



Durham County

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Meeting Agenda Board of County Commissioners

Monday, September 8, 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)

[25-0505](#)

Announcements (5min)

Agenda Text:

Free School Meals for All at DPS - Great news, Durham County!

Everyone is eligible for FREE school meals in Durham Public Schools this year. No applications, no hassle - just healthy meals for every student. When we all participate, the program grows stronger and helps every child thrive! Find more information here: <https://www.dpsnc.net/o/dps/page/school-nutrition-services>.

2. **2025 Municipal Primary Election** - Early Voting for the 2025 Municipal Primary Election will be held in person at one of five early voting sites from Thursday, September 18 through 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 4. You can request a no-excuse absentee by-mail ballot fully online on or before Sept. 23rd. Please note that the registration deadline for the Municipal Primary Election is Friday, September 12. The 2025 Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., at your assigned polling place. More info at www.dconc.gov or by calling 919-560-0700.
3. **A.S.I.S.T. Training on Sept. 11 & 12** - Join Alliance Health and the DCo Department of Public Health for a FREE two-day workshop. This training is an in person 2 day all day training that teaches participants to recognize when someone may have thoughts of suicide and work with them to create a plan that will support their immediate safety. Trainings on Sept. 11 & 12, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 414 E. Main Street. Register at <https://bit.ly/DCoASIST25>.
4. **Durham-to-Roxboro Rail Trail Plan Survey** - Staff from the City of Durham and Durham County, the NCDOT, and Triangle West Transportation Planning Organization are looking for your input on the Durham-to-Roxboro Rail Trail Plan - a project that aims to establish a 26-mile trail network linking Durham to Roxboro. Take a minute to take our online survey by September 22 to provide additional feedback on the conceptual designs for the Durham-to-Roxboro Rail Trail Plan. Your input will help us shape a trail that reflects the needs and vision of our community. Survey at <https://durham2roxborotrailplan.com>.
5. **DCo Library “These Routes Are Made for Walkin’ Exercise Challenge”** - Discover the deep roots of Durham with our 2025 exercise challenge that celebrates the story of Bull City’s history. Track the number of minutes you exercise using our tracker available at South Regional Library or request a printable PDF and you could win a prize! The challenge runs from September 19 through October 31. Trackers will be available beginning Monday, September 15 and are due at South Regional Library by Saturday, November 8. More information: <https://durhamcountylibrary.libcal.com/event/14700153>.

4. Minutes (5 min)**25-0506****Minutes (5min)****Agenda Text:**

The Board is requested to approve the August 25, 2025, Regular Session Meeting minutes.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The 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 August 25, 2025, Regular Session Meeting minutes.

Attachments:

[Regular Session - August 25, 2025](#)

5. Ceremonial Items (45 min)**To Be Read/Recognized****25-0494****Proclamation – Six Triple Eight Day (10min)****Agenda Text:**

The Board is requested to proclaim September 13, 2025, as Six Triple Eight Day in Durham County.

The purpose of the proclamation is to recognize the service woman of the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, and the women of North Carolina that served. These women included: Sallie Alexander, Elizabeth Barker, Odessa Brake, Davetter Butler, Charlet Lilian Conrad, Millie Dunn, Ruth Lillian Gaddy, Virginia Louise Glenn, France Myrtle Gray, Esther DeLois Hall, Vernese Virginia Haynes, Catherine Mosander Hinton, Lucile Houston, Emma Jenkins, Anne Leach Johnson, Nannie Pearl Jones, Maggie Ada Latta, Theopia Louise Ledbetter, Lattie Mills, Fannie Clarine Smith, Inez Naomi Stroud, Effie Clark Sutton, Sarah Taylor, Annie Lee Terry, Artelya Whitely

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - Empowered Community

Resource Persons: Dr. Tyechia Culmer, NC State Director, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim September 13, 2025, as Six Triple Eight Day in Durham County.

Attachments:

[Proclamation - Six Triple Eight Day - Sept 2025](#)

25-0496**Proclamation – Junior League of Durham and Orange Counties – Find the Good Day (10min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to proclaim September 18, 2025, as Find the Good Day in Durham County.

