


**ACTION ITEM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

DATE November 20, 2008

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Fulton deLamorton
Transportation Administrator 

ISSUE: Request VDOT to Consider Design Features at New Falmouth Intersection

STAFF RECOMMENDATION N/A


BUDGET IMPACT N/A

ATTACHMENTS (2)

[1] Background Report [2] Reso/Ord/Proc # R08-496

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REVIEW. [X] County Administrator's Office 

[X] Legal 

[X] Economic Development 

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

PRESENTATION BY Michael Neuhard
Deputy County Administrator

ELECTION DISTRICT N/A

BACKGROUND REPORT

On January 2, 2002, the Board adopted Resolution R02-23, expressing support to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for the construction of a grade-separated interchange in Falmouth at the intersection of Cambridge Street and Warrenton Road. This action was reaffirmed and expanded by the Board August 21, 2007 with their adoption of R07-361 which endorsed the concept of constructing a single-point urban interchange design. Funding for this interchange has now been included in VDOT's draft FY2009-FY2014 Six-Year Improvement Program (UPC 57044).

During this early stage of project development, the opportunity exists to request VDOT to consider and evaluate design features which will help to ensure that the needs of regional commuters do not sacrifice the unique historic character of Falmouth Village in general and Falmouth Bottom in particular.

Staff recommends approval of proposed Resolution R08-496.

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 20th day of November, 2008

MEMBERS

VOTE

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

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

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION CONSIDER AND EVALUATE CERTAIN
DESIGN FEATURES ASSOCIATED WITH THE NEW FALMOUTH
INTERCHANGE

WHEREAS, on January 2, 2002, the Board adopted Resolution R02-23, expressing support to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for the construction of a grade-separated interchange in Falmouth at the intersection of Cambridge Street and Warrenton Road, and

WHEREAS, this action was reaffirmed and expanded upon on August 21, 2007 with their adoption of R07-361 which endorsed the concept of constructing a single-point urban interchange design , and

WHEREAS, funding for this interchange is included in VDOT's draft FY2009-FY2014 Six-Year Improvement Program (UPC 57044), and

WHEREAS, during this early stage of project development, the opportunity exists to request VDOT to consider and evaluate design features which will help to ensure that the needs of regional commuters do not sacrifice the unique historic character of Falmouth Village in general, and Falmouth Bottom in particular,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 20th day of November, 2008, that the Board be and it hereby does request VDOT to consider and evaluate the following design principles for the new interchange

- 1 Utilize context sensitive design elements and construction materials in keeping with the historic character of Falmouth
- 2 Incorporate design features which are sensitive to Falmouth's historic role as a major gateway and commercial center VDOT should balance the needs of regional commuters with those of local residents and businesses These design features should
 - a Ensure parcels within the area affected by the interchange will be provided with continued access to the public street network
 - b Ensure existing street connectivity will be maintained
 - c Ensure pedestrian and bicycle access and circulation will be maintained, including the feasibility of replacing the existing fill and culvert under US-17 with columns and a trail adjacent to Falls Run
- 3 Ensure pedestrian and vehicular access to Falmouth is not reduced during construction by including County staff in discussions concerning the maintenance of traffic during construction

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