



Amherst County Board of Supervisors  
County Resolution No. 2021-0021-R

**For consideration on September 21, 2021**

**A RESOLUTION, NO. 2021-0021-R**

A resolution, requesting that the Commonwealth Transportation Board establish a project, specifically the Riveredge Trail Design and Build Project.

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Approved as to form and legality by the Amherst County Attorney

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:**

**I. That the Board of Supervisors of Amherst County hereby requests that the Commonwealth Transportation Board establish a project, specifically the Riveredge Trail Design and Build Project, as follows:**

**WHEREAS**, Amherst County considers it to be in the best public interest of the County, region and Commonwealth to complete the Riveredge Trail extension to the James River Heritage Trail (JRHT) and expand public access to the James River; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Commonwealth Transportation Board construction allocation procedures, it is necessary that a resolution be received from the sponsoring jurisdiction requesting the Virginia Department of Transportation ("Department") establish a Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside project to be administered by Amherst County; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:**

That the Board of Supervisors of Amherst County hereby requests the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a project, specifically the Riveredge Trail Design and Build Project ("Project"). The Project will provide for the Preliminary Engineering and Right of Way phases for a five thousand two hundred (5,200) foot long, ten (10) foot wide, gravel or asphalt trail that will extend the existing Riveredge Trail. The Project will also provide construction for a portion, approximately three thousand five hundred (3,500) feet of the multiuse trail corridor. The trail extension will begin at the existing Riveredge Trail terminus and will terminate at and create a continuous linkage with the James River Heritage Trail (JRHT); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Supervisors hereby commits to provide at a minimum a twenty (20) percent matching contribution for the Project, to include the full extension Preliminary Engineering and Right of Way Phases for the full five thousand two hundred (5,200) foot trail and the three thousand two hundred (3,200) foot construction requested in this Department Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside application and any additional twenty (20) percent match funds to fully construct the additional approximate one thousand seven hundred (1,700) feet of trail to complete the trail construction to link with the James River Heritage Trail; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Supervisors hereby agrees to enter into a project administration agreement with the Department and provide the necessary oversight to ensure the Project is developed in accordance with all state and federal requirements for design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction of a federally funded transportation project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Supervisors will be responsible for maintenance and operating costs of the Project unless other arrangements have been made with the Department; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That if the Board of Supervisors subsequently elects to cancel this project, Amherst County hereby agrees to reimburse the Department for the total amount of costs expended by the Department through the date the Department is notified of such cancellation. Amherst County also agrees to repay any funds reimbursed by the Department that are thereafter deemed ineligible by the Federal Highway Administration.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Administrator to execute the Project agreement if the Project is approved as a Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside project for Fiscal Year 2023.

**II. That this resolution shall be in force and effect upon adoption.**

Adopted this 21st day of September 2021.

   
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Tom Martin, Temporary Chair  
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

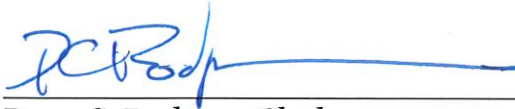
**Member**

Jennifer R. Moore, Chair.....  
David W. Pugh, Jr., Vice-Chair.....  
Tom Martin .....  
L. J. "Jimmy" Ayers, III. ....  
Claudia D. Tucker .....

**Vote**

ABSENT  
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**ATTEST:**



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Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk  
Board of Supervisors of the County of Amherst, Virginia

