

# LAFAYETTE BOULEVARD STUDY PHASE 1

Technical Committee Presentation

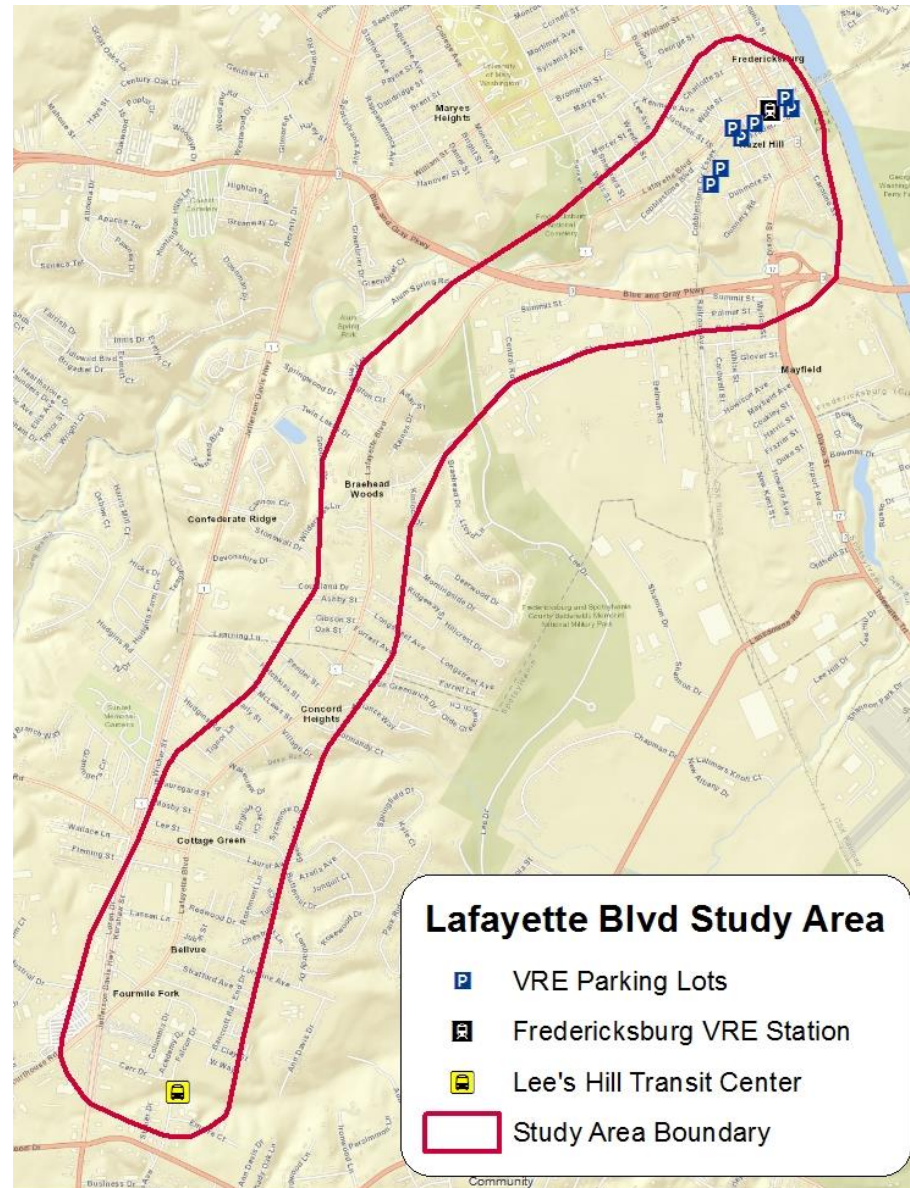
# Phase 1 Study Purpose and Funding

- Phase 1: To conduct a study of potential transit improvements for the Lafayette Boulevard Corridor including improved accessibility for the Fredericksburg AMTRAK/VRE station and planned Lee Hill Transfer Station. Study will develop a prioritized list of projects for future funding consideration in funding programs, e.g., Smart Scale, CMAQ/RSTP, etc.
- Phase 1 is part of a multimodal study effort with Phase 2 studying potential highway and bike/ped improvements for the same study area
- Phase 1: FY-19 \$125 K Technical Assistance Grant from DRPT
- Current Phase 1 deadline: 9/30/2019 (Extension Request planned)

# Phase 2 Overview

- To conduct a study of potential highway and bike/ped improvements for the Lafayette Boulevard Corridor in coordination with Phase 1 Transit effort including potential improvements to access to VRE/AMTRAK commuter lots and station, highway improvements to Lafayette Boulevard between Rte 1 and Rte 3, and bike/ped crossing of Rte 3.
- \$125K in FY-20 RSTP funding from FAMPO (City Request)
- Plan to accelerate study effort to start in Spring, 2019

# Study Area



# Proposed Study Stakeholders

- DRPT
- City of Fredericksburg
- FRED Transit
- Spotsylvania County
- VRE
- GWRideConnect
- Other interested FAMPO TAC members

# Recent/Upcoming Changes impacting Study Effort

- Interest in studying Fredericksburg VRE/AMTRAK commuter parking needs
- Smart Scale Round 3 Results expected on January 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Lafayette Blvd Roundabouts at Charles Street & Kenmore Avenue
    - » Includes a new bus pullout near AMTRAK/VRE Station
  - Rte 3 STARS includes improvements to intersection with Lafayette Blvd
    - » At the intersection of Rt 3 and Lafayette Blvd: extend double left turn lanes from Rt 3 to Lafayette Blvd, install lane reduction arrows on NB Lafayette Blvd and install new raised median between VCR Trail and Lafayette Blvd.
  - FRED Transit Shelter/Stop improvements
- I-395 Commuter Choice program
  - Could provide some funding for transit improvements benefiting FRED and VRE
- Other?

# Study Process

- FAMPO approved potential use of consultants for Study in December
  - But FAMPO direction is to do more work in house to the extent possible
- Schedule: Start in February; planned request to DRPT for extension on September 30<sup>th</sup> completion date
- Potential to do more work in house if extension can be obtained
- I-95 Phase 2 Transit/TDM results, VRE studies/data, and any other available relevant study/data will be utilized

# Technical Committee Input

