

INTRODUCED: July 14, 2014

AN ORDINANCE No. 2014-155-149

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$417,418 from the Virginia Department of Transportation and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Public Works' Bike Sharrows / Lanes project in the Transportation category by \$417,418 for the purpose of funding the Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard project to optimize travel for bicyclists and pedestrians on Floyd Avenue between its intersections with North Laurel Street and North Thompson Street.

Patron – Mayor Jones

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: SEPT 8 2014 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to accept funds for the City of Richmond in the amount of \$417,418 from the Virginia Department of Transportation for the purpose of funding the Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard project to optimize travel for bicyclists and pedestrians on Floyd Avenue between its intersections with North Laurel Street and North Thompson Street.

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: SEPT 8 2014 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

§ 2. That the funds received from the Virginia Department of Transportation are hereby appropriated to the Capital Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, by increasing estimated revenues by \$417,418, increasing the amount appropriated for expenditures by \$417,418 and allotting to the Department of Public Works' Bike Sharrows / Lanes project in the Transportation category the sum of \$417,418 for the purpose of funding the Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard project to optimize travel for bicyclists and pedestrians on Floyd Avenue between its intersections with North Laurel Street and North Thompson Street.

§ 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.



CITY OF RICHMOND
INTRACITY CORRESPONDENCE



O&R REQUEST

City of Richmond
Chief Administrative Office

EDITION: 1
MAY 14 2014

O & R REQUEST

DATE: May 6, 2014

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: The Honorable Dwight C. Jones, Mayor

THROUGH: Byron C. Marshall, Chief Administrative Officer

THROUGH: Christopher L. Beschler, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

THROUGH: Sharon Judkins, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Finance & Administration

THROUGH: Wayne Lassiter, Acting Director, Department of Finance

THROUGH: Jay Brown, Acting Director, Department of Budget & Strategic Planning

THROUGH: James A. Jackson, Director, Department of Public Works

THROUGH: M.S. Khara, P.E., City Engineer

FROM: Thomas E. Flynn, P.E., PTOE, City Transportation Engineer

RE: TO AMEND THE FY 15 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (VDOT) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$417,418 FOR THE "FLOYD AVENUE BIKE BOULEVARD PROJECT

ORD. or RES. No. _____

PURPOSE: To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept and appropriate the amount of \$417,418 for the Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard Project from Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), and to amend the FY15 CIP Budget Account 040-290-8222 (500309/101465) by \$417,418 to reflect this increase.

REASON: To accept \$417,418 for the design and construction of the Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard project from Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT).

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RECOMMENDATIONS: The adoption of this ordinance is recommended by the Department of Public Works.

BACKGROUND: Consistent with the recommendations of the Mayor's Pedestrian, Bicycling and Trails Planning Commission that was established on May 21, 2010 and City Council Ordinance No. 2010-181-163, adopted on September 27, 2010 for improved bicycling and pedestrian facilities, the Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard Project will improve bicycle and pedestrian mobility and safety along the entire length of Floyd Avenue (27 blocks) through the Fan and Museum Districts.

The Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard project is recommended in the City's 2013 Richmond Strategic Multi-modal Transportation Plan (RSMTP) as a bike improvement project.

Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard Project

A bike boulevard is a local street that has been modified to function as a through street for bicyclists and pedestrians while discouraging through automobile travel. A bike boulevard retains access for all modes, but optimizes travel for bicyclists and pedestrians. Measures such as chokers (bulb-outs), residential traffic circles, and traffic diverters are used in conjunction with signage and pavement markings (sharrows, enhanced crosswalks) to achieve this.

Floyd Ave serves as a predominantly residential connector from VCU to the Carytown area, through the Fan and Museum Districts. As a result it gets a lot of bike and pedestrian traffic seeking to avoid busier Main Street and Cary Street. A bike boulevard is planned between N. Laurel Street and N. Thompson Street, a total of 4.3 miles/27 blocks.

