

# Regional Legislative Priorities

HRPDC/HRTPO

July 20, 2023 Meeting

# Process

- Regional Legislative Committee

• Mayor Douglas Pons, Williamsburg	HRPDC Chair
• William McCarty, Isle of Wight	HRTPO Chair
• Mayor Shannon Glover, Portsmouth	HRPDC Vice Chair
• Mayor Gordon Helsel, Poquoson	HRTPO Vice Chair
• Mary Bunting, Hampton	CAO Chair
• Chris Price, Chesapeake	CAO Vice Chair

Meeting in August to begin development of Regional Legislative Agenda

# Regional Legislative Agenda

- Complementary, not in conflict with local legislative priorities
- Short List of Regional Priorities
- Important to have unanimous support of region's localities

# Process

- Invite Legislative Liaisons to Regional Legislative Committee Meeting (August)
- Community Advisory Committee (August)
- Chief Administrative Officers Committee (September)
- Mayor/CAO Roundtable on Violence Prevention (September)
- Regional Legislative Committee Prepares Recommendation
- Adoption by HRPDC/HRTPO Boards (October/November)

# 2023 Regional Priorities

- Funding for I-64 Gap
- Support Faster and More Reliable Passenger Rail Service between Hampton Roads, Richmond and the Northeast Corridor
- Adequate Funding for Hampton Roads' Three Transit Providers
  - Regional Transit Advisory Panel
- Continue Efforts to Mitigate Toll Impacts at Downtown and Midtown Tunnels
- State/Federal Funding to Build the Birthplace of America Trail (BoAT)

# Public Safety

- Address Mental Health System
- Witness Protection Program Funding
- Invest in New Forensic Tools
- Support for 599 Police Department Funding
- Coordinated Case Management System Support
- Flock Cameras

# Public Safety

- Temporary Detention Order (TDO)
- Conflict Resolution/Mediation Skills in K-12 Public Schools
- Enable Assistance from Retired Public Safety Professionals
- Study of the Use of Technology to Address Violence and Crime
- Violent and Repeat Offenders
- Commonwealth Attorney Staffing Challenges

# 2023 Priorities

- Recurrent Flooding – Structure/Department for State Coordination and Oversight
- Continued Support for Jefferson Lab
- Support Efforts to Make Hampton Roads a Hub for the Emerging Offshore Wind Industry
- Financial Assistance to Support Shovel-Ready Economic Development Sites

# 2023 Priorities

- Support Housing Opportunities for All
- Reject Unfunded Mandates
- Increase State Funding for Planning District Commissions
- Federal/State Broadband Funding Flexibility

# Question

- What topics should be considered by the Regional Legislative Committee for inclusion on the HRPDC/HRTPO Regional Legislative Agenda?