Reston Transportation Service District Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes, March 25, 2019

Board Members In Attendance: Hank Schonzeit, Mark Ingrao, Margaret "Maggie" Parker, John R. Mooney, Kelley Westenhoff

Board Members Not in Attendance: Peter Henry, Anne Mader, Robert Goudie

Others in Attendance: Tom Biesiadny, FCDOT; Ray Johnson, FCDOT; Supervisor Hudgins Staff: Goldie Harrison, Jesse Herman

- 1. Meeting was called to order by Chair Maggie Parker at 7:01pm.
- 2. All present re-introduced themselves. Tom Biesiadny affirmed that Alexander Rough had resigned due to no longer living in the Hunter Mill Dranesville district.
- 3. Minutes from February 25, 2019 meeting reviewed. Following up on his earlier request, Hank Schonzeit asked for 10 years (if available) worth of car registrations. Tom Biesiadny will ask FCDOT Traffic to get that information for the Board.

John Mooney moved to approve the minutes, Mark Ingrao seconded with Hank Schonzeit abstaining due to his absence from Feb 25 meeting.

4. Follow up from February 25 meeting:

Tom Biesiadny shared presentation FCDOT made to Supervisors re: requesting a study of parking management options for future public streets in the Tysons and Reston transit areas in particular. FCDOT has asked the Supervisors to use any available 3rd quarter funds to hire a professional parking consultant to address this issue. At present, this is info only to this Board, but if a plan were to recommend a revenue generating stream of parking, the Board of Supervisors would determine how these funds would be managed. Hank Schonzeit asked FCDOT to evaluate whether parts of North Shore Drive closest to Wiehle Station should be included in the study.

Ray Johnson presented information on the order of Intersection Improvements. Board reviewed data and FCDOT recommendations. FCDOT reiterated that these recommendations require continuous monitoring as the Silver Line creates opportunities for development which affects traffic patterns. Of the top 4 intersections, 3 upgrades are already being acted upon and the 4th is the Reston Parkway/Baron Cameron intersection under recommendation for the Board to approve.

Ray Johnson stated that there are six vacancies on the Board. Board members are asked to share within the community to encourage more participation. Ray will provide the list of available slots to the Board. Interested parties should contact their Supervisor.

5. The Board reviewed information provided by FCDOT staff at the February 25 meeting regarding the Funding Plan, Road Fund and Service District Collections, Road Fund Rates and Adjustments. The Board reviewed and discussed FCDOT recommendation to keep the Reston Transportation Service District Rate at \$0.021 per \$100 of assessed value in FY 2020. This rate has been advertised by the Board of Supervisors so it cannot go higher.

After discussion, upon motion by John Mooney and second by Mark Ingrao, the Board unanimously agreed to recommend to the Supervisors that the Reston Transportation Service District Rate be \$0.021 per \$100 of assessed value in FY 2020.

The Board reviewed information provided by FCDOT staff at the February 25 meeting regarding the next potential project to initiate at the end of FY 2019 with some of the funds collected by the Service District to date. The project is to begin design for intersection modification at Reston Parkway and Baron Cameron Avenue, adding a turn lane from west bound Baron Cameron turning south bound onto Reston Parkway. After discussion, upon motion by Kelley Westenhoff, seconded by Mark Ingrao, abstention by John R. Mooney, the Board agreed that FCDOT should take this project to the Supervisors to seek approval in May. FCDOT Director Tom Biesiadny agreed to attend the next Reston Association Multimodal Transportation Advisory Committee meeting at John R. Mooney's invitation.

- 6. During public comment, Rob Whitfield of Fairfax Taxpayers Union raised issues of safety and signal timing in various locations. Hank Schonzeit also raised issues of pedestrian safety around Reston Town Center. Kelley Westenhoff commented that a big part of the issue is lack of speeding enforcement has emboldened drivers. FCDOT Director Tom Biesiadny answered his and other questions involving specific intersections and speed enforcement. He specifically requested that if a particular road has a speeding problem that we send that information to Ray Johnson and FCDOT will share it with the police.
- 7. The Board engaged in a discussion of future meeting schedules. After discussion the consensus was that having two meetings in the spring is helpful to be able to digest the material presented by FCDOT staff in the first meeting so as to knowledgeably make recommendations to the Supervisors during the second meeting. The fall meeting is informational to the Board and no decisions or recommendations are made, thus whether a second meeting is necessary in the fall is debatable. FCDOT agreed to pursue the option of having electronic attendance by a Board member in the event that is necessary to make quorum in the future.

John Mooney moved, Mark Ingrao seconded a motion to keep two meetings in the fall on the calendar, but make the decision at the first one whether to drop the second

8. John Mooney moved, Mark Ingrao seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:43pm.