

AT A WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF
JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, HELD ON THE 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2001, AT 4:00
P.M. IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARD ROOM, 101 MOUNTS BAY
ROAD, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

A. **ROLL CALL**

John J. McGlennon, Chairman, Jamestown District
Bruce C. Goodson, Vice Chairman, Roberts District, arrived at 4:02 p.m.

Jay T. Harrison, Sr., Berkeley District, arrived at 4:01 p.m.
James G. Kennedy, Stonehouse District
Ronald A. Nervitt, Powhatan District
Sanford B. Wanner, County Administrator
Frank M. Morton, III, County Attorney

B. **WORK SESSION**

1. Route 199 and Jamestown Road – Locally Preferred Alternative

Mr. Wanner and Mr. Jack Tuttle, City Manager of the City of Williamsburg presented a recommendation for the "locally preferred alternative" for improvements to the Route 199 and Jamestown Road intersection.

Mr. Wanner stated that the principles for the recommendation were the need for Route 199 to function at an acceptable level of service for vehicular traffic, but with sensitivity to aesthetic, noise, environmental, pedestrian and cyclists issues; careful attention to the interest of the property owners, residents, and businesses directly affected by roadway changes; optimal use of limited dollars; and conformance with State/Federal funding criteria.

Mr. Wanner gave a description of the recommended locally preferred alternative.

1. Lengthen the existing northbound and southbound left turn lanes on Route 199 south of Jamestown Road as much as possible.
2. Add exclusive right turn lanes beside SunTrust and McCardle on Route 199, and designate an exclusive right turn lane in front of 7-11 on Jamestown Road.
3. Do not construct any raised medians on Jamestown Road.
4. Improve pedestrian crossings by constructing islands beside the right turn lanes beside SunTrust and in front of 7-11, installing pedestrian signals and improving the crosswalk striping.
5. Construct a 700 foot (+/-) sound wall beside Village Green Condominiums and Woodlands Condominiums on the east side of Route 199. The sound wall should be designed specifically for this project, and should be constructed of brick. The height of the sound wall should be kept as low as possible.

6. Develop and extensive landscape plan as an integral part of the project design.
7. Improve pedestrian and bicycle facilities by constructing a ten-foot shared-use trail on the west side of Route 199 between Jamestown Road and Lake Powell Road (beside 7-11).
8. Attempt to save the McCardle building by on-site relocation. Shirley Pewter and Chickahominy House should be unaffected.
9. There will be a loss of 7-11 property due to the right hand lane and corner radius, and the location of the entrance drive, may impact the sports/balloon shop and hairdresser shop adjacent to 7-11. This will be determined only after preliminary engineering is complete.
10. Businesses and access to businesses on Jamestown Road east of Route 199 should be unaffected.

The Board, staff, and Mr. Tuttle discussed the sound wall, desire to minimize impacts on the local businesses, commitment to the project and wiliness to assume fiscal responsibility to preserve character of the community, anticipated length of time before the intersection will need to be improved again, and pedestrian safety.

Ms. Maxine Williams, owner of Chickahominy House, expressed concern of the lack of guarantees by VDOT concerning the project, and loss of control once the project is turned over to VDOT.

Mr. Morton stated that if the State does work on the intersection and the City Council or Board of Supervisors halt work due to concerns, the localities would then be fiscally responsible for the intersection work.

Mr. Jack Hill, City resident of the Woodlands, requested the Board support this as the locally preferred alternative and encourage VDOT to move forward with the project.

The Board, staff, Mr. Tuttle, and Mr. Hill discussed the traffic noise and the sound wall recommendation.

The Board requested that the language concerning the sound wall be removed from the County's recommendation of the locally preferred alternative and also requested that stronger language be utilized concerning the anticipated impacts to local businesses.

The Board stated that with those changes, it would support the concept of the recommended locally preferred alternative.

The Board thanked Mr. Tuttle for attending the work session.

Mr. Wanner recommended the Board recess until 11 a.m. on February 1, 2001 for the VML/VACo Legislative Day.

Mr. McGlennon recessed the Board at 5:22 p.m.


 Sanford B. Wanner
 Clerk to the Board