

COUNTY OF HENRICO, VIRGINIA  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SPECIAL MEETING  
August 12, 2008

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a Special Meeting on Tuesday, August 12, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. in the County Manager's Conference Room, Administration Building, Henrico County Government Center, Parham and Hungary Spring Roads, Henrico County, Virginia. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. Those present at the meeting were:

PRESENT

The Honorable David A. Kaechele, Chairman  
The Honorable Patricia S. O'Bannon, Vice-Chairman  
The Honorable James B. Donati, Jr., Varina District Supervisor  
The Honorable Richard W. Glover, Brookland District Supervisor  
The Honorable Frank J. Thornton, Fairfield District Supervisor  
Mr. Virgil R. Hazelett, P.E., County Manager  
Mr. George T. Drumwright, Jr., Deputy County Manager for Community Services  
Ms. Angela N. Harper, FAICP, Deputy County Manager for Special Services  
Mr. Leon T. Johnson, Deputy County Manager for Administration  
Mr. Robert K. Pinkerton, P.E., Deputy County Manager for Community Operations  
Mr. Randall R. Silber, Deputy County Manager for Community Development  
Mr. Barry R. Lawrence, Assistant to the County Manager/Clerk to the Board  
Mrs. Tanya Harding, Administrative Assistant to the Clerk  
Mr. C. Michael Schnurman, Legislative Liaison  
Mr. Bert Childress, Technology Support Specialist, County Manager's Office  
Mr. Joseph P. Rapisarda, Jr., County Attorney  
Mr. J. Thomas Tokarz, Senior Assistant County Attorney  
Mrs. Rhysa G. South, Assistant County Attorney  
Mr. Benjamin A. Thorp, IV, Assistant County Attorney  
Mrs. Tamra R. McKinney, Director of Public Relations & Media Services  
Mr. Paul N. Proto, Director of General Services  
Ms. Cynthia B. Smith, Risk Manager  
Mr. Edward L. Priestas, Director of Public Works  
Steve Price, Acting Director of Real Property  
Francis A. "Sandy" Cherry, Jr., Esquire, Randolph, Boyd, Cherry and Vaughan  
Dr. William C. Bosher, Jr., Executive Director, Commonwealth Educational Policy Institute

Mr. Hazelett noted that the closed meeting had been scheduled in front of the other items on the agenda to accommodate Mr. Cherry's schedule.

On motion by Mr. Glover, seconded by Mr. Thornton, the Board approved going into a Closed Meeting at 4:36 p.m. for the following matter:



Discussion and Consideration of the Potential Acquisition of the Kain Road Property in the Three Chopt District for Public Purposes Relating to Education, Parks and Recreation, Fire Safety, Public Utilities, and a Fueling Facility, Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
David A. Kaechele	
Patricia S. O'Bannon	
James B. Donati, Jr.	
Richard W. Glover	
Frank J. Thornton	

On motion of Mr. Glover, seconded by Mr. Thornton, the Board approved going out of the Closed Meeting at 5:31 p.m.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
David A. Kaechele	
Patricia S. O'Bannon	
James B. Donati, Jr.	
Richard W. Glover	
Frank J. Thornton	

In open session, on motion of Mr. Glover, seconded by Mr. Thornton, the Board approved the attached Certificate of Closed Meeting.

The vote of the Board was as follows:

<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
David A. Kaechele	
Patricia S. O'Bannon	
James B. Donati, Jr.	
Richard W. Glover	
Frank J. Thornton	

The Board recessed at 5:32 p.m. and reconvened at 5:37 p.m.

Chief Elected Officials Agreement:  
Workforce Investment Board and  
Capital Area Training Consortium  
Expansion

Mr. Hazelett recognized Mr. Drumwright and Dr. Bosher. He noted that discussions with the City of Richmond on a new capital area workforce partnership began in 1999 and that the Richmond City Council had



adopted an ordinance on July 28, 2008 approving the creation of a new partnership. He further noted that Dr. Bosher had served as a consultant during this process and was ably qualified to talk about all aspects of the negotiation.

Mr. Drumwright explained the Board paper on the evening's agenda that would authorize the Chairman of the Board to execute the Chief Elected Officials Agreement for the creation of the Capital Area Workforce Partnership and to submit an application to the Governor for approval of the newly-configured regional workforce investment area. The partnership would replace the Capital Area Training Consortium for administration of Workforce Investment Act funds because of the addition of the City of Richmond to the current workforce investment area consisting of the counties of Charles City, Chesterfield, Goochland, Hanover, Henrico, New Kent, and Powhatan. Mr. Drumwright noted that the localities had developed an agreement to establish procedures for the governance and operation of the workforce partnership, including the creation of a governing board. Virginia law requires agreements for joint action by multiple localities to be approved by ordinance. Mr. Drumwright pointed out that the City of Richmond was the only remaining independent workforce in the United States and reviewed how the City had been contracting with outside parties for various services relating to workforce investment. He discussed the agreement, which would designate Henrico County as the fiscal agent, and provided the anticipated timeframe for other participating jurisdictions to adopt ordinances authorizing the agreement. Mr. Drumwright then narrated a brief Power Point presentation titled *Next Steps: Capital Area Workforce Partnership* (see enclosed copy).



