RMA Transfer of Maintenance Responsibility

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Background

- §33.1-288 of the *Code of Virginia* grants the CTB discretionary authority to provide aid to certain toll roads in Virginia.
- The State Highway Commission by resolution dated Aug. 17, 1972 approved the performance of routine maintenance on the RMA Expressway System, subject to the following conditions:
  - Aid shall consist of actual maintenance of the expressway system, exclusive to the Boulevard bridge, as segments of the system are opened to traffic;
  - Aid shall be limited to ordinary maintenance activities as defined in the VDOT "Activity Code Manual" and to pavement markings; and
  - Aid shall not include other maintenance replacement activities nor any costs incurred from toll collections expenses

- Routine maintenance is currently provided by Turnkey Asset Maintenance Services contract managed by the Richmond District at an approximate annual cost of $495,000.

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Reasons for Action

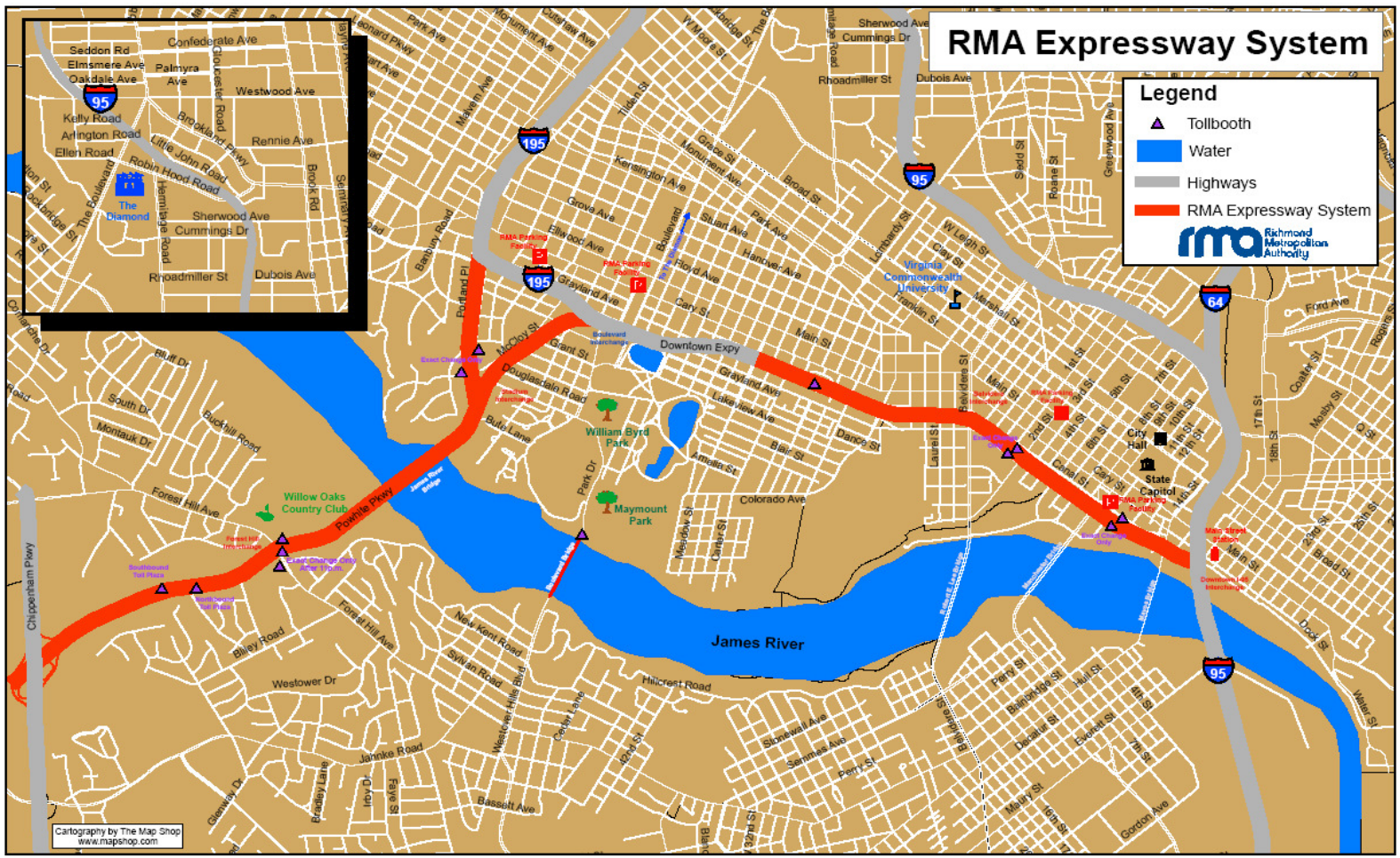
- Terminating maintenance on RMA facilities will be consistent with current policy

- Overall policy is for toll facility operations to be fully self-supporting, to the extent possible
  - Dulles Toll Road has historically funded all debt service, operations, maintenance, as well as major toll road improvements and mass transit support
  - George P. Coleman Bridge commuter toll increased in 2005 from $0.50 to $0.85 to fully cover all obligations including ordinary maintenance and to begin funding reserves for major maintenance
  - Powhite Parkway Extension still requires subsidy. Facility revenues are just beginning to rebound since completion and opening of Route 288
  - Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel received last assistance in FY 08
  - No state aid provided to Chesapeake Expressway, Pocahontas Parkway, Dulles Greenway

- Annual savings will be put back into maintenance budget.

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Map of RMA Facilities



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Action Requested

- **Rescind the 1972 State Highway Commission Resolution to discontinue VDOT funding and performance of maintenance activities on the RMA Expressway System.**

- **Action effective July 1, 2008.**