

**AGENDA ITEM #11: HAMPTON ROADS 2040 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN:
PROPOSED AMENDMENT
*Eric Stringfield, VDOT***

HRTPO staff received the attached request from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) VDOT to amend the 2040 LRTP to include the construction phase of the I-64 Express Lanes – Segment 2 (HOV to HOT Conversion Project), from I-64/I-264 (in Norfolk) to I-64/I-464 (in Chesapeake), noting that the remaining portion of the Express Lanes project (from I-64/I-464 to Bowers Hill) is covered by the I-64 Southside Widening and High-Rise Bridge project. The PE phase of this project is already included in the 2040 LRTP (\$3 Million); the construction phase of this project (\$22 Million) will be funded by the Toll Facilities Revolving Account, thereby demonstrating fiscal-constraint.

At the time of the last regional conformity analysis for Hampton Roads, this project was included as a “pending” project in the 2018 conformity analysis and thus has already demonstrated transportation conformity. Due to its pending amendment status, as part of the draft regional conformity assessment, this project is also included on the Draft List of Regionally-Significant Projects for Conformity for the 2040 LRTP and FY 2021-2024 TIP.

The proposed LRTP amendment was made available for public review beginning on February 6, 2020 and concluding on February 20, 2020. No public comments were received.

Mr. Eric Stringfield, VDOT Hampton Roads District Transportation Planning Director, will brief the TTAC on this item.

Attachment 11

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recommend HRTPO Board approval of the 2040 LRTP amendment contingent upon receipt of a positive report by the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission (HRTAC) on March 19, 2020 with regard to continued progress on the Master Tolling Agreement.



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Stephen C. Brich, P.E.
Commissioner

February 4, 2020

Mr. Robert A. Crum, Jr.
Executive Director
Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization
The Regional Building, 723 Woodlake Drive
Chesapeake, Virginia 23320

RE: 2040 LRTP Amendment Request to include construction phase of I-64 Express Lanes -- Segment 2
HOV to HOT Conversion Project

Dear Mr. Crum,

The Virginia Department of Transportation requests that the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) amend the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) to add the construction phase of I-64 Express Lanes - Segment 2 (HOV to HOT Conversion) from I-64/I264 (in Norfolk) to I-64/I-464 (in Chesapeake). The remaining portion of the Express Lanes project (from I-64/I-464 to Bowers Hill) is covered by the I-64 Southside Widening and High-Rise Bridge project.

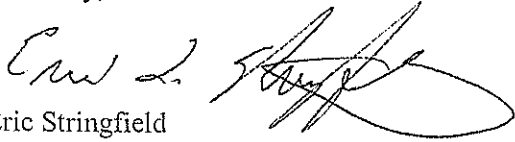
- PE Phase (FFY2018): \$ 3,000,000 (Included in the LRTP)
- CN Phase (FFY2020): \$ 22,000,000 Start 4/14/2020 End 12/30/2021
- Toll Facilities Revolving Account (TFRA) will be used to fund total project cost, thereby demonstrating fiscal-constraint.
- Project is anticipated to be completed and open to the public at the end of 2021

At the time the most recent HRTPO regional conformity analysis was initiated (i.e., at the June 6, 2018, Interagency Consultation Meeting for the HRTPO FY 18-21 TIP and 2040 LRTP), the project was included in the table of regionally significant projects as "pending", as the project had secured funding for PE only at that time. However, since VDOT and HRTPO staff both had anticipated that funding through construction would be authorized within the timeframe of the analysis, HRTPO staff included the I-64 Express Lanes Segment 2 project in the travel demand-modeling network that supported the regional emissions analysis with a first analysis year of 2028. A joint FHWA/FTA conformity finding was issued on October 29, 2018. Since the project's scope and design remain consistent with that previously modeled, both VDOT and FHWA concur that the I-64 Express Lanes Segment 2 HOV to HOT conversion project has already been demonstrated to conform.

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The Department is requesting the HRTPO process this amendment to the LRTP at their next meeting.
Thank you for your support in this effort.

Sincerely,



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Hampton Roads District Transportation Planning Director

CC: Ms. Dawn Odom, District ADA PIM
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