



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## *Commonwealth Transportation Board*

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*Agenda item # 2*

### RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

October 19, 2011

#### MOTION

**Made By: Mr. Layne      Seconded By: Mr. Louderback**  
**Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously**

#### **Title: Adoption of Secondary Street Acceptance Requirements Pursuant to Chapter 870 of the 2011 Acts of Assembly**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 870 of the Acts of Assembly of 2011 requires that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) solicit and consider public comment in the development of revisions to the Secondary Street Acceptance Requirements (SSAR) regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the SSAR regulations are used to determine the conditions and standards that must be met before streets constructed by developers, localities, and entities other than the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will be accepted into the state secondary system for maintenance by VDOT; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 870 requires that the CTB adopt such revised regulations prior to November 30, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the original SSAR legislation, Chapter 382 of the Acts of Assembly of 2007, provides that the regulations shall include, but not be limited to (i) requirements to ensure the connectivity of road and pedestrian networks with the existing and future transportation network, (ii) provisions to minimize stormwater runoff and impervious surface area, and (iii) provisions for performance bonding of new secondary streets and associated cost recovery fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of these and other provisions in the regulation is to improve the effectiveness of the overall regional and local transportation network; reduce reliance on arterial roadways for local trips; provide direct and alternative routes for emergency service providers; reduce subdivision street widths, where appropriate; and recover VDOT's costs related to street acceptance; and

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**WHEREAS**, this regulatory action is exempt from the Administrative Process Act (§2.2-4000 et seq. of the *Code of Virginia*); and

**WHEREAS**, VDOT completed extensive outreach and communication with localities, agencies, organizations, and developers in each construction district between April and May 2011, and between August and September 2011; as well as conducting a public information meeting and online broadcast on September 22, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, all public comments received during the public comment periods and from the public information meeting have been reviewed and considered by a VDOT Technical Committee and an external Policy Advisory Committee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Commonwealth Transportation Board hereby adopts the revised Secondary Street Acceptance Requirements (24 VAC 30-92) attached hereto to become effective January 1, 2012, in accordance with Chapter 870 of the Acts of Assembly of 2011.

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