COUNTY OF YORK MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 24, 2017

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Neil Morgan, County Administrator

SUBJECT: Electric Vehicle Charging Station

In keeping with your strategic priority of environmental stewardship, earlier this month County staff installed an electric vehicle charging station on the bottom level of the parking deck in Yorktown. This is the first charging station available to the public at a County facility. Public Works Vehicle Maintenance Division took the lead in acquiring and installing the equipment.

The hardware for the station was made possible through a Virginia Clean Cities program, and funded by Nissan Motor Company. There were (many) citizens that inquired about this amenity, and they have since been notified that the new service is now available. Staff is actively seeking other similar opportunities for additional locations.

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Attachment



York County Installs Electric Car Charging Station at Riverwalk Landing Parking Terrace

April 27, 2017

Earlier this month, York County Public Works staff installed an electric vehicle charging station on the lower level of the Riverwalk Landing Parking Terrace. This marks the first charging station available to the public and is an example of the Board of Supervisors' strategic priority for environmental stewardship.

"We have received citizen requests for a charging station and we're pleased to announce the installation of our first – but certainly not last – electric car charger," said Public Works director Mark Bellamy.

The charger itself was made possible through a Virginia Clean Cities program funded by Nissan Motor Company. The only cost to the county was installation labor.

The charger – an Aerovironment EVSE-RS-PI-25 – can be used in electric vehicle (Nissan LEAF or BMW i3) and plug-in hybrid models (Chevy Volt or Ford Fusion Energi). The 240 volt, 30 amp device can charge a car in just a few hours – enough time for its driver to tour Yorktown, relax on the beach, or take in a sail on the York River.

Electric/hybrid car owners can find the charging station location on the PlugShare app. Added to the app by a citizen, Calvin Croucher, the listing shows the charging station's address, location on a map, photo (courtesy of Mr. Croucher), nearby amenities, the connector type, and distance from your current location.

Photo attached: Charging station at Riverwalk Landing Parking Terrace.



County Administrator Neil A. Morgan



Deputy County Administrator/ Zoning Administrator J. Mark Carter

Deputy County Administrator Vivian A. Calkins-McGettigan



April 26, 2017

Tim and Melanie Beale 320 Bay Tree Beach Road Seaford, VA 23696

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Beale:

I regret to inform you that the April 19th bid submission deadline for the house elevation projects passed without receipt of any bids for any of the six properties. We obviously were disappointed that this second attempt resulted in no responses to what we are confident was a clear and comprehensive set of bid specifications and plans for each property. However, we cannot compel contractors to respond.

County staff members have consulted with the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) officials concerning the situation and they indicate that the only option would be to re-bid again. However, at this point we are not optimistic that a third bid offering would produce any different results and, instead, would only add more time to the lengthy and uncertain process that each property owner has already endured. Accordingly, and after consultation with VDEM officials, we have concluded that it would be prudent to suspend the grant efforts and to provide each property owner with the plans and specifications for their project so that you may consider whether you wish to proceed on an individual and self-funded elevation effort. We will also refund the escrow deposit that you made, minus your percentage share of the engineering and plans preparation costs incurred to date.

Thank you for your patience as we have worked together on this effort. It is unfortunate that the private sector building construction sector did not take interest in the projects. We hope that your luck will be better if you choose to implement the plans on your own.

Should you have questions or wish to discuss this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

County Administrator

Sincérely.

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COUNTY OF YORK **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: April 26, 2017

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

Neil A. Morgan, County Administrator FROM:

SUBJECT: Water Street Right-of-Way / Yorktown Pub Property - Boundary Line

Adjustment

G-Square, Inc. (Gil Granger) – the owner of the parcels occupied by the Yorktown Pub and the Beach Deli - has again expressed interest in renovation, expansion and/or new construction on those properties. During preliminary discussions with staff it was noted that the Water Street right-of-way in front of the Pub and Deli and at the Water Street/Read Street intersection does not align with the actual street pavement. As depicted generally on the attached aerial photo (Exhibit 1), the southern boundary of the "beach" parcel owned by the County actually lies within the Water Street pavement/travelway while the southern edge of the Water Street right-of-way runs along the front of the Pub building with the 90-degree parking area in front of the Pub being almost entirely within the right-of-way. Staff believes this would be an opportune time to consider adjustments in the right-of-way boundaries to establish better alignment with the Water Street pavement.

Accomplishing this adjustment would involve two actions:

- Abandoning the portion of the current right-of-way located on the south side of the existing pavement (i.e., the area in front of the Pub labeled as Area A on the attached plat [Exhibit 2]), consisting of a total of 3,180 square feet;
- Adjusting the boundary line of the County-owned "beach parcel" out of the Water Street travelway and dedicating the area labelled as Area B on Exhibit 2 as public right-of-way, consisting of a total of 3,232 square feet.

Section 33.2-909 of the *Code of Virginia* provides authority for the Board of Supervisors to abandon from the Secondary System of State Highways all or a section of a highway (road, street), after public notice, when it determines that no public necessity exists. Notice of the intention to abandon the road must be given by posting a notice either at the courthouse or along the route, and by publishing it in the newspaper. Notice must also be given to the Commonwealth Transportation Board. Owners of property abutting the section(s) of road to be abandoned (in this case, G-Square, Inc.) or the Commonwealth Transportation Board may, within thirty (30) days of such notice, request the Board of Supervisors to conduct a public hearing on the proposal. The Board's formal action to abandon the road must be taken within four (4) months of the notice period or the public hearing, whichever is applicable.

The County Attorney is of the opinion that the subject portion of the Water Street rightof-way is a prescriptive easement for the benefit of the Commonwealth, there being no York County Board of Supervisors April 26, 2017 Page 2

record of its formal dedication (in title). As such, abandonment of the portion labeled as Area A, since it represents less than one-half of the current 40-foot width, would cause title to that area to revert to the adjoining property owner – i.e, G-Square, Inc. Conversely, Area B would be dedicated as public right-of-way, still owned by the County, but guaranteed as free and clear for public use and allowing VDOT to continue maintaining the pavement.

Recommendation

I believe this proposed adjustment will help facilitate the renewed interest on the part of G-Square in making long-awaited improvements to the subject properties. The adjustment in the southern edge of the right-of-way line will enable consideration of adjustments to the parking arrangements, potentially allowing it to be converted (subject to VDOT approval) from a 90-degree to 45-degree layout that would enhance vehicular and pedestrian travel and safety along Water Street.

To initiate the process for formal consideration of this proposal, the Board will need to adopt a resolution to authorize the posting and publication of the required notices of intent to abandon the subject road segment and to schedule a public hearing on the disposition of County property (i.e., dedicating Area B for public use). The public notice of intent to abandon and willingness to hold a public hearing is mandatory even though G-Square, as the only party eligible to make such a request, has indicated that it will not do so.

Unless there are objections, I will plan to place the authorization resolution on the June 6th Agenda for consideration and action. Please let me know if you have questions or need additional information.

Carter/3337 Attachments

- - Exhibit 1 Aerial Photo
 - Exhibit 2 Plat showing areas to be adjusted



