



April 15, 2021

**Pursuant to the City of Roanoke Emergency Ordinance adopted by the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission (RVARC) Board on April 23, 2020 and 2021 Virginia General Assembly legislation SB1271 passed February 27, 2021, the April meeting of the RVARC will be held virtually via Zoom on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

**Under the current State of Emergency, and until further notice, it has been deemed unsafe to assemble a quorum of a public body in one place. Any members of the public may view and participate in the meeting through electronic means. Meeting details are listed on the second page of the agenda. All materials made available to the members will be made available to the public at the same time by posting on the RVARC website.**

## **AGENDA**

1. Call to Order, Opening Statement, Roll Call ..... *Chairman Grose*
2. Approval of Consent Agenda Items ..... *Chairman Grose*
  - A. Approval of Agenda
  - B. March 25, 2021 Minutes, pp. 3-19
  - C. Financial Reports Ending March 31, 2021, pp. 20-23
  - D. Resolution to Pursue Section 5303 Funding to Support the RVTPO Unified Planning Work Program, pp. 24-25
  - E. Resolution to Approve the FY22 Rural Transportation Planning Work Program Scope of Work, pp. 26 & Attachment #1: [FY22 Rural Transportation Work Program](#)
3. Remarks by the Chair..... *Chairman Grose*
  - A. Appointment of the Commission's 2021 Nominating Committee
4. Executive Director's Report..... *Wayne Strickland*
5. Analysis of Economic Conditions after the First Year of the..... *John Hull, Executive Director*  
COVID Pandemic *Roanoke Regional Partnership*
6. Presentation on the Role of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany .....*Commission Staff*  
Regional Commission and its Work with our Partner Organizations in the Region
7. Other Business
8. Comments from Commission Members and/or the Public
9. Adjournment

*In accordance with adopted procedures, the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission (RVARC) Office Manager Virginia Mullen will provide public notice of this by posting it on the Commission's website (<http://rvarc.org/meetings/agendas-and-minutes/>) and distribution via electronic mail to media. Bryan Hill, Regional Planner III, will be the host for the virtual meeting. Members of the Board and the public will be able to access this meeting through Zoom, either by clicking on the web link below (preferable) or by dialing in using the phone number (for listen-only participation). Access information is as follows:*

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### **Public Input Policy**

Prior to this meeting, the public may email Bryan Hill at [bhill@rvarc.org](mailto:bhill@rvarc.org) with comments or call the RVARC at 540-343-4417. During the meeting, Mr. Hill will enable members of the public who wish to provide comments during agenda item # 8 the opportunity to speak. This comment period shall not exceed one-half hour in length and each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak.

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## MINUTES

Pursuant to the City of Roanoke Emergency Ordinance adopted by the Roanoke Valley Alleghany Regional Commission (RVARC) Board on April 23, 2020 and 2021 Virginia General Assembly legislation SB1271 passed February 27, 2021, the March meeting of the RVARC was held virtually via Zoom on Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Under the current State of Emergency, and until further notice, it has been deemed unsafe to assemble a quorum of a public body in one place.

### VOTING MEMBERS ATTENDING

|                                   |                       |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Jon Lanford                       | Alleghany County      |
| Joan Vannorsdall                  | Alleghany County      |
| Steve Clinton                     | Botetourt County      |
| Billy Martin, Sr.                 | Botetourt County      |
| Chris Whitlow                     | Franklin County       |
| Lorie Smith                       | Franklin County       |
| Dan O'Donnell                     | Roanoke County        |
| Phil North, <i>Vice Chair</i>     | Roanoke County        |
| David Radford                     | Roanoke County        |
| Dean Martin                       | Roanoke County        |
| Lee Osborne                       | Roanoke County        |
| Krystal Onaitis                   | City of Covington     |
| Allan Tucker                      | City of Covington     |
| Bill Bestpitch                    | City of Roanoke       |
| Stephanie Moon Reynolds           | City of Roanoke       |
| Dr. Elda Stanco Downey            | City of Roanoke       |
| Robert Jeffrey                    | City of Roanoke       |
| Frederick Gusler                  | City of Roanoke       |
| James W. Wallace III              | City of Salem         |
| Denise King                       | City of Salem         |
| Pam Marshall                      | Town of Clifton Forge |
| James Ervin                       | Town of Rocky Mount   |
| Mark Newbill                      | Town of Rocky Mount   |
| Mayor Bradley Grose, <i>Chair</i> | Town of Vinton        |
| Richard "Pete" Peters             | Town of Vinton        |

### VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Shannon Cox     | Alleghany County |
| Erin Henderson  | Botetourt County |
| Gary Larrowe    | Botetourt County |
| Dan Collins     | Craig County     |
| Jesse Spence    | Craig County     |
| Ronald Mitchell | Franklin County  |
| Mike Carter     | Franklin County  |

**VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT (Cont'd)**

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Roy Enslow     | Franklin County |
| Kevin Hutchins | Roanoke County  |
| Peter Volosin  | City of Roanoke |
| John Saunders  | City of Salem   |

**NON-VOTING LIAISON MEMBERS ATTENDING**

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| Teresa Hammond | Alleghany Highlands Chamber of<br>Commerce & Tourism |
|----------------|--|

**Others:** Terry Durkin, Roanoke Regional Chamber; Terry Austin, Virginia House of Delegates; Kristen Dahlman, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development; Liz Belcher, Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission.

**Staff:** Sherry Dean, Jeremy Holmes, Tim Pohlada- Thomas; Cristina Finch, Bryan Hill, Amanda McGee, Matt Miller, Virginia Mullen, Eddie Wells, Gabriel Irigaray and Wayne Strickland.

