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South Carolina Department of Transportation

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The regular monthly meeting of the Department of Transportation Commission was held at the Headquarters Building in Columbia, South Carolina. In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, the news media was advised in writing of the time, date and place of this meeting.

Present

L. Morgan Martin, Chairman, Presiding
Hugh Atkins
John N. Hardee
Robert W. Harrell, Sr.
B. Bayles Mack
Eugene C. Stoddard
J. M. "Moot" Truluck

Absent

Also present: Elizabeth S. Mabry, Executive Director

SECTION 1: The Minutes for the meeting of October 12, 2000; copies of which had been previously mailed to each member of the Commission, were approved with an amendment to Section 12 clarifying the wording to read *"The Home of Governor James H. Hodges"*.


SECTION 2: The Commission unanimously passed a motion approving the request of the Department to advertise, select and negotiate for Architectural Engineering Services for the York Maintenance Complex Construction, as shown in detail in the Appendix.


SECTION 3: The Commission unanimously passed a motion approving the request of the Department to advertise, select and negotiate with a consulting engineering firm experienced in all phases of overhead highway sign inspection, as shown in detail in the Appendix.


SECTION 4: The Commission unanimously passed a motion approving the request of the Department to allow the CRM-West to advertise for and select consulting firms for the purpose providing engineering services for CRM West projects, as shown in detail in the Appendix.

SECTION 5: The Commission unanimously passed a motion approving the action of the Department in removing roads from the State Highway System, as shown in detail in the Appendix.

SECTION 6: The Commission unanimously passed a motion removing a road from the State Highway System by Court Order, as shown in detail in the Appendix.

SECTION 7: On motion of Commissioner Mack, seconded by Commissioner Atkins, the Commission unanimously passed a motion approving a resolution naming the section of U. S. Route 15 from the North Carolina line to the Darlington County line as the "Martin Luther King, Jr., Highway". The resolution is shown in the Appendix. 

SECTION 8: On motion of Commissioner Truluck, seconded by Commissioner Harrell, the Commission unanimously passed a motion approving the resolution permitting the Darlington County Council to place "James Elliott Williams Memorial Highway" signs along U. S. 52 in Darlington County, as shown in detail in the Appendix. 

SECTION 9: On motion of Commissioner Mack, seconded by Commissioner Truluck, the Commission unanimously passed a motion authorizing the Department to release the easement to the City of Sumter on a portion of Frierson Road from Highway 441 easterly to a point beyond the current housing at Shaw Air Force Base. 

SECTION 10: On motion of Commissioner Hardee, seconded by Commissioner Atkins, the Commission unanimously passed a motion directing the SCDOT staff, with input from the Commissioners, to develop a funding plan, no later than the first week of December, for additional funds that will have the support of the highway user groups of this state, and that the top priorities of that plan shall be safety upgrades and resurfacing on the highways in this state that have the highest fatality rate per vehicle miles traveled.

SECTION 11: On motion of Commissioner Mack, seconded by Commissioner Truluck, the Commission unanimously passed a motion approving the request for the Mass Transit Division to award state funds in accordance with the Federal earmark allocation funding chart, as shown in detail in the Appendix.

SECTION 12: There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

L. Morgan Martin, Chairman



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Appendix

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Facilities Engineering
November 16, 2000

PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES
YORK MAINTENANCE COMPLEX CONSTRUCTION
STATE PROJECT NUMBER: U12-9667-MP
MSC: 453

The Department requests Commission approval to advertise, select and negotiate for Architectural Engineering Services for the York Maintenance Complex Construction.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Architectural/Engineering Services for facility design and construction administration for a new Engineering Office, new Shop, new Vehicle Storage Shed and other miscellaneous buildings, paving, parking and necessary utility work. The new complex is Southwest of the City of Rock Hill in Bethesda Township, York County, South Carolina located on Ogden Road (S.C. Hwy. 101). Funds for this project will come from MSC Allotment 453 as part of the Capital Improvements budget.

BUDGET: \$5,500,000.00

Overhead Sign Inspection Project No. 1

As a result of problems uncovered across the country and Hurricane Hugo, the FHWA, SCDOT and other states initiated formal programs to regularly inspect major overhead highway signs. The SCDOT began it's program in the early 1990's. The Bridge Maintenance Office assumed this responsibility and began a program utilizing the SCDOT Bridge Inspection Teams. These teams, however, are now overburdened with this additional inspection program since they are required to collect even more bridge data than before, and as a result are required to spend more time at each bridge. The FHWA requires inspection of overhead signs to be at least once every five (5) years.