The total project cost estimate is \$521,773. The amount of \$50,000 (\$40,000 Transportation Alternatives and \$10,000 City) was previously approved and accepted by O&R 2013-230-212 to complete the study and concept plan.

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has recommended approval of FY14 Transportation Alternatives Program (TA) funding in the amount of \$417,418 for The Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard project on May 1, 2014 meeting. This funding will require 20% match from the City in the amount of \$104,355 which is budgeted in FY13 CIP budget for Bike Sharrow/Lanes Project. Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) will approve and allocate these funds on June 19th meeting and the funds will be available in July 2014 (See attached).

The project study and concept plan are under way. The project design will start in Summer 2014, and construction will be complete in Summer 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT: None. 20% matching City funds of \$104,355 are included in adopted FY13 City CIP budget for Bike Sharrow/Lanes Project account 040-290-8222.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: By not accepting the funds, City will not be awarded \$418,417 for this project.

BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY: Yes, FY15 CIP budget for \$417,418 to be added to the Transportation Category for Bike Sharrow/Lanes Project account No. 040-290-8222.

COST TO CITY: \$104,355. 20% matching City funds of \$104,355 are included in adopted FY13 City CIP budget for Bike Sharrow/Lanes Project account 040-290-8222.

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon adoption.

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: June 9, 2014.

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: July 14, 2014.

REQUESTED AGENDA: Consent.

SUGGESTED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: None.

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER ENTITIES: City Planning Commission, on ~~June 16, 2014.~~

AFFECTED AGENCIES: Department of Public Works; Department of Public Utilities; Finance; Budget and Strategic Planning; Law Department; Planning and Community Development. Copies also sent to: City Mayor (Honorable Dwight C. Jones); Chief Administrative Officer (Byron C. Marshall); Assistant to Chief Administrative Officer (Wanda Marable); and City Attorney (2 copies).

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES: 2013-R128-124, 2013-R-189-200, 2013-230-212 and 2013-231-213.

REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S): None.

ATTACHMENTS: MPO Agenda 5/1/14; Item III.B for approval of funds.

STAFF: Thomas Flynn, City Transportation Engineer, 646-3435
Jian Xu, Transportation Operations Engineer, 646-5402



Planning District Commission

Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Counties of
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Hanover
Henrico
New Kent
Powhatan
City of
Richmond

MPO AGENDA 5/1/14; ITEM III.B.

**MAP-21 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM;
FFY 15 PROJECTS**

Richmond Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

Executive Director
Robert A. Crum, Jr.

On motion of Kathy C. Graziano, seconded by Daniel A. Gecker, the Richmond Area Metropolitan Planning Organization unanimously approved the following resolution:


RESOLVED, that the Richmond Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) approves the allocation of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2014 and FFY 2015 Transportation Alternative (TA) program funds apportioned for the Richmond Urbanized Area and authorizes submission of these projects to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) for inclusion in the FY 2015 – FY 2020 Six-Year Improvement Program as follows:

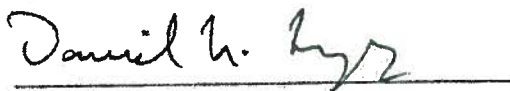
1. Floyd Avenue Bike Boulevard – City of Richmond;
\$417,418 in FFY 2014 TA program federal funds;
2. Mary Munford and William Fox School Sidewalks – City of Richmond;
\$18,900 in FFY 2015 TA program federal funds;
3. Cannon Creek Greenway Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail – City of Richmond;
\$160,000 in FFY 2015 TA program federal funds; and
4. Le Gordon Drive Sidewalk – Chesterfield County;
\$300,000 in FFY 2015 TA program federal funds.

This is to certify that the Richmond Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) approved the above resolution at its meeting held May 1, 2014.

WITNESS:

BY:


Sharon E. Robeson
Administrative Secretary
Richmond Regional Planning
District Commission


Daniel N. Lysy
MPO Secretary