1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, OPENING STATEMENT**

Chairman Grose called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and asked Vice Chairman North to read the following opening statement...*“Pursuant to the City of Roanoke Emergency Ordinance adopted by the RVARC on April 23, 2020 and 2021 Virginia General Assembly legislation SB1271 passed February 27, 2021, the March meeting of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission is being held virtually on Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom. Under the current State of Emergency, and until further notice, it has been deemed unsafe to assemble a quorum of a public body in one place. Any members of the public may view and participate in the meeting through electronic means. Meeting details are listed on the second page of the agenda. All materials made available to the members will be made available to the public at the same time by posting on the RVARC website. This meeting is being recorded as always. Due to the virtual nature, video and audio will be recorded and provided on the website in place of written minutes. When the state of emergency ends, draft minutes from all meetings held during this time will be ratified at the next in-person meeting. As a way of ensuring that our meeting goes smoothly, Bryan Hill will serve as the Host for this meeting. All participants are asked to mute themselves to improve audio quality. If any voting Commission member wishes to make a motion, second it, or comment on a motion, please unmute yourself and ask to be recognized by the Chair.”*

Chairman Grose asked Wayne Strickland to call the roll. Mr. Strickland stated that a quorum was in attendance.

2. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Consent Agenda items were as follows:

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. February 25, 2021 Minutes
- C. Financial Reports Ending February 28, 2021

Chair Grose noted that Delegate Terry Austin asked to speak to the Commission, therefore the agenda would need to be amended to allow time for Mr. Austin's presentation.

**MOTION:** by Billy Martin to approve the Consent Agenda items, as amended. The motion was seconded by Allan Tucker.

**Regional Commission Action:** Roll Coll Vote: Ayes – 25 (Lanford, Vannorsdall, Clinton, B. Martin, Whitlow, Smith, O'Donnell, D. Martin, Radford, North, Osborne, Onaitis, Tucker, Bestpitch, Moon Reynolds, Dr. Stanco Downey, Jeffrey, Gusler, Wallace, King, Marshall, Ervin, Newbill, Grose, Peters); Nays – 0; Nays – 0; Abstentions – 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegate Terry Austin announced that in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP), the Commonwealth of Virginia will receive \$3.6 billion in federal assistance funding. Some of these funds could be directed to support a very important and crucial transportation project for our region project, specifically highway improvements to I-81 between mile markers 167 and 170. The project has been a regional priority for the RVARC and has been submitted four times for SMART scale funding. Some modest improvements to the I-81 have been done but the funds have not been enough for the total realignment of that stretch of the Interstate. Delegate Austin will submit a request for \$200 million appropriation for the realignment of I-81 between mile markers 167 and 170. Delegate Austin asked the Commission members for their support in the form of a letter of endorsement to Secretary Valentine and Governor Northam.

Delegate Terry Austin thanked the Commission members for the privilege to speak and for their outstanding work for the region.

**MOTION:** by Phil North, the Commission to provide letter of support for highway improvements to I-81 between mile markers 167 and 170. The motion was seconded by Bill Bestpitch.

**Regional Commission Action:** Roll Coll Vote: Ayes – 24 (Lanford, Vannorsdall, Clinton, B. Martin, Whitlow, Smith, O'Donnell, D. Martin, Radford, North, Osborne, Onaitis, Tucker, Bestpitch, Dr. Stanco Downey, Jeffrey, Gusler, Wallace, King, Marshall, Ervin, Newbill, Grose, Peters); Nays – 0; Nays – 0; Abstentions – 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. James Irvin encouraged the Commission to package its priorities and be ready to compete for the upcoming infrastructure funds. Mr. North commented that Mr. Irvin made a great point. He added that the state will receive money from the American infrastructure bill to support the infrastructure of roads and bridges and that the Commission should be thinking about a resolution of support for future infrastructure projects. Mr. North also suggested at the next meeting the Commission to advocate in some way for the infrastructure bill.

Delegate Austin noted that he has been working on another project called "Southern Connector". The Southern Connector is a proposed roadway that would run from the

North Carolina line north to the U.S. 220/U.S. 58 bypass. Delegate Austin encouraged members to support this very important project as well.

3. **UPDATE ON VA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

Kristen Dahlman, Policy and Legislative Director for the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development presented an update on housing and community development programs. (The PowerPoint presentation is included with the Minutes.)

4. **APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE VI IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

Rachel Ruhlen reported that the Virginia Department of Transportation conducted Title VI Compliance reviews of MPOs and PDCs across the state and found many, including the RVARC, were not in compliance. The RVARC Title VI Implementation Plan referenced Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and related nondiscrimination authorities, but the Federal Highway Administration has indicated that Title VI Implementation should only address discrimination based on race, color, and national origin and should not address related nondiscrimination authorities such as age, sex, and disability.

Mr. Bestpitch wondered why the additional categories created a problem. Mr. Strickland responded that the Virginia Department of Transportation indicated that the Federal Highway Administration wants only the Title VI categories of discrimination and anything further should not be noted in the Plan. Mr. Bestpitch questioned the use of Virginia Department of Transportation resources and time to be reviewing MPO/PDC Title VI Implementation Plans for compliance with this arbitrary ruling.

**MOTION:** by Moon Reynolds to approve the resolution to amend the Title VI Implementation Plan, as presented. The motion was seconded by Allan Tucker.

**Regional Commission Action:** Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 19 (Lanford, Vannorsdall, Whitlow, Smith, O'Donnell, D. Martin, Radford, North, Osborne, Onaitis, Tucker, Moon Reynolds, Gusler, Wallace, King, Marshall, Ervin, Grose, Peters); Nays – 3 (Bestpitch, Dr. Stanco Downey, Jeffery); Nays – 0; Abstentions – 0. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **REMARKS BY THE CHAIR**

Chair Grose announced that Wayne Strickland will retire in June as Executive Director of the Regional Commission after 42 years, with 34 of those years serving as Executive Director. Mr. Strickland, working with the member governments and commission staff, had assisted the region in many ways. There have been only five executive directors of the Commission over the past 50 years. Chair Grose stated that a Search Committee has been formed to assist in the selection of the new RVARC Executive Director. The Committee includes the following eight members: Chair Grose, Vice Chair Phil North, Treasurer Dean Martin, Past Chair Billy Martin, Former Chair Bill Bestpitch, Former Chair Lee Osborne, Joan Vannorsdall and Allan Tucker.

6. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Strickland commented that it was a hard decision to retire after 42 years of service. He noted that he is most proud of the fact that the current commission members and their predecessors have allowed the Commission staff to undertake many important projects over the past five decades. The members have supported and encouraged the Commission to look at numerous issues- from helping local governments with compensation studies to looking at developing a Broadband Authority. Mr. Strickland stated that he is also very proud of the Commission staff and the quality work that they have produced.

Chair Grose expressed his appreciation for Mr. Strickland's steady leadership.

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business was discussed.

**8. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS AND/OR THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Marshall commented that Mr. Strickland will be missed terribly.

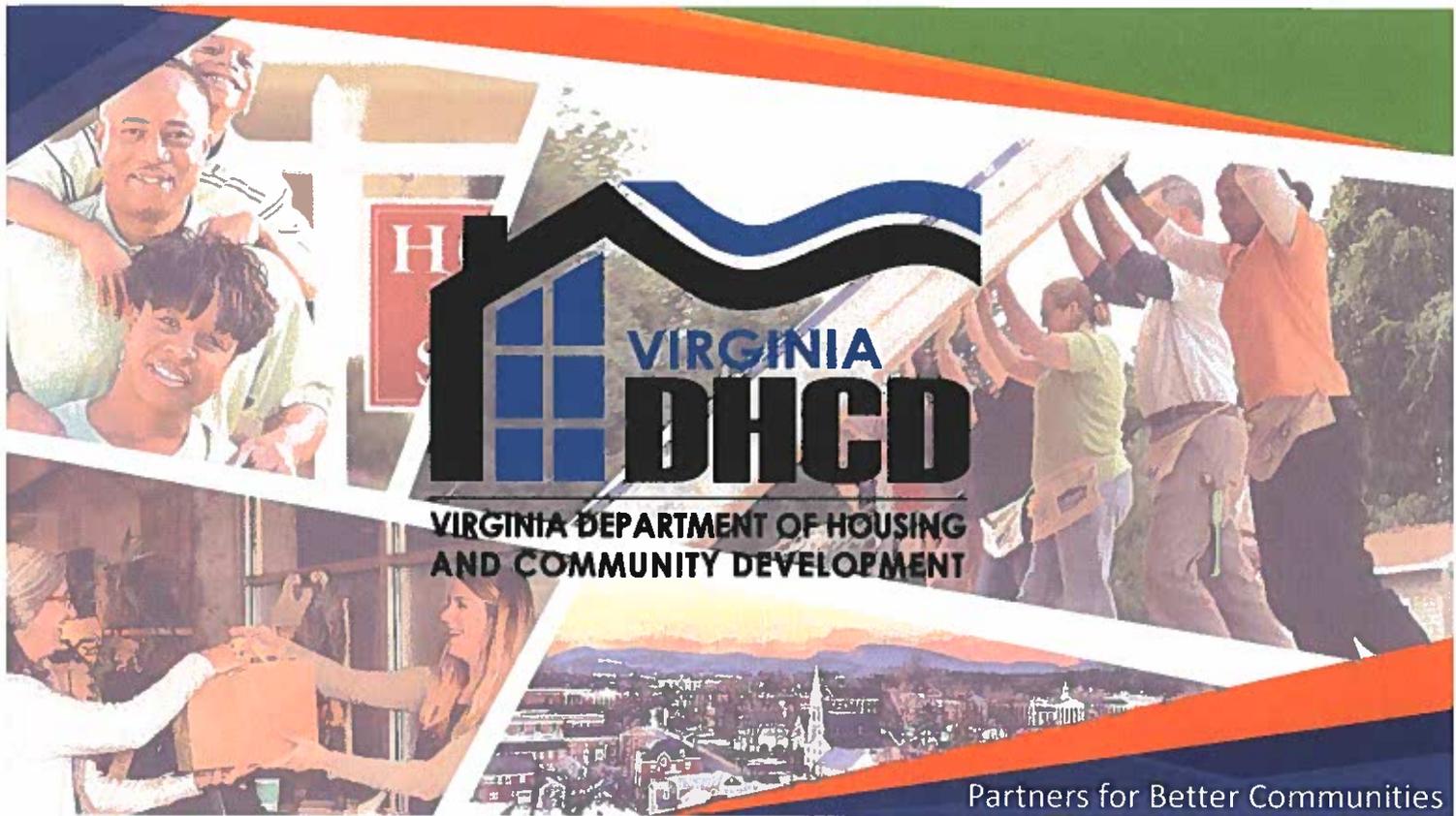
Mr. Lee Osborne commented that he started working with the Commission in the early 1990s, served as the Chair from 1995 to 1999, and continued to serve first as Roanoke City and later as Roanoke County Representative. Mr. Strickland has done an outstanding job in the very difficult and complex task of pursuing regional cooperative projects and in maintaining a very professional staff. The Commission will have a very hard time finding his replacement.

Mr. North thanked Wayne for making him feel so welcomed when he was appointed to the RVTPO and RVARC and expressed his best wishes with the retirement.

Chair Grose reminded that the FY22 Work Program Committee will have their meeting following the adjournment of the Commission meeting.

Adjournment at 4:30 p.m.

Wayne Strickland, Secretary  
Secretary to the Regional Commission



# DHCD Updates

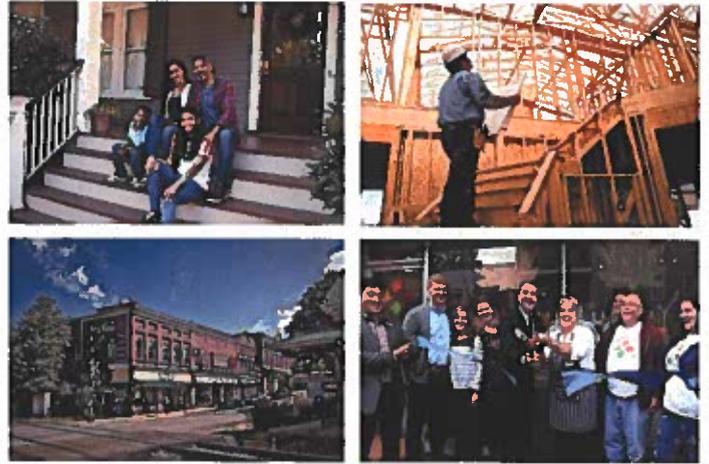
Presentation to the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional  
Commission  
March 25, 2021

Kristen Dahlman, Policy & Legislative Director  
Department of Housing and Community Development

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## Mission Statement

DHCD is committed to creating safe, affordable and prosperous communities to live, work and do business in Virginia.



