Durham County

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Meeting Agenda

Board of County Commissioners

Monday, May 12, 2025 | **7:00 PM** | **Commissioners' Chambers**

Regular Session

“Public Charge”

The Board of Commissioners asks its members and residents to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous manner, both with the Board and fellow residents. At any time, should any member of the Board or any resident 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)

3. Announcements (5 min)

25-0259 **Announcements (5min)**

Agenda Text: **1. Durham Transit Tracker Dashboard** - The Durham County

Transportation Department is excited to announce it has launched a new Durham Transit Tracker Dashboard dedicated to tracking progress on accomplishing the goals of the Durham Transit Plan. It outlines budgets and expenditures on transit projects funded by the Durham County Transit plan, including key metrics of projects. Find it here: <https://durham-transit-tracking-dashboard-fitp.hub.arcgis.com/>.

2. **Family Fun Day 2025** - Families & Communities Rising Head Start & Early Head Start presents … Carnival: Family Fun Day 2025 on Friday, May 16. This event runs from 1-4 p.m. at Durham County Memorial Stadium, 750 Stadium Drive.

3. **DCo Convenience Site Closure** - The Durham County General Services Department announces that the Redwood Convenience Site, located at 100 Electra Road, will temporarily close for 4 weeks to allow for tree removal and road construction to set up a new traffic pattern for easier access for residents. The site will close to the public on Monday, June 9 and reopen on Monday, July 7, 2025. The Northern (11894 N. Roxboro Road) and Parkwood (5828 Highway 55) will remain open Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Saturday: 7 a.m. -12 p.m. Closed Sundays and County Holidays/Training Days (June 13, June 19 and July 4). More info: <https://www.dconc.gov/county-departments/departments-f-z/general-services/solid-waste-recycling-and-litter-control/durham-county-convenience-sites>.

4. **Sheriff Birkhead to Host Community Meeting in Bahama** - Durham County Sheriff Clarence F. Birkhead will host a public meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20 to answer general questions about public safety at the Bahama Ruritan Club, located at 8202 Stagville Road in Bahama. Sheriff Birkhead looks forward to hearing from residents about concerns and issues impacting North Durham. Contact GJMarsh@DurhamSheriff.org <mailto:GJMarsh@DurhamSheriff.org> or call 919-560-0904 for more information.

5. **Extension's 2025 Report to the Community** - Come enjoy breakfast, inspiring stories, and hands-on demos that show how Durham County Cooperative Extension staff are making a difference in our community every day at the Extension's annual "Report to the Community." This event will be held at the Extension office, 721 Foster Street, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 22.

6. **Engagement Opportunities with Staff on New UDO** - The Durham City-County Planning Department begins its next round of community

engagement regarding the new Unified Development Ordinance with the following events: Engagement Sessions: Thursday, May 22, 6-7:30 p.m. Staff-led virtual engagement session Registration link: www.bit.ly/VirtualUDO <http://www.bit.ly/VirtualUDO>; Thursday, May 29, 6-7:30 p.m. Staff-led in-person engagement session (at W.G. Pearson Auditorium: 600 E Umstead St) www.bit.ly/InPersonUDO <http://www.bit.ly/InPersonUDO>; and Tuesday, June 3, 6-7:30 p.m. Virtual Q&A with Code Studio www.bit.ly/CodeConnect4 <http://www.bit.ly/CodeConnect4>. More information at www.engagedurham.com/UDOEngage <http://www.engagedurham.com/UDOEngage>.

7. **Memorial Day Remembrance Event on May 26** - The Durham County Veteran Services Department invites the Durham community to its annual Memorial Day Remembrance Event on Monday, May 26, at 9 a.m. The event will be held at 201 E. Main Street, in the Administration II Building, Conference Room 126. The keynote speaker is Army Veteran and Board member Stephen J. Valentine. Veteran Services staff want to honor all of Durham County's Gold Star Families at the event. If you are interested, please reach out to 919-560-8387 or veteranservices@dconc.gov <mailto:veteranservices@dconc.gov>.

8. **Opioid Settle Annual Community Meeting** - Learn more about how Durham is using its opioid settlement funds to address the opioid epidemic and give your input. This event takes place on Thursday, June 5th from 5:30pm - 7pm in the Commissioner Chambers located at 200 E. Main Street, 2nd Floor. Please contact Jaeson Smith at jaesonsmith@dconc.gov <mailto:jaesonsmith@dconc.gov> for addition information.

9. **BULLS Academy Cohort 12 Info Session** - Open enrollment for Cohort 12 of the BULLS Academy is now open but you must first attend an information session to obtain an application. Information sessions are held via zoom on Wednesday, May 14 at 12pm; Wednesday, May 28 at 12pm and June 11 at 12pm. Applications for Cohort 12 will close on June 22, 2025. Please visit <https://www.madeindurham.org/bulls-academy> for more information.

