

Response to Questions on the FY 2017 Budget

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Question: Referencing slide 65, please provide additional information on the decreasing balances available for transportation-related funding at the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC).

Response: The FY 2017 Advertised Budget Plan reflects an increase in the General Fund Transfer of \$2.26 million and \$1.38 million for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and the Fairfax County Connector (Connector), respectively, over the FY 2016 Adopted Budget Plan. Prior to this increase, General Fund support remained level since FY 2012 for WMATA and FY 2014 for Connector.

The County receives State Aid to support annual operating subsidies to WMATA and Connector. NVTC is the designated recipient of Northern Virginia State Aid on behalf of participating jurisdictions. State Aid balances are held with NVTC for jurisdictional use against future contribution requirements that are set by a funding formula agreement with WMATA. In addition to NVTC funding, the County uses General Fund support for these operating requirements. Balances accrued primarily from increased contributions from the State (e.g., HB2313 revenues starting in FY 2014). As the County continues to spend down State Aid balances to meet operating requirements, further increases to General Fund transfers may be required.

The following table includes balances at NVTC from FY 2015 (actual) through FY 2018 (estimate).

	Actual	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 88.16	\$ 58.63	\$ 27.43	\$ (2.03)