From: Mort

To:

Subject: Capital monies applications

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In reference to an email I was passed by William Fleming of the Westover Gardens Home Community: **I am wholeheartedly in support of** " ...each capital project (being) included in the Proposed or Adopted Capital Improvement Plan shall be listed individually and not grouped into one listed project with other, unrelated capital projects." Without this initial budgeting step, and costs being tracked by project, there is too much "interpretation", and I suspect cost overruns are attributed to the most politically acceptable projects - as opposed to being properly allocated to those projects causing overruns.

In fact, I am surprised this is not already policy; I wonder what other commonly followed business practices have not been adopted by Richmond government. Instead of (my favorite!) "trips to San Antonio to study the River Walk" - how about studying best practices from well run governments around the country (often in unappealing flyover cities)...and adopting them in Richmond, VA.

## **Mort Mumma**

1300 Westover Gardens Blvd Richmond, VA 23225 Cell: 804-513-3856 From: Henry Bulifant

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Subject: New Legislation

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I support: The <u>new legislation</u> that will require that all capital projects "shall be listed individually and not grouped into one listed project with other"... This will insure the process to be open and transparent.

Henry Bulifant

From: <u>Simmerman, Barry</u>

To:

**Subject:** Support for Legislation

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Hello Candice,

Please count me in on Kristen's proposal to individually list the capital projects. The idea of managing individual project budgets makes complete sense and in the end, hopefully we will hear a positive story about how the additional meals tax has benefitted the City of Richmond students and their families.

BTW-I still liked her "Sundown Rule" regarding this added sales tax tax where every 5 years, it can be fully reviewed and then extended if the school construction program is truly doing what it was intended to do. .

Thanks so much,

Barry

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From: <u>Susan Hawkes</u>

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Subject: Capital projects

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I support Councilwoman Larson's proposal to have projects itemized separately and to provide more oversight/review by City Council. This is a common sense issue and should have been in place long ago. Greater accountability and transparency is needed in the dispensing of funds.

Susan Hawkes

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