

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 1

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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MOTION

Made By: Mr. Koelemay Seconded By: Mr. Garczynski

Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: I-495 HOT Lanes Transition Zone for Entrance and Exit to the I-495 HOT Lanes

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33.1-46.2 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) may designate one or more lanes of any highway in the interstate, primary, or secondary highway systems as high-occupancy vehicle lanes. These lanes shall be reserved during periods designated by the CTB for the exclusive use by buses and High-Occupancy Vehicles (HOV); and

WHEREAS, the inside lanes on Eastbound I-66 during the AM peak hours (5:30 a.m-9:30 a.m.) and on Westbound I-66 in the PM peak hours (3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.) are currently restricted to HOV-2 traffic only; and

WHEREAS, the addition of the I-495 HOT Lanes allows single occupancy vehicles (SOVs) to enter these new lanes by paying a toll. The entrance and exit of the I-495 HOT Lanes from I-66 is from these HOV-2 Lanes; and

WHEREAS, vehicles on I-66 will require a transition zone of approximately 2500' to enter/exit the lane and appropriately position themselves for their travel route; and

WHEREAS, operational analysis was performed as an addendum to the I-495 HOT Lanes/I-66 IJR that supports the 2500' transition zone;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the authority granted under the provisions of Section 33.1-46.2 of the *Code of Virginia*, the HOV restriction be lifted for the 2500' transition zone in advance of the I-495 HOT Lanes entrance and exit onto the inside lanes of Eastbound and Westbound I-66 during all times of the day.