

RESOLUTION NO. 259

WHEREAS, Federal funding for the regional Metro system under the present Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact legislation provides for a sharing ratio of 66-2/3/ 33-1/3 percent; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Aid Highway Act of 1973 approved by the President on August 13, 1973, provides for a change in the sharing ratio from 66-2/3/ 33-1/3 percent to 80/20 percent funding for projects not subject to administrative reservation on or before July 1, 1973; and

WHEREAS, The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority does not come within the purview of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1973; and

WHEREAS, The higher Federal cost-sharing formula affords distinct advantages to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority if it can be extended to the National Capital Transportation Acts of 1969 and 1972, resulting in a savings of approximately 45 million dollars to the taxpayers of Northern Virginia;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council in an official meeting in Alexandria, Virginia on November 13, 1973, does hereby urge the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority to seek such legislative Amendments as necessary to provide 80/20 percent Federal funding for the Regional Metro Rapid Rail System.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission and the Virginians serving the United States Congress are hereby urged to support and seek the passage of Federal legislation which would accomplish the objective outlined above.

Adopted November 13, 1973

CHARLES E. BEATLEY, JR.

MAYOR

Helen Vickers, City Clerk  
and Clerk of Council