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STV/RK&K SUPPORT TRANSFORMATIVE NEW BUS RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM IN VIRGINIA

FAIRFAX, VA, June 9, 2017 – The engineering and construction firms of STV and RK&K announced that they have been selected in a joint venture to perform program management consulting services for the proposed Fairfax County bus rapid transit (BRT) system serving the Richmond Highway Route 1 corridor.

As part of this transformative initiative, STV/RK&K will provide the county with a host of consultancy services including developing station, vehicle and guideway design criteria, and preparing a financial implementation program.

“Fairfax County has envisioned a number of improvements along Route 1 over the next decade as part of its plan to bring more transit options to residents and businesses,” said Lara Hegler, P.E., STV’s transportation director of operations in the Virginia/Washington, DC, region. “STV and RK&K are excited for the opportunity to share our public transportation experience in support of this BRT service.”

In 2015, the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (VDRPT) conducted the Route 1 Multimodal Alternatives Analysis, which recommended major transportation improvements along Richmond Highway to be phased over the next 10 to 25 years. In addition to improving transportation within the corridor, a BRT system would serve the approximately 2,000 households living within half a mile of Richmond Highway who do not have access to an automobile. BRT is slated to be among the first wave of improvements for the project.

The proposed BRT system will have multiple stations and connect to major employment centers, shopping centers and residential communities along the corridor. The project will include pedestrian and bicycle facilities as well as other amenities to support the proposed system. The exact number and locations of the stations will be determined during the environmental and design phases of the project. Public input will be a critical component in this process.

The corridor is currently serviced by Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Metrobus’s Richmond Highway Express line, which connects to two WMATA Metrorail stations.

Both STV and RK&K have played key roles in the planning, delivery and implementation of more than 50 BRT systems throughout North America. Most recently, the firms collaborated to provide design services for The Pulse, a new BRT system currently under construction in Richmond, VA. Additionally, STV provided engineering services and RK&K provided construction management and inspection services for the design-build of the Potomac Yard section of the Crystal City/Potomac Yard Transitway, a dedicated bus corridor in Alexandria, VA, that was completed in 2016.

About STV: Founded more than 100 years ago, STV is a leader in providing engineering, planning, architectural, environmental and construction management services for transportation systems, infrastructure, buildings, energy and other facilities. The firm is ranked 40th in Engineering News-Record’s (ENR) Top 500 Design Firms survey and 11th in its Transportation category. STV is 100 percent employee-owned. For more information, visit our website at www.stvinc.com or follow @STVGroup on Twitter.

About RK&K: Founded in 1923, the RK&K Team serves public and private sector clients with planning, engineering, environmental and construction management services from 22 offices in eight states and Washington, DC. RK&K is ranked 69th on ENR’s 2016 List of the Top 500 Design Firms and employs a staff of nearly 1,200 engineers, scientists and specialists. For more information, visit RK&K’s website at www.rkk.com or follow @rkk_social on Twitter.