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MOTION:

**July 8, 2014
Regular Meeting
Res. No. 14-**

SECOND:

RE: REQUEST THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD TO RESTRICT THROUGH-TRUCK TRAFFIC ON FOREST LANE-ROUTE 759, WOODSIDE DRIVE-ROUTE 733, WALNUT STREET-ROUTE 735, PRATT STREET-ROUTE 736, SYCAMORE STREET-ROUTE 737, AND OVERLOOK DRIVE-ROUTE 734 – WOODBRIDGE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT

ACTION:

WHEREAS, Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street and Overlook Drive are not designed or intended to serve heavy truck traffic; and

WHEREAS, Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street and Overlook Drive are not recommended for trucks due to the roadway design; and

WHEREAS, heavy truck traffic causes safety problems on Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street and Overlook Drive; and

WHEREAS, an alternative route exists via Colchester Road, Route 638 to Featherstone Road, Route 636; and

WHEREAS, the alternate route is depicted on the attached map; and

WHEREAS, Section 46.2-809 of the Code of Virginia mandates that a public hearing must be held by the local governing body to receive public comments on restricting through-truck traffic on any part of a secondary highway; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 13-320.1 of the Prince William County Code, a public meeting was authorized by the Board of County Supervisors on May 20, 2014, by Resolution No. 14-377, and held on July 8, 2014 to obtain public comments on requesting the Commonwealth Transportation Board to restrict through-truck traffic; and

WHEREAS, the Prince William County Police Department will be responsible for enforcing the restriction;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Resident Engineer for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

ATTACHMENT: Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street and Overlook Drive Through-Truck Restrictions

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Vote:

Absent from Meeting:

For Information:

