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MOTION:

November 28, 2017

SECOND:

Regular Meeting

Res. No. 17-

RE: REQUEST THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACCEPT THE REALIGNMENT OF CUSHING ROAD INTO THE SECONDARY SYSTEM OF STATE HIGHWAYS, ABANDON A PORTION OF CUSHING ROAD, ROUTE 781 AND INCORPORATE CHANGES DUE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF CUSHING ROAD – GAINESVILLE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT

ACTION:

WHEREAS, streets described on the attachment, fully incorporated herein by reference, are shown on a plat recorded in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Prince William County; and

WHEREAS, the streets have been constructed in compliance with Prince William County's Comprehensive Inspections Program, which eliminates the requirement of a warranty bond; and

WHEREAS, the drainage design has been checked and approved by Prince William County Department of Public Works and the streets and drainage facilities have been constructed in accordance with approved plans; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) staff has advised that the streets meet the requirements established by the Subdivision Street Requirements of VDOT; and

WHEREAS, Prince William County and VDOT have entered into a Comprehensive Stormwater Detention Agreement, dated January 26, 1993, concerning a stormwater detention facility that may receive runoff from these streets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors does hereby request Virginia Department of Transportation to accept the realignment of Cushing Road, Route 781, a total distance of .20 miles, as more particularly described on the attachment and as depicted on the attached sketch, which is incorporated by reference herein, into the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to Code of Virginia Section 33.2-705, and the Subdivision Street Requirements of Virginia Department of Transportation;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors does hereby guarantee the Commonwealth of Virginia an unrestricted right-of-way as shown on the attachment with the necessary easements for cuts, fills and drainage. It is recorded in Instrument #s: 201510290090257, 20150290090258, 201510290090262, and 201510290090263;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors does hereby request VDOT to abandon a total distance of 0.15 miles of Cushing Road, Route 781, as depicted on the attached sketch, and pursuant to the Code of Virginia Section 33.2-912;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if conditions warrant a change to an attachment, the Prince William Board of County Supervisors does hereby authorize the Director of Transportation or his designee to make any required change(s) administratively;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Manassas Residency office of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

ATTACHMENT: Cushing Road Street Data
Cushing Road Sketch

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Vote:

Absent from Meeting:

For Information:

