Summary of Actions Taken by the Board on June 25, 2019

Mr. Nelson led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reverend Sue Bell, Chaplain for the Henrico County Police Division, delivered the invocation.

The Board approved the minutes of the June 11, 2019, Regular Meeting.

MANAGER’S COMMENTS

On June 5, Assistant County Attorneys Ryan Murphy and Denise Letendre, and County Attorney Joe Rapisarda, were recognized by the Virginia Association of Counties for their help in updating two of the twenty chapters of the *Virginia County Supervisors’ Manual*. This manual, which is written in layman’s terms, is a valuable resource for county officials and staff throughout the Commonwealth. It is now in its eighth edition but had not been updated since 2006. The update was made possible by the substantial work of many volunteer attorneys, including those mentioned from the Henrico County Attorney’s Office.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS’ COMMENTS

Mr. Branin pointed out Sheriff Wade has more than 40 years of service as a Henrico County employee and wished him a happy birthday.

Mr. Schmitt announced the County will receive 27 Achievement Awards from the National Association of Counties (NACo) this coming July at the organization’s annual conference, the most of any county in Virginia for the 14th consecutive year and the seventh most in the country. Mr. Thornton will be attending the conference to accept the awards on behalf of the County. Henrico has won 655 NACo awards since 1985. This year’s awards are a testament to the great work of the staffs of Henrico County Public Schools and the following six general government departments: Henrico County Public Library, Henrico Area Mental Health & Developmental Services, Division of Fire, Department of Community Revitalization, James River Juvenile Detention Center (JRJDC), and Department of Planning. One of the awards was for an outreach program offered to JRJDC residents through The Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen, “Youth Experiencing Healing Through the Arts.” Mr. Schmitt thanked K Alferio, the Center’s president, for partnering with JRJDC on this program. Mr. Schmitt mentioned he and Mr. Vithoulkas attended the Center’s 20th anniversary celebration on June 24. He noted the Center has touched many lives.

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Mr. Nelson recognized Neil Luther, Director of Recreation and Parks, who updated the Board and the public on the annual Red, White, and Lights celebration that will be held on July 4th at Dorey Park. A new road serving Dorey Park will be paved on June 26 with the assistance of the Department of Public Works, and many fun activities have been planned for the event, including a performance by the Richmond Symphony with fireworks and a light show, roving entertainment, games, and 19 food trucks. This is the largest single-attendance event in Henrico, and last year's event attracted between 22,000 and 24,000 people. Mr. Nelson noted Varina is once again looking forward to hosting the event.

Mr. Nelson pointed out the Board identified the expansion of public transit service as a priority for the community at a retreat held by the Board in early 2018. Working closely with staff and the GRTC Transit System, the county delivered the largest, locally funded expansion of transit in Henrico in the last 25 years. Henrico residents now have convenient and reliable access to jobs, services, and destinations, from Richmond International Airport and The Shops at White Oak Village in the east to the far reaches of West Broad Street. This investment was built on the successful launch of the Pulse system, which serves the downtown area between Willow Lawn and Rocketts Landing. This “transit revolution” in the region has resulted in a 56 percent increase in ridership on Henrico’s expanded routes, a 37 percent increase in ridership on all routes, and a 25 percent increase in Pulse ridership since its launch in June 2018. Earlier in the day, Henrico was honored along with the City of Richmond and the Commonwealth of Virginia for its leadership in transit. The Greater Washington Partnership studied the impact of these investments and presented the County with a bronze award from the Institute for Transportation and Development Policy. Henrico has the second largest number of jobs of any locality in the Commonwealth. The County’s focus on transit will strengthen its standing as a job center and is a part of what allows Henrico to offer such a great quality of life. Mr. Nelson thanked the members of staff who worked hard to get the County to this point and thanked the Board for its vision and leadership. He displayed the award plaque received by the County and turned the public’s attention to a short video on this transit achievement that was produced by the Department of Public Relations & Media Services and narrated by Mr. Vithoulkas.

**RECOGNITION OF NEWS MEDIA**

Mr. Nelson recognized Chris Suarez Rojas from the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Lynne Yurchak, Chairperson of the Keep Henrico Beautiful Committee, was joined by members of the Board of Supervisors and the following committee members in presenting awards for five exemplary residential properties and one commercial property: James Barrett, Norma Jean Beaken, Bland Goddin, Linda Leigh, Brian Montgomery, Aileen Rivera, Kendall Tyree, and Colin Walthall. The following residents received Land Lover Awards: Locke and Rebecca Taylor (Brookland); Royal and Deborah Harris (Fairfield); Christina, Ava, James, and Simon Nagi (Three Chopt); and Keith, Emily, and Emma Cable (Varina). Sarah Vernon (Tuckahoe) was not in attendance but was also recognized as a Land Lover Award winner. Dr. Tyree and Stacey Heflin, Conservation Specialist for Henricopolis Soil and Water Conservation District, accepted the award on her behalf.

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Fareva Richmond (Varina), represented by Elliot Dondero-Pettit, received the Clean Business Award. The committee recognized the Sheriff’s Office with a Special Achievement Award for its Opiate Recovery Based on Intensive Tracking (ORBIT) program. Program work crews have beautified public grounds through their landscaping work and have collected 2.8 tons of litter on state-maintained roads since mid-March in partnership with the Keep Henrico Beautiful program. Several ORBIT participants and the following representatives of the Sheriff’s Office accepted the award: Sheriff Mike Wade, Sgt. Stacey Ross, Deputy Michael Whitt, and Program Coordinator Sara Harman.

APPOINTMENTS

144-19 Approved
Resolution - Appointment of Members - Community Policy and Management Team. (Kae K. Zulager)

145-19 Approved
Resolution - Appointment of Member - Greater Richmond Partnership Board of Directors. (Patricia S. O’Bannon)

146-19 Approved
Resolution - Appointment of Members - J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Board. (Richard C. Rush, Surya P. Dhakar, and Monica L. Smith-Callahan)

147-19 Approved
Resolution - Appointment of Member - Senior Connections Board of Directors. (Jane D. Crawley)

148-19 Approved
Resolution - Appointment of Members - The Cultural Arts Center at Glen Allen Foundation Board of Directors. (Abrar Azamuddin; Shantelle L. Brown; Michael D. Burke; Angela N. Harper; Michael J. Haubenstock; John S. Henderson, Jr.; Christopher L. Jones; Brandi N. Payne; and Belinda A. Ragonese)

149-19 Approved
Resolution - Appointment of Members and Alternates - Virginia Transit Association Board of Directors. (Tyrone E. Nelson, Frank J. Thornton, E. Todd Eure, and Sharon S. Smidler)

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

150-19 Approved
Resolution - Authorizing the County Manager to Submit the Henrico County Annual Consolidated Action Plan, including the CDBG, HOME and ESG Program Plans for Fiscal Year 2019-20; to Execute the CDBG, HOME and ESG Agreements for Fiscal Year 2019-20; and to Execute Contracts to Implement the CDBG, HOME and ESG Activities.

151-19 Approved

152-19 Approved
Resolution - POD2019-00168 - Approval of a Plan of Development for Highland Springs High School - Varina District.

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153-19  Ordinance - Vacation of Portion of Drainage and Utility Easement - Lindsay Place Subdivision - Tuckahoe District. **Approved**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Deborah Southall a resident of the Brookland District, asked the Board to table Agenda Item No. 158-19 until residents in the surrounding neighborhoods can become fully informed about plans for the development of Glover Park.

**GENERAL AGENDA**

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