

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 13, 2002

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: PHILIP SUNDERLAND, CITY MANAGER *PS*

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO MAKE CHANGES IN THE LANE MILEAGE ELIGIBLE FOR STATE ROADWAY MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS

ISSUE: Consideration of a resolution requesting the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to make changes to the VDOT inventory of roadways in Alexandria that are eligible for annual maintenance payments from the State.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council:

- (1) adopt the attached resolution requesting VDOT to update the list of roadways and lanes in the City that are eligible to receive annual maintenance payments from the State; and
- (2) authorize the Director of Transportation and Environmental Services to forward the resolution to VDOT.

DISCUSSION: The State code provides that qualifying cities are to receive payments from VDOT to assist the City in maintaining certain roadways. (This is distinct from counties who have their roads maintained by VDOT).

Each quarter, the City receives a payment from VDOT to maintain certain designated roadways in Alexandria. Streets eligible for a maintenance payment are those that are classified as Primary/Minor Arterial and Collector/Local Streets. The payment is based on the eligible lane mileage for each roadway that meets certain standards. The State has minimum standards that must be met to qualify for this payment, some of which are right-of-way width, roadway width, and pavement thickness.

Each year, jurisdictions can notify the State of adjustments they wish to make in roadway mileage (additions and deletions) and changes to the functional classification of existing roadways based on an increase in traffic or other guidelines set forth by VDOT such as reconstruction and/or widening.

Presently, our eligible roadway mileage for Principal/Minor Arterials is 190.43 lane miles and for Collector/Local roads is 315.68 lane miles. If the request as stated in the resolution is approved, the Principal/Minor Arterial lane miles will increase by 1.34 lane miles to 191.77, and the Collector/Local roads will increase by 8.78 lane miles to 324.46 lane miles. The State highway maintenance payment rates for FY 2002 are \$12,958 per lane mile for Arterials, and \$7,608 per lane mile for Collector/Local roads.

The attached resolution identifies each addition/deletion. The additions are mainly the result of new construction over the last years, while the one deletion is due to removing one southbound lane at Fort Williams Parkway between Dearborn Place and Tupelo Place. Due to poor soil conditions, southbound Fort Williams Parkway experienced a failure and only one lane was able to be reconstructed.

FISCAL IMPACT: This request, if approved by VDOT, will increase City payments in FY 2003 by approximately \$84,162, for a projected total of \$5,148,962.

ATTACHMENT: Resolution for Additions/Deletions

STAFF:

Richard Baier, P.E., Director, T&ES

Emily A. Baker, P.E., City Engineer, T&ES

Doug McCobb, Deputy Director/Transportation, T&ES

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the State code, as set forth in Section 33.1-41.1 provides for a process in which municipalities may request additions, deletions or changes to the functional classification of Urban Roads or Streets eligible for maintenance payments on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria contains additional new roadways which meet the State Highway road inventory criteria; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to add/delete various new roadways and lanes as Primary/Minor Arterials and Collector/Local streets; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to make these changes to the Virginia Department of Transportation road inventory in order to qualify for maintenance payments under the new quarterly payment rates per lane mile for Primary/Minor Arterial and Collector/Local streets respectively, starting as of July 1, 2002; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alexandria City Council requests that the following new roadways and lanes be added to the Virginia Department of Transportation's road inventory.

NEW STREETS AND LANES

A. PRIMARY/MINOR

<u>ROADWAY</u>	<u>FROM/TO</u>	<u>CENTERLINE MILEAGE</u>	<u>JUSTIFICATION</u>
Mill Rd.	Eisenhower Ave. to DMV	0.09	Add 2 lanes
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Braddock Rd.	Mount Vernon Ave. to Metro Exit	0.13	Add 2 lanes
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B. COLLECTOR/LOCAL

<u>ROADWAY</u>	<u>FROM/TO</u>	<u>CENTERLINE MILEAGE</u>	<u>JUSTIFICATION</u>
Cameron Station Blvd.	Edsall Rd. to Duke St.	0.91	Add 6 lanes
Brenman Park	Cameron Station Blvd. To Somerville St.	0.09	Add 4 lanes
Somerville St.	Duke St. to Dead End	0.33	Add 3 lanes
John Carlyle St.	Jamieson Ave. to Eisenhower Ave.	0.17	Add 2 lanes
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Potomac Greens Dr.	Slaters Ln. to Dead End	0.28	Add 2 lanes
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ADOPTED: June _____, 2002

KERRY J. DONLEY **MAYOR**

ATTEST:

Beverly I. Jett, CMC City Clerk

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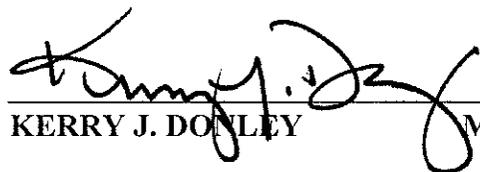
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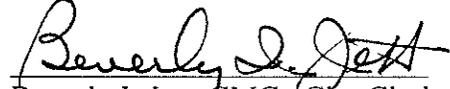
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