

**AGENDA ITEM 8-B**  
**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM**

**TO: CHAIRMAN JENKINS AND THE VRE OPERATIONS BOARD**

**FROM: DALE ZEHNER**

**DATE: AUGUST 15, 2008**

**RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE AN IFB FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PLATFORM EXTENSION AT THE BURKE CENTRE STATION**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

The VRE Operations Board is being asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to issue an Invitation for Bid (IFB) for the construction of a platform extension at the Burke Centre VRE Station.

**BACKGROUND:**

Due to significant increases in ridership, VRE has initiated a platform extension project in order to accommodate the additional passengers waiting at the Burke Centre station. As such, VRE has completed the design of a two hundred foot platform and canopy extension. The project is located to the west of the existing platform near the newly constructed parking garage. The expansion will accommodate eight-car train sets that will more efficiently and safely serve the station.

At the March, 2008 Operations Board meeting, authorization was provided for a task order to HDR for the design of the platform extension. The design has been underway for the past several months and is now substantially complete. The design is currently in the permitting process with Fairfax County with no anticipated issues.

Upon receipt of bids, VRE staff will return to the Board for authorization to award a construction contract.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funding for this project is included in VRE's Capital Improvement Program as part of the Burke Centre Platform Extension project. Funding is provided using a CMAQ grant that does not require match.

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**RESOLUTION  
8B-08-2008  
OF THE  
VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS  
OPERATIONS BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, due to significant increases in ridership, VRE has initiated a platform extension project at the Burke Centre station; and,

**WHEREAS**, at the March 2008 meeting, the Operations Board authorized issuance of a task order to HDR for engineering services for this project; and,

**WHEREAS**, the design for the project has been completed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the VRE Operations Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to issue an Invitation for Bid (IFB) for the construction of a platform extension at the Burke Centre VRE station.