



# CLERK'S BOARD SUMMARY

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

**THURSDAY  
March 31, 2011**

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The recessed meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m., with all Members being present, with the exception of Supervisor Hudgins, and with Chairman Bulova presiding.

Supervisor Hudgins arrived at 4:19 p.m.

Others present during the meeting were Anthony H. Griffin, County Executive; Catherine A. Chianese, Assistant County Executive; Angela C. Schauweker, Management Analyst, Office of the County Executive; Regina Stewart, Administrative Assistant, Office of the County Executive; Nancy Vehrs, Clerk to the Board of Supervisors; and Ekua Brew-Ewool, Administrative Assistant, Office of the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors.

### **AGENDA ITEM**

1. **3 P.M. – CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2012 ADVERTISED BUDGET PLAN, THE ADVERTISED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) FOR FY'S 2012-2016 (WITH FUTURE FY'S TO 2021) AND THE CURRENT APPROPRIATION IN THE FY 2011 REVISED BUDGET PLAN** (3:04 p.m.)

A Certificate of Publication was filed from the editor of the *Washington Times* showing that notices of said public hearings were duly advertised in that newspaper as follows:

- County Executive's proposed FY 2012 advertised Budget Plan and the CIP for the FYs 2012-2016 (with future FYs to 2021) on March 4 and March 11, 2011.
- The current appropriation in the FY 2011 Revised Budget Plan on March 18 and March 25, 2011.

Chairman Bulova announced that this was the last of three nights of public hearings regarding the County Executive's proposed FY 2012 Budget.

Chairman Bulova provided instructions regarding the rules of order for the meeting.

(3:18 p.m.)

Following the testimony of John Niemiec (Speaker 1), President, Fairfax County Professional Fire Fighters and Paramedics, Supervisor Hyland announced his intent to request a Consideration Item to fund advanced life support training for paramedics.

Discussion ensued regarding the ability of retired employees to reenter the system and a discussion at the Board's Personnel Committee, with input from Anthony H. Griffin, County Executive, who indicated that it was a Policy decision.

(3:25 p.m.)

Following the testimony of Eileen Duggan (Speaker 2), Representative, Commission on Aging, Chairman Bulova recognized the presence of former Lee District Supervisor Dana Kauffman and warmly welcomed him to the Board Auditorium. She noted that he was the founder of the Board's 50+ Committee.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

#### **Late Arrival of Supervisor Hudgins** (3:48 p.m.)

Chairman Bulova announced that Supervisor Hudgins was on her way to the Board meeting following her meeting of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA).

#### **Introduction of Intern** (4:02 p.m.)

Chairman Bulova introduced Francis Charley, an intern in her office and a student at George Mason University. On behalf of the Board, she warmly welcomed him to the Board Auditorium.

(4:41 p.m.)

Following the testimony of Cindy Waters (Speaker 18), Representative, FCPS Advanced Academic Programs Advisory Committee, Supervisor Gross asked unanimous consent that the Board direct staff to provide a chart of the projected and actual school enrollment over the last four years.

Supervisor Smyth asked to amend the request to broaden the data period to 2005, and this was accepted.

Without objection, the request, as amended, was so ordered.

### **ADDITIONAL BOARD MATTER**

#### **Letter to Washington Metropolitan Airports Authority (MWAA)** (4:52 p.m.)

Chairman Bulova called the Board's attention to the draft letter to MWAA that was circulated around the dais. She announced that she would discuss it following the public hearing and take a vote to forward it.

(NOTE: Later in the meeting, the Board took action on this item. See Clerk's Summary Item #2.)

(5:13 p.m.)

Following the testimony of Mary Tracy (Speaker 25), there was a brief discussion about arrests related to off-leash dogs at the Westgrove area in the Mount Vernon District.

(5:38 p.m.)

Following the testimony of Megan McLaughlin (Speaker 31), Supervisor Hudgins asked unanimous consent that the Board direct staff to report with information regarding efforts to engage with School Division staff about available County services. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Chairman Bulova closed the public hearing, which included testimony by 38 speakers, and announced that the record will remain open to receive testimony until **April 12, 2011**.

### **ADDITIONAL BOARD MATTER**

2. **APPROVAL OF LETTER TO THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS AUTHORITY (MWAA) REGARDING THE LOCATION OF THE RAIL STATION AT DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT** (6:17 p.m.)

Chairman Bulova called the Board's attention to a draft letter to Charles Snelling, Chairman, MWAA, regarding the endorsement of the aerial alignment at the North Garage for the rail station at Dulles International Airport.

Following a briefing by Anthony H. Griffin, County Executive, Chairman Bulova relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chairman Gross and moved approval of the letter

to Mr. Snelling. Supervisor Hyland and Supervisor Smyth jointly seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued, with input from Mr. Griffin, regarding the approval process.

Supervisor Herrity asserted that there should be an analysis of the economic impact of the tolls.

Supervisor McKay asked to amend the motion to strike the words “marginal difference in passenger convenience, but” from the first sentence in the last paragraph of the letter. The last sentence should read:

“Therefore, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors urges the MWAA Board of Directors to select the aerial alignment at the North Garage.”

This was accepted.

Following discussion regarding a requirement for a public hearing, with input from Mr. Griffin, Supervisor Cook moved to schedule a public hearing before the Board in July prior to taking a vote on Phase II. Vice-Chairman Gross ruled that the motion was out of order as it was not germane to the matter at hand.

Supervisor Hudgins asked to amend the motion to delete the sentence that reads, “This is less than most city blocks and should not be an inconvenience to airport passengers,” but this was not accepted.

Chairman Bulova asked to amend her motion to delete the words, “and should not be an inconvenience to airport passengers.” This was accepted.

Further discussion ensued regarding the design, bid, and build process to lower costs; MWAA’s financial contribution; and use by airport employees, with input from Mr. Griffin.

Vice-Chairman Gross clarified the motion as:

- Combining the second and third sentences in the third paragraph to read:

“However, since the North Garage entrance to the terminal is enclosed with a moving sidewalk over much of this distance, the difference in unassisted walking distance is only 260 feet between the tunnel station and the aerial station, and this is less than most city blocks.”

- Striking the words “marginal difference in passenger convenience, but” from the first sentence in the last paragraph of the letter. The last sentence should read:

“Therefore, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors urges the MWAA Board of Directors to select the aerial alignment at the North Garage.”

The question was called on the motion, as amended, which **CARRIED** by a recorded vote of nine, Supervisor Herrity abstaining.

Vice-Chairman Gross returned the gavel to Chairman Bulova.

3. **BOARD ADJOURNMENT** (6:51 p.m.)

The Board adjourned.