



# ***AGENDA***

**FORT SMITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SPECIAL STUDY SESSION**

***JANUARY 28, 2011 ~ 10:00 A.M.***

**FORT SMITH REGIONAL  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
612 GARRISON AVENUE**

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Ray Gosack, City Administrator  
**FROM:** Sherri Gard, City Clerk  
**DATE:** January 24, 2011  
**RE:** Special Study Session - January 28, 2011

At their January 18, 2011 regular meeting, the Board of Directors called for a special study session to be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 28, 2011 at the Fort Smith Regional Chamber of Commerce, 612 Garrison Avenue, to allow for the following:

- Report from Watts Partners regarding lobbying strategy for 2011

J. C. Watts of Watts Partners, the City's lobbyist in Washington, D.C., will be the keynote speaker at the Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, January 28, 2011 at the Holiday Inn. Due to his presence in Fort Smith, Mr. Watts requested the opportunity to address the Mayor and Board prior to the aforementioned event.

# ***AGENDA*** ~ ***Summary***

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**Presentation by J. C. Watts and Steve Pruitt of Watts Partners, who advised they foresee different processes for appropriations in 2011. In order to assist in lobbying efforts, they encouraged City officials to maintain close relations with legislative representatives, as well as surrounding counties and the State of Arkansas to convey regional cooperation for major projects.**