



# City of Richmond

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## Legislation Text

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To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$501,190 from the Virginia Department of Transportation and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Public Works' TEA-21 Safety Improvements project in the Infrastructure Construction and Maintenance category by \$501,190 for the purpose of funding the 25th Street and Nine Mile Road Roundabout project at 25th Street and Nine Mile Road.

### O & R Request

**DATE:** April 23, 2014

**EDITION:** 1

**TO:** The Honorable Members of City Council

**THROUGH:** The Honorable Dwight C. Jones, Mayor

**THROUGH:** Byron C. Marshall, Chief Administrative Officer

**THROUGH:** Christopher Beschler, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

**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 FY 14 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (VDOT) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$501,190 FOR 25<sup>th</sup> STREET AT NINE MILE ROAD ROUNDABOUT PROJECTS**

**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 **\$501,190** for 25<sup>th</sup> Street at Nine Mile Road Roundabout Project from the

Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to the City of Richmond's FY 14 CIP Budget and to amend the FY 14 CIP Budget (TEA-21 Safety Improvements Account 040-290-8130 (500132/101482) by **\$501,190** to reflect this increase.

**REASON:** To accept an additional **\$501,190** funds for 25<sup>th</sup> Street and Nine Mile Road Roundabout Project allocated in VDOT's Six Year Improvement Program.

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

**BACKGROUND:** On August 10, 2005, the President signed into law the **Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)**. With guaranteed funding for highways, highway safety, and public transportation totaling \$244.1 billion, SAFETEA-LU represents the largest surface transportation investment in our Nation's history. SAFETEA-LU builds on the initiatives established by ISTEA and TEA-21. This legislation stresses mobility and protection of the environment, community preservation, sustainability and livability. Transportation Enhancement projects provide opportunities to improve the transportation experience in local communities. In Virginia, these safety projects are selected through an annual solicitation conducted by VDOT. Safety Improvement Projects are selected using a benefit-cost analysis based on expected reduction in accidents.

As a part of this program, the City applied for funding of several Safety Improvement Projects in FY 2006-2007. The State has funded this project through Safety Improvement Funds and is included in the State's Six-Year Improvement Program.

#### **25<sup>th</sup> Street and Nine Mile Road Roundabout**

This project provides for the construction of a modern roundabout, pedestrian crosswalk markings, handicap ramps and new signage at this intersection.

Nine Mile Road is functionally classified as an "urban minor arterial". This signalized intersection operates with an outdated span wire signal display. This location experienced 11 crashes in a three year study period. Vehicle and pedestrian conflict points will be reduced and safer operating speeds attained through the intersection by installing a modern roundabout.

The total project cost estimate at \$1,222,000. The amount of \$720,810 was previously approved and accepted by O&R 2011-161-163. The additional amount of \$501,190 has been funded through Highway Safety Improvement Funds. (See attached Appendix A-1).

This project design and right of way are completed. Additional \$501,190 is needed to complete construction.

**FISCAL IMPACT / COST:** None. Project funds are 100% reimbursable.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** Not accepting these funds will result in a loss of revenue and a loss of safety improvement at this intersection.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY:** Yes, the FY14 CIP budget will be amended in the category of Infrastructure Improvements TEA-21 Safety Improvements Account No. 040-290-8130 (500132/101482)

**REVENUE TO CITY:** None

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**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon adoption

**REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE:** May 12, 2014

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** May 27, 2014

**REQUESTED AGENDA:** Consent

**SUGGESTED COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** Finance Committee on May 15, 2014

**CONSIDERATION BY OTHER ENTITIES:** None

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**CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:**

**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.:** 2010-R 179-184 and 2011-161-163.

**REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S):**

**ATTACHMENTS:** Appendix A-1

**STAFF:** Thomas Flynn, City Transportation Engineer, 646-3435  
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