10. **Laurel Street Apartments Accepting Applications** - The LSA+ property management division of Laurel Street will start accepting applications for initial tenants on Thursday, May 15th at the Durham Bottling Company located at 506 Ramseur Street between 11am - 3pm. Please visit <https://www.renegadedurham.com/apartments/nc/durham/apply> for more information.

4. Minutes (5 min)

25-0260 **Minutes (5min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve the April 28, 2025, Regular Session meeting minutes. The Board is also asked to approve the amended March 10, 2025 Regular Session meeting minutes. These minutes include additional reports from Commissioner Wendy Jacobs.

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 April 28, 2025, Regular Session meeting minutes and the amended March 10, 2025, Regular Session meeting minutes.

Attachments: Regular Session - March 10, 2025 Addendum

Regular Session - April 28, 2025

5. Ceremonial Items (25 min)

25-0206 **Proclamation - Emergency Medical Services Week (5min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to proclaim May 18-24, 2025, as EMS Week in Durham County in recognition of the essential service provided by the Durham County Emergency Medical Services System.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County's Strategic Goal: Safe and Resilient Community.

Resource Persons: Mark Lockhart, NRP, OES Director and Gordon Smith, NRP, OES-EMS Deputy Chief for Operations

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim May 18-24, 2025, as EMS Week in Durham County in recognition of the essential service provided by the Durham County Emergency Medical Services System.

Attachments: Proclamation - EMS Week - May 2025

25-0267 **Resolution Honoring the Life and Career of Durham County EMS Lieutenant Kevin M. O'Connor (5min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to issue a resolution honoring the life and career of Durham County Emergency Medical Services Lieutenant Kevin M. O'Connor who passed away on April 28, 2025, after nearly 25 years of service to Durham County and to authorize flags to be flown at half-staff on the day of his memorial service.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Regional Leadership

Resource Persons: Mark Lockhart, NRP, Director, Office of Emergency Services, and Gordon Smith, NRP, EMS Deputy Chief

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the resolution honoring the life and career of Durham County EMS Lieutenant Kevin M. O'Connor who passed away on April 28, 2025, after nearly 25 years of service to Durham County and to authorize flags to be flown at half-staff on the day of his memorial service.

Attachments: Resolution - Lieutenant K. OConnor.12May25

25-0217 Resolution - Memorial Day 2025 (5min)

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to adopt the attached resolution declaring May 26, 2025, Memorial Day in Durham County in remembrance of the county's 375 known soldiers, sailors, Marines, and airmen who died at war.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This resolution aligns with the strategic focus area of "Healthy & Inclusive Community" by honoring the ultimate sacrifice made by these 375 known individuals in defense of our country's democratic freedoms and encouraging residents to participate in Memorial Day observances.

Resource Persons: Jonathan T. Crooms, Durham County Veterans Service Officer.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board adopt the attached resolution proclaiming May 26, 2025, as Memorial Day in Durham County.

Attachments: Resolution - Memorial Day 2025

25-0251 Proclamation for Mental Health Awareness Month (5min)

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to proclaim May 2025 is Mental Health Awareness Month. The Justice Services Department is committed to serving individuals suffering from Mental Illness in the Durham Community. There are several programs and services dedicated to ensuring accessible and appropriate mental health services in Durham. Jail Mental Health, Mental Health Court, Jail Transitions and several other programs and workgroups are designed to ensure the proper diagnosis, treatment and continuity of care that is required for our most vulnerable citizens.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal: Safe & Resilient Community

Resource Persons: Renee Shaw, SUD/MH Program Manager, Marc Strange, Clinical Services Manager, JSD and Roshanna Parker, Director, Justice Services Department

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim May 2025 as Mental Health Awareness Month in Durham County and urges all citizens to support the charge for increased access to behavioral health

services.

Attachments: Proclamation - Mental Health Awareness Month - May 2025

25-0253 **Proclamation - Treatment Court Month (5min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to proclaim May 2025 as Treatment Court Month. For over three decades, the treatment court community nationwide has come together in May to shine the light on the success of treatment courts. This year, Treatment Court Month comes amid increased interest in seeking alternative options to incarceration that focus on increased coordination and access to behavioral health services. Treatment Courts and other specialty courts have proven to be very effective in addressing the needs of individuals in our community that struggle with substance use disorders.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - Safe and Resilient Community

Resource Persons: Lentora Duncan, Recovery Court Coordinator, Marc Strange, Clinical Services Manager, JSD and Roshanna Parker, Director, Justice Services Department

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim May 2025 as Treatment Court Month in Durham County and urges all citizens to join in recognizing how important it is to assist justice involved individuals struggling with addiction and/or mental health issues to gain access to the treatment resources necessary to make substantive changes in their lives.

