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Resolution #2007-05-01

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES NORTH CAROLINA SUPPORTING A COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN COVERING DARE COUNTY AND ITS SIX MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has determined that all counties and municipalities in North Carolina need updated Comprehensive Transportation Plans (CTPs); and

WHEREAS, CTPs are intended to replace outdated Thoroughfare Plans developed by and for NCDOT to identify transportation projects that meet needs in the State of NC and provide information for the State's Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP); and

WHEREAS, the last Thoroughfare Plan for Dare County was adopted in 1973 (more than 30 years ago) and is no longer useful as a transportation planning instrument; and

WHEREAS, growth in the population of Dare County from 1970 to 2006 exceeds 500 percent; and

WHEREAS, Dare County and its municipalities have approved recent Land Use Plans or are currently updating these plans; and

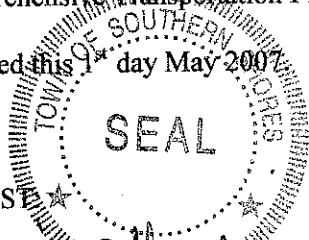
WHEREAS, the Albemarle Rural Transportation Planning Organization (RPO) has been asked by NCDOT to prioritize the counties and municipalities contained in its ten-county membership area for future funding of CTP's (Dare County and its municipalities belong to this RPO); and

WHEREAS, preliminary criteria for this prioritization by the Albemarle RPO include: county/municipality population growth, number of years since a Thoroughfare Plan was last adopted, and currency of Land Use Plans; and

WHEREAS, the Outer Banks Transportation Task Force (OBTTF) – a body appointed by the Dare County Board of Commissioners with members from Currituck and Dare Counties and all six municipalities in Dare County – has already been working for three years to develop plans for future road and intersection improvement, a network of bicycle and pedestrian pathways, and new public transportation service – all elements of a CTP,

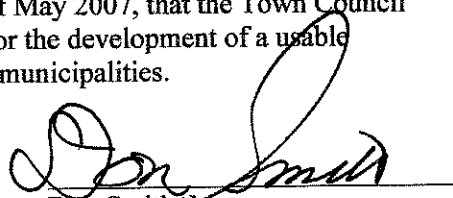
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES, NORTH CAROLINA this 1st day of May 2007, that the Town Council does hereby request high priority and assistance from NCDOT for the development of a usable Comprehensive Transportation Plan for Dare County and its six municipalities.

Adopted this 1st day May 2007



ATTEST


Carrie Gordin, Town Clerk


Don Smith, Mayor