

Town of Wakefield

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The Town Council of Wakefield, Virginia, of Sussex County, in called session on the 3rd day of August 2023, adopted the following:

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF WAKEFIELD, IN OPPOSITION TO ANY EXPANSION OF THE SOUTHEASTERN PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY ("SPSA") REGIONAL LANDFILL OR OTHER SPSA LANDFILL CAPACITY WITHIN THE JURISDICTIONAL LIMITS OF SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY.

WHEREAS, SPSA, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, is contemplating the expansion of its regional municipal solid waste landfill located in the City of Suffolk, Virginia ("Regional Landfill ") to add additional landfill capacity to accommodate projected future solid waste disposal needs for the SPSA service area; and

WHEREAS, it appears that one or more potential alternative sites under consideration as part of regulatory agency permitting and/or evaluation of impacts associated with the proposed additional SPSA landfill capacity is or could be located within the jurisdictional limits of Southampton County; and

WHEREAS, any placement of one or more such alternative sites for additional landfill capacity; (i) would be inconsistent with the Town of Wakefield' s comprehensive plan and its housing and economic development plans and initiatives; (ii) would be reasonably expected to create undue wear and tear and traffic safety concerns for primary and secondary transportation routes in the Town of Wakefield along the Route 460 corridor, and Sussex and Southampton Counties to be used for hauling solid waste to and return traffic to any such alternative site; (iii) would otherwise create an illogical distribution of landfill facilities at a location that is not central to the SPSA service area and not consistent with solid waste management planning for the Hampton Roads region; and (iv) would be reasonably expected to cause greater heavy-duty vehicle traffic emissions and generally greater risk to vehicular traffic across the region that would, in turn, adversely affect the residents and businesses of the Town of Wakefield, Southampton County and Sussex Counties;

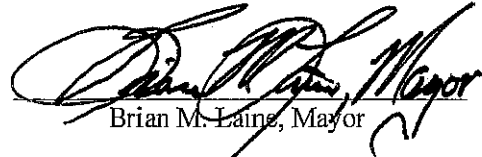
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of Wakefield hereby:

(1) Declares its opposition to any consideration, efforts, plans, agency actions, or other proceedings to place within Southampton County any portion of any additional SPSA landfill capacity instead of or supplemental to the Regional Landfill site; and

(2) Authorizes and directs the Mayor of Wakefield, in consultation with the Town Attorney, to do all things necessary and proper on behalf of the Town of Wakefield, and pursuant to applicable law: (a) to express opposition to any proposed placement within Southampton County of any portion of any SPSA landfill capacity instead of or supplemental to that which should otherwise be located at the Regional Landfill site, including without limitation the preparation and filing comments, communications with SPSA and relevant regulatory agencies, and execution of such other lawful documents as may be necessary to lodge such opposition.

This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

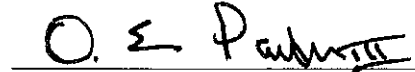
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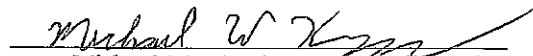
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