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## Virginia Main Street Program

### **\$1.5 million budget increase to aid in recovery**

- \$1 million- Grants & Technical assistance for communities to deploy with their businesses
  - Virginia Main Street Recovery (paid to non-profits and governmental agencies)
    - Direct Small Business and Entrepreneurial Support and Training
    - Assist local businesses in moving to e-commerce
    - Support façade and systems improvement programs
    - Develop promotional campaigns in support of local businesses
  - Technical Assistance
    - E-commerce development
    - Marketing and promotions
    - Feasibility studies
    - Façade renderings and floor plan development
    - Market studies and prospectus development
- \$500,000- Community Business Launch
  - Serve communities with assistance for new and existing businesses

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## Potential New CDFI Program

### **\$10 million proposed in new General Funding for CDFI Fund**

- Program to provide capital through grants to community development financial institutions (CDFIs), community development enterprises (CDE), or other such similar entities as permitted by law, whose primary purpose is to provide financing in the form of loans, grants or forgivable loans to small business or community revitalization real estate projects in Virginia.
- Constitute a one-time appropriation of funding to capitalize this program
- Fill in gaps from other small business relief through new federal stimulus funding

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## Community Vitality Series

The “work from home” revolution is just getting started and causing people to reevaluate where they call home. As a result, communities have the unique opportunity to better position themselves for success by ensuring that they have the amenities, infrastructure and social offerings in place to retain and attract an increasingly mobile workforce.

Join DHCD for this monthly training series, separated into three-parts, focused on building your place’s identity, supportive ecosystems and community in a format promoting monthly education, inspiration and application.

- ***Leadership + Networks: Strategically Aligning Your Resources***

April 14, 2021

[Registration](#)

- [More information](#)

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The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program will assist units of local government and communities in response to the health and economic impact of COVID-19 by supporting planning grant, open submission and urgent need recovery activities.

#### Eligible Activities

- Food security or food pantry support
- Housing and homeless services
- Small business relief assistance
- Non-congregate shelter support
- Construction or rehab of structures to be used for shelters, testing or equipment manufacturing
- Acquisition costs for telework/telemedicine services
- Job creation or business development for manufacturing of COVID-related materials, supplies or equipment (PPE)

#### How to Apply

- Eligible localities (small cities, towns and rural communities) should submit a letter of interest describing the project need and its activities to DHCD. Letters can be attached via email and sent to [matthew.weaver@dhcd.virginia.gov](mailto:matthew.weaver@dhcd.virginia.gov)
- Neighbors in Need

## CDBG Applications are due April 1, DHCD has open submission round from April 1 to December 31

- Economic Development & Entrepreneurship (\$1,000,000 -- \$1,250,000)
- Construction Ready Water & Sewer (\$800,000)
- Regional Water/Wastewater (\$2,500,000)
- Urgent Need (\$1,000,000)
- Planning Grants to help develop projects (\$700,000)

## Housing Trust Fund & RGGI Proceeds

- **Virginia Housing Trust Fund**
  - \$70.7 million for FY 2021
  - \$55 million for FY 2022
- **Housing Innovations in Energy Efficiency**
  - March auction RGGI proceeds: \$43 million
  - 50% to come to DHCD per Code of Virginia for low income energy efficiency and eligible housing developments (\$21.7 million)
  - ASNH and DHCD Weatherization program first allocations for HIEE program

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## HTF Projects

- **South River Development Corporation (\$600,000) Town of Clifton Forge, Alleghany Apartments**
- **Council of Community Services (\$35,000 in 2019 and \$140,000 in 2021)**
  - Rapid Rehousing services

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## Rent Relief Program

- Through March 10, RRP has processed and dispersed more than \$114,230,000 million in rent and mortgage relief payments for 29,647 households throughout Virginia. In total, 25,297 households have received rental relief payments, and 551 households have received mortgage relief payments.
- Virginia received \$524 million in first ERA tranche of funding
  - \$Over \$50 million has been dispersed thus far
- Landlord and tenant portals
- Interested in helping us spread the word? Please contact us for ways to learn more about the program and direct people to apply!

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**VIRGINIA INITIATIVE FOR  
GROWTH &  
OPPORTUNITY  
IN EACH REGION**

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## Virginia Growth and Opportunity

Fund FY21 - \$34.45 m

### Regional Capacity Building

\$2.25 m

\$250,000/region

Provides support for administrative efforts to each regional council and may also be used towards projects

### Regional Per Capita Projects

\$17.56 m

Based on Regional Population Data with \$1m floor drawn from competitive

Region 1 - \$1,000,000  
Region 2 - \$1,545,403  
Region 3 - \$1,000,000  
Region 4 - \$2,515,225  
Region 5 - \$3,425,064  
Region 6 - \$1,016,222  
Region 7 - \$4,990,678  
Region 8 - \$1,069,775  
Region 9 - \$1,000,000

### Statewide Competitive Projects

\$14.64 m

Discretionary pot of funding awarded by the GO Virginia Board on a competitive basis

**The GO Virginia State Board allocated \$14.66M in unobligated statewide competitive funds (FY20) to create the Economic Resilience and Recovery Program**

## RECENT PROGRAM ACTIVITY

- **Economic Resilience and Recovery Initiative**
- **Relaxed Match Requirements**
- **Site Policy Amendments and Administrative Guidance Workgroup**

