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Richmond Bureau of Police
Retired

TO –

Col. Steve Pike
Chief - Capital Police

Col. Alfred Durham
Chief – Richmond Police

Col. John Venuti
Chief – VCU Police

Selena Cuffee-Glenn
Richmond CAO

Leslie Buck
President – FRMS

Lt. Col - Eric English
Dep Chief-Richmond Police

Reva Trammell - City
Councilwoman --
Chm. Public Safety

Capt. John O’Kleasky Jr.
C -SOD Richmond Police

Regional Metro Mounted Police & Stable Project

-- A MEMORANDUM OF COMMITMENT --

The Richmond Bureau of Police and the City Administration were “talking” about building a new stable, finding more space at some better location before I retired – Thirty years ago! Today we have less than a 1/3 of the mounted officers we had then.

Yes, we’re talking again – this time with different leaders, different concepts of regional identity, – and evidence of collective visions of progress and a potential to break ground in 2018, celebrating a long lost dream of many before us.

As you know I have visited and met with most of you during the last two weeks, spending more than an hour with some. My objective has been successful whereby I have learned many aspects about this vision. Pike - Durham - Venuti - Buck , each has valid and optimistic viewpoints — and at the same time other points worthy of dialogue and closer scrutiny need to be placed on the table. Some positions need to be revisited.

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Therefore, after hours of research, listening, learning, and giving this matter an in-depth assessment, I have decided to fully support this endeavor and furthermore commit to moving this project forward. I feel our objective will progress faster with a collective team approach.

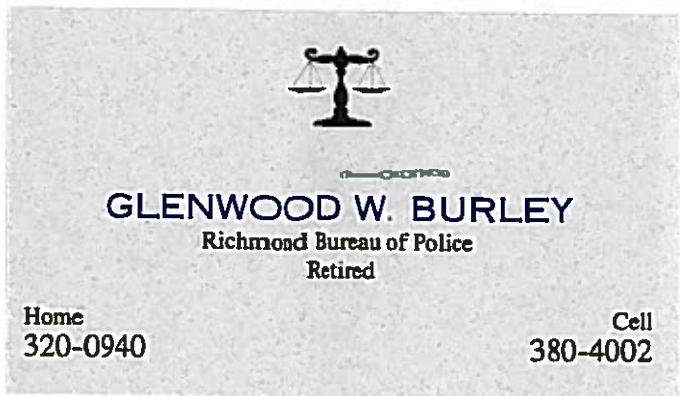
I would hope to have a five-member Committee in place by April 1st. We can tap all needed research from wherever by having a liaison support unit to the Committee. Pike made an excellent suggestion that we find an "equine expert."

Some of you know I plan to travel out of state to meet individuals that are in a supportive and financial position to fund this project entirely as a gift. I **do not** want to get ahead of myself with additional information. I feel confident the trip will be rewarding.

Venuti extended his kindness to me with office space at his new Headquarters and additional staff assistance if needed. Much appreciated! Durham and his staff were kind and accommodating to me during the Police Memorial relocation project. Looks like its time to get Internet at home!

Buck was recently named the new President of Friends of the Richmond Mounted Squad. I met privately with her during a lengthy meeting and later attended their monthly Board of Directors meeting. I detected an enhanced motivation with this group resulting from Buck's leadership and instituting a renewed energy!

Cuffee-Glenn has invited me for lunch, Friday 24th. It's unknown what specifically she wishes to discuss. If appropriate we will chat regarding this project. She has been extremely respectful and accommodating to me and our relocation committee. I look forward to working with her and the City administration on "getting a barn!"



Respectfully submitted —

March 18th, 2017 GWB



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Committee

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Honorary – Advisory – Logistics – Liaison – Architectural
Committee Members

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Tom Silvestri – Sgt. Carol Adams – Nancy Thomas

Capt. John O’Kleasky, Jr. – Kelly Wince – Dr. Thomas Newton