County Attorney

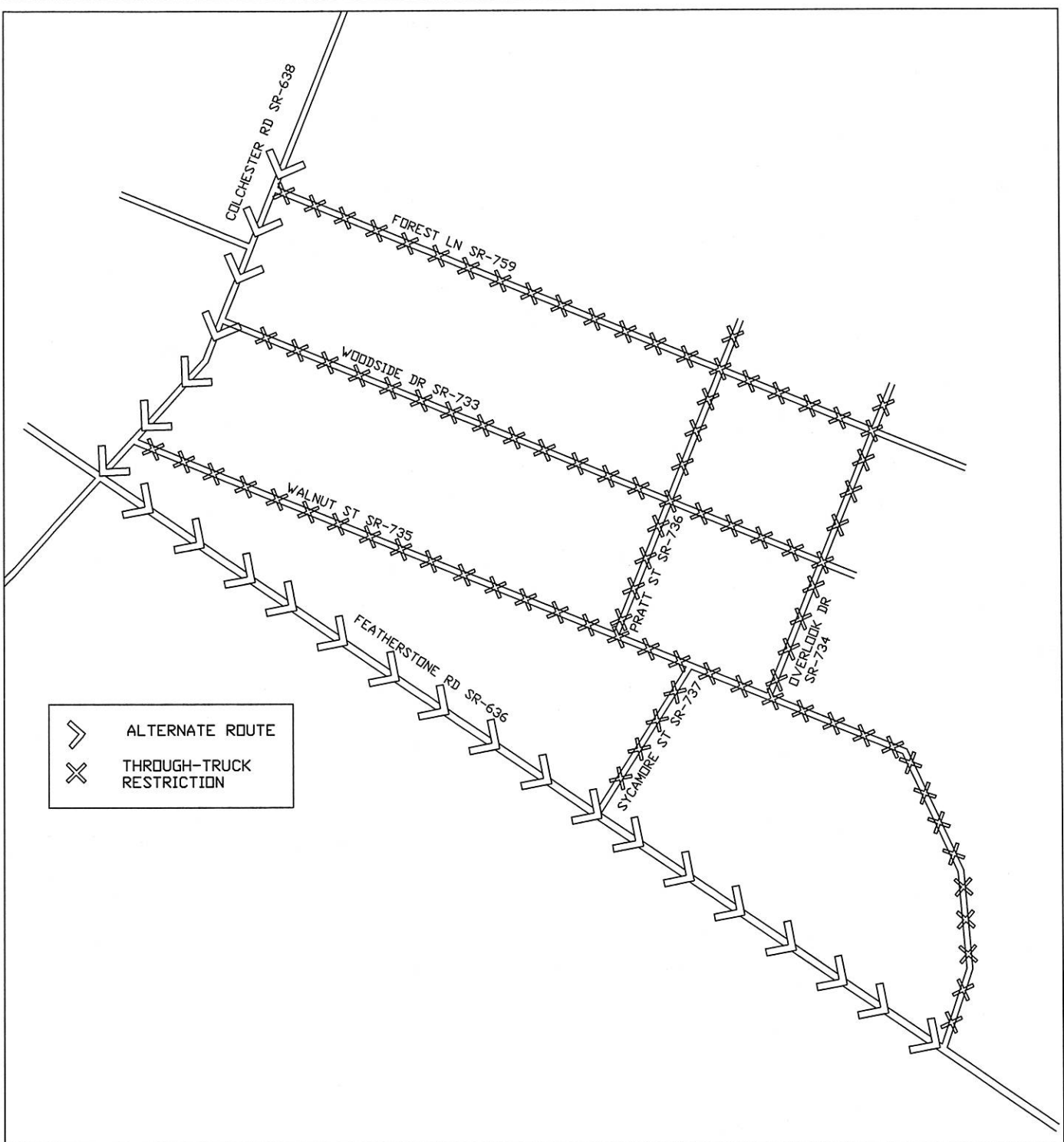
Transportation Director

VDOT District Traffic Engineer

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ATTEST: _____
Clerk to the Board

FOREST LN, WOODSIDE DR, WALNUT ST, PRATT ST, SYCAMORE ST & OVERLOOK DR THROUGH TRUCK RESTRICTIONS

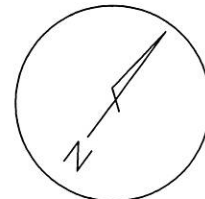


- > ALTERNATE ROUTE
- X THROUGH-TRUCK RESTRICTION



Prince William County

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WALNUT ST, PRATT ST, SYCAMORE ST
& OVERLOOK DR



To:
From:

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Melissa S. Peacor
County Executive

COUNTY OF PRINCE WILLIAM

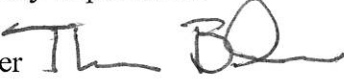
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June 5, 2014

TO: Board of County Supervisors

FROM: Thomas Blaser 
Director of Transportation

THRU: Melissa Peacor
County Executive

RE: Request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to Restrict Through-Truck Traffic on Forest Lane – Route 759, Woodside Drive – Route 733, Walnut Street – Route 735, Pratt Street – Route 736, Sycamore Street – Route 737, and Overlook Drive – Route 734 in the **Woodbridge Magisterial District**

I. Background on the subject in chronological order is:

- A. Through-Truck Restriction Procedures - The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) adopted procedures for considering requests for restricting through-trucks on secondary highways. Section 46.2-809 of the Code of Virginia mandates actions to be taken by the County.
1. Public Hearing - The Board of County Supervisors may request the CTB to restrict through-truck traffic, but only after the Board of County Supervisors holds a public hearing.
 2. Public Hearing Transcript - A transcript of the public hearing must be provided with the request.
 3. Adopted Resolution - An adopted resolution must be provided with the request. The resolution must include the proposed through-truck restriction and a description of the alternate route. The resolution must also demonstrate that the Police Department will be responsible for enforcement of the restriction.