## ECONOMIC RESILIENCE AND RECOVERY INITIATIVE

- **\$1.0 M Allotted to Each GO Virginia Region PLUS additional flexibility with \$500K in per capita funding**
- **For Activities That Mitigate the Economic Impact of the Pandemic**
  - **Reevaluate priorities in Growth and Diversification plans;**
  - **Prioritize identified industry targets based on immediate impact and influence on the regional economy;**
  - **Assess community and business needs; and**
  - **Focus resources on actionable strategies that expand or build needed capacity and that support sustaining and expanding firms in targeted industry clusters and/or highly impacted locally traded sectors as identified by the regional councils;**

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## ERR FUNDED PROJECTS IN THE REGION

- **Rapid High-Throughput COVID-19 testing (Virginia Tech Office of Vice President for Health Sciences and Technology)**
  - **To support an initial 90-day start-up phase for 2 testing sites located in Blacksburg and Roanoke to help large numbers of people receive timely COVID-19 test results. A task force from Virginia Tech has been assembled to work on various aspects of the project. To date, the team has developed and finalized validation for COVID-19 testing and stood up two Fralin laboratory facilities. GO Virginia funds will be used to support the salaries of the newly hired Medical Laboratory Specialists (MLS), Medical Laboratory Technicians (MLT), and student interns at both sites to help scale-up the operation and purchase testing supplies needed for sample analysis.**
- **Pivot and RAMP Up (Blacksburg Roanoke Technology Council)**
  - **To help the region sustain the momentum of accelerating growth businesses that generate high-wage jobs, extend the benefits of the Program to more companies throughout the region by offering education, mentoring and business assistance programming virtually and by providing continuing services to accelerator graduates.**

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## RELAXED MATCH REQUIREMENTS

### **2:1 Match For All Projects Using Per Capita Funds**

- Planning, Pilots, Feasibility Studies
- Entrepreneurship Strategies
- Implementation Projects (All 4 Investment Priorities)
- Middle-mile Broadband

### **2:1 Match For ERR Initiative Resources**

- Regional And Statewide Implementation Projects Designed To Mitigate The Economic Impact of the Pandemic

### **1:1 Match For Statewide Competitive Projects**

- Significant Statewide Impact And Extraordinary Economic Opportunities

**NO Local Match Required**

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## SITE POLICY AMENDMENTS AND GUIDANCE

- Approved The Use Of GOVA Funds For Privately Owned Sites
- Created A 25 Acres Minimum For Sites Projects, With A Waiver Provision
- Workgroup Includes One Member From Each Region as Well as VEDP
- Developing Guidance Document For Implementing Board Policy
  - Emphasis On “Regionally Significant Sites”
  - Prioritization Must be Demonstrated – Data Driven Decision Making
  - Two or More Participating Localities – Regional Collaboration
  - ETA for Final Guidance - April 9

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## Responsibilities

- Assist communities with Broadband Planning efforts
- Provide technical assistance to stakeholders on accessing Tribal and Federal broadband programs
- Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI)
  - Technical Assistance (pre and post application)
  - Grants Management
- Oversight of the State Broadband Map

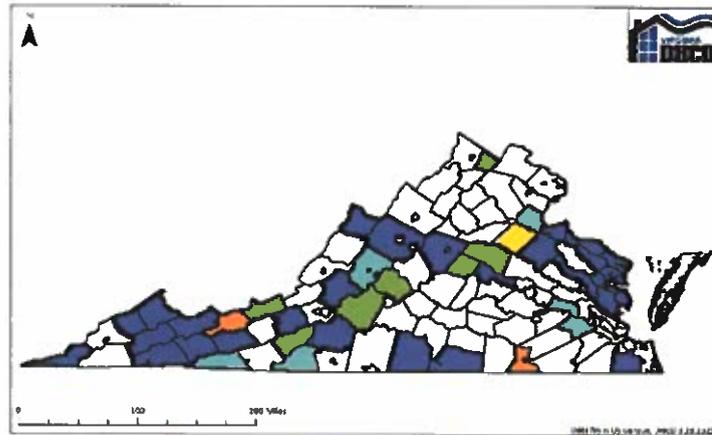
## Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI)

- Currently \$49.725 million annually, Governor's introduced budget increases by \$15 million annually to keep at this level.
- The VATI program, administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), funds public-private partnerships to supplement broadband infrastructure construction costs to extend service to areas not served by a broadband provider.
- VATI funds one-time capital improvement projects to build last-mile broadband to unserved communities.
- Previous investments have been critical to households and businesses during the pandemic and this investment is both an emergency response to the pandemic and a long term investment in achieving universal coverage.

# Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI)

- Since 2017, over \$74 million has been awarded to 56 localities and connected 78,035 Virginia residents, businesses and community anchor institutions to broadband. Underscoring the demand and competitive nature of the program, during that same time period, VATI received 145 applications totaling \$205 million in requests.

Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VATI) Grant Awards 2017 - 2021



In some circumstances, localities have received awards for more than one year. The color for each reflects the most recent year for which an award was made. For details on localities that received awards for more than one year, please contact DHCD staff.

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## Impact and Demand for VATI 2017-2021

- 145 Applications Received
- \$166,439,630 requested
- \$74,700,000 awarded
- \$86,310,641 leveraged
- 78,035 connections
- 56 projects awarded funding

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# CARES Act Broadband Funding Awards

**30,822**

Virginia Homes and Business Connected

**24,026**

More Locations with access to broadband

**6,796**

Locations with more affordable broadband

**71**

Total Projects

**50**

Localities Served

## Projects by Type:

5 Affordability  
33 Last Mile - Fiber  
12 Last Mile - Fixed Wireless

11 Middle Mile  
2 Mobile Hotspot  
8 Public Wifi

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## Balance Sheet

Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission  
 Period From : 7/1/2020 to 3/31/2021

