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Summary of Minutes

April 28, 2006

A Special Meeting of the Winston-Salem City Council was held on Friday, April 28, 2006 at 12:00 Noon in the Board Room at Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum, Mayor Allen Joines presiding and the following members present:

Members Present:	Molly Leight Robert C. Clark Dan Besse	Wanda Merschel Evelyn A. Terry
Members Absent:	Council Members Vivian H. Burke, Joycelyn V. Johnson and Nelson L. Malloy, Jr.	
Staff:	Bryce A. Stuart, City Manager Ronald G. Seeber, City Attorney Lee Garrity, Assistant City Manager Derwick Paige, Assistant City Manager Denise Bell, Chief Financial Officer Dennis Newman, Chief Information Officer Paige L. Deal, Deputy City Secretary	

Mayor Joines thanked everyone for attending this meeting and noted the following members of the Forsyth County Legislative Delegation in attendance:

Representatives Larry Brown, William C. McGee, William Miller, Earlene Parmon, and Larry Womble

1. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS EXPECTED TO COME BEFORE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DURING ITS 2006 SESSION.

Mayor Joines recognized Mr. Seeber at this time.

Mr. Seeber presented the following items:

- < City support for the 2006 Municipal Legislative Goals and Policies of the North Carolina League of Municipalities

- < City opposition to efforts to amend video franchising laws to strip the City of its power to regulate the City rights-of-way, to require build-out to serve all citizens, to franchise video services, and to collect reasonable franchise fees for use of the City right-of-way
- < City opposition to amendment of the current law negatively affecting standards and services annexations
- < City cooperation with the North Carolina League of Municipalities to seek legislation authorizing cities to take effective steps against the problem of graffiti
- < City opposed to unneeded and unwise efforts to amend the eminent domain statutes in response to the Kelo case
- < City opposition to Senate Bill 951, Public/Private Solid Waste Collection which would hinder the City's ability to provide competitively priced solid waste collection recycling services

Discussion ensued among members of the City Council and the Forsyth County Legislative Delegation and questions were asked for clarification.

Representative Womble asked to receive information on the City not being successful in obtaining State monies to address graffiti, and suggested that the City make re-application.

It was noted that the City's boundary agreements with adjacent municipalities have been a good step for managed growth.

ADJOURNMENT: 1:34 p.m.