

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 14th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2008 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

R-FY-09-41
MONTGOMERY COUNTY'S
LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR 2009

On a motion by Doug Marrs, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia hereby adopts their 2009 legislative priorities as follows:

- 1) ***Projected State Budget Cuts*** The State of Virginia has announced a budget reduction plan with 5%, 10% and 15% reductions to be analyzed by State Agencies. As the State reviews these projected budget reductions, it is requested that public safety and education support to local governments be prioritized and budget reductions be minimized for the safety and welfare of all citizens.
- 2) ***Unfunded mandates*** Montgomery County continues to oppose unfunded mandates from the state or federal government.
- 3) ***Impact Fees*** Montgomery County supports legislation to provide local governments the authority to levy impact fees to pay for cost of capital facilities for new developments, including road construction and maintenance.
- 4) ***Portion of Income Taxes Returned to Localities*** Montgomery County supports legislation to distribute a percentage of individual income tax revenues to localities, or the authority to levy a local income tax.
- 5) ***Equal Taxing Authority*** Montgomery County supports legislation to eliminate the distinction in the taxing authority of Virginia's cities and counties.

- 6) **Schools.** Montgomery County supports full funding of SOQ so that a redistribution of existing state aid among jurisdictions does not occur without an increase of state funds. Montgomery County supports state funding allocated for teacher pay raises based on actual positions, not just positions recognized in the SOQ. Montgomery County supports "cost for competing Add-on" funding for all Virginia School Districts.
- 7) **Comprehensive Services Act (CSA)** Montgomery County supports full state funding for 100% of the administrative costs of CSA, state vendor contracts for residential services paid through CSA and Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission's two-year study of the administration of the Comprehensive Services Act.
- 8) **Water and Sewer availability fees** Montgomery County supports legislation that would grant counties the authority to enact water and sewer availability fees, and mandatory water and sewer connection powers.
- 9) **Voting Machines** Montgomery County supports full state funding for 100% of the cost of providing optical scan voting machines as required by the General Assembly through HB 2707 and SB 840.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
William H. Brown	None	James D. Politis
Mary W. Biggs		
John A. Muffo		
Doug Marrs		
Gary D. Creed		
Annette S. Perkins		

ATTEST: B. Clayton Goodman, III
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 County Administrator