Run Date: 4/6/21  
 Run Time: 1:39:12 pm

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**Assets:**

|       |                            |                     |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 10000 | CASH IN BANK BB&T          | 304,188.42          |
| 10050 | LGIP INVESTMENT            | 686,696.65          |
| 10300 | PETTY CASH                 | 150.00              |
| 10700 | A/R GRANTORS               | 135,266.63          |
| 10900 | PREPAID EXPENSES           | 6,748.94            |
| 11000 | PREPAID INSURANCE          | 13,971.53           |
| 11600 | PREPAID PHYSICAL ASSETS    | 583,777.89          |
| 11700 | PHYSICAL ASSETS, ACCUM DEP | (360,229.32)        |
| 12200 | PREPAID COMPUTER EQUIPT    | 4,340.00            |
| 12300 | COMPUTER EQUIPT, ACC DEP   | (4,340.00)          |
| 12500 | PREPAID TELEPHONE EQUIPT   | 1,591.00            |
| 12600 | TELEPHONE EQUIPT, ACC DEP  | (1,591.00)          |
| 12800 | PREPAID DUES               | 4,612.64            |
|       | <b>Total Assets:</b>       | <b>1,375,183.38</b> |

**Liabilities:**

|       |                           |                  |
|-------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 20000 | ACCOUNTS PAYABLE          | 5,765.58         |
| 20100 | ACCOUNTS PAYABLE1         | 7,475.59         |
| 20300 | ACCRUED ANNUAL LEAVE      | 42,585.74        |
| 20400 | FICA WITHHELD             | 2,659.03         |
| 20500 | FEDERAL TAX WITHHELD      | 3,197.31         |
| 20600 | STATE TAX WITHHELD        | 1,531.37         |
| 20700 | RETIREMENT                | 3,081.09         |
| 20800 | DEFERRED REVENUE          | 769.00           |
| 20900 | UNITED WAY                | 752.42           |
| 21200 | BUILDING FUND             | 15,000.00        |
|       | <b>Total Liabilities:</b> | <b>82,817.13</b> |

**Projects**

|       |                                     |             |
|-------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| 30140 | EDA                                 | (12,782.52) |
| 30300 | INDUSTRIAL FACILITY AUTHORITY       | 980.03      |
| 30306 | CHESAPEAKE BAY                      | (15,717.24) |
| 30307 | VIRGINIA HOUSING                    | (46,573.13) |
| 30308 | COMMUNITY MOBILITY DESIGN CHALLENGE | (3,286.18)  |
| 30600 | PL TRANSPORTATION                   | 16,284.78   |
| 30800 | VDRPT/FTA TRANSPORTATION            | 1.01        |
| 30900 | RIDESOLUTIONS                       | (22,762.72) |
| 30901 | REGIONAL BIKE COORDINATION          | 3,018.92    |
| 30903 | ROANOKE RIVER BLUEWAY               | 40,858.27   |
| 31300 | WIOA FUNDS                          | 4,920.31    |
| 31402 | AMERICA'S PROMISE/PATHWAYS          | 795.51      |
| 31405 | UNITED WAY/ON RAMP                  | 86.30       |
| 31408 | NORFOLK SOUTHERN INITIATIVE         | 277.48      |
| 31409 | ECONOMIC EQUITY GRANT               | 81.43       |
| 31412 | WAGNER-PEYSER                       | 4,276.84    |
| 35103 | ARC 2020                            | 2,835.93    |

## Balance Sheet

Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission  
 Period From : 7/1/2020 to 3/31/2021

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|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 35104                                  | ARC 2021                              | (4,562.16)          |
| 36010                                  | OTHER GRANTS                          | (670.05)            |
| 37600                                  | BIKE MONTH SPONSORSHIP                | (1,202.84)          |
| 39000                                  | GENERAL OPERATING FUND                | 140,100.88          |
| 39400                                  | UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE & INVEST CA | 1,195,237.74        |
| <b>Total Projects</b>                  |                                       | <b>1,302,198.59</b> |
| <b>Total Liabilities and Projects</b>  |                                       | <b>1,385,015.72</b> |
| <b>Net Difference to be Reconciled</b> |                                       | <b>(9,832.34)</b>   |
| <b>Total Adjustment</b>                |                                       | <b>(9,832.34)</b>   |
| <b>Unreconciled Balance</b>            |                                       | <b>0.00</b>         |

### Reconciling Items .....

|                          |  |                                  |
|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| (1)                      | Paid Salaries are<br>Timesheets show<br>Difference   | 840,631.42<br>840,631.42<br>0.00 |
| (2)                      | Leave accrued this year                              | (9,832.36)                       |
| (3)                      | Fringe Pool is<br>Fringe allocated<br>Difference     | 289,195.28<br>289,195.29<br>0.01 |
| (4)                      | Indirect Pool is<br>Indirect Allocated<br>Difference | 231,042.85<br>231,042.86<br>0.01 |
| <b>Total adjustments</b> |  | <b>(9,832.34)</b>                |

## Agencywide Line Item Revenues and Expenditures

Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission  
 Period: 7/1/2020 to 3/31/2021  
 With Indirect Detail