- B. Truck Restriction Request - Several citizens have contacted the Woodbridge District Supervisor's office to request restricting through-truck traffic on Forest Lane – Route 759, Woodside Drive – Route 733, Walnut Street – Route 735, Pratt Street – Route 736, Sycamore Street – Route 737, and Overlook Drive – Route 734.
- C. Alternate Route - Transportation staff identified an alternate route that will accommodate through-truck traffic. It consists of using Colchester Road – Route 638 to Featherstone Road – Route 636. A map of the proposed restriction and alternate route is attached to the resolution.

II. Current Situation is as follows:

- A. Public Hearing Authorized - A public hearing was authorized by the Board of County Supervisors on May 20, 2014, by Resolution No. 14-337 to request the CTB to restrict through-truck traffic on Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street, and Overlook Drive in the Woodbridge Magisterial District.
- B. Advertisement - The public hearing was advertised in a newspaper of general circulation at least seven days prior to the date set for the hearing.
- C. Alternate Route - The alternate route of Colchester Road – Route 638, to Featherstone Road – Route 636, can accommodate through-truck traffic.
- D. Board Action Requested - Request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to restrict through-truck traffic on Forest Lane – Route 759, Woodside Drive – Route 733, Walnut Street – Route 735, Pratt Street – Route 736, Sycamore Street – Route 737, and Overlook Drive – Route 734 in the Woodbridge Magisterial District.

III. Issues in order of importance are:

- A. Public Safety - Will public safety be improved on Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street, and Overlook Drive?
- B. Legal - Did the Board hold a public hearing prior to submitting its request to the CTB?

- C. Service Level/Policy Issue - Are Forest Lane – Route 759, Woodside Drive – Route 733, Walnut Street – Route 735, Pratt Street – Route 736, Sycamore Street – Route 737, and Overlook Drive – Route 734, designed to accommodate heavy truck traffic? What alternative route is being proposed for truck traffic?
- D. Timing - When will the restriction of through-truck traffic be implemented?
- E. Fiscal Impact - What costs will the County incur? Who will pay for the signs as well as maintain them? Will there be a negative impact on economic development?

IV. Alternatives in order of feasibility are:

- A. Request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to restrict through-truck traffic on Forest Lane –Route 759, Woodside Drive – Route 733, Walnut Street – Route 735, Pratt Street – Route 736, Sycamore Street – Route 737, and Overlook Drive – Route 734 in the Woodbridge Magisterial District.
 - 1. Public Safety - Public safety will be improved by providing an alternate route for heavy truck traffic away from Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street, and Overlook Drive which has lower traffic volumes and residential characteristics.
 - 2. Legal - A public hearing will be held in accordance with Virginia Code Section 46.2-809 on July 8, 2014.
 - 3. Service Level/Policy Issue - Forest Lane – Route 759, Woodside Drive – Route 733, Walnut Street – Route 735, Pratt Street – Route 736, Sycamore Street – Route 737, and Overlook Drive – Route 734 were not designed to accommodate heavy truck traffic. A public hearing will be held to receive comments on the proposed alternate route to use Colchester Road – Route 638, to Featherstone Road – Route 636, which can accommodate through-truck traffic.
 - 4. Timing - It generally takes the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) four to six weeks to install the signs once the CTB approves a through-truck restriction.

5. Fiscal Impact - If the CTB approves the request, the cost of enforcement will be funded by the County. VDOT will pay for the installation and maintenance of the signs. There will be no negative impact on economic development as a result of restricting through-truck traffic on Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street, and Overlook Drive.

B. Take No Action.

1. Public Safety - Public safety will not improve on Forest Lane, Woodside Drive, Walnut Street, Pratt Street, Sycamore Street, and Overlook Drive.
2. Legal - Does not apply.
3. Service Level/Policy Issue - Does not apply.
4. Timing - Does not apply.
5. Fiscal Impact - Does not apply.

- V. **Recommendation** is that the Board of County Supervisors concur with Alternative A and approve the attached Resolution.

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