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Mr. James Utterback
District Administrator
1601 Orange Road
Culpeper, Va. 22701

Re: 29/250 Interchange (Best Buy Ramp)

Dear Mr. Utterback,

This letter is to confirm that on Monday night the Charlottesville City Council voted to ask VDOT to assume the management of the above referenced project. This request is conditioned on VDOT finding adequate funding to engineer and construct the project. We are excited about the opportunity to move this project forward at a faster pace but we also want to make sure that it is approached in a context sensitive manner. Prior to your initiating work on the project we would like a letter from you that assures us that the following steps will be taken to achieve a project that the city can support.

1. We desire for the project to avoid to the maximum extent possible any impact to the businesses along the western project boundary. Toward this end we desire to see the existing right of way used to the maximum extent feasible. Our preliminary work has looked at using the median for the new lane and we want to see this effort continued.
2. The involvement of our impacted businesses and the residents backing up to the Bypass is very important to us as is the involvement of our staff. We want to see a scope of work that includes more than the required number of meetings and has an inclusive process that provides meaningful input.
3. We would like to see a process that includes a presentation to the City Council of the design at the appropriate time in the process.

This is a very important project to the city and to our business community. While we are very desirous of improving traffic flow through this intersection, we also must protect our businesses. Thank you for your efforts to move this project forward. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Maurice Jones
City Manager