



Durham County

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Meeting Agenda Board of County Commissioners

Monday, March 10, 2025

7:00 PM

Commissioners' Chambers

Regular Session

"Public Charge"

The Board of Commissioners asks its members and citizens to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous manner, both with the Board and fellow citizens. At any time, should any member of the Board or any citizen fail to observe this public charge, the Chair will ask the offending person to leave the meeting until that individual regains personal control. Should decorum fail to be restored, the Chair will recess the meeting until such time that a genuine commitment to the public charge is observed.

"Land Acknowledgment"

As we convene for the Durham County Commissioners meeting, it's crucial to recognize the painful truth of history. We stand on the stolen ancestral lands of the Catawba, Eno, Occaneechi, Shakori, and Tuscarora peoples, whose deep connection to this land predates our arrival. We acknowledge with humility the unjust displacement and violence that occurred, leading to the dispossession of indigenous peoples from their homelands. Their resilience in the face of such adversity is a testament to their strength and spirit.

May we humbly honor the ancestors and elders of these nations, both past and present, by committing ourselves to fostering understanding, healing, and justice for all who inhabit this land. Let us walk forward together with open hearts, acknowledging the past and embracing a future guided by compassion, respect, and unity.

7:00 pm Regular Session

1. Opening of Regular Session - Pledge of Allegiance (5 min)
2. Agenda Adjustments (5 min)

[25-0139](#)

Proclamation - Recognizing and Celebrating Ramadan 2025

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to proclaim February 28th through March 30, 2025, as Ramadan in Durham County.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goals: Healthy and Inclusive Community and Empowered Community.

Resource Persons: Nida Allam, Chair, Board of County Commissioner

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim February 28th through March 30, 2025, as Ramadan in Durham County.

Attachments: [Proclamation - Ramadan - March 2025](#)

3. Announcements (5 min)

25-0124

Announcements (5min)

Agenda Text:

- 1. Property Value Notices Have Arrived, Now What?** - The Durham County Tax Administration mailed reappraisal notices to all property owners in Durham County the week of Feb. 28. Property owners are encouraged to review the information and report any out of date/incorrect information to the tax office, compare your property value with the sale price of similar properties, and if you disagree with your assessed value, you can file an appeal with the Board of Equalization and Review. Property owners may schedule a Reappraisal Information Meeting with a tax staff representative from March 17 to April 12 at various locations in the County. See dates/times at www.dconc.gov/tax <<http://www.dconc.gov/tax>>. It is preferred that appointments are scheduled to ensure property owners are allocated the proper amount of individual time with an appraiser. Find information on all of these subjects, as well as Tax Relief Programs available to eligible taxpayers, at the Tax Help webpage at <https://www.dconc.gov/county-departments/departments-f-z/tax-administration/tax-help> or by calling 919-560-0300.
- 2. Moving Forward Together** - Join the Durham County Library, Sister Cities of Durham, and the Durham County Women's Commission for an evening of celebrating and connecting with women empowering women and strengthening Durham County as a place of local and global influence and commerce at "Moving Forward Together" at Main Library on March 24 at 5:30 p.m. Durham City Councilwoman Javiera Caballero will moderate a panel discussing how women can move forward together, remain connected, and empower future women leaders in our local and international communities within and beyond Durham County. Register here: <https://durhamcountylibrary.libcal.com/event/14193625>.
- 3. Planning Academy Application Open until March 14!** - The Durham Planning Academy is a free interactive course that gives residents the chance to learn more about how the planning process works in our community, how to use available planning tools, and how to engage in planning work with your

City-County Planning Department. The Spring Planning Academy runs on May 2-3. Registration is open until March 14! Apply here:

<https://www.durhamnc.gov/3173/Durham-Planning-Academy>.

