

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 18, 2010
TO: The Board of Directors
FROM: Mark Rickards, Executive Director
SUBJECT: FY 2010 Operating Budget Reduction

State operating assistance revenues are used to support fuel, tires, maintenance, and administrative expenses for public transportation in the Commonwealth of Virginia and are administered by the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (VDRPT). These revenues provided to transit systems are based upon audited transportation expenditures two years prior to the award year (FY 2008 expenses determine FY 2010 award).

Due to the decline in revenues supporting the Commonwealth Transportation Trust Fund, and the Mass Transit Account and reduction of supporting funds by Surry County for transit services, WATA is reducing its FY 2010 operating budget by \$190,866.

To offset this reduction, WATA is implementing fiscal strategies to ensure the maintenance of existing services and also to ensure additional local share is not required. These fiscal strategies include deferring the information technology support, reducing fuel and maintenance parts estimates, and moving operation costs to eligible capital grants.

Staff recommends adoption of the attached resolution.

Mark Rickards

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Attachment