Transportation Director

Transportation Planning and Programming Division Chief

Transportation Inspections Supervisor

ATTEST: _____

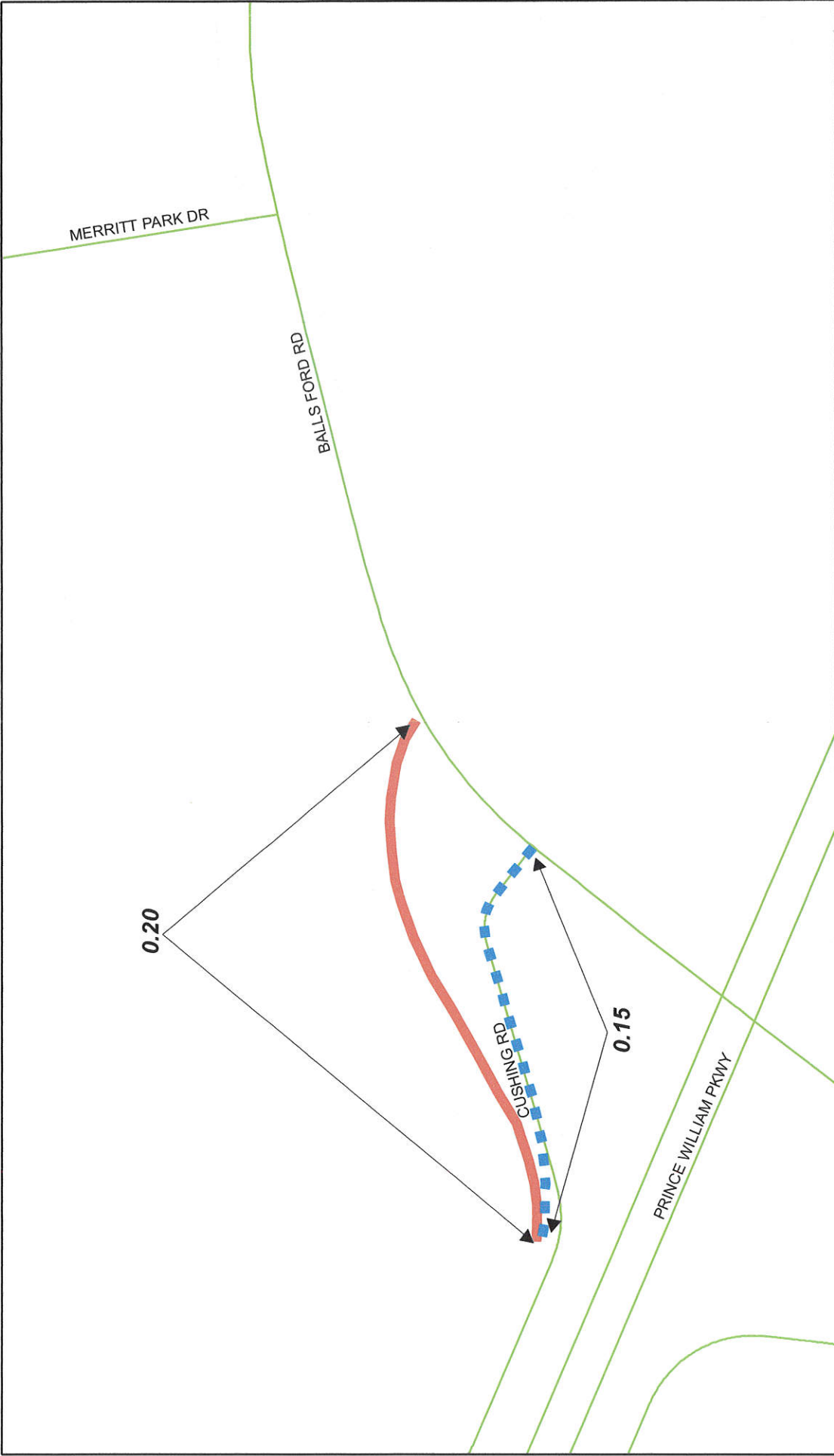
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Subdivision Name: The Land of Daniel H. Barrett
Property Owner: SunCap Property Group
Magisterial District: Gainesville
Instrument #s: 201510290090257, 20150290090258, 201510290090262, and
 201510290090263

ADDITION TO THE SECONDARY SYSTEM			
Street Name	Street Termini	Right-of-Way Width (ft.)	Centerline Length (Miles)
Cushing Road, Route 781	From: Balls Ford Road, Route 621 To: .20 miles west of Balls Ford Road, Route 621	144.97' And Variable	0.20
TOTAL MILEAGE = 0.20 Miles Two-Lane Road			

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ABANDONMENT			
Street Name	Street Termini	Right-of-Way Width (ft.)	Centerline Length (Miles)
Cushing Road, Route 781	From: Balls Ford Road, Route 621 To: .15 miles west of Balls Ford Road, Route 621	N/A	0.15
TOTAL MILEAGE = 0.15 Miles Two-Lane Road			



