

**FY 2021-2022 Virginia Beach Budget  
Response to Council Questions**

**Question Number:** 99

**Question:** What impact does the Davis Bacon act have?

**Date Requested:** 4/27/21

**Requested By:** Councilmember Moss

**Department:** Public Works, Roadways CIP

**Response:** The added cost to include Davis-Bacon wage rates on a project can vary. On average, the range is 10-25% in additional labor costs. The lower percentage would be most applicable for a smaller, less complicated project such as a sidewalk or turn lane. The larger percentage would be for a more complicated project such as a bridge construction or repair that requires ironworkers, crane operators, and other higher skilled workers.