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**POTOMAC AND RAPPAHANNOCK
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

RESOLUTION

MOTION: _____

**RESOLUTION NO. 07-05-____
OFFICIAL COMMISSION MEETING
MAY 3, 2007**

SECOND: _____

**RE: AUTHORIZATION OF REIMBURSEMENT TO PRINCE WILLIAM
COUNTY FOR LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDED IN FY 2007 AND
CONTINUATION OF LEGAL REPRESENTATION BY PRINCE
WILLIAM COUNTY IN FY 2008**

WHEREAS, Prince William County legal staff has provided services to the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) since 1986; and

WHEREAS, Prince William County is requesting funding for legal services provided in FY 2007 in the amount of \$39,000; and

WHEREAS, the choice of legal counsel is a policy prerogative of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, PRTC management recommends that Prince William County remain in this role since the matters requiring legal advice predominantly pertain to bus operations principally sponsored by the County and because the County has expressed a willingness to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission does hereby authorize payment to Prince William County as reimbursement for legal services performed for the Commission in the amount of \$39,000 for FY 2007 and continuation of legal representation by Prince William County in FY 2008.

May 3, 2007

TO: Chairman Gibbons and PRTC Commissioners

FROM: Alfred H. Harf
Executive Director

RE: Authorization of Reimbursement to Prince William County for Legal Services Provided in FY 2007 and Continuation of Legal Representation by Prince William County in FY 2008

Recommendation:

Authorize payment to Prince William County as reimbursement for legal services performed for the Commission in the amount of \$39,000 for FY07 and continuation of legal representation by Prince William County in FY 2008.

Background:

Prince William County legal staff has provided services to the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission since 1986 because the Commission decided as a policy matter to go this route and Prince William County was amenable. Since Mr. MacIsaac left Prince William County to become County Attorney of Arlington, he has continued to provide legal services for VRE, while Prince William County's legal staff, led by Deputy County Attorney Angela Horan, continued to provide PRTC legal services. By the attached memorandum, Prince William County has requested \$39,000 as reimbursement for legal services performed by County Attorney staff for the Commission in FY 2007 and signaled its willingness to continue to do so in FY 2008.

The choice of legal counsel is a policy prerogative of the Commission. PRTC management recommends that Prince William County continue to provide these services in FY 2008 because the matters requiring legal advice predominantly pertain to bus operations that are sponsored principally by Prince William, and because Prince William County has expressed a willingness to do so.

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Fiscal Impact:

The \$39,000 Prince William County seeks as reimbursement for legal services performed for the Commission in FY 2007 is part of the FY 2007 PRTC budget. The proposed FY 2008 PRTC budget envisions the same expenditure for legal services for that fiscal year.

Attachment: As stated