

**AGENDA ITEM 8-A**  
**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM**

**TO: CHAIRMAN SMEDBERG AND THE VRE OPERATIONS BOARD**

**FROM: DOUG ALLEN**

**DATE: MARCH 15, 2013**

**RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE AN IFB FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SPOTSYLVANIA STATION PROJECT**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

The VRE Operations Board is being asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to issue an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for the construction of the Spotsylvania VRE station project.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Spotsylvania Station Project includes three elements: the Crossroads to Hamilton Third Track, the station and the parking lot. This IFB pertains to the Station building and platform part of the project. In accordance with the terms of Spotsylvania County joining VRE, the execution of this railroad infrastructure is a VRE responsibility while construction of the station and parking facility are a responsibility of the County.

Under a separate agreement, Spotsylvania County requested that VRE assume project management responsibility for the platform and head-house portions of the new station project. Due to the coordination effort required between the track and platform construction, it was determined that VRE is best suited to manage this work. The County will continue to be responsible for the design and construction of the parking lot.

VRE began design in June of 2012 and the plans are expected to be finalized in April and bids to be received in May. Once bids are received, staff will return to the Board with a recommendation for contract authorization. Authorization of this IFB will allow the project to proceed in an effort to complete construction by the end of this year.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funding for this project is being provided via a state transit grant, with match provided by Spotsylvania County. The state grant (73113-01) will provide 55% of the first \$3.4M of costs. Any costs above that amount will be funded by Spotsylvania County.

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**RESOLUTION  
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OF THE  
VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS  
OPERATIONS BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, Spotsylvania County requested that VRE assume project management responsibility for the platform and head-house portions of the new station project; and,

**WHEREAS**, the project will be constructed in coordination with the Crossroads to Hamilton Third Track project; and,

**WHEREAS**, authorization is required in order to meet an aggressive project schedule and complete construction by the end of this year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the VRE Operations Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to issue an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for the construction of the Spotsylvania VRE station project.

Approved this 15th day of March, 2013.

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Paul Smedberg  
Chairman

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John Cook  
Secretary