MERRITT PARK DR

BALLS FORD RD

0.20

CUSHING RD

0.15

PRINCE WILLIAM PKWY

ROAD ACCEPTANCE IN MILES

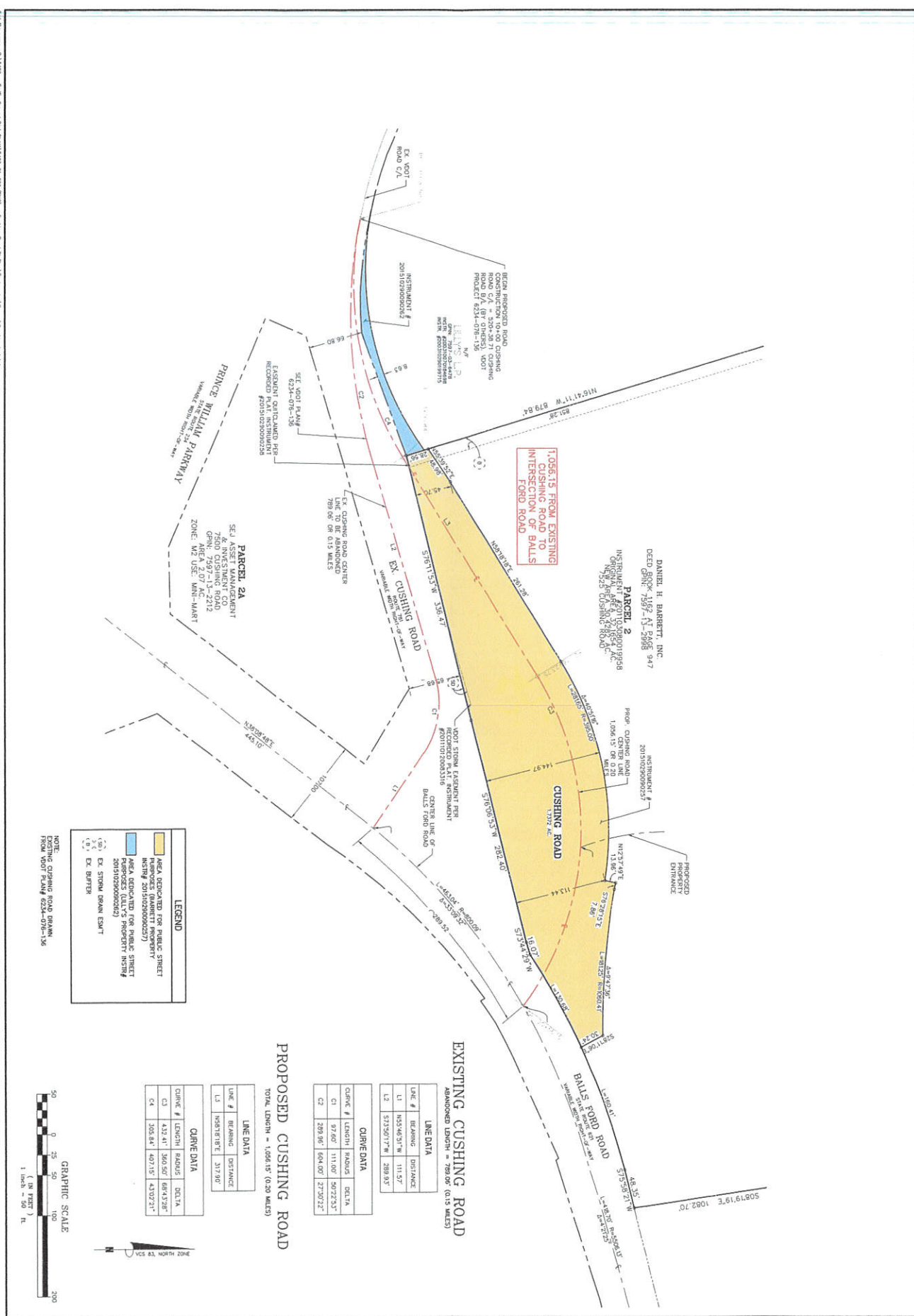
ROAD ABANDONMENT IN MILES

EXISTING ROADS

CUSHING RD RE-ALIGNMENT



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Christopher E. Martino
County Executive

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November 6, 2017

TO: Board of County Supervisors

FROM: Ricardo Canizales 
Director of Transportation

THRU: Christopher E. Martino
County Executive

RE: Request the Virginia Department of Transportation to Accept the Realignment of Cushing Road into the Secondary System of State Highways, Abandon a Portion of Cushing Road, Route 781, and Incorporate Changes Due to the Construction of Cushing Road – **Gainesville Magisterial District**

