## COUNTY OF HENRICO, VIRGINIA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING January 22, 2013

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, at 5:30 p.m., in the County Manager's Conference Room, Administration Building, Henrico County Government Center, Parham and Hungary Spring Roads, Henrico, Virginia.

## - Members of the Board Present:

David A. Kaechele, Chairman, Three Chopt District Patricia S. O'Bannon, Vice Chairman, Tuckahoe District Richard W. Glover, Brookland District Tyrone E. Nelson, Varina District Frank J. Thornton, Fairfield District

## Other Officials Present:

John A. Vithoulkas, County Manager
Joseph P. Rapisarda, Jr., County Attorney
Barry R. Lawrence, CMC, Assistant to the County Manager/Clerk to the Board
Tanya B. Harding, Deputy Clerk to the Board/Administrative Assistant
Jane D. Crawley, Deputy County Manager for Community Services
Timothy A. Foster, P.E., Deputy County Manager for Community Operations
Randall R. Silber, Deputy County Manager for Community Development
Tamra R. McKimey, Director of Public Relations & Media Services
Eugene H. Walter, Director of Finance

Mr. Kaechele called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. He welcomed Mr. Vithoulkas to his first official meeting as County Manager.

Mr. Vithoulkas briefly referred to the two items listed on the agenda.

## All Henrico Reads Program Update

Mr. Vithoulkas recognized Jerry McKenna, Director of Libraries, who updated the Board on the All Henrico Reads event with Adriana Trigiahi scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on April 24, 2013, at Glen Allen High School. He shared a color slide promoting the event, which will feature Ms. Trigiani's New York Times bestselling novel titled the The Shoemaker's Wife. All Henrico Reads is a partnership including Henrico County Public Library, Friends of the Henrico County Public Library, and Henrico County Public Schools (HCPS). Christine Campbell, Assistant Director of Libraries, distributed a copy of the book to each of the Board members and Mr. Vithoulkas while Mr. McKenna offered a brief synopsis of its plot as well as biographical information on its author. The book is also available in electronic and audio formats. Ms. Trigiani will sign copies

of the book at the April 24 event and is expected to attract a large crowd given her name recognition in the community. In addition, she will attend the annual business meeting of the Friends of the Library, which will be held prior to the event.

At Mr. Vithpulkas' request, Mr. McKenna reviewed the fundraising efforts of the Friends of the Library to support the event. In response to a question from Mrs. O'Bannon, Mr. McKenna and Mrs. Campbell explained that a special session focusing on two books by Ms. Trigiani will be streamed live at the County's high schools on the same day as the event. Mr. McKenna clarified for Mr. Kaechele that the event's co-sponsors are collectively responsible for selecting the author.

Proposed Plan of Development (POD) for Henrico High School Addition and Renovations

Mr. Vithoulkas recognized Kevin Wilhite, Principal Planner, who presented slides depicting this proposed POD. Mr. Wilhite reviewed the zoning classifications for the site and surrounding area, an aerial photograph of the site, a layout rendering, and architectural renderings. He advised that this project will include a 55,500 square foot building addition as well as a re-aligned access drive with a drop off loop, a new entrance, and a new bus loop. Mrs. O'Bannon raised questions regarding the proposed site improvements and noted that citizens have expressed concerns about security at open campus schools such as Henrico High School. Mr. Wilhite responded that there will be more enclosed spaces on the site, including restroom areas, after the renovations are completed.

Mr. Wilhite recognized Ed Buzzelh, Assistant Superintendent of Operations for HCPS, who in turn recognized Doug Westmoreland, Vice President for Moseley Architects. Mr. Westmoreland continued the presentation by narrating slides addressing the Henrico High School renewal. He reviewed the priorities of the project's Design Committee, the concept of the selected site, features of the overall plan, and proposed renovations to the following firmctional areas of the school: Fine Arts/Center for Fine Arts/International Baccalaureate Program, General and Exceptional Education, Science, Career and Technical Education/Administration/Comseling, Helath/Physical Education, and Building Services. Mr. Westmoreland also reviewed the overall floor plan and five phases of the project. Mr. Westmoreland responded to questions from the Board pertaining to the number of cafeterias on the site, configuration of the proposed additions, building capacities and square footage, and proposed safety and security measures. Mr. Vithoulkas responded to a question from Mrs. O'Bannon concerning the status of renovations to the County's other campus-style schools and Mr. Westmoreland remarked that the Design Committee favors many aspects of campus-style schools.

Mr. Westmoreland continued his presentation by reviewing architectural renderings of the site plan and an aerial view of the site as well as renderings of a new front door, a media and dining center, and a parent drop-off. He concluded his presentation by citing the construction bid estimate (\$24,310,000) and identifying the next steps for the project. Mr. Westmoreland coinfinned for Mr. Thornton that the project will be constructed over the next three summers and two school years.

Al Ciarochi, Dhector of Construction and Maintenance for HCPS, advised Mr. Nelson that the school has a current student population of 1,600 and capacity for 1,800 students. Mr. Vithoulkas

pointed out that this is the final project from the County's 2005 general obligation bond referendum and the POD will be considered by the Board at its first regular meeting in February.

The Board recessed for dinner at 6:14 and reconvened at 6:29 p.m.

Mr. Vithoulkas reviewed the agenda for the 7:00 p.m. meeting. He pointed out that one of the two zoning cases on the agenda, to amend proffered conditions on a previous zoning case to allow a new satellite wagering facility in the Three Chopt District, had received media attention and might have opposition. In response to questions from the Board, Mr. Vithoulkas and Mr. Rapisarda offered a suggested format for presenting and hearing the case. responded to further questions from the Board and Mr. Vithoulkas concerning the proposed facility's layout and its proximity to a nearby preschool.

Mr. Vithoulkas and Mr. Nelson responded to concems expressed by Mrs. O'Baimon pertaining to a resolution designating a portion of Rocketts Landing as a revitalization area to enable Virginia Housing Development Authority bond financing for construction of a mixed use and mixed income building. Mr. Nelson noted he was comfortable moving forward with the resolution after meeting with residents of Rocketts Landing and conferring with staff and the project's developer. Mr. Kaechele expressed agreement with Mr. Vithoulkas that bond financing requests for revitalization projects should be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Mr. Vithoulkas and Mr. Walter responded to a question from Mr. Kaechele relating to the resolution to approve a plan for the financing or refinancing of improvements and extensions at Richmond International Airport. Mr. Kaechele informed the Board that representatives of the Wyndham Foundation Board of Directors who were expected to address the Board during the 7:00 p.m. meeting's public comment period were no longer expected to appear before the Board. Their previous request for an amendment to the County's zoning ordinance to allow a private dog park in their community was withdrawn earlier in the day in response to information provided by Assistant Planning Director Dave O'Kelly documenting a sizable flood plain on the proposed site.

Mr. Vithoulkas noted he would be recognizing a future member of his staff and three department heads during the public comment period at the 7:00 p.m. meeting. He concluded the discussions by advising the Board that legislation authorizing the Board to impose a meals tax will be considered by the Senate Finance Committee at 9:00 a.m. on January 23. Mr. Kaechele, legislative consultant Bill Axselle, and former Congressman Tom Bliley will speak on the County's behalf in support of the bill.

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

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

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