

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 6

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

January 16, 2013

MOTION

<u>Made By</u>:Mr. Garczynski <u>Seconded By</u>: Mr. Martin <u>Action:</u> Motion Carried, Unanimously

<u>Title: Limited Access Control Changes</u>

<u>Route 773 (Edwards Ferry Road) and Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) Interchange</u>

<u>Town of Leesburg, Loudoun County</u>

WHEREAS, Route 15, formerly Route 599, and its interchanges, including the Route 773 (Edwards Ferry Road) Interchange, was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the State Highway Commission of Virginia, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), on March 21, 1963, and subsequently amended by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) on April 10, 1992; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Leesburg is constructing the proposed congestion mitigation project with improvements consisting of providing a dual right-turn lane from Route 773 (Edwards Ferry Road) to Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) located in the southwest quadrant of the intersection of Route 773 (Edwards Ferry Road) and Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) in the Town of Leesburg, State Highway Project 0773-253-302, P-101, P-102, N-501; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Leesburg, by letter from the Project Manager dated November 1, 2012, has requested a limited access control change in the southwest quadrant of the intersection of Route 773 (Edwards Ferry Road) and Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) to accommodate the said dual-right turn lanes with proposed signalized intersection, no median break, no acceleration or deceleration lanes; and,

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- **WHEREAS**, The Council of the Town of Leesburg, by resolution adopted May 10, 2011, supports the request for the limited access control change at the Route 773 (Edwards Ferry Road) and Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass); and,
- **WHEREAS,** VDOT has determined that the said Limited Access Control Change (LACC) is appropriate from a safety and traffic control standpoint. This determination is based upon the Global Traffic Analysis prepared by Rinker Design Associates, P. C., dated March 2012 and revised May 1, 2012; and,
- **WHEREAS**, all right of way, engineering, construction, and necessary safety improvements shall meet all VDOT standards and requirements; and,
- **WHEREAS**, VDOT staff determined there will be no adverse environmental impacts; and,
- **WHEREAS,** a public notice was posted in the *Loudoun Times-Mirror* newspaper, on August 3, 2011 and August 17, 2011, and closed on September 2, 2011, with no comment received; and,
- **WHEREAS**, VDOT has determined no compensation shall be due to the Department in consideration of the proposed limited access control changes, due to the transportation benefit of the proposed improvements.
- **WHEREAS,** the proposed LACC is in compliance with Title 24, Section 30, Chapter 401 of the Virginia Administrative Code; and,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the provisions of §33.1-58 of the *Code of Virginia* (1950), as amended, the CTB hereby approves the said limited access control change for public street purposes as set forth below, and subject to the conditions referred to above, as shown on Sheet 3 of the plans for Route 773 (Edwards Ferry Road), State Highway Project 0773-253-302, P-101, P-102, N-501, being an expansion of 102.13 feet in the break of the existing limited access line paralleling Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) with the revised termini of the limited access control in the southwest interchange quadrant for existing Route 773 and Route 15 from a point left of Station 202+87.49 (Route 15 construction baseline), to a point left of Station 201+90.57 (Route 15 construction baseline). The Commissioner of Highways is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents needed to comply with this resolution; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in accordance with the provisions of §33.1-58 of the *Code of Virginia* (1950), as amended, the CTB hereby confirms and approves the following limited access control changes dated April 10, 1992 for public street purposes as set forth below as shown on Sheet 6 of the plans for Route 15, formerly Route 599 (Leesburg By-Pass), State Highway Project 0599-053-101, RW-201;

An expansion of the break in the existing limited access line paralleling Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) with the revised termini of the limited access control in the southwest interchange quadrant for existing Route 773 and Route 15 from a point left of Station 458+30 (Route 15 survey and proposed Northbound lane centerline) to a point left of Station 458+10.94 (Route 15 survey and proposed Northbound lane centerline); and,

An expansion of the break in the existing limited access line paralleling Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) with the revised beginning of the limited access control in the northwest interchange quadrant for existing Route 773 and Route 15 from a point left of Station 458+88 (Route 15 survey and proposed Northbound lane centerline) to a point left of Station 459+12.44 (Route 15 survey and proposed Northbound lane centerline); and,

An expansion of the break in the existing limited access line paralleling Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) with the revised beginning of the limited access control in the northeast interchange quadrant for existing Route 773 and Route 15 from a point left of Station 458+68 (Route 15 survey and proposed Northbound lane centerline) to a point left of Station 459+10.87 (Route 15 survey and proposed Northbound lane centerline); and,

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An expansion of the break in the existing limited access line paralleling Route 15 (Leesburg By-Pass) with the revised termini of the limited access control in the southwest interchange quadrant for existing Route 773 and Route 15 from a point left of Station 458+23 (Route 15 survey and proposed Northbound lane centerline) to a point left of Station 457+78.81 (Route 15 survey and proposed Northbound lane centerline).

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