Attachments: Proclamation - Treatment Court Month - May 2025

6. Other Business (45 min)

25-0256 **FY 2025-26 Manager's Recommended Budget Presentation (45min)**

Agenda Text: Durham County Manager Claudia Odom-Hager will formally present the Recommended Budget for FY 2025-26 to the Durham County Board of Commissioners. This is in accordance with N.C.G.S. 159-12 of the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

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

Resource Persons: Claudia Odom-Hager, Durham County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the presentation of the FY 2025-26 Recommended Budget.

Attachments: FY 2025-26 Manager's Presentation-FINAL

FY 2025-26 Recommended Budget Summary Document

7. Consent Agenda (15 min)

25-0176 **Letter of Support for Application for Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Grant**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the Chair to sign a letter of support for application to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Resources (DWR) for funding under the Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Grant Funding Program. The funding will support the construction of a bioretention pond and education and outreach associated with the Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park Stream Restoration Project. Through Section 319(h) of the Clean Water Act, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency provides states with funding to reduce nonpoint source pollution. North Carolina typically receives around $1 million for competitive funding of watershed restoration projects. Funds may be used to conduct watershed restoration projects such as stormwater and agricultural best management practices and restoration of impaired streams. Section 319 grant projects must be used to help restore waterbodies currently impaired by nonpoint source pollution in areas with approved watershed restoration plans.

The Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park Stream Restoration Project was identified in the County Stormwater Nutrient Management Strategy as a potential project for compliance with the Falls Lake Nutrient Management Rules. The project consists of approximately 1,500 linear feet of stream restoration and a bioretention pond to treat stormwater on the property. The stream restoration project will remove sources of nitrogen and phosphorous from streambank erosion - helping the County meet the nutrient requirements of the Falls Lake Rules - while also reducing flooding impacts to residents of Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park.

The total estimated project cost is $2.1 million. The County previously applied for and received a $400,000 Local Assistance for Stormwater Infrastructure Investments (LASII) grant from the North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure to cover the planning efforts for the Whispering Pines project. The County also received $500,000 from the Division of Soil and Water's Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program (StRAP). The County continues to seek additional grant funding for the project, an important part of meeting the County Stormwater Program's Guiding Principle of "Efficiency with Stormwater Utility Fee revenues." The County is applying for an additional $600,000 in funding from the Water Resources Development Grant Program. The County is seeking $240,000 from the 319(h) Grant Program.

Applications are due May 30, 2025.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item supports County goals for Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment by improving and protecting water quality.

Resource Persons: Taylor Blauser, Grant Administrator for Engineering and Environmental Services; Ryan D. Eaves, PE, Stormwater and Erosion Control Division Manager; H. Jay Gibson, PE, Director of Engineering and Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the Chair to sign the letter of support.

Attachments: 319 Letter of Support - Whispering Pines

25-0177 Approve Membership Agreement Memorandum of Understanding in the amount of $3,537 with the Clean Water Education Partnership (CWEP)

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to sign the Membership Agreement Memorandum of Understanding for the Clean Water Education Partnership Services provided by the Central Pines Regional Council in accordance with the attached Membership Memorandum of Understanding and fee schedule.

The Clean Water Education Partnership (CWEP) is a cooperative effort between local governments and state agencies to protect water quality in the Tar-Pamlico, Neuse, and Cape Fear River Basins. CWEP aims to protect North Carolina's waterways from stormwater pollution through public education and outreach. CWEP helps public entities communicate the important fact that clean water is vital for healthy ecosystems and a high quality of life for area residents. It is our goal to create a unified messaging about stormwater and pollution throughout our partner regions. We accomplish this through two main avenues: in-person education at community festivals, after school programs, libraries, and classroom visits; and mass media outreach campaigns via digital, radio, television, print, and cinema ads in English and Spanish.

Durham County has been a member of CWEP since September 2003. The current Memorandum of Agreement will expire on June 30, 2025.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment.

Resource Persons: Ryan D. Eaves, PE, Stormwater and Erosion Control Division Manager; McKenzie Bradshaw, PE, Stormwater Manager; Ellie Kinsey, Stormwater Education Specialist; H. Jay Gibson, PE, Director of Engineering and Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

Attachments: FY26MOU CWEP Durham County

25-0201 **Authorize the County Manager to Execute a Contract with Design Workshop, Inc., for Framework Planning Design Services, Including Community Engagement Services, for the Orange Factory Road Nature Preserve and Farm Campus Totaling an Amount Not-To-Exceed $295,658.00.**

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute a contract with Design Workshop, Inc. upon completion of the contract and approval by the County Attorney's Office, for Framework Planning Design Services, including community engagement services, for the Orange Factory Road Nature Preserve and Farm Campus totaling an amount not-to-exceed $295,658.00 ($268,780.00 basic services plus 10% reimbursable expenses). Funding for this has been identified and is available in the Orange Factory Road Farm Capital Project budget (4730DC163).

