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Agenda item # 9

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

June 16, 2010

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Layne Seconded By: Mr. Dickens

Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

<u>Title: Request to Approve Agreement between Virginia Department of Transportation and Hampton Roads Transit governing the Maintenance and Operations of the Light Rail System in the City of Norfolk, Virginia.</u>

WHEREAS, the Transportation District Commission of Hampton Roads, a body corporate and politic created pursuant to the Transportation Act of 1964 *et seq.*, d/b/a Hampton Roads Transit ("HRT"), the City of Norfolk, Virginia and the Virginia Department Transportation ("VDOT") are cooperating and participating in the development and construction of the Norfolk Light Rail System Project ("Light Rail Project"); and,

WHEREAS, HRT has entered into a Full Funding Grant Agreement with the United States of America, Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, on October 1, 2007, for the Light Rail Project; and,

WHEREAS, HRT is proceeding with construction of the first segment of the regional Light Rail Transit ("LRT") system known as the Norfolk Light Rail System consisting of a double track electrified rail guideway, with passenger Station stops, park and ride lots and vehicle storage and maintenance facilities; and

WHEREAS, portions of the Light Rail Project are to be located within existing VDOT owned right of way under and adjacent to I-264 from Main Street to the eastern terminus at Newtown Road and HRT and VDOT have agreed upon the terms and conditions concerning the resource sharing of VDOT Rights of Way for the Norfolk Light Rail System Project ("Light Rail Project"); and,

WHEREAS, all right of way, engineering, construction, and necessary safety improvements shall meet all VDOT standards and requirements; and,

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WHEREAS, all costs of engineering and construction, including all necessary safety improvements will be borne by HRT; and,

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner has negotiated an agreement with Hampton Roads Transit for Maintenance and Operations of the Light Rail System to serve as additional terms of a Land Use Permit for approval by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board does hereby approve the agreement presented and authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner to execute the agreement on behalf of the Commonwealth contingent upon receiving the executed agreement from HRT.