I. Background on the subject in chronological order is:

- A. Unsafe Truck Turning Movement – The intersection of Cushing Road, Route 781 and Balls Ford Road, Route 621 was located next to Prince William Parkway and Balls Ford intersection creating an unsafe truck turning movement and intersection. Any additional traffic would generate an increase in unsafe conditions.
- B. Cushing Road, Route 781 Relocation and Construction – Realignment of Cushing Road, Route 781, and the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Cushing Road and Balls Ford Road, Route 621 have been completed by the developer to create a safer connection to Balls Ford Road. The realignment and construction occurred within the dedicated right-of-way in accordance with the plans approved by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and Prince William County. The abandoned road portion of Cushing Road was eliminated, but the right-of-way area will remain. Route 781 will remain known as Cushing Road.

II. Current Situation is as follows:

- A. Road Improvements Completion – Road improvements must be completed in compliance with County and State standards and specifications.

- B. VDOT Street Acceptance – The realigned Cushing Road, Route 781 will be presented to the Board of County Supervisors and must receive approval of the partial abandonment of Cushing Road prior to VDOT acceptance.
- C. Board Action Requested – The Board of County Supervisors requests Virginia Department of Transportation to accept the realignment of Cushing Road, Route 781 into the Secondary System of State Highways, abandon a portion of Cushing Road, Route 781, and incorporate the changes due to the construction of Cushing Road in the Gainesville Magisterial District.

III. Issues in order of importance are:

- A. Service Level/Policy Issues – How does this project support Prince William County’s Strategic Plan goal and VDOT’s inventory list?
- B. Legal – Do all procedures for acceptance and abandonment comply with applicable Virginia Code Provisions?
- C. Timing – Why must the roads be accepted and abandoned at this time?
- D. Fiscal Impact – Are there costs to the County associated with the acceptance and abandonment of the road segment associated with Cushing Road?

IV. Alternatives in order of feasibility are:

- A. Request VDOT to accept the realignment of Cushing Road, Route 781 into the Secondary System of State Highways, abandon a portion of Cushing Road, Route 781, and incorporate changes due to the construction of Cushing Road in the Gainesville Magisterial District.
 - 1. Service Level/Policy Issues – Accepting the realignment of Cushing Road, Route 781 into the Secondary System of State Highways supports the County’s Strategic Plan goal, where “the community will have an accessible, comprehensive multi-modal network of transportation infrastructure that supports local and regional mobility.” There will be no adverse impact on access to the adjacent properties due to the realigned addition of a certain street section to provide access to the FedEx Package Distribution Center and 7-Eleven, or the abandonment of a portion of Cushing Road, Route 781. These changes would also provide VDOT with an accurate road inventory.

2. Legal – The procedures for acceptance of new streets into the Secondary State Highway System comply with Section 33.2-705 and the procedures for abandonment comply with Section 33.2-912 of the Code of Virginia of 1950; allowing for the abandonment of old roads that have been replaced with new roads that serve the same users as the old road and affords greater access and safety to the public.
3. Timing – The request to abandon a portion of Cushing Road and incorporate changes due to the construction of Cushing Road will allow a timely and accurate VDOT roadway inventory.
4. Fiscal Impact – County funding is not necessary. VDOT will maintain the realigned Cushing Road, Route 781 once it is included in their roadway inventory.

B. Take No Action

1. Service Level/Policy Issues – The newly realigned Cushing Road would not be accepted by VDOT for maintenance and the abandonment cannot occur, adversely impacting the County's Strategic Plan goal to improve transportation.
2. Legal – The Board of County Supervisors is not legally compelled to approve the Resolution.
3. Timing – VDOT will not have a timely roadway inventory.
4. Fiscal Impact – VDOT's inventory will be inaccurate and their budget for maintenance will be undetermined. The developer will be responsible for maintaining this section of roadway at their cost.

V. Recommendation is that the Board of County Supervisors concurs with Alternative A and approves the attached Resolution.

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