The Bridge Maintenance Office seeks approval to advertise, select and negotiate with a Consulting Engineering Firm experienced in all phases of overhead highway sign inspection. The cost of these inspections is estimated at \$450,000 and will be paid out of STP Funds.

The Department does not have all the resources to perform this type work so the use of a Consulting Engineering Firms is justified.

Advertisement and Selection of Final Design Consultants

The Department requests Commission approval to allow CRM-West to advertise for and select consulting firms for the purpose of providing engineering services for the following projects in the CRM West program:

- ❑ East-West Connector (ANATS), New limited access roadway from US 76/178 (Clemson Boulevard) to SC 81.
- ❑ Berlin Myers Parkway (CHATS), New five lane roadway from SC 165 to US 17 Alternate,
- ❑ SC 61 Expressway (CHATS), New multilane roadway to extend the Glenn McConnell Parkway north of Bees Ferry Road.
- ❑ US 78 (CHATS), Intersection improvements with signalization at Deming Way and Richardson Avenue including roadway improvements to a section of US 78 between Berlin Myers Parkway and US 17A.
- ❑ Bridge at SC 101 near Woodruff, SC (Appalachian), Construct railroad or highway bridge at the junction of CSX Railroad and the five-lane relocated section SC 101.

The projects will be funded from the federal program, more specifically from the ANATS, CHATS and APPALACHIAN guideshares. The procedure and advertisement for selection of these Final Design Consultants is consistent with established Departmental consultant qualifications-based selection procedures.

Letters of interest and qualifications will be received in December from all interested consultants; final selections for the projects will be made in January, 2001 with final design work beginning shortly thereafter.

Recommendations 11-15-2000

REMOVAL OF ROADS FROM STATE HIGHWAY SECONDARY SYSTEM

It is recommended the Commission remove the following sections of road from the State Highway System as follows:

Chesterfield County

- 829 Spur road adjacent to Cheraw from Road S-177 at its intersection with Road S-828 westerly
 - approximately 0.06 mile
 (Designated S-829)
 (Added to System 10-20-1977)

Note: The above road removal is requested by the Town of Cheraw who will accept maintenance responsibility for this section of road and it qualifies under the Abandonment of Right-of-Way portion of the law.

Horry County

- 1179 Section of road from Route 317 approximately 0.5 mile west of U.S. Route 317 approximately 0.5 mile west of U.S. Route 501 southerly to the Jet Port Terminal Building
 - approximately 1.6 miles
 (Designated S-1179)
 (Added to System 9-20-1979)
 (Revised 12-20-1979)

Note: The above road removal is requested by the City of Myrtle Beach who will accept maintenance responsibility for this section of road and it qualifies under the Abandonment of Right-of-Way portion of the law.

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Removal of Roads from State Highway System

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REMOVAL OF ROADS FROM STATE HIGHWAY SECONDARY SYSTEM
BY COURT ORDER

By order of Master of Equity for Orangeburg County O. Davie Burgdorf, dated January 14, 1999, and recorded February 1, 1999, the following section of road was closed in accordance with Section 57-9-10, et seq. of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended. Therefore this section of road shall be deleted from the State Highway System.

Addition Number

Description

Orangeburg County

Portion of
916

St. Johns Street in Orangeburg from S-211 (Middleton Street) to Chruch
Street
- approximately 0.05 mile
(Designated S-916)
(Added to System 12-15-1960)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the son and grandson of Baptist ministers, held firm to his dream of a time when the evils of prejudice and segregation would vanish, and in his lifetime worked tirelessly to improve the lives and open doors for all Americans, and particularly black Americans;

AND WHEREAS, Dr. King never wavered from his creed of nonviolence, which he so clearly enunciated when he said, "We will not resort to violence. We will not degrade ourselves with hatred. Love will be returned for hate."

AND WHEREAS, Dr. King's leadership has taught black Americans the power of organization, the efficacy of sacrifice, and the dignity of suffering and nonviolence,

AND WHEREAS, not only did he speak out and demonstrate against racial prejudice and injustice, but he spoke for the civil rights of all Americans and for peace throughout the world,

AND WHEREAS, Dr. King's life helped to open the doors of opportunity to many in South Carolina and in the nation, and served as an inspiration to us all,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the South Carolina Department of Transportation Commission, in meeting duly assembled this 16th day of November 2000, that the Commission hereby names the section of U.S. Route 15 from the North Carolina line to the Darlington County line as the "Martin Luther King, Jr. Highway."

