

**COUNTY OF HENRICO, VIRGINIA  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SPECIAL MEETING  
February 25, 2025**

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors convened a special meeting at 3:45 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, in the County Manager's Conference Room, Administration Building, Henrico County Government Center, Parham and Hungary Spring Roads, Henrico, Virginia.

**Members of the Board Present:**

Daniel J. Schmitt, Chair, Brookland District  
Roscoe D. Cooper, III, Vice-Chair, Fairfield District  
Misty D. Roundtree, Three Chopt District  
Jody K. Rogish, Tuckahoe District  
Tyrone E. Nelson, Varina District

**Other Officials Present:**

John A. Vithoulikas, County Manager  
Andrew R. Newby, County Attorney  
Tanya N. Brackett, CMC, Assistant to the County Manager/Clerk to the Board  
Michael Y. Feinmel, Deputy County Manager for Public Safety  
W. Brandon Hinton, Deputy County Manager for Administration  
Monica Smith-Callahan, Deputy County Manager for Community Affairs  
Cari M. Tretina, Deputy County Manager/Chief of Staff  
Steven J. Yob, Deputy County Manager for Community Operations  
Benjamin A. Sheppard, Director of Public Relations

**Detox Center Update and Introduction of Pyramid Healthcare**

Mike Feinmel, Deputy County Manager for Public Safety, recognized Daniel Gellman, Vice President of Business Development, who gave the Board an overview of this company, Pyramid Healthcare. Mr. Gellman reviewed the mission statement for Pyramid to improve the quality of life for clients, families, and communities. He shared details on their other locations throughout the east coast and Virginia, including one facility in Newport News, one in Radford, and one under construction in King George County.

Mr. Gellman answered a question from Mr. Cooper about the relative size of the facilities around Virginia compared to the size of the proposed facility in Henrico, which is 60 beds. He clarified that, although the Henrico facility may be smaller, Henrico residents in need of treatment will receive it at the Henrico facility or Pyramid will provide transportation to another of its facilities.

Mr. Schmitt and Mr. Nelson also questioned the size of the facility. Mr. Gellman reassured the Board that the proposed facility was appropriately sized for the anticipated need in the area. Mr. Vithoulikas also clarified Henrico's internal recommendation was only 32 beds, and that the proposed facility was nearly double that size.

Mr. Cooper asked about the funding source for patients at the facilities. Mr. Gellman stated the County facility will be funded by both Medicaid and other funding resources. Mr. Nelson voiced concerns about what is happening in the Federal government with the possibility of Medicaid being cut.

Mrs. Roundtree questioned what the options are for someone who does not have insurance or Medicaid. Mr. Gellman stated they have a process to get patients connected with Medicaid and ensure they are able to get the services they need. The Manager clarified for the Board that the County is helping to build the proposed facility, but Pyramid would be responsible for the costs of operation – not the County.

Mrs. Roundtree asked about the process of the facility of receiving a patient. Mr. Gellman noted it would be appropriate for a provider to refer the patient, but a patient can walk in for admittance. Mike Feinmel also clarified for the Board they will be looking at the CHIRP program to offer assistance for funding and will back bill Medicaid if necessary.

In conclusion, Mr. Gellman stated that, if the facility is approved, they are looking at a March 2026 completion date. He shared several diagrams of what the building will look like. Mr. Schmitt thanked Pyramid for their presentation and looks forward to continued updates.

#### **FY2025-26 Manager's Proposed Budget Overview**

Mr. Vithoulkas reviewed the highlights of the proposed FY2025-26 budget which will reduce the tax rates on real estate and personal property and include allocations of funding to make the County's utilities system stronger. The budget will also fully fund our school system and provide a 6% raise for employees of general government and schools.

Ms. Minor responded to a question from Mr. Nelson for detailed information about the process of real estate assessments. She explained the constitutional and statutory requirements to assess property at fair market value, typically based on actual property sales in the prior year. Mr. Nelson asked if our regional counterparts are seeing similar issues and concerns with their assessments, which staff confirmed. Mr. Nelson asked if Finance and Public Relations can work on a video explaining how assessments are calculated and the impact on our residents.

Mrs. Roundtree announced she is having a housing forum on March 27 at Deep Run Recreation Center with Ms. Minor present to discuss issues like real estate assessments. Mr. Nelson noted perhaps this can be mirrored and have a forum similar to this around the County.

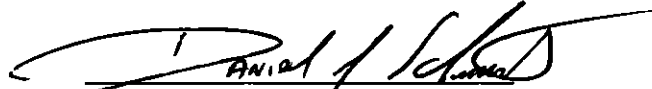
Mr. Nelson also requested a reimagining of HCPS's budget presentation during legislative budget reviews. Mr. Schmitt agreed with Mr. Nelson and asked the Manager to speak with HCPS and to let them know what the Board is looking for during their presentation.

Mr. Cooper questioned how collective bargaining could impact the County's budget. The Manager explained it could have a huge impact on our funding; noting that the City of Richmond is currently dealing with a deficit.

Mr. Vithoulkas continued to review the highlights of the budget, including projected revenues and expenses, and responded to the Board on questions regarding federal funding and

vacancies in public safety departments. The Manager concluded his presentation noting the proposed budget will be introduced at the March 11 meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel J. Schmitt", written over a horizontal line.

Chair, Board of Supervisors  
Henrico County, Virginia