



# ***CLERK'S BOARD SUMMARY***

## **REPORT OF ACTIONS OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MONDAY  
April 23, 2001**

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**Budget Mark-up Session**

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The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m., with all Members being present, with the exception of Supervisor McConnell, and with Chairman Hanley presiding.

Supervisor McConnell arrived at 10:05 a.m.

Others present were Anthony H. Griffin, County Executive; David P. Bobzien, County Attorney; Catherine A. Chianese, Assistant to the County Executive; Christina M. Manning, Assistant to the County Executive; Nancy Vehrs, Clerk to the Board of Supervisors; and Patti M. Hicks, Deputy Clerk to the Board of Supervisors.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

1. **MOMENT OF SILENCE** (Tape 1)

Chairman Hanley expressed thanks to all, particularly the Board and the Clerk's Office, who sent flowers and cards of condolences in the death of her father.

2. **WELCOME TO FORMER DELEGATE ALAN E. MAYER AND HIS FRIENDS** (Tape 1)

Chairman Hanley recognized the presence of Alan E. Mayer, former delegate of the General Assembly, and his friends from the Lifetime Learning Institute (LLI), and thanked them for the LLI coffee mug.

3. **PROCLAMATION TO OBSERVE ASIAN/PACIFIC-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH** (Tape 1)

Chairman Hanley relinquished the Chair to Acting-Chairman Hyland and asked unanimous consent that the Board direct staff from the Office of Public Affairs to invite staff from the Office of Equity Programs and the Asian/Pacific-American community to appear before the Board at the April 30, 2001, meeting to receive a proclamation declaring the month of May as "*Asian/Pacific-American Month*" in Fairfax County. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Acting-Chairman Hyland returned the gavel to Chairman Hanley.

4. **APPOINTMENTS TO THE 2001 CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE REAPPORTIONMENT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY** (Tape 1)

(APPTS) Supervisor Frey moved the following changes to the 2001 Citizens Advisory Committee on the Reapportionment of Fairfax County:

- Confirmation of Mr. Michael E. Belefski, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Bob Dively, as the Republican Party representative.
- Appointment of Mr. Richard D. Frank, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Stephen Danzig as the Sully District Representative.

Supervisor Connolly seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

(NOTE: Later in the meeting there was an additional appointment to this committee. See Clerk's Summary Item CL#10.)

5. **WAIVER OF SHOWMOBILE FEES FOR GREAT FALLS DAY** (Tape 1)

Supervisor Mendelsohn said that Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, the Great Falls Historical Society, GF4C's, and the Fairfax County Park Authority will host Great Falls Day to celebrate their community with fun, history, music, nature, and children's activities. He said that the Showmobile would greatly enhance that activity.

Therefore, Supervisor Mendelsohn moved that the Board waive the fees associated with the use of the Showmobile for this event. Supervisor Hyland and Supervisor Bulova jointly seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

6. **GOOD MORNING TO SHERIFF STANLEY G. BARRY AND SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS** (Tape 1)

Chairman Hanley recognized the presence of the Fairfax County/City Sheriff Stanley G. Barry, and School Board Members, Chairman Janie Strauss and Stuart D. Gibson, Hunter Mill District Representative, and warmly welcomed them to the Board auditorium.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

7. **BOARD DECISION ON THE COUNTY'S AND SCHOOLS' FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2001 THIRD QUARTER REVIEW** (Tape 1)

(SARs)(FPR) (NOTE: The public hearings on the County's and Schools' FY 2001 Third Quarter Review were held on April 2 - 4, 2001.)

Following comments, Supervisor Bulova moved approval of Supplemental Appropriation Resolution (SAR) AS 01056 and Amendment to the Fiscal Planning Resolution (FPR) AS 01902 which includes the revenue, expenditure, and transfer adjustments and grant awards and adjustments contained in the County and Schools' Third Quarter Review and SAR AS 00091 to reflect final FY 2000 audit adjustments. This action results in an available balance of \$2.38 million. Supervisor Connolly and Supervisor Hyland jointly seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote, Supervisor Bulova, Supervisor Connolly, Supervisor Frey, Supervisor Gross, Supervisor Hudgins, Supervisor Hyland, Supervisor Kauffman, Supervisor McConnell, Supervisor Mendelsohn, and Chairman Hanley voting "AYE."

