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Via Email

Benjamin Howell, AICP
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Capital Area MPO
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Re: 2024 Wake Transit Conference Committee Update

Dear Mr. Howell,

As the Transit Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC) coordinator, I am writing to provide an update on formal action taken by the Wake Transit Conference Committee at its July 8, 2024 meeting. The Committee acted on all three (3) Significant Concerns by way of formal motions, the outcome of which was as follows:

1. **Significant Concern #1:** In resolution of Significant Concern #1, GoTriangle CAMPO, and Wake County agree to resolve Significant Concern #1, subject to approval of the GoTriangle and CAMPO governing boards, to the following:

- (a) GoTriangle will allocate \$2.528m of the vehicle rental car tax (VRT) to the Wake Transit Plan in FY 2025, with the understanding that:
- (b) GoTriangle, CAMPO, and Wake County agree to select a mediator by August 30, 2024 through the Conference Committee in an effort to resolve all unresolved Significant Concerns raised between the parties no later than April 1, 2025.

- **Cawley moved, seconded by Parker; Motion Approved 4-1 by Thomas, Calabria, Cawley & Parker; Howerton- No**

2. **Significant Concern #2 and 3:** Motion to defer a vote on Significant Concerns #2 and #3 pending the closing of a mediation.

- **Parker moved, seconded by Cawley; Motion Approved 5-0 by Thomas, Calabria, Cawley, Parker & Howerton**

Pursuant to Section 10.07 of the Wake Transit Governance Interlocal Agreement (ILA), the Committee's action is binding on TPAC. We understand you have scheduled a meeting of the TPAC so the conforming changes to the FY2025 Recommended Work Plan can be made.

CAMPO and GoTriangle executives are copied on this correspondence as their respective governing boards are ultimately tasked with final adoption of the FY2025 Wake Transit Work Plan. It is the Committee's recommendation that a meeting be scheduled, as soon as practicable, by GoTriangle and CAMPO to consider adoption of the FY2025 Wake Transit Work Plan that includes \$2.528m in Vehicle Rental Tax (VRT) funding. This would permanently resolve Significant Concern #1 and the current budget impasse. It will also conclude the 60-day Interim Operating Budget Ordinance for FY2025 and uncertainty over which projects are eligible for funding in the current budget year.

Consistent with the Committee's action, the Wake County team will work with GoTriangle and CAMPO to select a mediator to resolve the remaining issues before this Committee that will inform future budgets.

We appreciate your patience with this process and the work of TPAC in finalizing the FY2025 Wake Transit Work Plan.

Sincerely,



Shinica Thomas, Chair
Wake County Board of Commissioners
Wake Transit Conference Committee

cc: GoTriangle Board of Trustees, by and through Chuck Lattuca
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