

**ACTION ITEM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

DATE: August 18, 2009

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Keith C. Dayton *KCD*
Director of Public Works

ISSUE: Authorize Contract for Engineering and Land Acquisition for Mountain View Road and Poplar Road Improvements

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval

BUDGET IMPACT: \$771,470

ATTACHMENTS: (4)

- [1] Background Report [4] Reso/Ord/Proc # R09-309
- [2] Map (Mountain View Road) [] Reso/Ord/Proc #
- [3] Map (Poplar Road) [] Reso/Ord/Proc #

REVIEW: [X] County Administrator's Office *Antonio Hernandez*

[X] Legal *Joseph R. Howard Jr*

[X] Finance and Budget *Marie Puro*

- [X] **Consent Agenda** [] **Other Business** [] **Public Hearing**
- [] **Discussion Item** [] **Presentation** [] **Unfinished Business**
- [] **New Business**

PRESENTATION BY: N/A

ELECTION DISTRICT: Hartwood and Rock Hill

BACKGROUND REPORT

The citizens of Stafford County approved a bond referendum authorizing the borrowing of funds to complete certain road improvements in the County. Following passage of this referendum, the Board designated three members to serve on a committee to coordinate with staff on the implementation of the projects designated for completion with bond funds. Among the issues considered to date includes examination of priorities for completing these projects, along with investigating various options for design and construction.

The Board committee members decided to proceed with improvements to approximately 1.25 miles of Mountain View Road in the vicinity of Joshua Road and Rose Hill Farm Road, one of the projects listed in the bond referendum. The \$4.6 million total estimated cost for this project is to be funded initially with \$1.0 million in previously allocated VDOT Revenue Sharing Funds, with the balance to be drawn initially from the Transportation Fund until bond revenues become available to reimburse the Transportation Fund.

It was also agreed to proceed with improvements to a 0.5 mile section of Poplar Road near U. S. Route 17 and Truslow Road at the same time. The Truslow Road project is completely funded by West Central Transportation Impact Fee Service Area revenue. \$1.8 million is budgeted and appropriated for this project. It was further decided to complete these projects using convention design – bid – build contracting procedures with County staff directly managing progress.

In response to the committee direction, staff issued a Request for Proposals for engineering and acquisition services for these two projects. The County received twelve proposals in response to this solicitation and, following review of these proposals, selected two firms to participate in interviews with staff. After consideration of the engineering proposals and the results of the interviews, staff is recommending selection of Rinker Design Associates, P.C. (RDA) as the most qualified firm to perform the engineering and acquisition services necessary for completion of these road projects.

