Baltimore Region Transit Governance and Funding Study
Kickoff Meeting
December 15, 2020
AGENDA

Baltimore Region Transit Governance and Funding Study

1. Introduction to Nelson\Nygaard Team
2. Study Goals Discussion
3. Review Scope and Schedule
4. Data Requests
1. INTRODUCTIONS

NELSON\NYGAARD TEAM

- Specialty on Governance and Funding

Naomi Doerner

Bethany Whitaker

Geoff Slater

Amy Pettine

- Experience with BMC, MTA, LOTS
- Certified DBE firm

Fred Fravel

- Management Consulting Firm
- Experience with large transit agencies

Blair Trame

- Financial Advisory Services Firm
- Based locally
- Experience with MTA

Tamar Henkin

NELSON NYGAARD
BALTIMORE REGION

- Anne Arundel County
- Baltimore City
- Baltimore County
- Carroll County
- Harford County
- Howard County
- Parts of Queen Anne’s County
3. SCOPE AND SCHEDULE

SCOPE OF WORK

1. History of MDOT MTA and the LOTs System
2. Review of Current Status
3. Financial Review
4. Review of Peer Agencies / Regions
5. Review of Transit Funding Measures
6. Options for Governance and Funding

- Stakeholder and Community Engagement
- Project Management
# 3. SCOPE AND SCHEDULE

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**Virtual Town Hall** | **Panel Workshop** | **Virtual Town Hall**
3. SCOPE AND SCHEDULE

STAKEHOLDER COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

**Stakeholder Meetings and Interviews**
- Understand perspectives, needs and opportunities
- Collect data and information
- Includes staff, elected officials and advocates

**Panel Discussion on Governance**
- Shaped with BRTB Input
- Collaborate with TransitCenter (Getting to the Route of It)
- Timed with Peer Review

**Virtual Town Halls**
- Summary of Existing Conditions (late March)
- Share Draft Options for Governance & Funding (June)

**Meeting Materials, Draft & Final Reports**
- Published on BMC website
STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

- MDOT
- BMC
- Transit Advocates
- LOTs Representatives
- BRTB Jurisdictions and Agencies
- Elected Officials (local and state)
- Major Employers and Institutions
4. DATA REQUEST

PEER REVIEW

• Geography
• Size
• Modes
• Board Structures
• Different Transit Governance Structures
  o States and City/County
  o Regional Organizations
WHAT ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT REASONS FOR DOING THIS STUDY?

• Use instructions to log in and provide 2 -3 words (or short phrases) that describe what you believe to be the most important reasons for doing this study?
WHAT SHOULD A POTENTIAL NEW GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE ACCOMPLISH?

1. Increase local input in transit decision-making
2. Increase investment in transit infrastructure
3. Improve the quality of public transportation (access, speed and reliability)
4. Create a seamless, integrated regional transit system (fares, connections, schedules, services, facilities)
5. Improve the cost-effectiveness of managing and delivery transit services
IMMEDIATE NEXT STEPS

1. Review Background Materials, Collect Data
2. Interview Stakeholders
3. Technical Memo: History of MDOT MTA and LOTs System
THANK YOU!

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2. STUDY GOALS DISCUSSION

FACILITATED DISCUSSION

Transit Reform for Maryland: New Models for Accountability, Stability and Equity (Eno Center for Transportation)

• How does the Eno Report impact the Transit Governance and Funding Study?
• What’s right about it?
• What questions remain?