The County purchased the 129-acre property at the corner of Orange Factory Road and North Roxboro Road (308 Orange Factory Road) in February 2024 with Open Space Funds and County General Funds. This parcel was acquired for conservation, recreation, agriculture, and education purposes, and specifically to protect water quality, wildlife habitat and connectivity, and provide opportunities for low-impact recreation and agricultural education. Deed restrictions and zoning limit impervious surface development. The site currently does not currently have water or sewer services. Please see the attached AAF Supplemental for additional information about the site.

Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 25-012 Architectural & Engineering Design Services for Orange Factory Road Nature Preserve and Farm Campus was advertised on October 6, 2024, and received three responses by the November 12, 2024 proposal deadline. These responses were evaluated by representatives from the Open Space and Real Estate and Project Management Divisions of County Engineering, Cooperative Extension Services, and a County Management Fellow. Soil and Water Conservation District staff additionally advised the Evaluation Committee. Design Workshop, Inc. was selected as the most qualified firm for this project. Please see Attachment 2 for Design Workshop's Proposal for Framework Planning Design Services, Attachment 3 for the Bid Tabulation, and attachment 4 for the MWBE Compliance Review Form certifying 25% MWBE participation.

This Framework Plan development process will include extensive mapping, site analysis, and public engagement in close coordination with prospective partner departments, divisions, and organizations. The resulting Framework Plan will outline the uses and site layout that best addresses the conservation/restoration, agricultural, and education goals of the County, detail operations and maintenance expenses, and recommend phasing to best leverage state and federal funding for construction.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with the following DCo Forward

Strategic Plan Focus Areas: Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment, Objective 1: Plan for long-term use of County land, facilities, and equipment through Initiative 1c to create, maintain, and preserve vibrant, inclusive spaces in the County; Objective 3: Preserve and restore the natural and built environment through Initiative 3c to improve water quality through equitable and efficient use of resources and land protection and through Initiative 3d to protect and restore natural resources, land, recreational, historical, and rural spaces; and Healthy and Inclusive Community Objective 1: Increase healthy outcomes and quality of life for residents.

Resource Persons: Christy Raulli, Project Manager, and Peri Manns, ASLA, LEED GA, Deputy Director, Engineering and Environmental Services Department; Celeste Burns, Open Space and Real Estate Division Manager; Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director; and Emily McCoy, Principal, Design Workshop, Inc.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends the Board authorize the County Manager to execute a contract with Design Workshop, Inc. upon completion of the contract and approval by the County Attorney's Office, for Framework Planning Design Services, including community engagement services, for the Orange Factory Road Nature Preserve and Farm Campus totaling an amount not-to-exceed $295,658.00 ($268,780.00 basic services plus 10% reimbursable expenses). Funding for this has been identified and is available in the Orange Factory Road Farm Capital Project budget (4730DC163).

Attachments:

AAF Supplemental - Orange Factory Preserve and Farm

Design Workshop - Proposal for Orange Factory Rd Framework Plan

RFQ 25-012 - Bid Tabulation - Orange Factory Rd Nature Preserve and Farm C

MWBE Compliance Review Form-RFP 25-012

25-0211 **Authorize the County Manager to execute a contract amendment for radio tower design services in the amount of $136,304 with O'Brien Atkins Architects, for a total revised contract amount not to exceed $4,956,814 for the Emergency Operations Center, Backup 911, and Sheriff's Backup Call Center.**

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to Authorize the County Manager to execute a contract amendment for radio tower design services in the amount of $136,304 with O'Brien Atkins Architects, for a total revised contract amount not to exceed $4,956,814 for the Emergency Operations Center, Backup 911, and Sheriff's Backup Call Center.

As the project team went through the stages of schematic design for this project, it became apparent that the new facility would also require a radio tower to facilitate the operational needs of the backup 911 call center. Radio Tower Design is above and beyond the original scope of work for the facility, in which O'Brien Atkins has provided a proposal in conjunction with Mission Critical Partners (MCP) to provide technical specifications, regulatory & construction oversight, and Microwave

implementation. These services are crucial to ensuring that all federal, state, and local codes and requirements are met to maintain secure and expedient 911/emergency communications services. Funding for this amendment is available in the previously approved Capital Project account.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Safe and Resilient Community: Supporting the Emergency Operations Center, Backup 911, & Sheriff's Backup Call Center is a key factor in strengthening emergency response and prevention systems throughout the County.

Resource Persons: Joel T. Jones, Project Manager; Dan Nosbusch, Project Manager; Peri Manns, Deputy Director of Engineering and Environmental Services.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board Authorize the County Manager to execute a contract amendment for radio tower design services in the amount of $136,304 with O'Brien Atkins Architects, for a total revised contract amount not to exceed $4,956,814 for the Emergency Operations Center, Backup 911, and Sheriff's Backup Call Center.

Attachments: Add Service 01 - Radio Tower Design Services

Supplemental Document

25-0225 Approval of the FY25 Durham Transit Plan Q4 Work Program Amendment in the amount of $158,000.00.

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve an amendment to the FY25 Durham Transit Work Program.

