### **Summary Meeting Minutes**

# **Tysons Transportation Service District Advisory Board**

## 1600 Tysons Blvd, Suite 700, McLean, VA

March 19, 2015

#### **Board Members in Attendance:**

Stu Mendelsohn - Chamber of Commerce Jim Policaro – Commercial or Retail Ownership Raymond Baxter - Hunter Mill District Chris Auth - Providence District Mark Zetts - Dranesville District Claudia Diamond - Residential Owners (HOA/Civic Assoc) Terry Miller – Tysons Partnership Sally Horn – Adjacent Community Laurie DiRocco, Mayor, Town of Vienna – Adjacent Community Jay Klug - Hunter Mill District Board Members not in Attendance: Aaron Georgelas - Tysons Partnership Tim Steffan - Commercial or Retail Ownership Cindy Clare – Apartment or Rental Owner Molly Peacock - Providence District Vacant - Commercial or Retail Ownership #3 Vacant – Residential Owners and (HOA/Civic Association) #1 Vacant - Residential Owners (HOA/Civic Assoc) #2

#### Others in Attendance:

Tom Biesiadny, Fairfax County Department of Transportation Ray Johnson, Fairfax County Department of Transportation Joe LaHait, Fairfax County Department of Management and Budget Saira Malik, Fairfax County Department of Management and Budget Scott Sizer, Fairfax County Office of Community Revitalization

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The meeting was called to order with a quorum by Vice-chairman Jim Policaro at 6:24pm. Meeting minutes for April 9, 2014, October 30, 2014, and March 12, 2015 were considered for approval. Mr. Mendelsohn moved to approve all meetings minutes with revisions submitted by Mr. Georgelas, Mr. Klug seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Advisory board officers were considered next. Mr. Mendelsohn nominated Mr. Policaro for Chairman of the board. Ms. Horn seconded the nomination, and the board unanimously approved. Mr. Klug nominated Mr. Zetts as Vice-Chairman. Ms. Diamond seconded the nomination, and the board unanimously approved.

At its March 12 meeting, the advisory board requested the list of Tysons Table 7B transportation projects. Mr. Biesiadny gave a brief description of each project, and assured the advisory board that Table 7B projects were not funded by the service district. There was considerable discussion about the Route 7 / Route 123 interchange project.

Tom introduced the evening's presentation, "Tysons Transportation, Service District FY 2016 Tax Rate Discussion" to the advisory board. Mr. Johnson presented the Power Point in detail. Following the presentation there was lengthy discussion concerning a recommendation of the service district tax rate for FY 2016, and projects proposed by staff to be funded using service district revenues. The advisory board had no argument with the staff proposed projects for funding, but encouraged staff to move forward on the Table 7B project, Route 7/Route 123 interchange improvements as soon as funding was identified. FY 2016 tax rate discussion included the immediate and long term impacts of leaving the rate at \$0.04 from the perspective of project scheduling and long term implications of bond sales for transportation projects. The advisory board discussed staff's recommendation of increasing the tax rate to \$0.05 in FY 2016, its necessity in keeping projects moving forward, and the long term benefit in establishing revenue history for the service district to bond rating agencies. Mr. Baxter recommended aggressive public outreach concerning a potential increase in the tax rate.

Following discussion, Mr. Mendelsohn moved to endorse staff's recommendation and recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Tysons Service District tax rate be set at \$0.05 per \$100 of assessed value for FY 2016. The motion was approved by Chairman Policaro and seconded by Mr. Baxter. The motion was approved unanimously.

Having no further business, the advisory board adjourned at 7:40pm.