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**Agenda**  
**Joint City/County Work Session on Regional Transit Authority**  
**Tuesday, August 5, 2008, 10:00 am-1:00 pm**  
**City Space, Charlottesville Community Design Center**  
**100 Fifth St. NE, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Charlottesville, Virginia.**

**I. Welcome, Work Session Goals, and Expected Outcomes**

*(15 minutes total)*

Work Session Goal: To reach consensus on the immediate next steps that City, County and TJPCD staff should take to prepare for upcoming 2009 Session of the General Assembly.

Expected Outcomes: During this work session, decision makers are expected to reach consensus on how to proceed with finalizing a desired governance structure and preferred tax and revenue option, so that draft legislation can be developed. Decision makers will also be asked to review and comment on the draft implementation plan for a RTA.

**II. Discuss Draft Final RTA Study Reports, and Structure, Governance, and Revenue Options**

*(1hr 45 mins total)*

*Comments and questions by decision makers are expected and encouraged at any time during this segment.*

*11:30-11:45 Break, pick up lunch, continue*

1. Summer 2008 Special Legislative Session Overview: Our legislative liaison to provide an overview.
2. Highlights of Remaining RTA Study Reports: The consultant will review the recommendations from several of the key remaining RTA Study reports that will assist decision makers in the development of the RTA. Examples include a Staffing Plan, Service Standards, and Service and Cost Allocation Plans.
3. Review of Implementation Plan and Schedule: The consultant will review the plan and schedule if legislation is approved during the 2009 General Assembly session.
4. Structure and Governance: At the February 2008 joint work session, decision makers unanimously decided to complete the study and pursue a Regional Transit Authority, in lieu of other forms of governance, as its final recommendation. Decision makers must now employ an effective working group to decide what the exact structure and governance for the RTA will be, in order to specify that structure in the enabling legislation.
5. Revenue / Taxing Options: At the February 2008 joint work session, decision makers unanimously agreed that in order to provide transit services at the level expected of a RTA, the enabling legislation must contain a taxing and revenue authority. Decision makers must now employ an effective working group to decide what tax and fee revenue opportunities this region should pursue, in order to specify them in the enabling legislation.

**III. Public Comment Period: each person will be allowed to speak for 1 minute**

*(approximately 20 minutes total)*

**IV. Identify Next Steps:**

*(½ hour total)*

1. Overview of Outstanding Issues and Decisions: Even if authority to establish a Regional Transit Authority is granted in 2009, many details must still be resolved for the Authority to function and sustain services. A brief overview will be provided.
2. Between now and the RTA – Should we have a Plan B? A brief discussion of how City and County staff should proceed with funding and operations strategies for transit services, in the event that the authority to establish the RTA and institute new funding mechanisms are not granted in 2009.

**V. Work session wrap up**

*(5 minutes)*

*As the overall regional transit discussion moves forward, there will be several additional opportunities during which public input and involvement will be actively solicited.*