As part of the appropriations process for the Durham County Transit Plan, an annual Work Program is developed which includes a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The Transit Plan Governance Interlocal Agreement (ILA) determines the process by which the annual budget is developed and approved and requires approval by the Durham Board of County Commissioners ("BOCC") and the GoTriangle Board of Trustees.

The Staff Working Group ("SWG") recommended approval of an amendment to the FY5 Durham Transit Work Program at their meeting held on April 14, 2025. The BOCC is requested to adopt the amendment. A memo from the Staff Working Group Administrator is attached and describing the amendment. A summary of the amendment is as follows:

1. Amendment for Low Income Fare Pass (Transit Assistance Program)
    a. Net Increase to FY25 Work Program is $118,000
    b. Decrease Youth GoPass by $14,000
    c. Decrease Fare Collection Improvements by $14,000
    d. Increase Low Income Fare Pass by $146,000

2. Amendment for Paratransit Expansion
    a. Increases FY25 Work Program by $40,000

The total increase to the FY25 Durham Transit Work Program is $158,000.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Regional Leadership.

Resource Persons: Brandi Minor, CLGFO, Senior Administrative Officer

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the FY25 Durham Transit Plan Q4 Work Program Amendment.

Attachments: FY25 Q4 Work Program Amendment Memo

FY25 Q4 Amendment Packet FINAL

Bike Durham - Public Comment

25-0227 Approval of the Final Recommended FY26 Durham Annual Transit Work Program

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve the Final Recommended FY26 Durham Annual Transit Work Program ("Work Program").

As part of the appropriations process for the Durham County Transit Plan, an annual Work Program is developed and includes a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The 2023 Transit Governance Interlocal Agreement ("ILA") determines the process by which the annual budget is developed and approved. Under the guidance of the ILA, the Work Program requires approval by the Durham Board of County Commissioners ("BOCC") and the GoTriangle Board of Trustees.

The BOCC received an informational presentation at the Work Session held on February 3rd. At the Staff Working Group ("SWG") meeting held on April 14, 2025, the FY26 Work Program was recommended for approval by a vote of 4-0. The final recommended Work Program and the public engagement report are attached for reference.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Regional Leadership.

Resource Persons: Ellen Beckmann, AICP, Transportation Director; Brandi Minor, CLGFO, Senior Administrative Officer; Curtis Scarpignato, Transportation Planner; Sean Egan, City of Durham, Transportation Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends the Board to approve the Final Recommended FY26 Durham Annual Transit Work Program.

Attachments:
FY26 Transit Work Program Agenda Memo (Legistar) - FINAL
Final Recommended FY26 Durham Transit Work Program Presentation
Final Recommended FY26 Durham Transit Work Program
FY26 Durham Transit Work Program Public Engagement Report

25-0243 Approve the Proposed City-County Planning Department FY26 Work Program

Agenda Text:
The Board is requested to approve the proposed City-County Planning Department FY26 Work Program.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment. Maintaining, protecting, and improving natural and built systems to support a sustainable Community.

Resource Persons: Sara Young, AICP, Planning Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the proposed City-County Planning Department FY26 Work Program.

Attachments:
WP FY26 BOCC Memo 05122025
WORK PROGRAM FY26- final

25-0248 Approval of Durham County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) Local Funding Plan Recommendation for FY 2025-2026

Agenda Text:
The Board is requested to receive and approve the Durham County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council's (JCPC) local funding plan recommendation for FY 2025-2026. At their scheduled meeting on April 23, 2025, with a quorum present, the JCPC members voted to recommend the attached local funding plan for the allocation of $701,101 in state funding from the NC Department of Public Safety.

The funds are anticipated to be included in the State of North Carolina FY 2025-2026 budget and allocated to Durham County through the NC Department of Public Safety, Division of Juvenile Justice, based on a formula related to county size and youth population. The funding is only available for programs serving youth who are delinquent, undisciplined or at risk of court involvement. Programs are required to offer treatment, rehabilitation and/or educational enrichment as prioritized in the publicly advertised Request for Proposals (RFP). This year, JCPC received applications totaling $1,053,212.

The Durham County JCPC conducted the funding allocation process in accordance with the relevant North Carolina General Statutes and the Division of Juvenile Justice's procedures and guidelines. Council members were assisted in the process by JCPC Area Consultant Walter Crews.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with strategic Plan Goal: Safe and Resilient Community

Resource Persons: Kevin McIver, JCPC Chair, Abigail Holloway, JCPC Vice-Chair and Roshanna Parker, Director, Justice Services Department

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive and approve the Durham County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council local funding recommendation for FY 2025-2026.

