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2007 Veto Session

Transportation, eminent domain amendments upheld by assembly

As expected, the General Assembly upheld Gov. Tim Kaine's amendments to bills dealing with transportation funding and eminent domain when it reconvened in Richmond on Wednesday.

Passage of the amendments to HB 3202 (Howell) by the General Assembly marked the end of more than two years of often-partisan debate over how to pay for a substantial, long-term investment in Virginia's overburdened transportation network.

Passage of the amendments to the eminent domain legislation only slightly improved the effects of the bills on local government redevelopment efforts.

The transportation and eminent domain bills were described in detail in two recent *Legislative Bulletins*, both of which are posted on the VML Web site at www.vml.org.

In addition to the transportation and eminent domain legislation, here is a brief listing of how other bills of interest to local governments fared. Most will take effect July 1.

Vetoes upheld

The legislature upheld vetoes to three bills.

These bills do not become law:

Billboards. HB 2128 (Hugo), which would have allowed billboards to be relocated on a parcel if the land under the billboard was acquired for road widening or construction. The height or angle of the billboard also could have been changed.

Annexation moratorium extension. HB 1979 (Lohr), which would have extended the current moratorium on city-initiated annexation to 2020 from 2010. The governor said that there was no rush on this extension, and that the legislature should study the impact of the annexation moratorium on cities. The moratorium applies only to a limited number of cities. Many cities are barred from annexation by either geography or by other laws establishing the ability of counties to obtain complete or

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State CSA directive could have local price tag

The state has issued a surprise directive with far-reaching implications that could drive up the costs paid by local governments to provide services under the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Children (CSA) and create the potential for duplicate mental health systems in communities.

The new policy orders local governments to immediately expand the population eligible to receive the full range of entitled services under CSA, and to provide the money to pay for them. The state and local governments largely share the cost

of the CSA program. The program was developed by the state in the early 1990s in response to the growing costs and use of residential services for troubled youth (primarily foster care and special education).

The new policy would open the door for more children to receive a full range of publicly funded services that are now only available to those who qualify for foster care. In particular, this includes mental health services. How many more children is unclear, and not specified by the policy. State and local general fund dollars would

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partial immunity from annexation.

Fire prevention inspections of church and other religious schools. HB 2048 (McQuigg), which would have amended the fire inspection rules by prohibiting charging a fee for inspecting religious schools (those run by religious institutions). The governor said that the bill might not be constitutional.

Amendments rejected

The legislature rejected amendments to four bills of interest to local governments. The bills will be returned to the governor in the form as passed originally by the General Assembly. The governor has 30 days in which to sign the bills or to veto them. The governor also can take no action, in which case the bill(s) would become law without the governor's signature.

These four bills are:

SB 1063 (Rerras), which requires local governments to give 30 days notice of the public hearing on the setting of the real estate tax rate (instead of the current seven days notice). The governor's amendment, which recognized the tight schedule local governments face in the budget adoption process, would have required a 14-day notice.

HB 2707 (Hugo) and SB 840 (Devolites Davis), which prohibit the purchase of direct recording voting machines (touch screens) after July 1, 2007. The governor's amendment would have changed that date to July 1, 2008, thereby giving local governments an additional year to prepare for the change.

HB 2261 (Rust), which provides for enhanced fines for any conviction resulting from a violation of provisions related to overcrowding of residential dwellings. The governor's substitute would have increased the maximum penalty for all zoning ordinance violations.

Amendments upheld

The legislature also upheld amendments to a number of other bills.

These bills, as amended, become law:

Photo-red. SB 829 (Davis) allows local governments to use automated cameras to catch motorists running red

lights. The amendment allows each locality in Planning District 8 (Northern Virginia) to install photo-monitoring systems at no more than 10 intersections, or at no more than one intersection per 10,000 residents. Each Northern Virginia locality may choose which option to follow. For the remainder of the state, a locality can have a photo monitoring system at one intersection per 10,000 residents.

Re-regulation of electricity. HB 3068 (Hogan) and SB 1416 (Norment) are the bills re-regulating electricity in the state. The amendments do not affect local governments, which retain the authority to join together to negotiate favorable rates for their facilities and operations.

