

TOWN OF HERNDON, VIRGINIA

RESOLUTION

AUGUST 14, 2012

Resolution- Endorsement of possible town bicycle facilities and trails for inclusion into Fairfax County's bicycle master plan titled: *Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan for Fairfax County, Phase II.*

WHEREAS, the Code of Virginia §15.2-2231 requires each locality to develop a transportation plan that designates a system of transportation infrastructure needs and recommendations that may include the designation of new and expanded transportation facilities and that support the planned development of the territory covered by the plan and shall include, as appropriate, bicycle accommodations; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Virginia §15.2-2231 authorizes any county plan to include planning of incorporated towns to the extent to which it is related to planning of the unincorporated territory of the county as a whole. However, the plan shall not be considered as a comprehensive plan for any incorporated town unless recommended by the town commission and adopted into the town's comprehensive plan by the governing body of the town; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Herndon shares Fairfax County's intention that the Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan establishes policy guidance on promoting bicycling as a mode of transportation; and

WHEREAS, Fairfax County Bicycle Transportation Plan adheres to the Town of Herndon adopted 2030 Vision in that "citizens and visitors who journey in, around, and through Herndon find modes of transportation that are convenient, safe, and accessible" and "the Town's internal system of sidewalks, streets, trails, and connections to mass transit ensure that the region and the world are just a few steps away"; and

WHEREAS, Fairfax County's Bicycle Transportation Plan adheres to the Town of Herndon adopted 2030 Comprehensive Plan goals "to facilitate alternative modes of transportation within the town" and "to provide safe streets that are friendly to pedestrians and bicyclists"; and

WHEREAS, the general goal of Fairfax County Bicycle Transportation Plan is to identify specific improvements that are needed to accommodate and encourage bicycling within and between activity and population centers throughout Fairfax County, adjacent jurisdictions as well as to and from rail stations along the Dulles Metrorail Silver Line; and

WHEREAS, the Town's involvement in the County's bicycle planning process will assist in the coordination of inter-jurisdictional and regional connectivity of proposed bicycle facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Herndon's Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee has reviewed Fairfax County's draft Bicycle Transportation Plan and has recommended to the Planning Commission specific roadways for future bicycle facilities and trails within the Town of Herndon for inclusion into the Fairfax County Bicycle Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed and recommends the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee's selected roadways for future bicycle facilities and trails, as shown on the attached map, for inclusion into the *Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan for Fairfax County, Phase II*; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommends that for planning purposes the Town Council recommends and forwards to Fairfax County, for inclusion into Fairfax County Bicycle Transportation Plan, the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee recommendations along with the associated map; and

WHEREAS, the inclusion into the Fairfax County Bicycle Transportation Plan, of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee recommendations, as shown on the attached map, does not compel the town to authorize, fund or construct such improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Town recognizes that inclusion of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee recommendations into the Fairfax County Bicycle Transportation Plan, will advance the town's ability to obtain grant funding for such improvements in the future should the town wish to proceed with incorporation of one of more of the facilities in the town's Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission will be reviewing and considering the Town's 2030 Comprehensive Plan during year 2012 and 2013 to include the Transportation Chapter and the Town's Master Trails Plan Map; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission will take into consideration the Fairfax County Bicycle Transportation Plan and its recommendations relative to the Town of Herndon as part of its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update process, but may preclude, as per Code of Virginia §15.2-2231, specific bicycle facilities that may be listed in Fairfax County's Bicycle Transportation Plan within the boundaries of the town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, hereby:

1. Endorses the inclusion of the following selected roadways for future bicycle facilities and trails into the *Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan for Fairfax County, Phase II*:

- a. Bike Lanes on Dranesville Road between Herndon Parkway and Park Avenue;
- b. Bike Lanes on Elden Street between Monroe Street and Fairfax County Parkway;
- c. Future on-road bicycle facility on Locust Street between Elden Street and Spring Street;
- d. Future on-road bicycle facility on Spring Street between Elden Street and Van Buren Street;
- e. Future on-road bicycle facility on Van Buren Street between Dulles Toll Road and W&OD Trail;
- f. Future on-road bicycle facility on Ferndale Avenue between W&OD Trail and Herndon Parkway;
- g. Future on-road bicycle facility on Station Street between Elden Street and Park Avenue;
- h. Future on-road bicycle facility on Park Avenue between Station Street and Dranesville Road;
- i. Future on-road bicycle facility on Dranesville Road between Madison Street and Park Avenue;
- j. Future on-road bicycle facility on Dranesville Road between Herndon Parkway and Bennett Street;
- k. Future on-road bicycle facility on Van Buren Street between Elden Street and Park Avenue;
- l. Future on-road bicycle facility on Fillmore Street between Dranesville Road and Van Buren Street;
- m. Future on-road bicycle facility from Van Buren Street/Worldgate Drive intersection to Herndon Metrorail Station;
- n. Cycle Track on Herndon Parkway between Van Buren Street and Spring Street;
- o. Trail between Herndon Parkway and Dulles Toll Road, west of Elden Street;

- p. Sugarland Run Stream Valley Trail extending from W&OD Trail and to connect to Herndon Metrorail Station; and
 - q. Folly Lick Trail extending from northern town limits to W&OD Trail.
2. Authorizes the Town Clerk to send a certified copy of this resolution and attached map to the Fairfax County Department of Transportation to be appended to the *Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan for Fairfax County, Phase II*.
 3. States that the Town Council is not adopting the *Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan for Fairfax County, Phase II* as part of the Town of Herndon's 2030 Comprehensive Plan (August 12, 2008).

This is certified to be a true and accurate copy of Resolution 12-G-48 adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Herndon on August 14, 2012.

Margie C. Tacci
Margie C. Tacci, Deputy Town Clerk II

A copy of the Fairfax County Bicycle Transportation Plan/PBAC Recommendations + Comprehensive Plan Trails, is attached for reference.

FAIRFAX COUNTY BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION PLAN | PBAC RECOMMENDATIONS + COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TRAILS