4. **Design Budget Book Cover Illustration!** - Calling all Durham County Youth! Our Durham County Budget and Management Services is holding a contest for you to draw art for the cover of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Book! The contest is open to all DCo youth from Pre-K to 12th grade - homeschool, public school, private school. We encourage you to display your creative skills by showcasing "What is Your Favorite Part of Durham County?" One submission will be chosen by staff for the cover illustration. Other entries may be used throughout the Budget Book! Entries are due by April 15th! Download and submit entry forms online here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BX2YMCN>. For more information on the contest or its rules, please contact Durham County Budget Analyst Shannon Wright at sjwright@dconc.gov <<mailto:sjwright@dconc.gov>>.
5. **Durham 4-H Summer Camp** - Register for Durham 4-H Summer Camps today! The registration deadline is April 15. Space is limited for each camp. First, register your student at <https://v2.4honline.com> - select "Durham County Member at Large" if you are not currently enrolled. Next, pay for camp at Eventbrite links here - <https://durham.ces.ncsu.edu/4hsummercamp/>. If you'd like to be put on the waitlist, contact Durham's 4-H Program Assistant at rawilso9@ncsu.edu <<mailto:rawilso9@ncsu.edu>>.

Continuous Announcement for Posting Only - Will Not be Read During the Meeting Open

Office Hours with Planning Staff - The Durham City-County Planning Department is updating the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)! The UDO sets the rules for how land is developed in Durham, and we want your input! We will be hosting recurring office hours throughout the project. Drop in with your questions and feedback at the Durham County Main Library (300 N. Roxboro St.) on First Thursdays 3-6 p.m. and Third Thursdays 10 a.m.-1 p.m. through August 2025. Website: www.engagedurham.com <<http://www.engagedurham.com>> Contact: NewUDO@DurhamNC.gov <<mailto:NewUDO@DurhamNC.gov>>.

Cigna Healthcare has selected Durham County Government as a recipient of their 2024 gold level Healthy Workforce Designation for demonstrating a strong commitment to improving the health and vitality of its employees through a workplace well-being program.

Vitality is defined as the capacity to pursue life with health, strength and energy. It is both a driver and an outcome of health and work/life engagement, and Cigna Healthcare believes it is not only essential to individuals, but also a catalyst for business and community growth. Research conducted as part of the Evernorth Vitality Index confirms that those with higher vitality experience better mental and physical health along with higher levels of job satisfaction and performance. An opportunity remains for employers as less than one in five U.S. adults report having high levels of vitality. A workplace well-being program that takes a comprehensive approach to employee health can be critical in boosting vitality and building a workforce that experiences better overall health and job productivity.

The Cigna Healthy Workforce Designation evaluates organizations based on the core components of their well-being program, including leadership and culture, program foundations and execution, policies and accommodations, and additional areas. Organizations recognized with this designation set the standard of excellence for organizational health and vitality. Cigna Healthcare is proud to honor Durham County Government with the gold level designation for having made strong progress towards a healthy work culture by establishing and growing their employee well-being and engagement program.

For more details, visit <https://cignahwd.com/>

4. Citizen Comments (30 min)

25-0132

Citizen Comments (30min)

Agenda Text:

The Board of County Commissioners will provide a 30-minute comment period at a meeting once a month. Any citizen of Durham County wishing to speak shall have an opportunity to do so. The Board may direct staff to research and reply to the concerns, if appropriate. Speakers were asked to provide comments prior to the start of the meeting so that staff may reply to comments and/or questions. All speakers are requested to refrain from addressing issues related to personnel matters.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: Citizen engagement aligns with all five of the strategic goals by allowing the Board to receive comments and concerns from the community related to important issues in Durham County

Resource Persons: Monica W. Wallace, Clerk to the Board

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive citizen comments and direct staff to respond, as deemed appropriate

5. Minutes (5 min)

25-0131

Minutes (5min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve the February 24, 2025, Regular Session meeting

minutes.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - High Performing Organization

Resource Persons: Monica W. Wallace, Clerk to the Board

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the February 24, 2025, Regular Session meeting minutes.

