

**Human Services Council Meeting**  
**Monday, July 21, 2008**  
**Government Center, Conference Rooms 2 & 3**

<b>MEMBER NAME</b>		<b>MEMBER NAME</b>	
<b>Kevin H. Bell, Chairman</b>	<i>Present</i>	<b>Carol Hawn</b>	<i>Excused</i>
<b>Colonel Marion Barnwell</b>	<i>Present</i>	<b>Bill Kogler</b>	<i>Present</i>
<b>Richard P. Berger</b>	<i>Present</i>	<b>Michael Kwon</b>	<i>Excused</i>
<b>John Byers</b>	<i>Present</i>	<b>Herk Latimer</b>	<i>Present</i>
<b>Robert L. Faherty</b>	<i>Excused</i>	<b>Laura I. McDowall</b>	<i>Excused</i>
<b>Donna J. Fleming</b>	<i>Present</i>	<b>Stephanie Mensh</b>	<i>Present</i>
<b>Baba Freeman</b>	<i>Present</i>	<b>John Niemiec</b>	<i>Excused</i>
<b>Robert Gaudian</b>	<i>Present</i>	<b>Dr. Virginia P. Norton</b>	<i>Excused</i>
<b>Richard Gonzalez</b>	<i>Excused</i>	<b>J. Jay Volkert</b>	<i>Present</i>
<b>Tom Grodek</b>	<i>Present</i>	<b>Henry Wulf</b>	<i>Present</i>

<b>Staff:</b>	
<b>Verdia L. Haywood, Deputy County Executive</b>	<i>Excused</i>
<b>Ken Disselkoen, Department of Systems Management for Human Services</b>	<i>Present</i>
<b>Chip Gertzog, Department of Systems Management for Human Services</b>	<i>Present</i>
<b>Ken Garnes, Department of Administration for Human Services</b>	<i>Present</i>
<b>Ron McDevitt, Department of Administration for Human Services</b>	<i>Present</i>
<b>Michelle Gregory, Department of Systems Management for Human Services</b>	<i>Present</i>

**Other Attendees:** Marijke Hannam, Gerry Williams, Marleen Blum, Joanne Jorgenson, Karen Fuentes.

**Call to order**

**7:30 PM**

Kevin Bell called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**Council Consideration of Draft Letter to Board of Supervisors Regarding Status of Nonprofit Organizations**

**7:30 - 7:50 PM**

At the June 16 meeting the Council made a motion to write a letter to the BOS. This letter would endorse a plan outlined by Deputy County Executive, Verdia Haywood to begin identifying solutions to address the limited pool of resource available to non profits. The Council reviewed the letter and made recommendations for improvement. They suggested presenting the essential points at the beginning to ensure that the BOS would be very clear about the purpose and intent of the letter.

**Other Announcements**

**7:50 -7:55 PM**

Kevin Bell acknowledged the loss of State Senator Joe Gartland who passes away on Saturday, July 19, 2008 at the age of 82. He served in the Virginia Senate for 28 years and was a friend to the Council.

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**Council consideration of Draft Plan and Schedule for Human Services agency  
Lines of Business Review**

**7:55 – 8:30 PM**

Chip Gertzog presented the draft plan to the Council. He first announced date changes to the proposed meeting schedule for the lines of business (LOBS) review. The revised calendar will be updated on the website. The purpose of the HSC lines of business presentation is to better prepare the Council with information and provide more informed communication with County Executive, Tony Griffin prior to the formulation of the FY10 budget presentation.

The Council will begin hearing LOBS presentations at the HSC meeting on September 22. These presentations will convey the impact of the proposed 15% budget cut. Ken Disselkoen noted that these presentations are distinctly different from the testimony that will occur during the spring budget review process and will include presentations to the BOS, HSC, and the community. The information and feedback from the LOBS review will be given to Tony Griffin to inform the development of the FY10 budget.

Kevin Bell: What is the deadline? What does Tony want back from the HSC?

Ron McDevitt suggested a final product be available sooner rather than later to provide as much time as possible for Tony to review. The Council decided to use the HSC meeting scheduled for December 8, 08 as the deadline for the product.

Henry Wulf: We still need to define the product.

Ron McDevitt explained that the final product could take several different forms. He shared a spreadsheet that has been used in the past to compile budget related information as one viable example. The Council decided to wait until they have a better understanding of the volume and type of information that will be received through the LOBS review and then determine how to organize and present the information for the final product.

Kevin Bell invited the Health Care Advisory Board to attend the meeting and support the discussions. Marlene Blum, Chair of the Healthcare Advisory Board (HCAB), welcomed the opportunity to participate in the process, but noted that the HCAB would be hearing the information for the first time as well. The HCAB would not be able to provide comment at the time of the presentation. Mr. Bell clarified that the role of the HCAB would be to inform and educate the HSC as they draft a document for Tony Griffin.

Baba Freeman: Will we have clear indicators of the service impacts on other programs/agencies across the system? How can gaps be filled?

Ken Garnes: The Human Services Leadership Team is beginning to have those discussions now. We are sharing with each other to discuss what cuts are being proposed and how they could potentially impact other programs. Ken Disselkoen: There will be no surprises. Agencies will know what will be cut across human services. One of the goals is to make the community aware of the impact on services if more dollars are not available. More dollars become available through raising county taxes.

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Baba Freeman: How will management respond to the shortfall?

Ken Garnes: This is also part of the process that agency directors are currently tackling. Ken Disselkoen: The LOBS presentations will include the proposed cuts, why they were chosen, the impacts of the proposed cuts and what alternatives were considered. Management will have to justify actions, yet also demonstrate what will be lost in the shortfall. Each presentation will be about 30 minutes with a 15 minute question and answer section to follow.

John Byers: Will we have a preview of the information beforehand?

Kevin Bell: The BOS will hear the presentations before they are released to anyone else. The information presented at the January 14, 2008 HSC meeting is the most up to date public documentation. Ron McDevitt volunteered to mail additional copies of the January LOBS materials to Council members who need them.

### **Other Business**

#### **8:30 - 8:40 PM**

Chip Gertzog reminded the Council that the August meeting has been cancelled.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Meeting minutes from the June 16, 2008 were moved and approved.

Tom Grodek identified that Fastran will also be impacted by the budget cuts and wanted to know if and when the Council would be able to comment on this issue. Chip Gertzog: The impact on Fastran would show up in Community Recreation Services' presentation. The Council will be able to respond and ask questions.

Marlene Blum: The Beeman Commission is drafting a report and has gotten input from consumers. How will HSC provide feedback for the final report? How will the Beeman Commission get input from related Boards, Authorities, and Commissions?

Kevin Bell: The preeminent concern was to get consumer input. The HSC has a responsibility to the BOS to provide comment and we will provide comment.

Chip Gertzog: I have communicated with Margo Kiely to let her know that she should receive a request from the HSC to present the Beeman Commission Report and she is prepared to do so.

Kevin Bell: The meeting day for this report should be made public to ensure that the Boards, Authorities, and Commissions are notified.

### **Adjournment**

#### **8:40 PM**

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

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