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**POTOMAC AND RAPPAHANNOCK
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

RESOLUTION

MOTION: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 09-05-___

SECOND: _____

**OFFICIAL COMMISSION MEETING
MAY 7, 2009**

**RE: AUTHORIZATION OF REIMBURSEMENT TO PRINCE WILLIAM
COUNTY FOR LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDED IN FY 2009 AND
CONTINUATION OF LEGAL REPRESENTATION BY PRINCE
WILLIAM COUNTY IN FY 2010**

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 2009 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 2009 and continuation of legal representation by Prince William County in FY 2010.

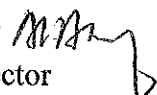


Potomac and Rappahannock
Transportation Commission

14700 Potomac Mills Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192

May 7, 2009

TO: Chairman May and Commissioners

FROM: Alfred H. Harf 
Executive Director

RE: Authorization of Reimbursement to Prince William County for Legal Services Provided in FY 2009 and Continuation of Legal Representation by Prince William County in FY 2010

Recommendation:

Authorize payment to Prince William County as reimbursement for legal services performed for the Commission in the amount of \$39,000 for FY09 and continuation of legal representation by Prince William County in FY 2010.

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 2009 and signaled its willingness to continue to do so in FY 2010.

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 2010 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 2009 is part of the FY 2009 PRTC budget. The proposed FY 2010 PRTC budget envisions the same expenditure for legal services for that fiscal year.

Attachment: As stated



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April 9, 2009

**TO: THE HONORABLE MICHAEL C. MAY, CHAIRPERSON
POTOMAC AND RAPPAHANNOCK
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

FROM: ROSS G. HORTON *RGH*
County Attorney

RE: FUNDING OF LEGAL SERVICES IN FY 2009

As you are aware, the Office of the Prince William County Attorney has been providing legal services to PRTC since 1986. Because of the dedication of staff resources to PRTC, the funding requests in prior years have been approved.

With FY 2009 drawing to an end, we wish to once again request compensation from PRTC to enable this Office to continue providing legal services to PRTC. In addition to attendance at all PRTC meetings, the County Attorney's Office has been involved in a host of issues. We believe PRTC Management and the Commission are well acquainted with the work provided on their behalf by this Office and we would be happy to provide further details of the work performed since July 1, 2008.

We believe that this work warrants consideration of our compensation request in the amount of \$39,000 this year, for services provided in FY 2009. We understand that funds are budgeted for this purpose.

Inasmuch as the bus service is principally sponsored by Prince William County, this is to confirm that this Office wishes to continue providing legal services and representation to PRTC in FY 2010. It is anticipated that the monetary contribution will remain at \$39,000.

We appreciate the Commission's favorable consideration of this request. In the meantime, if further information is required, please feel free to contact us.

Attachment: As Stated

cc: Alfred Harf

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