Attachments: [Regular Session - February 24, 2025](#)

6. Ceremonial Items (15 min)

[25-0115](#)

Proclamation - National Social Work Month (5min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to issue a proclamation recognizing March as National Social Work Month and to recognize Social Workers dedication to improving human health & well-being, living conditions, and enhancing the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable through their "Compassion & Action".

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Each year March is set aside to celebrate and recognize the Social Work Profession. Since the 19th century, Social Workers have been essential to the community well-being, helping people address personal and systemic barriers for optimal living. This request aligns with: High Performing Organization - develop, retain, recruit diverse, qualified, and knowledgeable staff.

Resource Persons: Maggie Clapp, Director; Valery Dambreville, Deputy Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the Proclamation declaring March National Social Work Month in Durham County.

Attachments: [Proclamation - National Social Work Month - March 2025](#)

[25-0117](#)

Resolution - Women's History Month 2025 (5min)

Agenda Text:

The Board has been requested to issue a resolution celebrating Women's History Month in Durham County. The purpose of the resolution is to acknowledge and honor Women's History Month in Durham County, bringing awareness and celebration to the experiences and contributions of women in Durham County. Women's History Month, a celebration of women and their contributions to history, culture and society has been observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987. We are committed to fostering a culture of inclusivity, diversity, and understanding within Durham County. Together, we strive to acknowledge, learn from, and appreciate the diverse narratives that shape our collective history.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Healthy & Inclusive Community

Resource Persons: Cassandra Kiger, Manager, Equitable Well-Being

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board issue a resolution celebrating Women's History Month for March 2025.

Attachments: [Proclamation - Womens History Month - March 2025](#)

7. Consent Agenda (30 min)

25-0065 Approval of a Three-Year Contract with SHI International Corp. in the amount of \$836,419.44 for Licenses, Services and the Enterprise Agreement with Microsoft for the Durham County Sheriff's Office

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve and authorize the County Manager to execute year-one of a three-year contract with SHI International Corp. in the amount of \$278,806.48 for licenses, services, and the enterprise agreement with Microsoft for the Durham County Sheriff's Office. The Board is also requested to authorize the County Manager/Sheriff to execute all subsequent renewals, not to exceed the total contract amount of \$836,419.44. Funding for year-one exists within the Sheriff's Office Operating Budget.

Volume licenses for email and services will be purchased through SHI for the Sheriff's Office, per the State Convenience Contract 208C. The Microsoft Enterprise Agreement supports DCSO's users across the suite of the Microsoft Applications and includes several cybersecurity capabilities to help protect the DCSO from Malware attacks, including failover capabilities as of result of it being Cloud-based. Software assurance is included in the Enterprise Agreement and provides a comprehensive range of benefits to help the DCSO plan, deploy, and use the latest Microsoft technologies and services. The Microsoft Enterprise Agreement keeps the DCSO in line with the shift to cloud services and best practices across private and government sectors including the City of Durham, Mecklenburg County, Wake County, Guilford County, and many other counties and municipalities throughout North Carolina.

Funding for this contract was budgeted in the FY24-25 budget process. Year-two and three will be budgeted during the budget process. G.S. 143-129(e) (7) allows local governments to be exempted from the competitive bidding requirements and purchase furnishings/equipment through contracts established by the North Carolina Department of Information Technology as provided in Article 15 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Goal 3: Safe Community

Resource Persons: Vincent Ritter, IT Director, Durham County Sheriff's Office; Clarence Birkhead, Durham County Sheriff.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve and authorize the County Manager to execute year-one of a three-year contract with SHI International Corp. in the amount of \$278,806.48 for

licenses, services, and the enterprise agreement with Microsoft for the Durham County Sheriff's Office. The Board is also requested to authorize the County Manager/Sheriff to execute all subsequent renewals, not to exceed the total contract amount of \$836,419.44. Funding for year-one exists within the Sheriff's Office Operating Budget.