Mr. Drumwright and Mr. Hazelett responded to a number of questions from members of the Board regarding the sources of funding for the partnership, the status of the City of Richmond's existing contract with outside parties, whether the County would receive assistance from the other local jurisdictions for the cost of a new workforce investment facility that the County would be constructing, the Virginia Employment Commission's role in the partnership, the size of the workforce investment area under the new partnership, the anticipated timeframe for executing the new partnership agreement, whether the City owned any workforce investment facilities, whether workforce investment areas typically correspond geographically to regional planning districts, and whether the public hearing on the ordinance coming before the Board at the evening meeting was expected to generate any controversy.

Dr. Boshier referred to his many conversations with the current Workforce Investment Board and Henrico County staff in regards to the proposed expansion of the Capital Area Training Consortium. He stated that Rosalyn Key-Tiller, Director of the Consortium, had been absolutely outstanding to work with during the lengthy process to reach agreement with the City of Richmond on the new partnership. He voiced confidence that the new partnership would serve more clients for less money than the existing workforce investment structure and would qualify for additional federal funds. Dr. Boshier thanked the Board for its support during the negotiations. Mr. Kaechele congratulated Dr. Boshier for successfully facilitating this effort.

Mr. Drumwright acknowledged the assistance offered by Mr. Rapisarda, Mr. Tokarz, and Mr. Thorp. He responded to a couple of questions from Board members pertaining to



the respective interests of the Richmond City Council and Governor of Virginia in seeing the new partnership come to fruition.

The Board recessed for dinner at 5:55 p.m. and reconvened at 6:09 p.m.

#### 2008 Legislative Recap

Mr. Hazelett mentioned that this item had been held until the conclusion of the Virginia General Assembly's special session on transportation. He referred to the yeoman's job that Mr. Schnurman did representing the County during Mr. Schnurman's first year as the County's Legislative Liaison and pointed out that Mr. Schnurman built many relationships that will be beneficial to the County.

Mr. Schnurman distributed to the Board the *2008 Legislative Summary, County of Henrico, August 2008* (see enclosed copy). He narrated a Power Point presentation titled *2008 Henrico County Legislative Recap* (see enclosed copy). Mr. Schnurman reviewed the County's 2008 legislative requests and results, other bills of interest, statistics concerning legislation introduced during the transportation special session, and major bills that were approved or in play during the special session. He and Mr. Hazelett responded to questions from Board members regarding the future of transportation funding in the Commonwealth, the ability of the County to provide transportation services more cheaply than the Commonwealth, the prospects of revamping the Virginia Department of Transportation, the status of the proposed homestead legislation, the timeframe for the development and presentation of the County's 2009 Legislative Program, new legislative issues facing the County for the upcoming year, and the County's process for preparing its legislative program with input from County agencies.

Mr. Hazelett briefly reviewed the zoning cases on the agenda for the evening meeting and noted that the applicant for one of the cases in the Brookland District had requested a deferral until the



October 14, 2008 meeting. He then reviewed the other public hearing items on the evening's agenda. Mr. Hazelett noted that the previous evening he had distributed copies of a letter from Tom Silvestri, President and Publisher of the Richmond Times-Dispatch, advising of his newspaper's plans to make a presentation at the evening's public hearing on the proposed ordinance to regulate solicitation on all highways within the County's boundaries. He advised that staff would be bringing forward a substitute paper that would clarify the definition of highway for purposes of the ordinance. Mr. Hazelett reiterated his position that vehicles and pedestrians do not mix. Mr. Hazelett and Mr. Rapisarda responded to a couple of questions from Board members concerning the purpose of the substitute paper and how the ordinance would affect the distribution of political fliers.

Mr. Hazelett next reviewed items on the evening's general agenda. He stated that he was looking at County construction contracts on a case-by-case basis with an eye towards a tight budgetary climate and possible revenue reductions during the next fiscal year. Mr. Hazelett reminded the Board that the County had put in place voluntary water restrictions the previous week and that it would be necessary to impose mandatory restrictions during the upcoming week if the western part of the state did not receive significant rainfall in the meantime. He responded to questions from Board members relating to the effectiveness of voluntary water restrictions in reducing water consumption and the status of the Cumberland County reservoir project. Mr. Hazelett next responded to questions from Board members pertaining to the resolution on the evening's agenda that would award a construction contract to Norman Company, Inc. for a new concession and restroom facility at Byrd Middle School. He and Mr. Proto elaborated on staff's recommendation that the contract be awarded to Norman Company, Inc. because of a determination by Mr. Proto that the apparent low bidder was not responsive. Mr. Proto explained the several factors supporting this determination and noted that this was the first time that a joint venture had bid on a County construction contract. Mr. Hazelett questioned whether the contractors representing the joint venture would be able to perform the work satisfactorily. He and Mrs. Mier commented on the budget for this project.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

  
Chairman, Henrico County Board of Supervisors

