



AGENDA ITEM FORM

TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM:

- CONSENT AGENDA
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PURPOSE OF ITEM:

- INFORMATION ONLY
- DISCUSSION ONLY
- DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION
 - Introduction Resolution
 - Ordinance Grant/MOU
 - By Motion Bylaws
 - Certificate

PRESENTER: Richard West

PRESENTER TITLE: Assistant Director of Public Works

AGENDA ITEM:

Adoption of Graham Park/Curtis Drive/Route 1 Intersection Improvement Project Design

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY:

The proposed design for the Graham Park/Curtis Drive/Route 1 Intersection were presented at a Public Hearing held on March 28, 2013. The next step in the project is for the Town and VDOT to adopt the design. The Town's consultant is finalizing details with VDOT, and the design is ready for adoption by the Town.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Public Hearing Notice
- Dumfries Design Public Hearing Report
- Location and Design Resolution

REQUESTED ACTION:

NO ACTION REQUESTED

Approve the resolution

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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FOR USE DURING MEETING

Y N

- Brewer
- Reynolds
- Wood

Y N

- Foreman
- Toney

VOTE:

PASSED

NOT PASSED

Y N

- Forrester
- Washington



Town of Dumfries, Virginia
Graham Park Road / Curtis Drive / Route 1 Intersection Improvement Project

Design Public Hearing, Thursday, March 28, 2013; 4-7 PM

Snow Date, April 4, 2013; 4-7 PM

Dumfries Community Center

17757 Main Street, Dumfries, Virginia 22026

The Town of Dumfries is holding a public hearing to inform the public and invite public participation for the intersection improvements at the Graham Park Road / Curtis Drive / Route 1 Intersection. The meeting will allow for the following:

Public review of preliminary plans and environmental documents for proposed improvements to the intersection. The project elements include:

- An additional turn lane on Graham Park Road between Fraley Boulevard and Main Street
- An additional left turn lane on southbound Main Street
- Creation of a northbound lane on Main Street from Tebbs Lane to Curtis Drive/Graham Park Road
- Sidewalks and improved crosswalks
- Replacing the traffic signals at Graham Park Road/Curtis Drive and Main Street and Fraley Boulevard/Graham Park Road.

Interested citizens can preview the preliminary project plans, environmental documents and project information at the Dumfries Town Hall located at 17755 Main Street, Dumfries, VA. Interested persons should ask for Mr. Gregory Tkac, Public Works Director, at 703-221-3400.

In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places will be provided upon request.

Give your written or verbal comments at the hearing or submit them by Monday, April 8, 2013, to Mr. Gregory Tkac, Public Works Director at 17755 Main Street, Dumfries, VA 22026.

The Town of Dumfries ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities, or limited English proficiency, contact Mr. Gregory Tkac at 703-221-3400.

Website: www.dumfriesva.gov

State Project Number: 0001-212-102, P101, R201, C501

Federal Project Number: HPP-5401(792)



Design Public Hearing Report
Graham Park/Curtis Drive/Route 1 Intersection
Improvement Project Town of Dumfries

The Town of Dumfries held a Design Public Hearing for the Graham Park Road/Curtis Drive/Route 1 Intersection Improvement Project for the purpose of providing the public opportunity to review and make comments regarding the proposed project. This Report summarizes the details and findings of the public hearing.

Design Public Hearing Date and Advertisement

March 28, 2013 Town Hall
17755 Main Street
Dumfries, Virginia 22026
4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

The public hearing was advertised in the following local newspaper and on the Town's Blackboard Connect public notification system on the dates shown below. In addition to these, notice of the Public Hearing was displayed on the Town's bulletin board located in front of Town Hall. A copy of the advertisement is attached.

Washington Post: Tuesday, February 26, 2013
 Monday, March 18, 2013
Blackboard Connect: February 26, 2013
 March 12, 2013
 March 26, 2013

Project Team Attendees

The following Study Team representatives attended the public hearing.

Gregory Tkac	Town of Dumfries
Drew Williams	The Berkley Group
Darren Coffey	The Berkley Group
Rick Delong, P.E.	McCormick Taylor
Marc Lipschultz	McCormick Taylor
Craig Krupp	McCormick Taylor

Public Hearing Format and Display Materials

The Design Public Hearing was held in an open house format with displays detailing project design and other pertinent project details; and project team members available to answer questions, address any concerns, and collect information. A project handout and a comment form

were provided to each citizen when they signed in. Comments were taken at the public hearing and up until April 8, 2013.