Attachments: Signed_FY 25-26 Durham County Funding Plan.xls.xlsx

25-0249 **Approval to Allow the County Manager to Enter into a Service Contract with Sunland Fire Protection, Inc. to Remove and Install New Fire Pump and Control Panel at the Durham County Detention Center in the amount of $266,985.00.**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to allow the County Manager to enter into a service contract with Sunland Fire Protection to remove the existing inoperable fire pump and associated control panel and replace both with new units. This system is a critical part of the Life Safety infrastructure of the Durham County Detention Center, providing pressurized water for the fire sprinkler system.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: County Objective SR2: Safe & Resilient Communities: Create Happy, Healthy, and Safe places for residents and County employees; and SR3: Improve Quality of Life Outcomes for Justice Involved Individuals.

Resource Persons: Motiryo Keambiroiro, General Service Director, Shawn Davis, General Services Assistant Director Environmental Maintenance, and Howard Heldreth, Master Plumber

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board allow the County Manager to enter into a Service Contract with Sunland Fire Protection, Inc. to Remove and Install New Fire Pump and Control Panel at the Durham County Detention Center in the amount of $266,985.00, as well as Authorize the County Manager to Execute Future Contact Amendments if cost of future Amendments have been allocated within the Capital Improvement Projects for Buildings.

Attachments: Fire Pump AAF Supplemental Document - Contract Approval Sunland

Sunland DCDC Fire Pump Replacement Quote C1-2550096

Emergency Memo for Fire Pump

25-0250 **Approval to Allow the County Manager to Enter into a Contract with Pipe Techs Plumbing, LLC to Removal and Installation Backflow Preventers at the Durham County Detention Center in the Amount of $122,359.00.**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to allow the County Manager to enter into a contract with

Pipe Techs Plumbing, LLC to remove and install two (2) backflow preventers at the Durham County Detention Center. The existing backflow preventer, installed originally in 1992, has become damaged over the course of its life. It is required to be replaced as part of the fire pump replacement directly affecting the Life & Safety of the building occupants. A second backflow preventer will be installed as a redundancy.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: County Objective SR2: Safe & Resilient Communities: Create Happy, Healthy, and Safe places for residents and County employees; AND SR3: Improve Quality of Life Outcomes for Justice Involved Individuals.

Resource Persons: Motiryo Keambiroiro, General Service Director, Shawn Davis, General Services Assistant Director Environmental Maintenance, and Howard Heldreth, Master Plumber

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board Allow the County Manager to Enter into a Contract with Pipe Techs Plumbing, LLC to Removal and Installation Backflow Preventers at the Durham County Detention Center in the amount of $122,359.00, as well as Authorize the County Manager to Execute Future Contact Amendments if Cost of Future Amendments have been Allocated within the Capital Improvement Projects for Buildings..

Attachments:
Pipe Tech Backflow Preventers AAF Supplemental Document - Contract Appro
Pipe Tech Quote for installing (2) 6 backflows
Emergency Memo for Fire Pump

25-0252 Transfer of $18,000 Between Approved ARPA Awards from Knox Street Studios to Forward Cities to Provide Additional Small Business Counseling Services

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve the transfer of $18,000 between ARPA approved awards from Knox Street Studios to Forward Cities to provide additional small business counseling services.

As part of the Board's strategic plan for administering the County's American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funding, the Board initially authorized the use of $1,500,000 to implement a comprehensive entrepreneurial ecosystem that included targeted support for small businesses negatively impacted by the pandemic. After the applications were reviewed, staff recommended, and the Board approved the initial award to Forward Cities (FC), as well as a second grant award of $750,000 to Knox St. Studios (KSS). Funding for both awards was approved by the BOCC on December 11, 2023. The FC contract was approved on March 25, 2024, and the KSS contract was approved on April 29, 2024. Both contracts have an end date of June 30,2026.

The transfer will increase the Forward Cities award to $1,518,000. The $18,000 will

be utilized to provide 300 hours of small business counseling that will be administered by Forward Cities E3 Durham Navigators. FC Navigators are currently providing general counseling services and are best positioned to deliver this program component that was originally in the KSS contract. As a result, the KSS contract will also be modified with similar offsets that reflect the change in funding award.

In September 2023, Durham County issued a Request for Proposal for a Small Business Support Program (RFP) to create and maintain a comprehensive entrepreneurial support system that provides targeted support for qualifying small business operating in Durham County. The two main priorities of the RFP were to (1) Establish and Maintain an Entrepreneurial Support System for Small Business Owners Impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic, and (2) Provide Targeted Small Business Support for Qualifying Small Business.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - Regional Leadership 1c.

Resource Persons: Andy Miracle, Economic Development Director, Durham County; Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the transfer of $18,000 between ARPA approved awards from Knox Street Studios to Forward Cities to provide additional small business counseling services.

Attachments:

FR 24-1279 Forward Cities

Subaward-Contract Amendment - Forward Cities - May 2025

Exhibit A - Revised Subaward Data

Exhibit C - Revised Budget

25-0258 Approval of Interlocal Agreement between Durham County, Orange County, and the Town of Chapel Hill related to Durham County administering the billing and collection of the Solid Waste Program Fee for property located within the Town of Chapel Hill but lying within the limits of Durham County

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between the County of Durham, the County of Orange County, and the Town of Chapel Hill related to Durham County administering the billing and collection of the Solid Waste Program Fee for property located within the Town of Chapel Hill but lying within the limits of Durham County.

