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William Dunn, Project Manager Richmond Highway Widening
VDOT

Ref: Mount Vernon Council of Citizen's Associations' (MVCCA) Resolution Widening of
Richmond Highway Jeff Todd Way to Napper Road

The attached resolution from the MVCCA was passed unanimously on April 25, 2018.
The MVCCA has an active membership of 45 communities in the Mount Vernon District of
Fairfax County representing over 6000 individual citizens.

Our membership has been very involved in the Richmond Highway Widening project and want
you to hear our voices on what's important to those of us who live and work on and near the
Richmond Highway.

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cc: Anissa Brown

Attached: MVCCA Resolution (ER) #2018-01 VDOT Richmond Highway Widening between
Jeff Todd Way and Napper Road

**MVCCA (E&R) Resolution # 2018-01:
VDOT Richmond Highway Widening between Napper Road and Jeff Todd Way**

WHEREAS, Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is in the design phase of the road
widening project on Richmond Highway from Jeff Todd Way to Napper Road;

A. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mt Vernon District Supervisor and Fairfax County should partner with VDOT to protect the Environmental Quality Corridors (EQC), Resource Protection Areas (RPAs), Floodplains (FPs) and the natural resources within and adjacent to these areas from any adverse impacts from this work. Including;

- Stormwater management structures, where possible, should be placed outside of EQCs, RPAs, and FPs;
- VDOT and Fairfax County should take effective steps (including state legislation and/or regulation) to capture and prevent trash from getting into local streams;
- Construction must ensure time of year restrictions to protect breeding wildlife including anadromous (migrating) fish;
- Under-the-road wildlife crossings using an open design with clear lines of sight and include grates to provide lighting below the bridge rather than walls if structurally possible;
- A trail with raised boardwalk and unobtrusive fencing could be considered to provide a safe under-the-road trails for pedestrians and bicyclists that be connected to other similarly constructed trails in the area; this should be coordinated with the Park Authority and;
- Any restoration of stream crossings should be coordinated with FC DPWES; and
- Appropriate native vegetation be included within the current proposed right of way;

B. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the pedestrian and bicycle crossings, should be widened at stream crossings to provide space for a pedestrian and bicycle pull off and include interpretive signage on both sides of the road providing a closer connection between people and nature, consistent with EMBARK Vision Element #1;

C. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that historic places and events should be celebrated consistent with EMBARK Vision Element #2 even where no physical structures remain with the installation of historic interpretive signage along the roadway in the project area (e.g. Old Potomac Path, George Washington's Mill Race, historical site of Gum Springs baptisms at the Little Hunting Creek crossing);

D. BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that VDOT should partner with Fairfax County, Dominion Energy, and other utilities to underground all utilities on both sides of the roadway.

Approved at the MVCCA General Council meeting of April 25, 2018