Biosolids storage. SB 1300 (Newman) allows local governments to adopt ordinances requiring special use permits for the storage of sewage sludge. The amendment added an emergency clause, which means the legislation will take effect upon passage.

Bay bonds. SB 771 (Chichester) and HB 1710 (Callahan) provide for the issuance of up to \$250 million in bonds by the Virginia Public Building Authority to help clean up the Chesapeake Bay. Proceeds from the bond sales will be used to provide grants for installation of nutrient removal technologies at specified public treatment works and non-significant discharge sites to implement the Chesapeake Bay Tributary Strategies. The amendments call for a legislative review of future funding needs and appropriate mechanisms for such funding.

Local tax and vehicle license fee exemptions for firefighters and emergency medical technicians. HB 2362 (Scott) allows local governments to exempt deputy sheriffs, police officers, and officers of the State Police from the local tax and license fees for one owned or leased vehicle. The amendments add firefighters and emergency medical technicians to the list of people eligible for the exemption.

Religious freedom protection amendment. HB 3082 (Lingamfelter) is the state's version of the federal Reli-

gious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act. It reiterates an individual's freedom of religion, and prohibits a government entity from unduly burdening this right. The amendments exclude local and regional correctional facilities, as well as some specified state facilities, from the act. The amendments also make it clear that the bill is not to be used to prevent any governmental institution or facility from maintaining public health, safety, security or discipline.

Budget amendments

The following budget amendments were adopted by the legislature:

Enhanced retirement benefits for sheriffs

Item 59. The appropriations act, as passed, said the governor shall include money in future budgets for localities that provide enhanced retirement benefits to deputy sheriffs and jail officers. Localities participating in the Virginia Retirement System must extend these benefits to their deputies by July 1, 2008. Kaine's amendment changed the "shall" to "may."

Item 143. Deleted language in the introduced budget that set the multiplier for State Police at 1.85 percent, but that retained the 1.70 percent multiplier for sheriffs. The language in the introduced budget was in conflict with language in SB 1166 (Stolle), which the governor signed. The change clarified that the retirement multiplier for sheriffs will increase to 1.85 percent, as required in SB 1166.

Highway maintenance funding to localities hosting port facilities

Item 454. This amendment clarified the formula to be used to disburse additional road maintenance money provided to localities that are home to Virginia Port Authority facilities. The road maintenance money is to be transferred to the localities by the Commonwealth Transportation Board based on the amount of cargo being shipped through each facility. ❖

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States CSA directive continued ...

pay for these entitled services; federal policy and audit requirements would likely disallow the use of federal money to help cover the costs.

The directive came on the heels of a state attorney general's opinion regarding the definition of who is eligible to receive mandatory services under CSA. A state legislator, concerned that some parents were placing their children into the foster care system in order to receive publicly-funded mental health services, asked if relinquishing custody was required to receive such services. Attorney General Bob McDonnell said that it was not.

VML maintains that children who lack private insurance coverage and who need mental health services would be served more appropriately through

the publicly funded mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse services system, i.e. Community Services Boards (CSBs). Adding responsibility for mental health management and services under CSA would duplicate the administrative and service systems that already exist in CSBs. Remember, at the local level, CSA is not an agency that provides services. CSA is a coordinating process used to ensure that children receive services without duplicating services.

A mental health initiative program currently helps serve some of the children at issue. This initiative is supervised by the state's mental health department and administered through CSBs. The program lacks sufficient funding to serve all children with seri-

ous needs. Local government groups and children's advocates unsuccessfully sought increases in funding for this program during the 2007 General Assembly session.

The new state directive was issued by the Department of Social Services, the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services, and the Office of Comprehensive Services.

Local governments should continue to press their legislators and state officials for more funding and services provided through the publicly-funded mental health system, and discourage adding new mandates for mental health services to the CSA system. ❖

State Start Strong Council urged to continue promoting pre-K programs



There will not be insurmountable opposition to the expansion of pre-kindergarten programs if there is data that show the programs work and to the extent there is community involvement and support, according to Del. Phillip Hamilton of Newport News.

