

MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 11, 2000

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Frank M. Morton, III, County Attorney

SUBJECT: Ratification of Agreement Between City of Williamsburg and County of James City Regarding Relocation of the Corporate Limits of the City of Williamsburg to Include the New Courthouse

The Board is aware of the commitment of the previous Board to relocate the new courthouse within the corporate boundaries of the City of Williamsburg. Pursuant to the 1996 Agreement between the City and the County, this process was to commence upon issuance of the final Certificate of Occupancy for the courthouse.

Following the public hearing on the conveyance of the courthouse and associated 11.41 acres to the City and the County as joint tenants, we will jointly file a petition with the Circuit Court requesting the modification to the boundary line to reflect the agreement. I have attached a plat that shows the boundary line adjustment. I would note that the boundary adjustment will not become effective until after the Department of Justice issues its approval under the 1968 Voting Rights Act.

I recommend the Board adopt the attached resolution which will set a public hearing for August 8, 2000, to begin the process of moving the new courthouse within the corporate limits of the City of Williamsburg. I have also attached a copy of the joint Notice of Public Hearing which the City of Williamsburg will take the lead in placing in the paper.

Frank M. Morton, III

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Attachments