Attachments:

[SHI Service Contract Template FY2025](#)

[Attachment 1 SHI Scope of Services Form FY2025](#)

[Attachment 1A SHI Quote-25700526](#)

[Attachment 1B - Microsoft Volume Licensing Agreement](#)

[Attachment 1C SHI Return Policy](#)

[Attachment 1D State of NC Contract #208C](#)

[Attachment 1E NC-Iran-Divestment-Act-208C-3-22-17-SHI-Signed](#)

25-0072

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC083 Recognizing \$124,106 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) to the Durham County Sheriff's Office for the 2024 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC083 recognizing \$124,106 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) for the 2024 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) and allocate these funds to the Durham County Sheriff's Office.

SCAAP, administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), provides federal payments to states and localities that incurred salary costs for incarcerating undocumented noncitizens who have at least one felony or two misdemeanor convictions for violations of state or local law and who are incarcerated for at least four consecutive days during the reporting period. The Bureau of Justice Assistance has announced that Durham County is eligible for the 2024 SCAAP award in the amount of \$124,106.

In accordance with grant guidelines, the Durham County Sheriff's Office will purchase equipment for disaster preparedness and continuity of operations inside the Detention Center, support training and education for detention officers, and fund detention officer recruitment initiatives. The funds will also cover Southern Resource Advisors, LLC's costs to compile Detention Center population data. This annual grant appropriation has supported the Sheriff's Office operations for several years.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Safe Community

Resource Persons: Keisha Gaither, Finance Manager, Durham County Sheriff's Office; Bryce Meyers, Major of Detention Services, Durham County Sheriff's Office

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC083 recognizing

\$124,106 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) for the 2024 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) and allocate these funds to the Durham County Sheriff's Office.

Attachments:

[Award Package FAW-188129](#)

[AAF-83 LEGAL FORM DCSO to recognize \\$124,106 for 2024 SCAAP](#)

25-0082

Budget Ordinance Amendment No.25BCC075 Public Health to approve a \$7,000 award from the Community Engagement Research Institute subcommittee of the Duke Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) to implement the Advancing Health Equity Together Through Education and Outreach Grant Program

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No.25BCC075 Public Health to approve a \$7,000 award from the Community Engagement Research Institute subcommittee of the Duke Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) to implement the Advancing Health Equity Together Through Education and Outreach Grant Program. The grant program will allow the Durham County Department of Public Health to collaborate with community partners to develop and implement cancer support groups, both breast and prostate, through a strategic planning process.

The Board of Health has approved this recommendation.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive Community.

Resource Persons: Dr. Rodney Jenkins, DrPH, MHA, Public Health Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No.25BCC075 Public Health to approve a \$7,000 award from the Community Engagement Research Institute subcommittee of the Duke Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) to implement the Advancing Health Equity Together Through Education and Outreach Grant Program

Attachments:

[AAF Supplemental Document - Advancing Health Equity Community Outreach](#)

[FY 25 AAF Form - Advancing Health Equity Grant Program](#)

[Advancing Health Equity Together Through Education and Outreach Grant](#)

25-0083

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC077 to Recognize \$26,250 from the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC077 to Recognize \$26,250 from the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services

These funds are an amendment to the existing Integrated Targeted Testing Services

grant provided through the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina of Health & Human Services. The additional funds provide \$26,250 to provide targeted mpox education and referral services at hours that are accessible to persons at high risk, especially to men who have sex with men, transgender individuals, and those communities with high incidence of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections.

Please note that this amendment requires no additional County funds.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive Community.

Resource Persons: Rodney Jenkins, DrPH, MHA, Public Health Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC077 to Recognize \$26,250 from the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services

Attachments:

[AA 534 - R1 FY25 - signed](#)

[AAF Supplemental Document - ITTS Mpox](#)

[AAF Template for ITTS Mpox](#)

[AAF-77 Legal Form](#)

25-0084

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC076 Public Health to Recognize \$12,891 from the North Carolina Association of Public Health Agencies for Community Co-Leadership in the Healing-Centered Engagement program of Thriving Hearts

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to recognize \$12,891 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC076 Public Health to Recognize \$12,891 from the North Carolina Association of Public Health Agencies for Community Co-Leadership in the Healing-Centered Engagement program of Thriving Hearts

These funds are provided through the Thriving Hearts grant to the local health department to support authorized work under the grant. The funds will be used to support coordination and implementation support for Adverse Childhood Experiences and Resilience priority objectives around trauma-informed care and social emotional and mental health in the area of training and workforce development. Please note that this amendment requires no additional County funds.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive Community.