In conformance with the Board's previously approved Policy concerning the Revenue Stabilization Fund Supervisor Bulova moved the transfer of 40 percent of the Available Balance, or \$952,094 to the Revenue Stabilization Fund. Supervisor Connolly and Supervisor Hyland jointly seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Supervisor Bulova moved approval of the allocation of \$690,735 or 50 percent of the remaining balance, to the Schools' Operating Fund as part of the FY 2002 Budget. Supervisor Hyland seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Supervisor Bulova moved approval of the remaining balance of \$690,735 (the 50 percent General County share) to be applied to School Debt Service as part of the FY 2002 Budget to support additional debt service requirements. This will allow for FY 2002 School Bond sales in the amount of \$130 million. Supervisor Hyland seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Supervisor Bulova moved approval of adjusting the Managed Reserve to maintain the reserve at two percent of total disbursements based on the actions taken by the Board as part of the Third Quarter Review. Supervisor Hyland seconded the motion. Following brief discussion, the question was called on the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

8. **BOARD MARKUP OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2002 ADVERTISED BUDGET PLAN AND THE FY 2002 ADD-ON PACKAGE** (Tapes 1-3)

Supervisor Bulova moved that the Board approve:

- The FY 2002 revenue and administrative adjustments as identified in the FY 2002 Advertised Budget Plan, and the FY 2002 Add-On package, and the necessary adjustments to the Managed Reserve. The resulting balance after these actions will be \$0.
- The adjustments included in Attachment A, Board Markup Package, which results in a balanced budget.

Supervisor Hyland seconded the motion.

Following discussion, Supervisor Frey moved to amend the main motion to include an additional cut list (as distributed to the Board) to enable a one cent reduction in the property tax rate, with direction for the County Executive to administratively absorb the difference of approximately \$150,000. Supervisor Mendelsohn seconded the motion.

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Following further discussion, with input from J. Thomas Manger, Chief of Police; Edward Stinnette, Chief of the Department of Fire and Rescue Services; and Stanley G. Barry, Sheriff, the question was called on the amendment to the motion, which **FAILED** by a recorded vote of eight, Supervisor Frey and Supervisor Mendelsohn voting "**AYE.**"

Following discussion, Supervisor Gross asked unanimous consent that the Board:

- Revisit the issue of \$180,000 in funding for the Pilot Program for Domestic Violence Prevention and Case Management in Language Minority Communities at the Carryover Review.
- Direct staff to present ways that this work can be accomplished within the current funding.

Without objection, it was so ordered.

Following discussion, Supervisor Hudgins asked unanimous consent that the Board direct staff to present a Consideration Item at the Carryover Review for the continuation of the funding for the Housing Trust Fund and consideration at a later time of maintaining that \$2 million fund. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Following further discussion, the question was called on the main motion, which **CARRIED** by a recorded vote of eight, Supervisor Frey and Supervisor Mendelsohn voting "NAY."

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Supervisor Connolly moved that a formal communication be made to the School Board to read as follows:

- With the approval of this extra \$16,483,038 for Schools, it is the sense of the Board of Supervisors that the School Board should reorder its spending priorities to provide for a two percent pay adjustment for all its employees and that this additional \$16,483,038 should be used to increase salaries for teachers.

Supervisor Hyland and Supervisor Kauffman seconded the motion.

Following discussion, the question was called on the motion and it **CARRIED** by a recorded vote of nine, Supervisor Hudgins voting "NAY."

9. **REAFFIRMATION OF COMMITMENT TO BUDGET GUIDELINES FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2003** (Tape 3)

Supervisor Bulova moved that the Board reaffirm and approve the following Budget Guidelines for FY 2003.

- 1) The Board directs the County Executive to develop a budget for FY 2003 that limits increases in expenditures to projected increases in revenue.
- 2) The County Executive's recommended increases in the County's Transfer to the Fairfax County Public Schools be established at the rate of increase in revenue. In addition, the School Board is requested to forward to the County a transfer request that does not exceed the budget guidelines. Requests that exceed the guidelines should be presented in an unfunded package.

