



# CITY OF SUFFOLK

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS / ENGINEERING DIVISION

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Camelia Ravanbakht, Interim Executive Director  
Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization  
723 Woodlake Drive  
Chesapeake, VA 23320

**RE: Transportation Alternatives Program – City of Suffolk Project Proposals**

Dear Camelia:

The City of Suffolk is requesting the endorsement of the HRTPO for two Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) applications. The City of Suffolk plans to submit the following project applications to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) prior to November 1, 2014:

**1. Seaboard Coastline Trail Project – Phase II**

This project will continue the construction of a multi-use trail along the former Seaboard Coastline Rail Corridor within the City of Suffolk. The entire trail will extend approximately 11 miles between downtown Suffolk and the Chesapeake City line. The first phase of the project is planned to start construction within the next 30 days. From a regional perspective, the trail would form the western most section of a 28 mile multi-city trail, a programmed facility that would link the cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth, Chesapeake and Suffolk. The City will be requesting \$448,800 in TAP funding.

**2. Shoulder's Hill Road Safe Route to School Project**

This project will provide for the construction of approximately 250 feet of sidewalk along the east side of Shoulder's Hill Road and the construction of a multi-use path approximately 1100 feet in length along the west side of the corridor. Other improvements include storm drainage upgrades, crosswalks and pedestrian signal controls at the intersection of Shoulder's Hill Road and Bennett's Creek Park Road. The City will be requesting \$280,000 in TAP funding.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. If you should have any questions or concerns regarding this request, please call me at 757-514-7703.

Sincerely,

Sherry B. Earley, PE.  
Engineering Manager  
Department of Public Works  
City of Suffolk

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