

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**  
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**FEBRUARY 23, 2012**

**BOARD**  
**AGENDA ITEM**

**2. DVRPC Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Actions**

**d. PA11-62: System Improvements (MPMS# 60557), SEPTA**

**From:** Jon Frey

**County:** Philadelphia

**Zip Code:** 19134

**Date Received:** February 20, 2012

**Comment/Question:** Why are costs increasing for this project? Please provide a breakdown of the components that are increasing and provide supporting documentation. I will not be able to take a position on this TIP Action until that information is made available. Which elected officials outside of DVRPC board members support this spending increase?

**Response:** Thank you for your comment. DVRPC staff forwarded your comment to SEPTA and received the following response: the initial budget for the Route 13 Chester Avenue Track project was prepared during the FY 2011 TIP development when the project was still conceptual. The total funding being programmed in FY 2012 for Route 13 Chester Avenue Track project is \$3.2 million (\$2.18 increase plus the \$1.02 million already programmed). Listed here are the elected officials (that are not on the DVRPC Board) that represent the district this project is located in, and their contact information:

*Richmond Street Project (Philadelphia)*

Representative O'Brien, 215-503-3245/ 717-783-8098

Senator Farnese 215-952-3121/ 717-787-5662

Congressman Brady 215-426-4616/202-225-4731

*Route 13 Project (Philadelphia and Delaware County)*

Representative Donatucci, 610-522-2290/717-783-8634

Representative Walters 215-748-6712/717-772-9850

Representative Roebuck, 215-724-2227/ 717-783-7665

Representative Josephs, 215-283-1515/ 717-787-8529

Senator Williams, 215-492-2980/ 717-772-9850

Senator Farnese, 215-952-3121/ 717-787-5662

Congressman Fattah, 215-387-6404/ 202-225-4001

**e. NJ12-09: Small Special Services Program (DB# T120), NJ TRANSIT**

**From:** Jon Frey

**County:** Philadelphia

**Zip Code:** 19134

**Date Received:** February 20, 2012

**Comment/Question:** Please provide a copy of projected ridership estimates and cost recovery data for this project. Please provide a list of non-DVRPC board elected officials who support this spending measure. As an interested party, I will provide comments once this data has been made available. Thank you.

**Response:** Thank you for your comment. At the end of the first year of operation, the average weekday ridership is estimated to be 640 passenger trips. The farebox recovery is estimated to be between 23% and 29% during this period. Listed here are the elected officials (that are not on the DVRPC Board) that represent the district this project is located in, and their contact information:

Senator Greenstein, 609-395-9911

Senator Bateman, 908-526-3600

Assemblyman Benson, 609-631-0198

Assemblyman DeAngelo, 609-631-7501

Assemblyman Ciattarelli, 908- 252-0800

Assemblywoman Simon, 609-847-3905