Discussions have taken place between Durham County, Orange County, and the Town of Chapel Hill regarding how all entities can support the collection process. Orange County and Durham County are public bodies, political and corporate, under the laws of the State of North Carolina and are vested pursuant to Article 20 of North Carolina General Statutes with the power and authority to enter into this

Interlocal Agreement.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Goal 3: Community Safety

Resource Persons: Keyar Doyle, Tax Administrator

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends the Board approve the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between the County of Durham, County of Orange County, and the Town of Chapel Hill related to Durham County administering the billing and collection of the Solid Waste Program Fee for property located within the Town of Chapel Hill but lying within the limits of Durham County.

Attachments: AAF Supplemntal ILA DC.OC.TOC

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25-0261 Approval of Closed Session Minutes

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve the following unsealed Closed Session Minutes that the County Attorney has determined that public inspection would no longer frustrate the purpose of a closed session.

- April 2, 2018
- May 28, 2024
- July 8, 2024
- August 26, 2024

All minutes were related to the following statute: To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, to discuss the National Opioid Litigation which privilege is hereby acknowledged; pursuant to G. S. 143- 318.11(a) (3)

The minutes have been sent to the Board under separate cover.

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 following unsealed Closed Session Minutes that the County Attorney has determined that public inspection would no longer frustrate the purpose of a closed session.

25-0270 Approval of a Support Letter for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve and sign a support letter for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) to members of Congress to urge them to protect SNAP funding. SNAP is the nation's largest and most impactful federally funded nutrition program. SNAP provides critical food benefits to help more than 35,000 Durham County residents afford nutritious food. Forty-six percent of these residents are under 18 years of age and nearly 10% are over 65 years old.

SNAP not only improves food security but has also been shown to improve health outcomes. This results in improved educational attainment for our children and reduced Medicaid costs for our state. SNAP also strengthens the local economy as benefits are spent at farmers markets and grocery stores.

Recent federal budget proposals include significant cuts to SNAP benefits and added restrictions to program eligibility. These proposals would have devasting effects for Durham communities as 12% of our residents are food insecure. The cuts would further reduce food access, including limiting eligibility for school meals. It would also overburden our already strained food pantries and would negatively impact our local economy. Board members requested the opportunity to submit a letter and requested staff to prepare a letter reflecting the local impact.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - SNAP most closely aligns with DCo Forward Healthy & Inclusive Community (HI 1a, HI 1b, HI 3b) and Empowered Community (EC 1c, EC 1d, EC 2a, EC 2b)

Resource Persons: Raina Goldstein Bunnag, County Food Security Coordinator (Cooperative Extension); Kelly Warnock, Nutrition Program Manager (Public Health); Latoya Chambers, Assistant Director of Family Economic Independence (DSS); Cynthia Cason, Assistant Director of Medicaid (DSS).

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board submit a signed letter to members of Congress confirming the Board's support of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

Attachments:

SNAP support letter_5.8.25

NC DHHS SNAP Cuts Talking Points_04282025

Budget-Reconciliation-AHPC-Leave-Behind-2025

Budget-Reconciliation-AHPC-Leave-Behind-2025

25-0271 Approval of a Support Letter for the Medicaid Program

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve and sign a support letter for the Medicaid Program to members of Congress to protect Medicaid funding.

Medicaid is one of the most powerful tools that North Carolina has to improve the health and well-being of our residents and reduce the burden of their medical debt.

About one in four of our residents (76,639 people), rely on Medicaid to access medical care. Nearly 45,000 of these residents are under 18 or over 65 years old, over 7,000 are disabled and over 1,000 pregnant women receive Medicaid in our county.

Any cut to Medicaid will be of great detriment to our state. North Carolina is one of nine states with "trigger laws" that will reverse Medicaid expansion if federal matching funds for the program drop below 90% of costs for those covered under the expansion. Nearly 17,000 Durham residents and 640,000 North Carolinians currently access health insurance through Medicaid Expansion. If Medicaid is cut, these North Carolina residents will lose their health coverage.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal: Medicaid most closely aligns with DCo Forward Healthy and Inclusive Community (H1 1, H1 2, H1 3).

Resource Persons: Maggie Clapp, Director, Department of Social Services; Cynthia Cason, Assistant Director, Department of Social Services; Margaret Faircloth, Assistant Director, Department of Social Services.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve and sign a support letter for the Medicaid Program to members of Congress to protect Medicaid funding.

Attachments: AAF Support Letter for Medicaid

Dear Senator Tillis-Medicaid Letter

8. Public Hearings (105 min)

25-0244 **Public Hearing - TC2400003: A Privately Initiated Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Text Amendment (30min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to conduct a public hearing to receive comments and consider the following motions:

Motion 1: To adopt an ordinance amending the Unified Development Ordinance, incorporating revisions to Article 3 Applications and Permits.