There were three static display boards presented at the hearing.

Board 1 – Welcome Board – Why We Are Here, While You Are Here Instructions and Project Overview

Board 2 – Project Design Board – Intersection Design and Typical Sections

Board 3 –The Road Ahead – Project Schedule, How To Provide Comments, and Contact Information.

Public Hearing Attendance

Based on the sign-in sheet a total of 14 people attended the public hearing.

Public Hearing Comments

Written comments were taken at the public hearing and a written comment period was offered with an acceptance deadline given of April 8, 2013. A total of three (3) comment sheets were received as part of the public hearing process. The questions and responses are identified below.

Question 1 – Do you feel the design for the Graham Park Road/Curtis Drive/Route 1 intersection Improvement will address the transportation and mobility needs in this area?

- Statement: It appears it will greatly help at the least the pedestrian safe walks look very good.
- Response/Statement: Somewhat until the Route 1 project is constructed we will not know.
- Response/Statement: Yes!

Question 2 – Increasing traffic volumes in this area will continue to place a burden on the existing intersection and surrounding local streets. Do you feel that the improvements will address the future transportation congestion in this area?

- Statement: I'm not convinced that such a long left turn lane at Route 1 South to turn left onto a relatively short space will entirely help unless something is done with the light timing.
- Response/Statement: See above comment.
- Response/Statement: Yes!

Question 3 – Was the information at tonight's meeting presented in a way that was easily understood and was the design team staff able to answer your questions and concerns?

- Statement: Everyone was very informative. Very knowledgeable.
- Response/Statement: Yes
- Response/Statement: Yes

Question 4 – Please provide any additional information you would like the design team to know related to this important transportation improvement project.

- Statement: I have a very strong suggestion that is too long to wait for this plan to address the signal problem. I would like to suggest a protected left arrow for north turns from southbound Graham Park Road to north on Route 1.

- Response/Statement: When project is started, please construct this during the night time hours. Synchronize all signals concerning this intersection.
- Response/Statement: The plans call for a proposed signal light pole in the middle of the road on an island. I believe this would present a clear danger to traffic and should be moved to the side of the road (Signal light for the southbound Main Street).

The meeting was concluded at 7:00 PM. No further written comments or verbal comments were received by Town Staff following the Public Hearing.

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE DUMFRIES TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2013, IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 17755 MAIN STREET, DUMFRIES, VIRGINIA: ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY _____, AND SECONDED BY _____, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Charles C. Brewer, _____;
Gerald M. Foreman, II, _____;
Kristin W. Forrester, _____;
Helen D. Reynolds, _____;
Willie J. Toney, _____;
Gwen P. Washington, _____;
Derrick R. Wood, _____;

**RESOLUTION FOR LOCATION AND DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING
APPROVAL FOR CURTIS DRIVE/GRAHAM PARK ROAD/ROUTE 1
INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, a Location and Design Public Hearing was conducted on March 28, 2013, with representatives of the Town of Dumfries, after due and proper notice for the purpose of considering the proposed location and design of CURTIS DRIVE/GRAHAM PARK ROAD/ROUTE 1 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT 0001-212, 102 (UPC#81517), at which hearing road and bridge plan sheets, drawings and other pertinent information were made available for public inspection in accordance with state and federal guidelines; and

WHEREAS, all persons and parties in attendance were afforded full opportunity to participate in said public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the TOWN OF DUMFRIES is an active participant in the Urban Construction Initiative and representatives of the Town were present and conducted said hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Council has previously requested the Virginia Department of Transportation to program this project; and

WHEREAS, the Council considered all such matters.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the TOWN OF DUMFRIES hereby approves the location and major design features of the proposed projects as presented in the Public Hearing; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the TOWN OF DUMFRIES requests authorization to obtain all necessary rights of ways and easements and to place in the name of the Virginia Department of Transportation along Route 1, and in the name of the TOWN OF DUMFRIES along Curtis Drive/Graham Park Road.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Dumfries this 4th day of June, 2013, does hereby authorize the Town Manager to execute, on behalf of the Town of Dumfries, all necessary right of way and utility agreements required in conjunction with acquiring such rights of way.

By Order of Council:

Gerald M. Foreman, Mayor

Attest:

Dawn Hobgood, Town Clerk