RESOLUTION
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

May 15, 2008

MOTION

Made By: Mrs. Carter Seconded By: Mr. Koelemay
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Limited Access Control Changes
Route 17, Hospital Boulevard, Route 635 (Germanna Point Drive) renumbered to Route 628, Frontage Road B (Overview Drive); Interstate 95, Spotsylvania Parkway, Spotsylvania County

WHEREAS, Route 17, between Route 1 and 0.038 miles east of the intersection with Route 2 in Spotsylvania County was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the State Highway Commission, predecessor of the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), on August 17, 1967; and

WHEREAS, Interstate 95 in Spotsylvania County was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the State Highway Commission of Virginia, predecessor of the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), on October 4, 1956; and

WHEREAS, in connection with a section of Route 17, State Highway Project 6017-088-101, RW-201, which is located between the aforesaid locations, limited access control was established as a design feature of the project, and the Commonwealth acquired certain lands and limited access easements from various landowners; and

WHEREAS, in connection with a section of Interstate 95, State Highway Project 0095-088-109, RW-202, which is located within the aforesaid locality, limited access control was established as a design feature of the project, and the Commonwealth acquired certain lands and limited access easements from various landowners; and
WHEREAS, the land on the south side of the south proposed right of way and limited access line of Route 17, as shown on the plans for State Highway Project 6017-088-101, RW-201, has been identified by Spotsylvania County (County) as a portion of the County Comprehensive Thoroughfare Plan for a proposed intersection with proposed Hospital Boulevard, Route 17, and Route 635 (Germanna Point Drive) renumbered to Route 628; and

WHEREAS, the County acknowledges that construction of said intersection shall require the relocation of Frontage Road B (Overview Drive) located on the south side of Route 17, to be completed as part of a subsequent Route 17 widening project; and

WHEREAS, the land on both the east and west sides of the east and west proposed and existing right of way and limited access lines of Interstate 95, as shown on the plans for State Highway Project 0095-088-109, RW-202, have been identified for the proposed construction of four lanes of bridge span over Interstate 95 to accommodate the proposed extension of Spotsylvania Parkway as a portion of the County Comprehensive Thoroughfare Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County, by resolution dated August 14, 2007, approved requesting the said limited access control changes for Route 17 and Interstate 95 in accordance with the County’s Comprehensive Thoroughfare Plan and authorized the County Administrator to make said request; and

WHEREAS, the County has requested by letter dated August 30, 2007, and subsequently identified a proposed limited access control change of approximately 202 feet, more or less, on the south side of the south proposed right of way and limited access line of Route 17 (approximately 101 feet, more or less, on either side of Station 72+72.50), as shown on the plans for State Highway Project 6017-088-101, RW-201, for the proposed Hospital Boulevard intersection with Route 628 (Germanna Point Drive) and Route 17, being fully signalized with full turning movements, increasing the through lanes on Route 17 to four, with left and right turn, taper, acceleration, deceleration, and merge lanes and median breaks, as required; and

WHEREAS, the County has requested by letter dated August 30, 2007, and subsequently identified proposed limited access control changes of approximately 200 feet, more or less, on the east and west sides of the east and west proposed and existing right of way and limited access lines of Interstate 95 (approximately 100 feet, more or less, on either side of approximate Station 2141+80), as shown on the plans for State Highway Project 0095-088-109, RW-202, to accommodate four lanes of bridge span over Interstate 95 without ramps, interchange or other access to the said Interstate and
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requiring no signalization, or other lane/median adjustments, as part of the said proposed extension of Spotsylvania Parkway; and

WHEREAS, VDOT and County staff have determined that the proposed limited access control change of 202 feet, more or less, on the south side of the south proposed right of way and limited access line of Route 17 (approximately 101 feet, more or less, on either side of Station 72+72.50), as shown on the plans for State Highway Project 6017-088-101, RW-201, for the proposed Hospital Boulevard intersection with Route 628 (Germanna Point Drive) and Route 17, being fully signalized with full turning movements, increasing the through lanes on Route 17 to four, with left and right turn, taper, acceleration, deceleration, and merge lanes, median break adjustments and safety improvements as required, is appropriate for said proposed intersection from a design standpoint subject to further review and approval; and

WHEREAS, VDOT and County staff have determined that the proposed limited access control changes of 200 feet, more or less, on the east and west sides of the east and west proposed and existing right of way and limited access lines of Interstate 95 (approximately 100 feet, more or less, on either side of approximate Station 2141+80), as shown on the plans for State Highway Project 0095-088-109, RW-202, to accommodate the proposed four lanes of bridge span, being part of the proposed extension of Spotsylvania Parkway over Interstate 95, without ramps, interchange or other access to the said Interstate, and requiring no signalization, or other lane/median adjustments are appropriate with safety improvements, as required, from a design standpoint subject to further review and approval; and

WHEREAS, VDOT and County staff have determined that the said proposed limited access changes, proposed intersection and proposed four lanes of bridge span are appropriate from a safety and traffic control standpoint subject to further review and approval; and

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

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has reviewed and conditionally approved said proposed limited access control changes and modifications to accommodate the said proposed intersection along Route 17 and four lanes of bridge span over Interstate 95 subject to final approval of the detailed layout and bridge design; and

WHEREAS, VDOT staff has determined there will be no adverse environmental impacts; and
WHEREAS, the County stated, as part of the resolution dated August 14, 2007, that all costs of engineering and construction, including all necessary signalization and other safety improvements, will be borne by the Developer; and

WHEREAS, any lands necessary for the proposed modifications of said limited access control and said intersection modifications and four lanes of bridge span shall be donated to the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, just compensation shall be paid to the Department in consideration of the proposed limited access control changes, this amount to be determined by the Department; and

WHEREAS, public notices were posted in The Free Lance Star news publication on March 2, 2008, and March 5, 2008, and closed on March 12, 2008, with only supportive comment received; and

WHEREAS, the proposed limited access change is in compliance with the Commonwealth Transportation Board Policy; and

WHEREAS, upon completion and acceptance of the proposed intersection, extension of Spotsylvania Parkway and changes by VDOT, all work, roadway construction, improvements and equipment will become the property of the Commonwealth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33.1-58 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, the CTB hereby approves said limited access control shifts for public street purposes as set forth and subject to the above referenced to conditions being satisfied, along with conditions necessary for construction of these facilities to commence within 12 months, as required. The Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents needed to comply with this resolution.

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