\$0	\$0	\$61,180	\$62,219	\$918,313	\$1,028,417	\$1,789,512	\$314,727
Franklin and Southampton County Set- aside	\$864,433	\$1,014,433						
Total								\$4,174,368

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