- 3) The available balances materializing at the Carryover and Third Quarter Reviews which are not required to support County expenditures of a critical nature or to address the Board's Policy on the Revenue Stabilization fund, be utilized as follows:
  - Of the remaining balance, one-half will be allocated to the Schools to support non-recurring requirements.
  - The County will review paydown construction requirements or other one-time items for allocation of the balance of these funds.
- 4) In order to eliminate structural imbalances between County resources and requirements, resources should be allocated with consideration for the continued availability of these funds:
  - Non-recurring funds will be directed toward non-recurring uses.
  - Only recurring resources may be targeted toward recurring expenses.
- 5) The County's Policy concerning the utilization of recurring and non-recurring funds should be followed by the School Board. The School Board should not use non-recurring balances that may materialize during quarterly reviews on recurring expenditures in the annual budget.
- 6) During the next year, the Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County School Board should respectively conduct a Lines of Business Review of both General County and School System programs and services. Lines of business for the Board and the School Board that are found to be similar should be examined by a joint Re-Organization Committee of the Board and the School Board. The purpose of these reviews is to determine cost effectiveness, to evaluate for duplication, to examine for possible elimination, modification, substitution, or consolidation when new programs are being considered.

Supervisor Gross seconded the motion.

Following discussion, Supervisor Bulova amended the motion to modify Guideline Six as follows:

- after ". . . Lines of Business . . ." add: (programs and services)

This was accepted.

Supervisor Mendelsohn asked to amend the motion to add at the end of Guideline Two “. . . and after submitting a program budget,” and this was accepted.

Supervisor Mendelsohn asked to amend the motion to modify:

- Guideline One to delete the word *revenue* and add “. . . cost of living plus change of population.”
- Guideline Two to delete the word *revenue* at the end of the first sentence and add “. . . cost of living plus change of school population.”

Supervisor Frey seconded the amendment to the motion.

Following discussion, the question was called on the amendment to the motion and it **FAILED** by a recorded vote of eight, Supervisor Frey and Supervisor Mendelsohn voting “**AYE.**”

Supervisor Frey asked to amend the motion to direct the County Executive to prepare a budget that does not increase faster than one-half the rate of growth in revenue. Supervisor Mendelsohn seconded the motion.

Supervisor Bulova moved a substitute motion to the amendment to the motion that the Board retain the existing guideline and commit to reexamine Guideline One as part of the Board's review of Lines of Business. Supervisor Kauffman seconded the motion.

Following discussion, the question was called on the substitute to the amendment motion and it **FAILED** by a recorded vote of five, Supervisor Bulova, Supervisor Connolly, Supervisor Hyland, Supervisor Kauffman, and Chairman Hanley voting “**AYE.**”

The question was called on the amendment to the motion (Supervisor Frey's) and it **FAILED** by a recorded vote of eight, Supervisor Frey and Supervisor Mendelsohn voting “**AYE.**”

The question was called on the main motion, as amended, which carried by a recorded vote of eight, Supervisor Frey and Supervisor Mendelsohn voting “**NAY.**”

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**ADDITIONAL BOARD MATTERS**

10. **APPOINTMENT TO THE 2001 CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE REAPPORTIONMENT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY** (Tape 4)

(APPT) (NOTE: Earlier in the meeting there were additional appointments to this committee. See Clerk's Summary Item CL#4.)

Supervisor Connolly stated that he received a telephone call today from the chairman of the Fairfax County Democratic Party regarding an appointment. Accordingly, he moved the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. James E. Mitchell, III to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Gordon K. Meriwether as the Democratic Party Representative to the 2001 Citizen Advisory Committee on the Reapportionment of Fairfax County. Supervisor Gross seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

11. **A VERY SPEEDY RECOVERY TO MRS. FRANCES MARSHALL IN SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT** (Tape 4)

Supervisor McConnell wished a speedy recovery to Mrs. Frances Marshall, a Springfield District senior citizen who had just been released from the hospital.

12. **THANK YOU'S TO THE BUDGET STAFF, COUNTY EXECUTIVE, AND SUPERVISOR BULOVA** (Tape 4)

Chairman Hanley thanked the Budget staff for all their efforts, and the County Executive and the Board of Supervisors for their good job. Supervisor Mendelsohn thanked Supervisor Bulova for doing an excellent job on marshaling the Board through all the meetings.

13. **BOARD ADJOURNMENT** (Tape 4)

At 12:35 p.m., the Board adjourned.