L. Morgan Martin, *Chairman*

Bob Harrell, *First Congressional District*

John N. Hardee, *Second Congressional District*

Eugene C. Stoddard, *Third Congressional District*

Hugh Atkins, *Fourth Congressional District*

B. Bayles Mack, *Fifth Congressional District*

J.M. "Moot" Truluck, *Sixth Congressional District*

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Darlington County Council has requested permission to place signs along US 52 in Darlington County naming it the "James Elliott Williams Memorial Highway;"

AND WHEREAS, James Elliott Williams was one of the nation's most decorated war heroes. He was born in York County, raised in Darlington County and attended St. John's High School;

AND WHEREAS, he gained fame in the Vietnam War -- at the end of a 20-year Navy career;

AND WHEREAS, he was one of five South Carolinians to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor. He earned a series of medals including three Purple Hearts, three Bronze Stars, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, the Navy and Marine Corps Medal, two Silver stars, the Navy Cross and the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award of valor, presented to in 1968 by President Lyndon B. Johnson;

AND WHEREAS, Mr. Williams also served in the Korean War, before returning to the state and being appointed U.S. Marshall for South Carolina by President Richard M. Nixon in 1969;

AND WHEREAS, he ran for Sheriff of Darlington County in 1969;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the South Carolina Department of Transportation Commission, in meeting duly assembled this 16th day of November 2000, that the Darlington County Council be permitted to place "James Elliott Williams Memorial Highway" signs along U.S. 52 in Darlington County at mile point .02 North (north of High Hill Creek Bridge) and another at mile point 3.18 South (near S-16-179), which is a total of 3.16 miles.

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Recommendation – November 16, 2000

The Department requests Commission approval to award state funds to leverage a federal earmark (allocation) of approximately \$6.7 million. The match equates to approximately 15 percent of the total project costs for public transit agencies and approximately 20 percent for a statewide bus lease/purchase project. The Department originally requested \$60 million in the form of an earmark and reserved matching state funds. Since the final appropriation is considerable less than originally anticipated, the department would like to distribute funds as outlined on the attached chart to the various transit agencies and a statewide bus/lease program.

FEDERAL EARMARK FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

FY 2000-2001

PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

Total Number of Recipients: 09

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>11.125 % of Request</u>	<u>Amount Allocated</u>
(01) Edgefield County Senior Citizens Council	Transportation Center	Fed State Total	\$500,000 0 \$500,000	\$ 55,625	\$ 55,625 10,000 \$ 65,625
(02) Clemson Area Transit System (CATS)	Buses and Related Equipment, AVL Equipment	Fed State Total	\$560,000 0 \$560,000	\$ 62,300	\$ 62,300 15,000 \$ 77,300
(03) Coastal Rapid Public Transit Authority (CRPTA)	Buses, Vans, Intermodal Facility	Fed State Total	\$5,000,000 0 \$5,000,000	\$ 556,250	\$ 556,250 100,000 656,250
(03) Williamsburg County Transit System (WCTS)	Buses	Fed State Total	\$1,000,000 0 \$1,000,000	\$ 111,250	\$ 111,250 20,000 \$ 131,250
(05) Pee Dee Regional Transportation Authority (PDRTA)	Intermodal Facility and Related Equipment	Fed State Total	\$5,000,000 0 \$5,000,000	\$ 556,250	\$ 556,250 100,000 \$ 656,250
(06) Santee Wateree Regional Transportation Authority (SWRTA)	Facility and Related Equipment	Fed State Total	\$4,280,000 0 \$4,280,000	\$ 476,150	\$ 476,150 85,000 \$ 561,150
(07) Central Midland COG	Buses and Facility	Fed State Total	\$7,660,000 0 \$7,660,000	\$ 852,175	\$ 852,175 155,000 \$ 1,007,175
(08) Charleston Area Regional Transportation Authority (CATA)	Intermodal Facility, Buses, Light Rail project	Fed State Total	\$7,600,000 0 \$7,600,000	\$ 845,500	\$ 845,500 150,000 \$ 995,500
(09) South Carolina Dept. of Transportation	Statewide Bus Lease Program	Fed State Total	28,400,000 1,326,000 29,726,000	\$ 3,159,500	\$ 3,159,500 789,875 \$ 3,949,375
Total			\$61,326,000	\$ 6,675,000	\$ 8,099,875