Speaking at the March 21 meeting of the Start Strong Council, Hamilton, a member of the council, said that the General Assembly opted for an expansion of the existing Virginia Preschool Initiative and a study of the VPI program instead of an endorsement of the broader expansion of the program proposed by Gov. Tim Kaine. Twelve of the VPI programs currently involve the private sector and are eligible to expand their services under budget amendments included in the appropriations act.

Hamilton urged the members of the council to continue to take steps forward in promoting pre-kindergarten education, and to look at the existing definition of at-risk children to make changes that would allow the program to be available to more children. He said universal pre-kindergarten did not have the support of the General Assembly at this time.

Hamilton also said that the House supported pre-kindergarten education as a way of preventing the need for remediation.

Del. Robert Tata of Virginia Beach, another member of the council, said that the Start Strong council members should lobby their delegates and senators in support of pre-kindergarten education, and that it was important to stress the role of the private sector in the provision of services. Hamilton added that business groups should be asking their legislators about their position on pre-k, and that support of the business community was a crucial aspect.

Katherine Busser, senior vice president of Capitol One, is the chairman of the Start Strong Council and is a vocal advocate of pre-kindergarten education.

The Start Strong Council is charged with encouraging the expansion of pre-kindergarten programs and with developing guidelines for effective programs.

Alexandria council member Rob Krupicka is a member of the council and is chair of the council's evaluation task force. ❖

AT THE LEAGUE**Regional Town
Section meetings
planned for May**

Four regional meetings for members of VML's Town Section will be held in May.

Officials will be briefed on a number of timely issues. These will include actions of the 2007 General Assembly, the role of elected officials in risk management, laws affecting towns and the recent FCC ruling on cable television franchises. Each meeting will begin at 11 a.m. and will include lunch.

Dates and locations for the meetings are complete. They will be held Friday, May 11, in the Gordonsville Town

Council chambers; Thursday, May 24, in the Altavista Train Station; Friday, May 25, at Lowery's Seafood Restaurant in Tappahannock; and Thursday, May 31, at the General Francis Marion Hotel in Marion.

Plan to attend one of these meetings and mark the date on your calendar now.

Registration forms, which will include more details and the cost of lunch, will be mailed to all town council members and town managers within the next week. Please complete them as soon as possible and return to VML. ❖

Nominations needed for VML policy committees

The Virginia Municipal League is accepting nominations for its 2007 policy committees. Each year, VML develops two separate documents – a legislative program and a set of policy statements – through a process that involves the Legislative Committee and five separate policy committees.

The Legislative Committee is responsible for developing the legislative program, but it may also rely on input from the policy committees to do so. The policy committees develop broad policy statements, in addition to submitting specific legislative recommendations to the Legislative Committee for its consideration.

The policy committees are responsible for the following subject areas: Environmental Quality, Finance, Gen-

eral Laws, Transportation and Human Development and Education.

The following rules govern policy committee nominations:

- Only full-member local governments may participate in the policy process.
- A local government may nominate two individuals to each policy committee; at least one nominee must be a governing body member.
- Only elected and appointed officials of the council or board of supervisors are eligible to serve.
- An individual may serve only on one committee during the year.

Policy committee meetings are usually held in Richmond near the end of July. VML will forward information about the date and location of these

meetings to committee members.

Policy steering committees, appointed by VML President Rayetta Webb, will meet in the weeks prior to the policy committee meetings to conduct a preliminary review of the policy statement and develop an agenda for the July meeting, including any issues that VML's Legislative Committee asks the policy committee to discuss. Policy committee recommendations that emerge from the July meeting will be forwarded to the Legislative Committee for consideration at its September meeting.

Nomination forms were mailed to all member local governments recently. If you need a form or have questions about the policy process call Janet Arson at 804/523-8522. ❖

POSITIONS**Longer version of job ads
posted at www.vml.org**

Because of the number of requests it receives to publish job advertisements, VML reduces the length of the position descriptions in Update. A full version of all of the job listings published here for the past two months appears on VML's Web site at www.vml.org. Visit the VML site and click on "Marketplace" to read the complete descriptions.

**Electrical Inspector,
Arlington County**

SALARY: \$42,723-\$70,657 DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Will be filled at the Construction Codes Inspector I, II or III level based on candidate's exper. and qualifications. Apply: To see job announcement and submit the required on-line application go to: www.arlingtonva.us/pers. Resumes submitted without the online application will not be reviewed. Questions or need help? Call 703/228-3500. Deadline: April 19. EOE.

