



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## *Commonwealth Transportation Board*

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*Agenda item # 4*

### **RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**December 7, 2011**

#### **MOTION**

**Made By: Mr. Garczynski      Seconded By: Mr. Martin  
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously**

#### **Title: Evaluation of Equitable Distribution of Road Maintenance Payments: At-Large Subcommittee Recommendations to the Board**

**WHEREAS**, at their meeting on June 15, 2011, the Commonwealth Transportation Board adopted the state distribution of road maintenance payments for fiscal year 2011-2012; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board had significant concerns and questions regarding the equitable distribution of the state distribution of road maintenance funds across all statewide transportation systems and localities; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board by a Resolution of the CTB, dated July 20, 2011, established a Subcommittee consisting of all At Large CTB members to review and study these concerns and questions; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board desired the Subcommittee to evaluate the existing issues and concerns surrounding the equalization of road maintenance fund allocations between localities' and those budgeted to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT); and to further consider any existing options which could be addressed either administratively or legislatively; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board directed VDOT staff to work with the appointed subcommittee to develop recommendations for the effective and equitable distribution of statewide road maintenance funds and to present those recommendations to the Board on or before December 31, 2011; and,

**WHEREAS**, the At-Large Sub-Committee met in the months of August, September and October of 2011, and proper notice to the public was given in advance of all these meetings; and ,

**WHEREAS**, the At-Large Sub-Committee allowed public comments at those meetings and directed VDOT staff research and analysis of all matters raised during the subcommittee's meetings prior to the development of its recommendations; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Sub-Committee presented its initial findings and conclusions to the CTB at its October 19, 2011 meeting for discussion.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the CTB supports the initial findings and conclusions of the At-Large Sub-Committee and further directs the Sub-Committee to evaluate the concerns and issues regarding the equitable distribution of the state distribution of road maintenance funds across all statewide transportation systems and localities considering further the recommendations below regarding effective and equitable distribution of state road maintenance funds:

- An analysis and comparison of needs across systems is desired before recommending legislative changes. However, lack of available data on local system condition and performance limits further analysis at this point.
- The most equitable approach to distribution of scarce maintenance funding may be a formula that incorporates a prioritized needs-based factor along with a commitment to maintain our statewide assets, regardless of maintenance responsibility.
- Reconvene the local government working group (in partnership with the Virginia Municipal League and Virginia First Cities Coalition) to advance the collection and analysis of system condition and performance data on the locally maintained system.
- To report back to the CTB regarding the Sub-Committee's findings and recommendations on their continued examination regarding the equitable distribution of road maintenance funds across all statewide transportation systems and localities.

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