Committee Resolutions

– TRANSPORTATION –

TRANS-2011-02: OPPOSE SOLID MEDIAN ON LOISDALE ROAD AND RECOMMEND STUDY

- 1) WHEREAS Belvoir Corporate Park has filed a rezoning application in Lee District (RZ 2011-LE-008) and Fairfax County staff have indicated a need for construction of dual turn lanes on westbound Loisdale Road, which would include a solid median, which would impede ingress and egress to adjacent Mount Vernon Magisterial District businesses, such as the Parkway Express Service Station, Wendy's and the Hunter Plaza Retail Center; and
- 2) WHEREAS Supervisor McKay (Lee District) and Supervisor Hyland (Mt. Vernon District) wrote an August 26, 2011 letter to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requesting that the existing full access median break on Loisdale Road that allows access to the local businesses be retained with any future provision of west-bound dual left turn lanes on Loisdale Road (located at Tax Map 99-1 ((01))4, 5D) until such time as all access options are evaluated by VDOT; and
- 3) WHEREAS the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors requested and VDOT agreed to such relief when a Costco rezoning application on Richmond Highway in the Lee District affected the ingress and egress of vehicles into Spring Garden Apartments in the Mount Vernon District thereby retaining the median break that allows school buses and other emergency vehicles into the Spring Garden Apartments while VDOT evaluates an equal or better ingress and egress for the apartments in a study paid for by Costco.
- A) BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations (MVCCA) opposes the construction of a median and offside road improvements at the Mount Vernon businesses' entrance on Loisdale Road by the developer of Belvoir Corporate Park due to the potentially irreparable damage caused by removal of a full service entrance to those businesses.
- B) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the MVCCA recommends that Fairfax County and the Virginia Department of Transportation study this stretch of Loisdale Road to address appropriately the traffic conditions on Loisdale Road, using developer funds acquired through the development process to date and those acquired in the future to design an improvement plan which both addresses the need for widening and additional lanes in this area, consistent with the request from Supervisors McKay and Hyland to VDOT dated August 26, 2011.

C) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the MVCCA recommends, subject to VDOT and Fairfax County Department of Transportation review and approval, as an interim traffic control for Loisdale Road and the Fairfax County Parkway, that the middle lane of the west-bound lanes on Loisdale Road be marked for cars turning either right or left onto the Fairfax County Parkway.

END: MVCCA RESOLUTION TRAN-2011-02

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