**Systems Analyst (Real Estate),
Roanoke County**

SALARY: \$47,020-\$51,722 (+) benefits. Reqs. thorough knowledge of principles

and practices involved in system design and development; programming, integration, system planning and change control reqs.; MS-SQL RDBMS, including integration methods, reporting packages; GUI (ASP.Net and .Net Framework desired), Windows/PC development and networks. Reqs. exper. in systems analysis/design and development; leading project teams; implementation of vendor software; and business process analysis. Exper. desired with CAMA, Land Development, ESRI GIS software packages in a local government setting. Reqs. Roanoke County application. Contact: Department of Human Resources, P.O. Box 29800, 5204 Bernard Drive S.W., Roanoke, VA 24018

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or any Roanoke County Public Library or see online at: www.roanokecountyva.gov. 540/772-2018. Open until filled. EOE.

Operations Coordinator (Landscape Administration Division), Virginia Beach

SALARY: \$50,991 to start (+) benefits. Assist managing division's citywide landscape design, development and maintenance programs, with emphasis on maintenance management. Supervise the Maintenance Management Bureau, consisting of appx. 200 staff members. Reqs. any comb. of educ. (above H.S.) and/or exper. equiv. to 7 yrs., including 5 yrs. in supervisory position, in fields such as horticulture, landscape architecture or urban forestry. Visit www.vbgov.com/careers for detailed job info. and to apply on-line. No faxes, e-mails or paper applications accepted. #1409. Deadline: April 23. EOE.

Town Manager, Gate City

SALARY: \$30,000-\$50,000 DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. (pop. 2,159). Plan, direct and review work of 30 FT and PT employees. Supervise police chief, public works director, town treasurer and town clerk. Responsible for preparation and administration of \$1.6 million budget (general, water and sanitation funds). Serve as sanitation authority manager. Reqs. relevant bachelor's degree (master's desired). Prefer 2-3 yrs. local govt. exper. Gate City is part of the Tri-Cities TN/VA region. Send cover letter, complete resume, salary history and 3 professional references to: Town of Gate City, Personnel Committee, 176 E. Jackson St., Gate City, VA 24251. Info. only: 276/386-3831. Deadline: April 13. EOE.

County Attorney, Rockingham

SALARY: Negotiable. Serves as primary counsel for the Board of Supervisors, county administrator, county depts. and agencies, except for school division. Also serves as legal adviser for constitutional officers and assists board in selection of all outside or special counsel. Reqs. working knowledge of Va. local government law; exper. with land use matters preferable. Reqs. graduation from accredited law school and active membership in good standing with Virginia State Bar. Send resume and references to: Stephen N. Riddlebarger, Director, Department of Human Resources, Rockingham County, P.O. Box 1252, Harrisonburg, VA 22803. Or e-mail resume to sriddlebarger@rockingham-

countyva.gov. Complete job description available upon request. Questions? Call 540/564-2740. Open until filled. EOE.

Water / Wastewater Operator, Drakes Branch

SALARY: DOQ/DOE (+) some benefits. Work with Charlotte County town's water and wastewater systems. Reqs. the following Virginia licenses: Class V water license, Class III wastewater license, valid driver's license and pass a physical exam. Call 434/568-3091 for application package. EOE.

Police Officer, Gretna

SALARY: \$30,000s (+) benefits, including VRS. Must have H.S. diploma and be certified by the VDCJS. Computer knowledge and military police exper. a plus. Applications available at: Gretna Municipal Building, 107 S. Shelton St., P.O. Box 602, Gretna, VA 24557 or call 434/656-6572. Download town applications at www.townofgretna.org. Submit completed application with resume to the Town Office. Open until filled. EOE.