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| Code            | Description                            | Budget              | Current           | YTD                 | Un/Over           | % Bud          |
|-----------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>Revenues</b> |  |                     |                   |                     |                   |                |
| 40000           | ARC                                    | 59,900.00           | 29,952.00         | 63,710.98           | (3,810.98)        | 106.36 %       |
| 40001           | ROANOKE REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP           | 3,333.00            | 0.00              | 3,403.00            | (70.00)           | 102.10 %       |
| 40100           | FTA - TRANSIT                          | 12,500.00           | 0.00              | 12,500.00           | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 40101           | VDRPT-RIDEMATCH                        | 2,500.00            | 0.00              | 2,500.00            | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 40200           | FEDERAL - PL                           | 385,183.00          | 50,090.49         | 147,017.60          | 238,165.40        | 38.17 %        |
| 40210           | VDOT PL                                | 48,147.00           | 6,261.31          | 18,377.20           | 29,769.80         | 38.17 %        |
| 40350           | COMMUNITY ASSOC. TRANSPORTATION OF AME | 11,354.00           | 660.26            | 3,642.56            | 7,711.44          | 32.08 %        |
| 40400           | VDHCD ALLOCATION                       | 75,971.00           | 0.00              | 56,978.00           | 18,993.00         | 75.00 %        |
| 40410           | ROANOKE VALLEY BROADBAND AUTHORITY     | 4,200.00            | 0.00              | 1,762.50            | 2,437.50          | 41.96 %        |
| 40570           | ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION    | 75,000.00           | 0.00              | 39,625.36           | 35,374.64         | 52.83 %        |
| 40600           | ALLEGHANY COUNTY                       | 11,636.00           | 0.00              | 11,636.00           | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 40602           | WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT                 | 8,788.00            | 0.00              | 9,882.38            | (1,094.38)        | 112.45 %       |
| 40604           | WVRIFA                                 | 25,000.00           | 4,166.66          | 16,690.61           | 8,309.39          | 66.76 %        |
| 40605           | WORKFORCE REIMBURSEMENTS               | 0.00                | 0.00              | 347,403.10          | (347,403.10)      | 0.00 %         |
| 40699           | BEDFORD COUNTY                         | 263.00              | 0.00              | 263.00              | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 40700           | BOTETOURT COUNTY                       | 35,976.00           | 0.00              | 35,976.00           | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 40800           | CLIFTON FORGE                          | 3,508.00            | 0.00              | 3,508.00            | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 40900           | COVINGTON                              | 5,716.00            | 0.00              | 5,716.00            | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 41000           | CRAIG COUNTY                           | 5,094.00            | 0.00              | 5,094.00            | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 41010           | FRANKLIN COUNTY                        | 51,379.00           | 1,040.00          | 52,419.00           | (1,040.00)        | 102.02 %       |
| 41020           | MONTGOMERY COUNTY                      | 210.00              | 0.00              | 210.00              | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 41100           | CITY OF ROANOKE                        | 132,238.00          | 0.00              | 132,238.00          | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 41200           | ROANOKE COUNTY                         | 101,527.00          | 0.00              | 101,527.00          | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 41210           | ROCKY MOUNT                            | 4,748.00            | 0.00              | 4,748.00            | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 41211           | WEST PIEDMONT PDC                      | 0.00                | 0.00              | 1,764.49            | (1,764.49)        | 0.00 %         |
| 41300           | SALEM                                  | 30,893.00           | 0.00              | 30,893.00           | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 41400           | VINTON                                 | 9,743.00            | 0.00              | 9,743.00            | 0.00              | 100.00 %       |
| 41500           | VDRPT/FTA - TRANSIT                    | 143,775.00          | 43,301.54         | 96,298.54           | 47,476.46         | 66.98 %        |
| 41600           | VDRPT/STATE TRANSIT                    | 17,972.00           | 5,413.32          | 12,037.32           | 5,934.68          | 66.98 %        |
| 41800           | VDOT/SPR RURAL TRANSP                  | 58,000.00           | 18,301.51         | 38,197.34           | 19,802.66         | 65.86 %        |
| 41900           | VDRPT - RIDESHARE                      | 164,513.00          | 10,294.00         | 85,066.34           | 79,446.66         | 51.71 %        |
| 41950           | VIRGINIA HOUSING                       | 60,297.00           | 0.00              | 13,741.99           | 46,555.01         | 22.79 %        |
| 42100           | DEPT ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY             | 52,000.00           | 0.00              | 31,391.25           | 20,608.75         | 60.37 %        |
| 43000           | INTEREST INCOME                        | 1,500.00            | 63.18             | 893.75              | 606.25            | 59.58 %        |
| 43200           | MISCELLANEOUS INCOME                   | 2,000.00            | 5.00              | 30.00               | 1,970.00          | 1.50 %         |
| 43707           | SERDI                                  | 1,500.00            | 0.00              | 1,519.00            | (19.00)           | 101.27 %       |
| 44700           | DEPT OF FORESTRY                       | 4,994.00            | 0.00              | 2,808.68            | 2,185.32          | 56.24 %        |
| 49000           | CARRYOVER FUNDS                        | 35,661.00           | 0.00              | 35,661.38           | (0.38)            | 100.00 %       |
|                 | <b>Revenues</b>                        | <b>1,647,019.00</b> | <b>169,549.27</b> | <b>1,436,874.37</b> | <b>210,144.63</b> | <b>87.24 %</b> |

