

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS

Public Hearing on I-66 Outside the Beltway Concession Funded Projects

January 4, 2018

Note: Additional Information, Including Technical Support Data for Projects, is being posted at www.transform66.org

A. Speakers at January 4, 2018 Public Hearing

1. Matt Scheufler

Recommends removing the Route 29 Improvements from Pickwick Rd. to Shirley Gate Road, various phases, from the list. Remarked that he feels we are expanding corridors which already have adequate capacity, while ignoring choke points that should be addressed. Suggests a more regional approach and suggested some specific alternate projects: 1) widen I-66 Westbound (Third Lane) from Sycamore St. to Washington Blvd Inside the Beltway. 2) Add shoulder traffic lanes between US 29 and VA 234 Business similar to current shoulder lane on 66. 3). Add a two lane road connection with adjacent bike facility between Balls Ford Rd and Bull Run Dr.

2. Tom Hickey (VRE Chief Development Officer)

Thanked the Commonwealth for considering the VRE Manassas Line project, and explained the benefits of the project.

3. Robert Whitfield

Questioned the Bus Bay benefits to I-66 commuters. Asked why the Orange Line Extension was selected over other modes. Asked “what are the benefits” of the Poplar Tree Road bridge and other proposed project.

4. Jeff Parnes

Suggested using some of the funding for more frequent bus service in off-peak hours.

B. Written Comments

1. Prince William County- Ricardo Canizales, Director of Transportation

Offered supporting information regarding benefits of Prince William County’s projects: Route 234 Bypass at Balls Ford Road Interchange and Balls Ford Road Widening between Groveton Road and Route 234 (Sudley Road). Expressed support for VDOT’s efforts to improve multi-modal mobility in the I-66 Outside the Beltway corridor. (Letter on file).

C. Email/Website Comments

1. Richard Howard.

Wants more park and ride lot expansion in Centreville area. The Park and Ride lot on Stone Rd. or others in the area should be expanded once HOV-3 commences in about 4 years. This will allow more people to take transit, carpool, vanpool or “slug”. Supports VDOT’s vision of moving more people.

2. Siew Poh Lee (Dunn Loring Resident impacted by a full property taking)

Asks that Metro be extended to support transit oriented communities. Toll money from Outside the Beltway should be used to improve infrastructure Outside the Beltway, not inside. Sound walls and mature tree lines that are to be removed should be replaced.

3. Eva Catlin

Supports quick construction of the Lee Highway sidewalks.

4. Carrie Holt

Says infrastructure is inadequate for population; transit not convenient during child care operating hours; her commute from Chantilly to DuPont Circle takes 1hr 45 min, 2hrs going home.

5. Rebecka Shay

Supports proposed trail connecting Maple Avenue to the Metro.

6. Barbara Kaplan

Supports bike lane on Nutley St. from Maple Ave. to Metro. Keeping Virginians safe and healthy by providing bike lanes should be a priority.

7. Kerry M. Fraser

A bike trail along Nutley from Rt. 123 to Metro is a great idea as long as it does not slow traffic, which is already heavy.

8. Joy Moore, for The Moores

As long time Vienna Residents, the Moores fully support a mixed use trail on Nutley St. with access to Metro.

9. Chloe Delhomme, for Manassas City Council

The Manassas City Council has endorsed the VRE projects included as part of the VRE Manassas Line upgrade Phase 1. A Council Resolution was also provided.

10. Chuck and Polly Dombroski

Support Nutley Street trail to allow safe biking and walking.

11. David Jacobstein

Strong support for Nutley Street trail connecting to Metro.

12. Peter Spain

Vienna Metro needs safe access for bikes.

13. Meredith Reitz

Expressed enthusiasm for the Nutley Street trail.

14. Han Oh, Marketing Specialist, the Korea Daily

Concerned about degree of involvement of the Korean Community in the process.

15. Alison Walisko and family

Supports Nutley St. trail from Maple Ave. to Metro.

16. Gayle Fields

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17. Tony LaBarbera

Supports pedestrian and bike improvements on Nutley Street.

18. Stephanie Gupta

Supports Nutley St. trail from Maple Ave. to Metro.

19. Michele Sullivan

Supports Nutley St. trail.

20 Steven Marku

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21. Mark Scheufler

Provided written comments similar to verbal comments summarized above in Section A.