In support of the City of Manassas Park, VRE is conducting a Northern Virginia Transportation Authority funded study addressing the need to expand the existing parking at Manassas Park station. A parking demand analysis concluded approximately 560 more spaces are anticipated to be needed by 2040, in addition to the 600 existing surface parking spaces serving the station. The current study includes analysis of alternatives, environmental documentation, and design of a proposed parking facility; a grade-separated pedestrian access to the existing platform will also be designed if needed. The study was initiated in July 2016 and is currently in the alternatives analysis phase.

The goal of the alternatives analysis is to identify the size and location of a proposed parking facility. Major criteria for site selection were identified through discussions with the City. A site evaluation workshop was held on October 11, 2016 with VRE staff and the City of Manassas Park Governing Body and staff. Seven sites in the vicinity of the station were evaluated, and a staff recommendation for an alternative was made to the City on October 18, 2016. Public comments were solicited through email, and mail, as well as at a Town Hall meeting held on November 1, 2016.

The City of Manassas Park Governing Body is anticipated to adopt one or more preferred alternatives for the location of the parking facility on November 15, 2016. The alternatives analysis is expected to be completed by December 2016. Final design for the proposed facility is expected to be complete by Summer 2018.