

## MINUTES

January 7, 2010

The Davidson County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 7, 2010, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Governmental Center, 913 Greensboro Street, Lexington, North Carolina for a regularly scheduled informational meeting.

### PRESENT

Commissioners: Chairman Max Walser, Vice Chairman Sam Watford, Cathy Dunn, Billy Joe Kepley, Fred McClure, Larry Potts, Don Truell

County Manager Robert Hyatt, Assistant County Manager Zeb Hanner, County Attorney Chuck Frye, Clerk to the Board Anne Burkhart, TRIP Director William Deal, Purchasing Director Dwayne Childress, Inspections Director Ron Triplette, Assistant Social Services Director Dale Moorefield, Planning and Zoning Director Guy Cornman, 911 Director Terry Bailey, Public Works and Services Director Rex Buck, Director of Libraries Ruth Ann Copley

### A. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Chairman Max Walser called the meeting to order and welcomed guests.

### B. INVOCATION

Commissioner Fred McClure

### C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Fred McClure

### D. RECOGNITION

### E. REGISTER FOR PUBLIC ADDRESS

Chairman Walser noted the register for public address.

F. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner McClure and a second by Commissioner Truell, the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adopt the agenda. (Exhibit 1)

G. PUBLIC ADDRESS

H. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DECISION

1. Update on Efforts to Establish Amtrak Station in Davidson County by William Deal, Executive Director of TRIP

Mr. Deal used a power point in his presentation for information on the formation of the Davidson County Passenger Rail Advisory Committee. He noted the desire to renovate the depot property and negotiations to lease the Freight Depot Property from the North Carolina Railroad Company. He further noted the formal request with Amtrak for consideration for service. He stated that the ridership survey conducted has shown that the Lexington Station would have 10,300 riders annually. Mr. Deal further exhibited the planned addition of trains (making a total of 8 daily passenger trains) in the next 5 five years in the Raleigh-Charlotte Passenger Rail Program, which will serve all counties along the corridor, operating in each direction. He noted that the plan is to build a 600 foot center platform and tracks will require realignment. He stated the projected cost of the project is \$7.2 million with a possibility existing that no local funds will be required if the project is funded through ARRA. Mr. Deal noted the formation of a Small Area Plan that will provide for other modes of transportation in the LHB/Depot area. He recommended that the Board adopt a Resolution in Support of Critical Rail Infrastructure

Enhancement Projects and support opportunities to enhance PART and Davidson County Transportation Services to coordinate with Amtrak Services.

2. Annual Report for Performance Based Budgeting by Zeb Hanner,  
Assistant County Manager

Zeb Hanner presented the Performance Based Budgeting report for the fourth consecutive year. He noted 15 departments are participating and the program has been ongoing for seven (7) years. He noted the savings for the departments that have helped to meet their needs. Mr. Hanner noted the particular activities of several departments and their improvements. (Exhibit 2)

I. CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Commissioner Dunn the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to go into Closed Session for Attorney/Client and Personnel.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

On a motion by Commissioner Truell and a second by Vice Chairman Sam Watford the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to return to Open Session.

County Attorney Chuck Frye reported discussion of Attorney/Client and Personnel matters with no action taken.

J. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Potts and a second by Commissioner Kepley the Board voted unanimously 7-0 to adjourn.

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Dr. Max Walser, Chairman  
Davidson County Board of Commissioners

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Anne M. Burkhart, Clerk to the Board  
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