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Department of Transportation

Item 455	First Year - FY2019	Second Year - FY2020
Administrative and Support Services (69900)	\$273,814,072 \$279,817,017	\$276,549,422 \$294,076,199
General Management and Direction (69901)	\$141,489,732 \$147,188,104	\$144,879,504 \$150,993,064
Information Technology Services (69902)	\$96,626,171 \$96,813,415	\$96,738,045 \$107,964,794
Facilities and Grounds Management Services (69915)	\$17,113,687 \$17,169,363	\$17,541,529 \$17,653,302
Employee Training and Development (69924)	\$18,584,482 \$18,646,135	\$17,390,344 \$17,465,039
Fund Sources:		
Commonwealth Transportation	\$273,814,072 \$279,817,017	\$276,549,422 \$294,076,199

Authority: Title 33.2, Code of Virginia.

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the highway share of the Transportation Trust Fund shall be used for highway maintenance and operation purposes prior to its availability for new development, acquisition, and construction.

B. Administrative and Support Services shall include funding for management, direction, and administration to support the department's activities that cannot be directly attributable to individual programs and/or projects.

C. Out of the amounts for General Management and Direction, allocations shall be provided to the Commonwealth Transportation Board to support its operations, the payment of financial advisory and legal services, and the management of the Transportation Trust Fund.

D. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department may assess and collect the costs of providing services to other entities, public and private. The department shall take all actions necessary to ensure that all such costs are reasonable and appropriate, recovered, and understood as a condition to providing such service.

E. Each year, as part of the six-year financial planning process, the commissioner shall implement a long-term business strategy that considers appropriate staffing levels for the department. In addition, the commissioner shall identify services, programs, or projects that will be evaluated for devolution or outsourcing in the upcoming year. In undertaking such evaluations, the commissioner is authorized to use the appropriate resources, both public and private, to competitively procure those identified services, programs, or projects and shall identify total costs for such activities.

F. Notwithstanding § 4-2.03 of this act, the Virginia Department of Transportation shall be exempt from recovering statewide and agency indirect costs from the Federal Highway Administration until an indirect cost plan can be

evaluated and developed by the agency and approved by the Federal Highway Administration.

G. The Director, Department of Planning and Budget, is authorized to adjust appropriations and allotments for the Virginia Department of Transportation to reflect changes in the official revenue estimates for commonwealth transportation funds.

H. Out of the amounts for General Management and Direction, allocations shall be provided to support the capital lease agreement with Fairfax County for the Northern Virginia District building. An amount estimated at \$7,800,000 the first year and \$7,800,000 the second year from Commonwealth Transportation Funds shall be provided.

I. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner may enter into a contract with homeowner associations for grounds-keeping, mowing, and litter removal services.

J. Notwithstanding the provisions § 2.2-2402 of the Code of Virginia, no construction, erection, repair, upgrade, removal or demolition of any building, fixture or structure located or to be located on property of the Commonwealth of Virginia under the control of the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and within the secured area of a residency, area headquarters or district complex shall be subject to review or approval by the Art and Architectural Review Board as contemplated by that section. However, for changes to any building or fixture located on property owned or controlled by VDOT that has been designated or is under consideration for designation as a historic property, then VDOT shall submit such changes to the Art and Architectural Review Board for review and approval by the Board.

K. The Virginia Department of Transportation is authorized to convey a 25-foot wide strip of land containing approximately 0.1923 acre located along the southeastern boundary of its original Callaway Area Headquarters parcel, Tax Map Parcel #0580004200, to Earl E. Bowman, Jr. and Elizabeth H. Bowman, husband and wife, in return for the termination of an existing easement in favor of the Bowmans across certain property of the Commonwealth, as shown in those certain deeds and plats recorded at Deed Book 1114, Page 1622 and Deed Book 1114, Page 1630 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Virginia, and the conveyance from the Bowmans of a parcel of land containing approximately 0.3582 acres located adjacent to and northwest of VDOT's original parcel, all as shown on a plat to be agreed to between the Parties. The appraised value of the land to be acquired by VDOT shall be equal to or greater than the value of the land to be transferred from VDOT. The exact property to be conveyed as consideration for this transaction is subject to change or adjustment provided that all parties agree, the requirements for value and form are met, and the appropriate approvals are obtained. The conveyances shall be made with the recommendation of the Department of General Services, the approval of the Governor and shall be in a form approved by the Attorney General. The appropriate officials of the Commonwealth are hereby authorized to prepare, execute, and deliver such deed and other documents as may be necessary to accomplish the conveyance.

L. 1. At such time as the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) determines that the VDOT Residency office, on five acres, at 626 Waddell Street, in the City of Lexington is no longer required for VDOT's purposes, it shall offer to transfer the property to the City of Lexington prior to offering the property for transfer or sale to any other public or private agency or entity or individual, on such terms and conditions as provided below.

2. The Virginia Department of Transportation and the City of Lexington shall each obtain a separate appraisal of the property, each performed by an appraiser licensed by the Commonwealth of Virginia as Certified General Real Property Appraisers, who must meet the competency provisions of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

3. VDOT shall offer the property to the City of Lexington at a value which shall be determined by averaging the values from the two appraisals obtained in L.2. above. Any other conditions of the transfer shall be based on usual and customary terms for such intergovernmental transfers.

4. If the Virginia Department of Transportation and the City of Lexington cannot agree on the terms of the transfer of the property, VDOT may transfer or sell the property to any other public or private agency or entity or individual on such terms as it determines are in the best interest of the Virginia Department of Transportation, however it will present those terms to the City of Lexington for its consideration prior to finalizing any transfer or sale to any other party.