

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, HELD ON THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF MAY, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO, AT 4:30 P.M. AT THE CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 412 NORTH BOUNDARY STREET, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA. THE MEETING WAS A JOINT PUBLIC SESSION WITH THE WILLIAMSBURG CITY COUNCIL.

A. ROLL CALL

Abram Frink, Jr., Chairman, Roberts District
 Perry M. DePue, Vice-Chairman, Powhatan District
 Jack D. Edwards, Berkeley District
 Thomas D. Mahone, Jamestown District
 Stewart U. Taylor, Stonehouse District

James B. Oliver, Jr., County Administrator
 Frank M. Morton, III, County Attorney
 John E. McDonald, Assistant to the County Administrator
 Darlene L. Burcham, Assistant to the County Administrator

B. JOINT PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Frink called the meeting to order and suggested that the County staff be permitted to make a brief presentation to both the Board and City Council.

Mr. Oliver indicated that the County had developed a working definition of a community center and illustrated that definition using a preliminary sketch of the building. That working definition has proven to be generally acceptable to the City and to the several citizen committees exploring this issue.

Mr. Oliver then presented a brief synopsis of a staff recommendation concerning two options—County-owned or City/County-owned and the various component parts of an operational agreement.

Mr. Frink then suggested that the two governing bodies attempt to reach an agreement and proceed on a course that would accelerate this process.

Mayor Walker indicated that he would prefer Option A (County ownership) and avoid the issues of joint ownership.

Mr. Hodges indicated that College usage of College facilities would limit potential City usage to 20% of the potential for the Center. He asked whether York County would be involved and whether the timing of construction would differ if one option were chosen over the other.

Mr. Frink replied that either option first requires a political decision and once that has been done, either option would probably move forward at a similar rate once those decisions are made.

Mr. McCord indicated that a joint effort would work better, perhaps Option C—County-built and Jointly Operated, but that leverage for City residents through the Council would make Option B much more attractive to the City. It is something the City Comprehensive Plan has suggested for ten years.

Mr. Hodges asked what the proportional ownership might be under Option B.

Mr. Frink suggested a significant investment was assumed, between 25% and 50%.

Mr. DePue indicated his personal opinion that the proportionate share could be lower—10% or 20%.

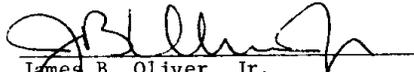
Mr. Darling asked about an Option C where the County builds it and it is operated through a Library Board concept—representatives from both parties.

Mr. Edwards indicated that it would not be rejected, but that such a significant investment would cause some central responsibility for operations to fall on the County.

Mayor Walker indicated that the Council would consider the proposals at its next meeting on Tuesday the 18th and respond to the Board at that time.

Mr. Edwards moved to adjourn. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

The meeting ADJOURNED at 5:21 P.M.


James B. Oliver, Jr.
Clerk to the Board

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