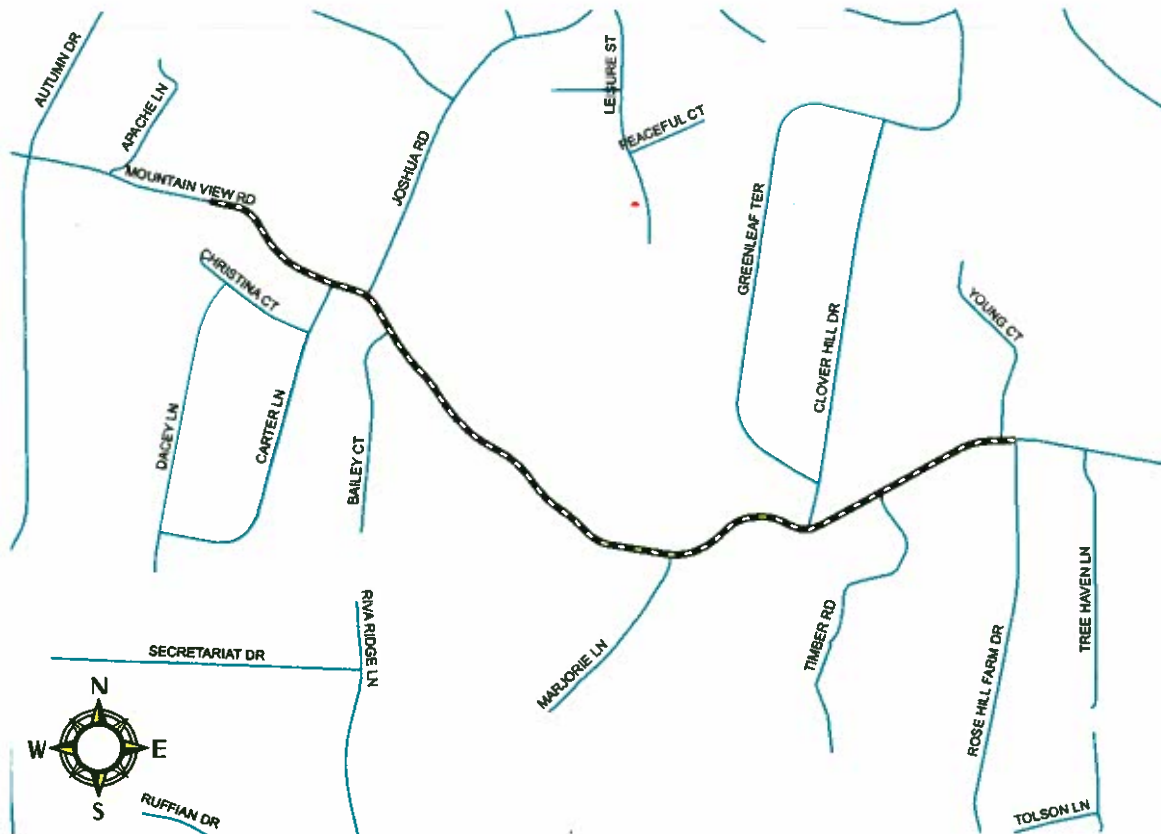
Staff requested a cost proposal from RDA to provide the engineering and right of way acquisition services for both projects. They have proposed to provide these services for the Poplar Road and Mountain View Road improvements for \$771,900, of which \$484,800 is for services related to the Mountain View Road improvements and \$287,100 is for Truslow Road.

Staff has reviewed this proposal and determined it is reasonable for the scope of work proposed.

Staff recommends approval.

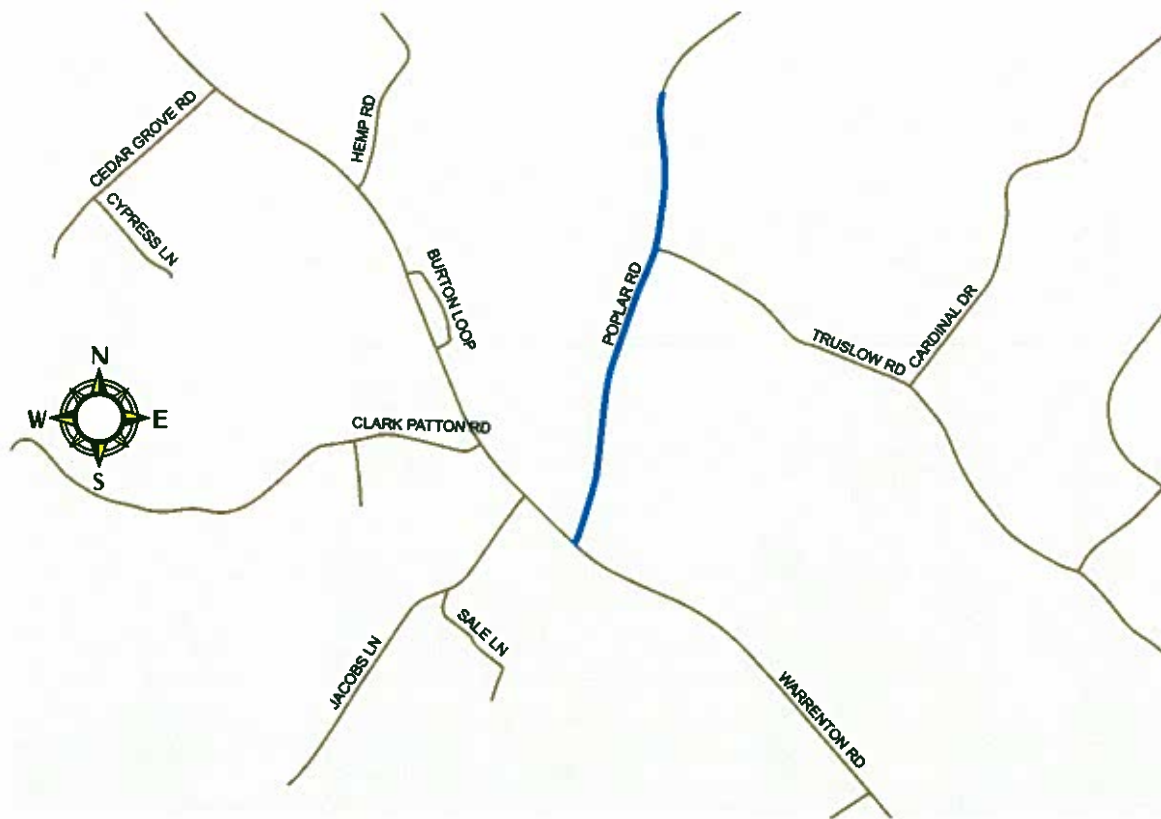
Mountain View Road (Route 627)

