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ITEM NO. E.1

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROANOKE COUNTY, VIRGINIA HELD AT THE ROANOKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER

MEETING DATE: September 26, 2017

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution amending the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Secondary Six-Year Road Improvement Plan for fiscal years 2018 through 2023 and the Construction Priority List and Estimated Allocations for fiscal year 2018 by establishing a new Secondary System project and transferring Six-Year Plan Construction Formula Funds to the project

SUBMITTED BY: Richard Caywood
Assistant County Administrator

APPROVED BY: Thomas C. Gates
County Administrator

ISSUE:

A resolution is required to establish a new project in the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Secondary System Six-Year Improvement Program and to the transfer of funding.

BACKGROUND:

The 2016 Appropriation Act directed Construction Formula funds, allocated prior to and through fiscal year 2010, to advance priority transportation projects in those localities. Any funds remaining on a project that has been completed, or not fully funded and advancing toward completion, are subject to de-allocation in a rolling process based on the original year in which the funds were programmed. Staff and VDOT both recommend the transfer of all funds that are subject to this de-allocation process to ensure the balance will remain in Roanoke County and not redistributed statewide through the Smart Scale Process.

VDOT has identified \$1,515,609 Construction Formula funds remaining on the following projects that are either completed or not fully funded and able to advance to completion:

- \$704,348 on McVitty Road (UPC 15187, project not fully funded)
- \$202,026 on Old Cave Spring Road (UPC 15188, project not fully funded)
- \$609,235 on Cotton Hill Road (UPC 15190, project competed)

DISCUSSION:

In order to make a transfer that conforms to the 2016 Appropriation Act, funds must be moved to a fully funded project. Roanoke County has no existing underfunded projects where this transfer would fully fund the project and enable it to move forward. Staff recommends the creation of a new project, recommended in the draft 419 Town Center Plan, to which the funds could be transferred. The recommended project is an extension of Fallowater Lane Extension from Electric Road to Chevy Road.

The draft 419 Town Center Plan recommends improving connectivity in the study area by creating a more gridded street network. One specific recommendation is to extend Fallowater Lane from its current terminus at Starkey Road and Fallowater Lane (Food Lion side of Old Country Plaza) past the office condominiums and Madison Square to a new intersection at Route 419. Fallowater Lane would then continue up the existing private driveway between Rancho Viejo and Shell, past Chuck E. Cheese to eventually terminate at Elm View Road. This connection would provide appropriate access to future development anticipated for the land designated as The Ridges in the draft 419 Town Center Plan.

The proposed road project, from Route 419 to Chevy Road, would upgrade the existing private drive to public road standards and construct a new section between the end of the existing private driveway and Almond Road (private) where eastern and southern stub outs would be created for future road segments. A short section of Almond Road would be upgraded to minimal public road standards between the new Fallowater Lane extension and the intersection with Chevy Road, an existing public road. The estimated cost of this project is \$2,500,000. As future development takes place, an extension from the Fallowater Lane / Almond Road intersection to Elm View Road could be constructed as part of the development plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to VDOT, \$1,515,609 is available to transfer to the Fallowater Lane Extension project. Based on the project estimate, the Board of Supervisors is responsible for funding the balance of \$984,391. Since this project is eligible for VDOT Revenue Sharing (50/50) funding, the County's portion of the project is estimated to be \$492,195.50.

Staff recommends funding the required \$492,195.50 from previously appropriated Economic Development Public Private Partnership funds. If the Board approves this action, the County's estimated portion of the overall project cost is approximately 20% of overall project cost.

If the Construction Formula funds are not transferred, VDOT has indicated they will be subject to de-allocation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution amending the Secondary Six-Year Road Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2018 through 2023 and the Construction Priority List and Estimated Allocations for Fiscal Year 2018 by establishing a new Secondary System project and transferring Six Year Plan Construction Formula Funds to the project.

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AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROANOKE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, HELD AT THE ROANOKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER ON SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (VDOT) SECONDARY SIX-YEAR ROAD IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2018 THROUGH 2023, THE CONSTRUCTION PRIORITY LIST AND ESTIMATED ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 BY ESTABLISHING A NEW SECONDARY SYSTEM PROJECT AND TRANSFERRING SIX-YEAR PLAN CONSTRUCTION FORMULA FUNDS TO THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, Sections 33.2-331 of the Code of Virginia (1950, as amended) provides the opportunity for Roanoke County to work with the Virginia Department of Transportation in developing a Secondary Six-Year Road Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, this Board had previously agreed to assist in the preparation of the Secondary Six-Year Road Improvement Plan, in accordance with Virginia Department of Transportation policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing, which was duly advertised on the proposed Secondary Six-Year Improvement Plan for fiscal years 2018-2023 and Construction Priority List and Estimated Allocations for fiscal year 2018 was held on May 23, 2017, to receive comments and recommendations on Roanoke County's Secondary Six-Year Road Improvement Plan for fiscal years 2018-2023 as well as the Construction Priority List and Estimated Allocations for fiscal year 2018;

WHEREAS, since such time as the Secondary Six-Year Improvement Plan was approved by this Board, the Virginia Department of Transportation has informed the Board that Construction Formula funds, in the amount of \$1,515,609, allocated to Secondary System projects in Roanoke County prior to, and through fiscal year 2010 are subject to deallocation unless transferred to an active project; and

WHEREAS, this Board has identified a new project, Fallowater Lane Extension from Electric Road to Chevy Road, as a recipient of the funds to be transferred.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby amend the Secondary Six-Year Road Improvement Plan for Roanoke County for fiscal years 2018-2023 to include a new project, Fallowater Lane Extension; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does also hereby amend the Construction Priority List and Estimated Allocations for fiscal year 2018 to list Fallowater Lane Extension; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors requests that \$1,515,609 in Construction Formula funds be transferred to the new project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors is responsible for the project balance of \$984,391.00, based upon the project estimate; \$2,500,000. This balance is eligible for Revenue Sharing Funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution duly attested to be forthwith forwarded to the Virginia Department of Transportation Salem Residency Office along with a duly attested copy of the proposed Roanoke County Secondary Six-Year Road Improvement Plan for fiscal years 2018-2023 by the Clerk to the Board.