Director of Public Works and Utilities, Cape Charles

SALARY: \$42,515-\$60,207 DOQ (+) benefits. Directs public works and utilities program, encompassing water and wastewater facilities, sidewalks, alleys, buildings and structures, parks, harbor, beach and sanitation services. Manage operations, maintenance and capital improvements, long range planning, bdgt. preparation and execution, dept. procurement and contract administration. Prefer relevant bachelor's degree and practical exper. managing similar functions. Significant improvement and expansion of the utilities systems and other public infrastructure is underway or being planned. Submit application (available at www.capecharles.org or by calling 757/331-3259) and resume to: Town Clerk, 2 Plum St., Cape Charles, VA 23310. Deadline: April 20. EOE.

Water Resources Engineer, Spotsylvania County

SALARY: \$58,907-\$66,270 DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Develops / coordinates long-range plans for mngmnt. of water supply and raw water sources; serves as project manager for raw water sources construction projects; manages water conservation program; must recognize land use, legislative and programmatic initiatives that may affect water quality/supply. Desire relevant bachelor's degree and min. 3-5

yrs. exper. in water resources and quality mngmnt., including exper. as a water resources planner, environmental scientist, hydrologist, geologist or equiv. Submit county application to: Human Resources, P.O. Box 605, Spotsylvania, VA 22553. 540/507-7290, www.spotsylvania.va.us. Deadline: April 6. EOE.

Senior Planner, Isle of Wight County

SALARY: \$41,286-\$51,607 DOQ (+) benefits. Perform long-range planning and special projects with emphasis on providing planning level research and land-use policy development to support the comprehensive land use plan. Must possess min. comb. of educ. and exper. equiv. to bachelor's degree in urban planning or related field with 2 yrs. related work exper. Prefer master's in planning or related field. Submit application and resume to: HR, P.O. Box 80, Isle of Wight, VA. Visit www.iwus.net or call 757/365-6304. Open until filled. EOE.

Other positions

NOTICE: The following positions also are listed on VML's Web site at www.vml.org.

County Administrator, Stafford

SALARY: Negotiable, DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Deadline: April 25.

Deputy Director of Finance, Herndon

SALARY: \$58,209-\$93,136 DOQ (+) benefits. (may underfill at \$55,995-\$89,592 if selected candidate is not a CPA). Open until filled. EOE.

Economic Independence Division Chief, Arlington County

SALARY: Negotiable to mid-\$120,000s (+) benefits. Open until filled.

Legislative Liaison, Henrico County

SALARY: \$58,679-\$103,000 DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Deadline: April 29.

City Attorney, Franklin

SALARY: DOQ/DOE. Open until filled.

Deputy City Clerk, Manassas

SALARY: \$34,299-\$40,000 DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Open until filled.

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POSITIONS**Procurement Officer II, Virginia Department of Health**

SALARY: DOQ/DOE (+) benefits.
Opened until filled.

Director, Utilities/General Services Department, Powhatan County

SALARY: \$60,500-\$94,531 DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Open until filled.

County Administrator, Scott

SALARY: DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. (pop. 23,403) Deadline: April 30.

Program Manager (Department of Neighborhood Preservation), Norfolk

SALARY: \$51,040-\$81,596 (+) benefits.
Open until filled.

Program Supervisor (Department of Neighborhood Preservation), Norfolk

SALARY: \$42,206-\$67,470 (+) benefits. (pop. 241,000) Open until filled.

Senior Neighborhood Development Specialist (Department of Neighborhood Preservation), Norfolk

SALARY: \$42,206-\$67,470 (+) benefits.
Open until filled.

City Engineer, Colonial Heights

SALARY: DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Deadline: April 30.

Deputy Director of Public Works, Manassas Park

SALARY: \$56,565-\$87,676 DOQ (+) benefits. Open until filled.

Parks Supervisor, South Hill

SALARY: \$30,000-\$35,000 DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Deadline: April 13.

Transit Director, Winchester

SALARY: DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Open until filled.

Deputy Director of Finance, Richmond

SALARY: \$78,613-\$122,400 DOQ (+) benefits. Open until filled.

Director of Community Development, West Point

SALARY: \$40,000 more/less DOQ/DOE (+) benefits. Open until filled.

Assistant Director Public Utilities/Works, Portsmouth

SALARY: \$62,193-\$83,961 DOQ (+) benefits. Deadline: April 13.

