



# Albemarle County

## Legislation Text

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**TITLE:**

Public Hearing-VDOT FY 18-23 Secondary Six Year Program

**SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST:** Public Hearing-VDOT FY 18-23 Secondary Six Year Program

**ITEM TYPE:** Regular Action Item

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**PRESENTER (S):** Kevin McDermott

**LEGAL REVIEW:** Yes

**REVIEWED BY:** Douglas C. Walker

**BACKGROUND:** The purpose of this public hearing is to receive input on the proposed Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Secondary Six Year Program (SSYP), FY 18-23 (Attachment A). The SSYP is the funding program for the maintenance and construction of secondary roads based on the County's Transportation Priority List and the Albemarle County Priority List for Secondary Road Improvements, Unpaved Roads and reflects available State road funding allocated to the County. The Board held a work session on the SSYP and the Albemarle County Priority List for Secondary Road Improvements, Unpaved Roads on April 5, 2017 (Attachment B - Executive Summary) and on Albemarle County's Transportation Priorities on May 3, 2017 (Attachment C - Executive Summary). Based on the recommendations and discussion at the April 5<sup>th</sup> work session, the following changes to the Albemarle County Priority List for Secondary Road Improvements, Unpaved Roads were made and are reflected in the List as Attachment D:

- Continue to move forward on the four top priorities which are either under construction or have had notifications sent to property owners announcing the upcoming paving. These are: Bunker Hill Road, Keswick Road, Preddy Creek Road, and Patterson Mill Lane.
- Add Hammocks Gap Road to the List.
- Reordered the List according to the previously approved prioritization process based on updated traffic and crash data. The criteria used for prioritization include: a) whether road is located within and/or is serving a Development Area; b) traffic volume of road; c) crash data for road; d) surface condition/unique maintenance issues of road; and e) whether road is a through road or a dead-end road.
- Advance Dick Woods Road in priority in order to take advantage of recent maintenance improvements that will reduce the cost of the paving.
- Remove Ballards Mill Road, Sugar Ridge Road, Wesley Chapel Road, and Decca Lane from the List.

At the May 3<sup>rd</sup> work session the board expressed support for the draft list of first tier priority projects. These included the following:

- Proffit Road Improvements
- Sunset Road and County Green Rd. Improvements
- Eastern Ave. Construction
- Rt 29 North Corridor Western Parallel Road (Berkmar Drive Extended to Lewis & Clark Drive)
- Rt 20 North Widening and Intersection Improvement of US 250 and Rt 20
- New Transit Service to Avon St/Mill Creek
- Route 10 Transit Improvements
- Transit Focused US 29 and BRT
- North Town Trail
- Neighborhood Level Sidewalk Improvements

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** Infrastructure Investment: Prioritize, plan, and invest in critical infrastructure that responds to past and future changes and improves the capacity to serve community needs

**DISCUSSION:** VDOT staff has provided a draft of the FY 18-23 SSYP (Attachment A) that is based on the direction provided by the Board at its previous work sessions. The available funding for the FY 18-23 SSYP would be used to address the priority projects the Board has supported. The Rio Mills Connector remains the top priority and Telefee funding dedicated to this project over the next two years will make up the balance to complete this project after Smart Scale funding is awarded. The described limits of this project have been corrected to match the intent of the project.

In addition to the top five paving projects derived from the Albemarle County Priority List for Secondary Road Improvements, Unpaved Roads funded over the next two fiscal years, a plan to study the Connector Road between Berkmar Drive Extended and Lewis & Clark has been funded through the SSYP. As one of the top County priority projects, the addition of this study in the SSYP makes use of available funds to advance a project that was previously denied funding through Smart Scale. This study will be used to improve the potential for funding in future grant applications. Additionally the project has been added to the SSYP for construction in the out years of the plan with additional funding to help reduce the cost for future grant applications.

The Final FY2018 Albemarle County Priority List for Secondary Road Improvements, Unpaved Roads has also been attached for the Board's approval. This reflects all changes recommended at the April 5<sup>th</sup> Work Session.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** The SSYP is for the expenditure of State/VDOT secondary road construction funds allocated to the County and does not require the expenditure of County funds except to the extent that any project may also utilize revenue sharing funds or otherwise necessitate County resources in support of the project.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

After the public hearing, staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment E) approving the FY18-23 Secondary Six Year Program (SSYP) and authorizing the County Executive to sign the SSYP.

Staff also recommends that the Board vote to approve the Final FY2018 Albemarle County Priority List for Secondary Road Improvements, Unpaved Roads for the record.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A - Draft Albemarle County FY18-23 SSYP

Attachment B - April 5, 2017 Work Session Executive Summary

Attachment C - May 3, 2017 Work Session Executive Summary

Attachment D - FY 18 Albemarle County Priority List for Secondary Road Improvements, Unpaved Roads

Attachment E - Resolution