Motion 2: To adopt a Consistency Statement as required by N. C. G. S. Sec. 160D-605.

Summary

Text Amendment TC2400003 is a privately initiated request to amend Section 3.26, Statutory Development Agreement, of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), in order to allow flexibility within the limitations imposed upon statutory development agreements.

Attachments

A. Application Materials Submitted by the Applicant
B. TC2400003 Draft Ordinance Language (Track Changes Version).

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment. Maintaining, protecting, and improving natural and built systems to support a sustainable Community

Resource Persons: Robin Schultze, CUCF, Principal Planner, and Sara Young, AICP, Planning Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board conduct a public hearing to receive comments and, if appropriate, approve the text amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance.

Attachments:
Attachment 00 - Memo
Attachment A - Application Materials Submitted by the Applicant
Attachment B - Draft Ordinance Language TC2400003 (Track Changes Version
Attachment C - Planning Commission Written Comments

25-0245 Public Hearing - Zoning Map Change - East Club at 85 (45min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to conduct a public hearing and receive public comments on the Zoning Map Change East Club at 85 (Z2400032), and consider the following motions:

First Motion: To adopt an ordinance amending the Unified Development Ordinance by taking property out of the Residential Rural and Commercial Neighborhood, Falls/Jordan Watershed Overlay District B, Major Transportation Corridor I-85, and establishing the same as Commercial General with a Textual Development plan, Falls/Jordan Watershed Overlay District B, Major Transportation Corridor I-85.; and

Second Motion: To adopt a Consistency Statement as required by N.C.G.S. Sec.160D-605.

Summary
Nil Ghosh, of Morningstar Law Group, proposes to change the zoning designation of seven parcels of land totaling 13.96 acres and located along East Club Boulevard just east of I-85. The current zoning is Residential Rural (RR) and Commercial Neighborhood (CN). The applicant proposes to change this designation to Commercial General with a textual development plan (CG(D)) to allow most by-right uses as defined in the UDO, with the exclusion of some.

Attachments
Attachment A - Zoning Context Map
Attachment B - Aerial Map

Attachment C - Place Type Map
Attachment D - Eno-New Hope Wildlife Corridor Map
Attachment E - Comprehensive Plan Consistency Review
Attachment F - Zoning Ordinance
Attachment G - Consistency Statement
Attachment H - Planning Commission Written Comments

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment. Maintaining, protecting, and improving natural and built systems to support a sustainable Community

Resource Persons: Peyton Burgess, AICP, Senior Planner, and Sara Young, AICP, Planning Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board conduct a public hearing and receive public comments on Zoning Map Change - East Club at 85 (Z2400032), and if appropriate based on the comments received during the hearing, approve the ordinance change and consistency statement.

Attachments:

Attachment 000 - Zoning Map Change Report
Attachment A - Zoning Context Map
Attachment B - Aerial Map
Attachment C - Place Type Map
Attachment D - Eno-New Hope Wildlife Corridor Map
Attachment E - Comprehensive Plan Consistency Review
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Zoning - BOCC Presentation E Club at 85

25-0246 **Public Hearing - Page/Miami Design District Text Amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance - This text amendment is proposed in conjunction with the staff initiated zoning map change for the area southeast of Research Triangle Park (RTP) between NC Highway 54, Davis Drive, Hopson Road, Page Road, and South Miami Boulevard to encourage multimodal transit-oriented development and support future publicly funded transportation projects. (30min)**

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to conduct a public hearing and receive comments and, if appropriate, approve the text amendment to the *Unified Development Ordinance*, with the following motions:

Motion 1: To adopt an ordinance amending the Unified Development Ordinance, incorporating revisions to Article 11, Sign Standards and Article 16, Design Districts; and

Motion 2: To adopt a Consistency Statement as required by N.C.G.S. Sec. 160D-605.

Summary

The Page/Miami Design District is the next application of the Compact Suburban Design District after it was established alongside the Patterson Place Design District in 2019. While looking at the Page/Miami area in context, staff initiated two technical text amendments for clarity. Unified Development Ordinance Text Amendment (TC2400002) contains a set of minor revisions to the UDO.

Attachments

Attachment A: Unified Development Ordinance TC2400002 (Track Changes Version)
Attachment B: Consistency Statement
Attachment C: Planning Commission Written Comments

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Goal Four (Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity) by offering fair and reasonable regulations for the citizens and business community of Durham.

Resource Persons: Kayla Seibel, AICP, Senior Planner, and Sara Young, AICP, Planning Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board conduct a public hearing to receive comments and, if appropriate, approve the text amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance.

Attachments:

Memo Page-Miami Design District
Attachment A - Unified Development Ordinance TC2400002 (Track Changes Ve
Attachment B - Consistency Statement
Attachment C - Planning Commission Written Comments

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

10. Adjournment