



# Albemarle County

## Legislation Text

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**AGENDA DATE:** 3/7/2018

**TITLE:**

Rio Road, Avon Extended and Rockfish Gap Turnpike Sidewalks

**SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST:** Resolution to authorize the purchase of rights-of-way and easements for the construction of sidewalks along Rio Road, Avon Street Extended, and Rt. 250 West/Rockfish Gap Turnpike

**ITEM TYPE:** Consent Action Item

**STAFF CONTACT(S):** Richardson, Letteri, Kamptner, Herrick, Henry, Abplanalp, Kelsey

**PRESENTER (S):** NA

**LEGAL REVIEW:** Yes

**REVIEWED BY:** Jeffrey B. Richardson

**BACKGROUND:** The County's Department of Facilities and Environmental Services - Project Management Division received Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) approval to commence the right-of-way and easement acquisitions for the locally administered Rio Road, Avon Street Extended and Rt. 250 West/Rockfish Gap Turnpike Sidewalks ("Project") Revenue Sharing project. The Project will construct 1600 feet of sidewalk on Rio Road, 3370 feet of sidewalk on Avon Street Extended, and 1780 feet of sidewalk and a mid-block pedestrian crossing on Rt. 250 West/Rockfish Gap Turnpike. The acquisition of public rights-of-way and/or easements across approximately 37 parcels will be necessary to construct this project. The costs of acquiring the rights-of-way and easements are subject to a state match from VDOT's Revenue Sharing Program. As a condition of the Revenue Sharing Program, VDOT requires that the County determine the amount of just compensation for the rights-of-way and easements, and that the County inform the property owners of their right to receive just compensation.

**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:** This executive summary is to request that the Board authorize the County's purchase of all rights-of-way and easements necessary to complete this project at a price not to exceed the just compensation amount and not to exceed the current project budget. This procedure, implemented at the start of the right-of-way phase of previous Revenue Sharing sidewalk projects, has helped facilitate our property acquisition process and is consistent with Locally Administered VDOT Revenue Sharing project requirements. Rights-of-way and/or easements will be acquired across approximately 37 parcels as illustrated on the Project Map in Attachment A and as listed in Attachment B based on the data from current tax records.

The attached Resolution (Attachment C) authorizes the purchase of the rights-of-way and easements necessary for the Project for amounts not to exceed just compensation as confirmed by the County Attorney and not to exceed the current project budget; and authorizes the County Executive to sign, in a form approved

by the County Attorney, all documents necessary to complete the acquisitions.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** The budget for this project is approved and appropriated. This action will have no additional impact on the current budget.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment C).

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Project Maps

Attachment B: Parcels by Tax Map Parcel Number

Attachment C: Resolution