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The recessed meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m., with all Members being present, with the exception of Supervisor DuBois, Supervisor Frey, Supervisor Hudgins, and Chairman Connolly, and with Vice-Chairman Bulova presiding.

Supervisor DuBois and Supervisor Frey arrived at 6:10 p.m.

Supervisor Hudgins arrived at 6:19 p.m.

Chairman Connolly arrived at 9:49 p.m.

Others present were Anthony H. Griffin, County Executive; David P. Bobzien, County Attorney; Catherine A. Chianese, Assistant to the County Executive; Regina Thorn Corbett, Assistant to the County Executive; Patti M. Hicks, Deputy Clerk to the Board of Supervisors; and Denise Scott, Administrative Assistant, Office of the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors.

BOARD MATTER

1. **ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING THE ARRIVAL OF CHAIRMAN CONNOLLY** (6:05 p.m.)

   Vice-Chairman Bulova announced that Chairman Connolly would be arriving later in the meeting.
AGENDA ITEMS


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


(9:46 p.m.)

Following the testimony of Ernie Wakeham, President, Northern Virginia Senior Softball (Speaker 60), regarding the proposed athletic services fees, Supervisor Frey asked unanimous consent that the Board direct staff to provide an explanation of the proposed 42 percent cost increase for the Director's Office staff of the Department of Community and Recreation Services. Without objection, it was so ordered.

(10:59 p.m.)

Following the testimony of Andrea Perr, Representative, Fairfax County Animal Services Advisory Commission (Speaker 76), regarding additional signage for the Animal Shelter, discussion ensued with input from Anthony H. Griffin, County Executive.

Supervisor Gross asked unanimous consent that any signage for the Animal Shelter be in compliance with County regulations. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The public hearing was held with testimony from 82 speakers.
2. **BOARD RECESS** (11:23 p.m.)

At 11:23 p.m., Chairman Connolly announced that the Board would recess until 5 p.m. on March 31, 2004, for the public hearing on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 effective tax rate increase and continuation of the following public hearings at 7 p.m:

- The Proposed Adoption of the County Executive's FY 2005 Advertised Budget Plan.


- The Current Appropriation Level in the FY 2004 Revised Budget Plan.