Resource Persons: Rodney Jenkins, DrPH, MHA, Public Health Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC076 Public Health to Recognize \$12,891 from the North Carolina Association of Public Health Agencies for Community Co-Leadership in the Healing-Centered Engagement program of Thriving Hearts

Attachments:

[AAF - NCAPHA Thriving Hearts](#)

[AAF Supplemental Document - NCAPHA Thriving Hearts](#)

[Exhibit A - Research Subaward Agreement 5131661](#)

[Exhibit D - PCORI-COI-fillable](#)

[TH Service Agreement - J Bousquette-Durham](#)

[FW Service Agreement to cover the services of J Bousquette](#)

[AAF-76 Legal Form](#)

25-0085

Approve a Multi-Year Interlocal Agreement Between the Department of Public Health and Durham Parks & Recreation

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve a multi-year Interlocal Agreement between the Department of Public Health and Durham Parks & Recreation.

The Durham County Department of Public Health (DCoDPH) and Durham Parks and Recreation (DPR) desire to work collaboratively to support their missions by providing joint program services that promote the holistic health and wellness of Durham residents. The agreement outlines the responsibilities, staffing, program proposals, fees, space usage and reporting arrangements to facilitate this collaboration. There are no costs associated with executing the interlocal agreement.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive Community. The interlocal agreement assists the Department of Public Health and Durham Parks & Recreation to provide services to promote health and educate the public about chronic conditions related to physical activity.

Resource Persons: Rodney Jenkins, DrPH, MHA, Public Health Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve a multi-year Interlocal Agreement between the Department of Public Health and Durham Parks & Recreation.

Attachments:

[AAF - Interlocal Agreement with DPR](#)

[AAF Supplemental Document - DPR interlocal agreement](#)

[2024 DPR DCoDPH ILA](#)

25-0102

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC079 Public Health to

Recognize \$14,475 from NC DHHS Division of Public Health's Local and Community Support Section/Local Infrastructure and Workforce Support Unit.

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC079 Public Health to Recognize \$14,475 from NC DHHS Division of Public Health's Local and Community Support Section/Local Infrastructure and Workforce Support Unit.

These funds are provided through Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), awarded to the North Carolina Division of Public Health (DPH), to support core infrastructure improvements that include, but are not limited to workforce, foundational capabilities, and data infrastructure.

Please note that this amendment requires no additional County funds.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive Community.

Resource Persons: Rodney Jenkins, DrPH, MHA, Public Health Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC079 Public Health to Recognize \$14,475 from NC DHHS Division of Public Health's Local and Community Support Section/Local Infrastructure and Workforce Support Unit.

Attachments:

[123 FY25 Durham](#)

[AAF - Investment in Performance Management- AA 123 - Supplemental Docum](#)

[AAF - Investment in Performance Management - AA 123 - FY25](#)

[AAF-79 Legal Form](#)

25-0108

Approval of a Contract Amendment between the County of Durham and Diana Phillips Consulting in the amount of \$10,000.00, increasing the total amount to \$40,000.

Agenda Text:

The Board has been requested to approve the contract amendment between the County of Durham and Diana Phillips Consulting in the amount of \$10,000.00, increasing the total contracted amount to \$40,000. The term of the contract amendment remains the same from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

Durham County implemented a new recording imaging, and indexing system, Eagle Recorder by Tyler Technologies, for Real Estate and Vital Records in the office of the Register of Deeds. The purpose of the original contract was and remains for the coordination, management, review and finalization of digital records importation into our Tyler Technologies software database. As a result of the high-volume data transfer of 144 years of data, from the old system, there were portions of the

database which required incremental updating to be fully accessible to the public remotely.

