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Susquehanna River Rail Bridge Project Advisory Board of the Mayor and City Council

Advisory Bulletin #1 Introduction of the Advisory Board to SRRBP Agencies Request for a Special Briefing October 21, 2014

Background

The Advisory Board held its first meeting on October 6, 2014. It recognized that the most pressing task was to become fully on-board and aware of all developments to date with regard to the SRRBP preliminary engineering and environmental studies that are underway at this time. Board members have studied many of the correspondences between the SRRBP project team and our local jurisdictions, and the Board chairman attended both public presentations recently held in Havre de Grace and Perryville.

Recommended Action

The Advisory Board requests that the Mayor send a formal communication to all parties involved with the SRRBP project team, announcing the appointment of this board and including the following information:

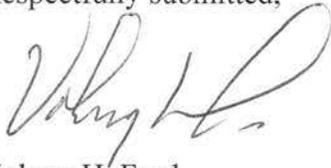
1. The purpose, authorization, and specific limitations of this board.
2. The membership and qualifications of this board.
3. A request for the Advisory Board to henceforth be included in all general correspondences, given "Consulting Party" status with the participating agencies, and specially invited to all briefings delivered to local and county jurisdictions.

→ The Advisory Board further requests that the City arrange, as quickly as possible, a special briefing to members of the Advisory Board, to be delivered by representatives of the SRRBP project team at City Hall, preferably at the Board's scheduled meeting on Thursday, November

6, 2014, at 5 PM, or at a date and time to be coordinated soon thereafter. This briefing should be confined to discussions of preliminary engineering progress to date, and more specifically concerning right-of way and track alignments, bridge engineering and architecture, a commuter rail station, street underpasses, and bridge abutment location.

This briefing should only require the presence of 2-3 engineering representatives of the SRRBP Project Team, and will be followed by an exchange of ideas between the Team and the Advisory Board. Advisories addressing each of these specific issues will be issued to the Mayor of Havre de Grace prior to this briefing and exchange of ideas.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Volney H. Ford".

Volney H. Ford
Chairman