Funding: Bond Referendum (Identified as Youth Driver Task Force Critical Project)
From: Route 1245, Rose Hill Farm Drive
To: 0.25 miles North of Route 643, Joshua Road
Length: 1.27 miles
Scope: 2-Lane Reconstruction



Poplar Road (Route 616)

Funding: Central West Transportation Impact Fee Service Area
From: Warrenton Road (U. S. Route 17)
To: 0.25 miles north of Truslow Road (SR-652)
Length: 0.49 miles
Scope: 2-Lane Reconstruction



PROPOSED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF STAFFORD
STAFFORD, VIRGINIA

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors (the Board) held in the Board Chambers, Stafford County Administration Center, Stafford, Virginia, on the 18th day of August, 2009:

MEMBERS:

George H. Schwartz, Chairman
Harry E. Crisp II, Vice Chairman
M. S. "Joe" Brito
Mark Dudenhefer
Paul V. Milde III
Cord A. Sterling
Robert "Bob" Woodson

VOTE:

On motion of , seconded by , which carried by a vote of , the following was adopted:

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR
ENGINEERING AND LAND ACQUISITION SERVICES FOR THE
IMPROVEMENTS TO MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD AND POPLAR ROAD**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Stafford County approved the issuance of bonds to funds certain road improvements within Stafford County; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to begin engineering work on Poplar Road in the vicinity of U. S. Route 17 and Truslow Road, and Mountain View Road in the vicinity of Joshua Road and Rose Hill Farm Road immediately; and

WHEREAS, improvements to Poplar Road will be funded through West Central Transportation Impact Service Area fees and the improvements to Mountain View Road will be funded initially by the Transportation Fund and ultimately by the sale of transportation bonds; and

WHEREAS, Stafford County issued a public solicitation for proposals from interested firms; and

WHEREAS, twelve proposals from interested firms were submitted; and

WHEREAS, staff has determined that Rinker Design Associates, P.C. was the most qualified firm to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, Rinker Design Associates, P.C. has submitted a cost proposal to perform engineering and right of way acquisition services for both projects for the estimated amount of \$771,900; and

WHEREAS, staff has determined that this proposal is reasonable for the scope of work proposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 18th day of August, 2009, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is, authorized to execute a contract with Rinker Design Associates, P.C. in an amount not to exceed Seven Hundred Seventy-one Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars (\$771,900) for professional services for the design and right of way acquisition for the Poplar Road and Mountain View Road improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amount of \$484,800 in Transportation Funds is authorized for this contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission be and it hereby is requested to reimburse the County for eligible expenditures from the Fuels Tax Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board has determined that it may be necessary or desirable to advance money to pay the costs for engineering and land acquisition services for the improvements to Mountain View Road and Poplar Road thus:

- The Board of Supervisors adopts this declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2.
- The Board of Supervisors reasonably expects to reimburse advances made or to be made to the County to pay the costs for engineering and land acquisition services for improvements to Mountain View Road and Poplar Road. The maximum amount of debt or other financing expected to be issued in one or more series for these services is \$771,900.

AJR:kd