Diana Phillips Consulting has served as the key consultant and project manager for the deeds office during this data conversion system enhancement. At a high level, Ms. Phillips has worked to ensure 1) the formatting and finalization of the data was successfully completed by U.S.

Imaging (vendor), 2) that Tyler Technologies' support staff accurately completed the preliminary system imports and updates, and 3) coordination with DCo IS&T to schedule and verify the final data uploads in accordance with cyber security best practices. These time-consuming though necessary final steps conclude the data migration and finally allow residents, financial institutions, etc. to remotely access the full breadth of the office's records efficiently. The delays caused by the issues with formatting have caused a shortage of funds due to the technical issues that had to be resolved.

The funds utilized for the project were approved in our 2024 budget and allocated from our Automation Restoration Fund (N C G S 161-11-1.), a non-reverting fund for the conservation and preservation of records in the Register of Deeds office, and do not require any additional funding budget requests.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment

Resource Persons: Sharon A Davis, Register of Deeds

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the contract amendment in the amount of \$10,000. increasing the contracted amount to \$40,000.

Attachments: [phillips contract amendment](#)

25-0111

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC081 Cooperative Extension to recognize \$3,423 from the Briggs Avenue Fall Festival plant sale for Briggs Avenue Community Garden Program Expenses.

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC081 Cooperative Extension to recognize \$3,423 from the Briggs Avenue Fall Festival plant sale for Briggs Avenue Community Garden Program Expenses.

Cooperative Extension staff and volunteers held a Briggs Avenue Fall Festival on September 7, 2024 to provide community garden education, demonstrations, compost give-a-way, and a plant sale of plants grown by volunteers at Briggs Avenue Community Garden to provide additional support for the program. The plants were priced to provide high-quality garden plants to the community at a modest price to enable community members to grow their own season-appropriate food. Funds raised will be utilized to support garden expenses, such as plants, seeds, tools, and other materials necessary for operating the garden.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with multiple goals of the County Strategic Plan to provide community education and engagement in community garden programming: Empowered Community and Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment.

Resource Persons: Cheralyn Berry, Extension Agent; Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC081 Cooperative Extension to recognize \$3,423 from the Briggs Avenue Fall Festival plant sale for Briggs Avenue Community Garden Program Expenses.

Attachments:

[Fall Sale Flyer](#)

[2024 Briggs Fall Sale Deposit.xlsx - Sheet1 \(1\)](#)

[AAF-81 Legal Form](#)

25-0112

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC080 Cooperative Extension to recognize \$1,000 from the Extension Master Food Volunteer Training for Family and Consumer Sciences for Program Expenses.

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC080 Cooperative Extension to recognize \$1,000 from the Extension Master Food Volunteer Training for Family and Consumer Sciences for Program Expenses.

Cooperative Extension staff held a 5-week training series for the Extension Master Food Volunteer Program (EMFV) January 5- February 22, 2025. The funds were fees collected from 10 participants who, after training, will aid staff during nutrition education classes, culinary training, outreach programs and community events. The EMFV program uses evidence-based curriculum to train volunteers in teaching Durham residents healthy and delicious recipes to improve the home food environment. Durham Extension staff expect to train 10-15 volunteers each year for the next 5 years, resulting in an increased capacity to serve local residents. Funds raised will be utilized to support training activities for volunteers as well as educational materials and supplies for the Family and Consumer Science program.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with multiple goals of the County Strategic Plan to provide community education and engagement through nutrition education and health equity: Healthy and Inclusive Community and Empowered Community.

Resource Persons: Cheralyn Berry, Extension Agent; Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC080 Cooperative Extension to recognize \$1,000 from the Extension Master Food Volunteer Training

for Family and Consumer Sciences for Program Expenses.