**Expenses**

|       |                       |                     |                   |                     |                   |                |
|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 50000 | SALARIES              | 791,425.00          | 65,498.38         | 570,070.07          | 221,354.93        | 72.03 %        |
| 50003 | WVWDB SALARIES        | 0.00                | 0.00              | 260,728.99          | (260,728.99)      | 0.00 %         |
| 50500 | FRINGE BENEFITS       | 291,738.00          | 24,123.12         | 214,754.91          | 76,983.09         | 73.61 %        |
|       | WVWDB FRINGES         | 0.00                | 0.00              | 74,440.38           | (74,440.38)       | 0.00 %         |
| 52000 | INSURANCE             | 5,000.00            | 339.50            | 3,500.00            | 1,500.00          | 70.00 %        |
| 52100 | SUPPLIES              | 17,494.00           | 2,053.83          | 13,574.65           | 3,919.35          | 77.60 %        |
| 52200 | POSTAGE               | 2,000.00            | 67.00             | 608.10              | 1,391.90          | 30.41 %        |
| 52300 | SUBSCRIPTIONS         | 1,750.00            | 10.99             | 312.63              | 1,437.37          | 17.86 %        |
| 52400 | DUES                  | 13,400.00           | 920.86            | 11,673.78           | 1,726.22          | 87.12 %        |
| 52500 | PRINTING              | 3,500.00            | 0.00              | 315.93              | 3,184.07          | 9.03 %         |
| 52700 | TRAINING              | 5,430.00            | 0.00              | 1,591.84            | 3,838.16          | 29.32 %        |
| 52800 | TELEPHONE             | 9,000.00            | 644.15            | 5,557.10            | 3,442.90          | 61.75 %        |
| 52900 | TRAVEL                | 30,008.00           | 78.31             | 252.88              | 29,755.12         | 0.84 %         |
| 52902 | WIB TRAVEL            | 0.00                | 0.00              | 1,500.03            | (1,500.03)        | 0.00 %         |
| 53000 | AUDIT FEES            | 10,500.00           | 0.00              | 10,800.00           | (300.00)          | 102.86 %       |
| 53200 | CONFERENCES           | 10,400.00           | 30.00             | 3,210.00            | 7,190.00          | 30.87 %        |
| 53300 | FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT | 3,000.00            | 0.00              | 2,135.00            | 865.00            | 71.17 %        |
| 53400 | DEPRECIATION F & E    | 500.00              | 0.00              | 0.00                | 500.00            | 0.00 %         |
| 53500 | MAIN F & E            | 7,500.00            | 288.51            | 4,874.84            | 2,625.16          | 65.00 %        |
| 53600 | MISCELLANEOUS         | 4,600.00            | 108.33            | 1,490.69            | 3,109.31          | 32.41 %        |
| 53700 | ADVERTISING           | 19,774.00           | 1,060.00          | 2,076.17            | 17,697.83         | 10.50 %        |
| 53800 | RECRUITMENT           | 3,000.00            | 50.00             | 470.00              | 2,530.00          | 15.67 %        |
| 53802 | WIB RECRUITMENT       | 0.00                | 0.00              | 295.84              | (295.84)          | 0.00 %         |
| 53900 | MEETINGS              | 9,600.00            | 118.57            | 118.57              | 9,481.43          | 1.24 %         |
| 54100 | LEGAL FEES            | 3,000.00            | 0.00              | 88.00               | 2,912.00          | 2.93 %         |
| 54500 | SUBCONTRACT PAYMENTS  | 24,422.00           | 0.00              | 23,822.44           | 599.56            | 97.55 %        |
| 54700 | CONSULTANTS           | 173,718.00          | 0.00              | 55,097.00           | 118,621.00        | 31.72 %        |
| 54900 | COMPUTER SERVICES     | 29,266.00           | 3,018.46          | 23,900.71           | 5,365.29          | 81.67 %        |
| 55200 | UTILITIES             | 13,500.00           | 1,080.20          | 8,504.67            | 4,995.33          | 63.00 %        |
| 55300 | LEASE PAYMENTS        | 5,000.00            | 393.52            | 3,541.68            | 1,458.32          | 70.83 %        |
| 55800 | BUILDING MAINTENANCE  | 25,000.00           | 1,443.85          | 21,590.88           | 3,409.12          | 86.36 %        |
| 56000 | DEPRECIATION BUILDING | 12,000.00           | 985.55            | 9,015.73            | 2,984.27          | 75.13 %        |
| 90000 | OPERATING RESERVE     | 121,494.00          | 0.00              | 0.00                | 121,494.00        | 0.00 %         |
|       | <b>Expenses</b>       | <b>1,647,019.00</b> | <b>102,313.13</b> | <b>1,329,913.51</b> | <b>317,105.49</b> | <b>80.75 %</b> |
|       | <b>Agency Balance</b> | <b>0.00</b>         | <b>67,236.14</b>  | <b>106,960.86</b>   |                   |                |



The 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2021

## **RESOLUTION**

### **Authorizing the Filing of an Application with the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation for Grants of Federal Funds Under the Federal Transit Administration Section 5303 Program and State and Local Matching Funds, in the Amount of \$169,668**

**WHEREAS**, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon this Body, including the provision of the local funds to support project costs; and

**WHEREAS**, a recipient of Federal Transit Administration funding is required to provide certifications and assurances that all pertinent federal statutes, regulations, executive orders and directives will be obeyed, and it is the intent of this Body to comply fully with all required certifications and assurances; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the goal of this Body that minority business enterprise (disadvantaged business and women business enterprise) be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and that definitive procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that minority businesses shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts and purchase orders when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment contracts, or consultant and other services;

### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ROANOKE VALLEY-ALLEGHANY REGIONAL COMMISSION:**

1. That Wayne Strickland, Executive Director, is authorized to prepare and file an application on behalf of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission (as the fiscal agent to the Roanoke Valley Transportation Planning Organization) with the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation for federal and state financial assistance under the Federal Transit Administration Section 5303 Program and State Aid Program.
2. That Wayne Strickland, Executive Director, is authorized to execute and file with such application all necessary certifications and assurances or any other documents or information required by Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation in connection with the application or the project.

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3. That Wayne Strickland, Executive Director, is authorized to set forth and execute minority business enterprise (disadvantaged enterprise business and women enterprise) policies and procedures in connection with procurements under this project.
4. That Wayne Strickland, Executive Director, is authorized to execute a grant agreement on behalf of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission with the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation to aid in the financing of the Roanoke Valley Transportation Planning Organization's FY 2022 Unified Planning Work Program.
5. That the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission hereby certifies that the local share of the project costs identified in the application shall be made available to the Roanoke Valley Transportation Planning Organization's FY 2022 Unified Planning Work Program from resources available to this Body.

The undersigned duly qualified Chair of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission held on April 22, 2021.

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*(Signature)*

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Bradley E. Grose  
*(Chair)*

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*(Date)*



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The 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2021

## **RESOLUTION**

### **Approval of the FY 2022 Rural Transportation Planning Work Program Scope of Work**

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2022 Rural Transportation Planning Work Program Scope of Work will serve as the basis for all federal Department of Transportation (DOT) and/or Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) funding participation and will be included in all requests for DOT/VDOT planning funds within the rural planning area of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany region; and

**WHEREAS**, this Planning Work Program Scope of Work details all transportation and transportation-related planning activities anticipated within the rural area of the district during the coming fiscal year.

**NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission does hereby approve and adopt the FY 2022 Rural Transportation Planning Work Program Scope of Work, as presented.

Bradley E. Grose  
Chairman

**Member Governments:** Counties of Alleghany, Botetourt, Craig, Franklin and Roanoke, Cities of Covington, Roanoke and Salem, Towns of Clifton Forge, Rocky Mount and Vinton