DEADLINE: *The deadline for placing a job advertisement in the next issue of Update is Friday, April 13. Submit ads via e-mail to David Parsons at dparsons@vml.org. You may also submit via FAX at: 804/343-3758. VML publishes job advertisements at no cost to its local government members. Non-members are charged a flat rate of \$25 per ad per issue, which includes posting on VML's Web site and publication in Virginia Town & City (deadlines permitting). VML edits position descriptions in printed publications because of space limitations.*

CALENDAR**Love 'Em or Lose 'Em-Motivating & Retaining Employees, UVa Continuing Education Center (Richmond), April 11**

One of the Second Wednesday Series of professional development classes sponsored by the Virginia Institute of Government. Classes are taught by learning consultants from Chesterfield County's Chesterfield University. Registration per class: \$75-\$100 (includes lunch for full-day seminars). Group discounts. Contact: Jessica Smith at 804/371-0202, e-mail jessicasmith@virginia.edu, or visit www.VaInstituteofGovernment.org.

Virginia Government Communicators Spring Conference, April 17, Fairfax County

To be held at the Fairfax County Government Center. For details, log-on to <http://www.vgconline.net/> or call Barbara Gordon at 703/642-4635.

2007 Virginia Emergency Management Conference, April 17-20, Williamsburg

Sponsored by the Virginia Emergency Management Association and the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, this four-day event will take place at the Williamsburg Marriott. Contact: 804/897-6500.

Virginia Municipal Clerks Association Annual Conference, April 18 - 20, Williamsburg

Jamestown 2007: The Journey That Changed the World, Celebrating America's 400th Anniversary 2007. At Crowne Plaza Williamsburg at Fort Magruder, 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg. For information, contact Mina Barberis, City of Virginia Beach, 757/385-8342.

Local Government Attorneys Spring Conference, April 19-21, Hampton

Semi-annual conference will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel and Hampton Roads

Convention Center. Contact: Leisa Steele at 804/371-0202 or lrs5c@virginia.edu.

Virginia Industrial Development Authorities Institute, April 24-25, Roanoke

Registration and program information at www.cpe.vt.edu/vida/ or contact Jane Todd or Liz Wade-Fillman at Virginia Tech, 540/231-9087 or e-mail elwadel@vt.edu. Room reservations should be made directly with the Hotel Roanoke; mention Va. IDA Institute.

Virginia Building and Code Officials Association Mid-Year Meeting, April 29-30, Charlottesville.

Contact: Mary Jo Fields at mfields@vml.org or 804/523-8524.

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Restoration 2007: Innovation, Leadership & Networks for Post-Disaster Recovery, May 2-4, New Orleans.

Sponsored by ICMA, Restoration 2007 will help you learn how to foster community redevelopment and revitalization following a disaster. Get conference details at www.restoration2007.org.

Dealing with Differences: Diversity & the Generation Gap at Work, UVa Continuing Education Center (Richmond), May 9

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Municipal Electric Power Association of Virginia, May 23-25, Virginia Beach

Contact: Kimberly Pollard at kpollard@vml.org or 804/523-8528.

Virginia Transit Association 2007 Annual Meeting, June 11-13, Wintergreen

Three-day meeting will be held at the Wintergreen Resort. More information at www.vatransit.com or 804/643-1166.

Succeeding as a First-Time Supervisor, UVa Continuing Education Center (Richmond), June 13

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Local Government Attorneys Fall Conference, Sept. 27-29, Williamsburg

Semi-annual conference will be at the Woodlands Hotel/Suites and Conference Center in Colonial Williamsburg. Contact: Leisa Steele at 804/371-0202 or lrs5c@virginia.edu.

2007 VML Annual Conference, Oct. 14-16, James City County

Contact: Joni Terry for general information at jterry@vml.org or 804/523-8529 or contact Kimberly Pollard for exhibition information at kpollard@vml.org or 804/523-8528.

Virginia Building and Code Officials Association Annual Conference, Oct. 21-23, Virginia Beach

Contact: Mary Jo Fields at mfields@vml.org or 804/523-8524.

NLC Congress of Cities, Nov. 13-17, New Orleans

Contact: www.nlc.org.

Preferred method of submitting items is via e-mail to David Parsons at: dparsons@vml.org. You may also submit via FAX at: 804/343-3758.

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