Attachments: [EMFV 2025 Deposits.xlsx - Sheet1 \(1\)](#)

[EMFV Deposit 2.xlsx - Sheet1](#)

[AAF-80 Legal Form](#)

25-0133 Approval of Capital Project Amendment No. 25CPA0039 Appropriating \$186,649,809.10 of 2022 General Obligation Bond Funding to the New Durham School of Arts Project (SH299) Bringing the Total Project Budget to \$241,070,536

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Capital Project Amendment No. 25CPA0036 appropriating \$186,649,809.10 of 2022 General Obligation Bond funding to the New Durham School of Arts project (SH299) bringing the total project budget to \$241,070,536. This additional funding provides full project funding Durham Public Schools to secure all construction related contracts and ensuring timely completion of the new school.

While the entire project budget will be available with this capital project amendment, it will take Durham Public Schools several years to spend down available funding. In the supplemental documentation a cash flow projection provides the expected timing of actual project related spending. Durham County will take on the debt payments related to the 2022 GO Bonds spent within this project over time, and has planned for this spending within its own capital financing plan. To date \$54,420,726.90 has been allocated towards this project, with the majority being from 2022 General Obligation Bonds.

The new Durham School of the Arts (DSA), located off Duke Homestead Rd. and Stadium Dr., will be a state-of-the-art campus spanning 337,500 Gross Square Feet (GSF). Designed to accommodate 2,000 students in grades 6-12, the school will feature an impressive 800-seat concert hall and a 500-seat theatre for performances. The campus will be organized around a central courtyard, with two stories of classrooms to foster a collaborative learning environment. In addition to its academic facilities, DSA will offer a range of athletic amenities, including softball and baseball fields, a football field, and a track. This dynamic, purpose-built space will support both academic excellence and artistic expression, providing students with the resources they need to thrive in a well-rounded educational setting.

As of early March 2025, the project is 6% complete with a scheduled completion date of October 2027, and estimated move in date of December 2027.

Project Current Budget	Amendment	Revised Budget
Durham School of Arts - New Location (SH299)		\$54,420,726.90
\$186,649,809.10	\$241,070,536.00	

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Empowered Community, Empowering the Community to enhance their opportunities to thrive.

Resource Persons: Lori Blake-Reid, Executive Director of Construction & Capital Planning; Micheal Lynch, Durham Public Schools Senior Executive Director of Building Services; Keith Lane, Durham County Director of Budget, and Management Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve Capital Project No. 25CPA036 appropriating \$186,649,809.10 of 2022 General Obligation Bond funding to the New Durham School of Arts project (SH299) bringing the total project budget to \$241,070,536.

Attachments:

[CPA-36 Legal Form DSA GO Bonds of \\$186M for Completing Budget.pdf](#)

[CPA-36 Supplemental New Durham School of the Arts Executive Summary and](#)

[CPA-36 Supplemental Final - BOE Work Session DSA.pdf](#)

[CPA-36 Supplemental Final - DSA Design Presentation Dec 11 2023.pdf](#)

8. Other Business (60 min)

25-0052

Review of 2024 City-County Resident Survey Results (60min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to receive a presentation on 2024 Resident Survey results. Durham County has partnered with the City of Durham to conduct a resident survey for the eighth consecutive year. The survey, which was conducted in late Fall 2024, presents information about service quality and resident prioritization of services. This data, which includes trends from the past several years, will be used to help Durham County make service improvements in the spirit of the County's continuous improvement model, Managing for Results. The survey also enables Durham County to compare itself to other, similar-sized communities across our state and our nation. Additionally, the survey is representative voice of the Durham Community and provides insight into the specific areas in need of improvement.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The Resident Survey aligns DCo Forward 2029 Strategic Focus area High Performing Organization, Objective HP3: Create and Maintain a culture where decisions are informed by data.

Resource Persons: Josh Edwards; Director of Strategy and Performance and Jason Morado, Director of Community Research (ETC Institute)

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the presentation on 2024 resident survey results and ask any questions they wish for further explanation.

Attachments: [2024 Durham City & County Resident Survey - Draft SU-JM](#)
 [2024 Durham County Survey Report](#)
 [Durham County 2024 Resident Survey Presentation - Feb 28, 2024](#)

9. Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda (20 min)

10. Adjournment