The Junior League of Durham & Orange Counties is dedicated to promoting volunteerism, empowering women and enhancing communities through effective leadership and action. Find the Good Day, observed on September 18, 2025, encourages individuals to recognize and celebrate the positive aspects of their communities and to take action to uplift others. On this day we acknowledge the importance of kindness, compassion and community service in fostering positive change and building stronger, more resilient communities. The Junior League of Durham & Orange Counties continues to play a pivotal role in advocating for significant community initiatives and empowering individuals to make a lasting impact.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - Empowered Community

Resource Persons: Connolly Smith, Executive Vice President of the Junior League of Durham and Orange Counties

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim September 18, 2025, as Find the Good Day in Durham County.

Attachments: [Proclamation - Find the Good Day - Sept 2025](#)

25-0502 Resolution – North Carolina NAACP 2025 State Convention (10min)

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve a resolution to recognize the NAACP Annual State Convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) to be held in Durham September 26, 27 2025. Dr. Angeloe Burch is President of the Durham Branch and has assembled local members to work with state leaders to create the two-day series of workshops, classes and celebration. The event will be held at the Durham Hilton on Hillsborough Road.

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

Resource Persons: Nida Allam, Chair, Board of Commissioners

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the resolution and extend a hearty welcome to officers and participants of the 82nd Annual State Convention of the NAACP.

Attachments: [Resolution - Honoring the NC NAACP 2025](#)

Items To Be Acknowledged Only

25-0485 Proclamation – Recovery Month 2025 (5min)

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to proclaim September 2025 as Recovery Month.

Addiction is a heart-breaking part of society, affecting a host of people in various classes, cultures and genders. Since the late 1990's, substance abuse and addiction has brought more devastation and destruction to communities, as deaths related to these issues surpass many other death related causes. The purpose for National Recovery Month is to acknowledge and address these concerns, providing hope and healing for the millions of individuals and families who are affected by addiction.

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

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

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim the month of September as "Recovery Month" in Durham County.

Attachments: [Proclamation - Recovery Month - September 2025](#)
[JSD 2025 Recovery Month Activities Calendar](#)

25-0495 **Proclamation – World Alzheimer's and Dementia Awareness Day (5min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to proclaim September 21, 2025, as World Alzheimer's and Dementia Awareness Day.

Proclamation is sponsored by Dementia Inclusive Inc., a Durham County, NC non-profit.
<https://www.dementiainclusiveinc.org/>

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

Resource Persons: Adam Hopler, Board Chair, Dementia Inclusive Inc.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim September 21, 2025, as World Alzheimer's and Dementia Awareness Day.

Attachments: [Proclamation - World Alzheimer and Dementia Awareness Day - Sept 2025](#)

25-0498 **Proclamation – Welcoming Week (5min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to proclaim September 13 - 22, 2025 as Welcoming Week celebration in Durham County.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - Empowered Community

Resource Persons: Kokou Nayo, Durham City/County Immigrant & Refugee Affairs Coordinator; Donna Rewalt, Durham County Cooperative Extension Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board proclaim September 13 - 22, 2025 as Welcoming Week in Durham County.

Attachments: [Proclamation - Welcoming Week - Sept 2025](#)

6. Consent Agenda (15 min)

25-0392

Approve a Resolution Delegating Authority to the County Manager to Sign Real Estate Leases of County-Owned Property for up to a One-Year term as Allowed by State Statute

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve a Resolution Delegating Authority to the County Manager to sign real estate leases of County-owned property for up to a one-year term as allowed by state statute.

North Carolina General Statute §153A-176 incorporates and extends to Counties the legislative authority of Cities in Article 12 of Chapter 160A. That Article includes GS §160A-272, which authorizes County Boards of Commissioners to delegate authority to sign leases of County property, that the County does not need, for a term of up to and including one year. Durham County, from time to time, has properties meeting this description and in order to permit prompt action requests the Board delegate this authority to the County Manager.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with the Durham County Forward Strategic Plan Objective HP1: Create and improve policies and procedures that meet the organization's needs, through Initiative HP 1d: Innovate and streamline County processes

Resource Persons: Christy Raulli, Sr. Real Estate Officer; Peri Manns, ASLA, Deputy Director of Engineering; Jay Gibson, P.E., Director of Engineering; Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager; Curtis Massey, Deputy County Attorney; Larissa Williamson, County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve a Resolution Delegating Authority to the County Manager to sign real estate leases of County-owned property for up to a one-year term as allowed by state statute.

Attachments: [Resolution Delegating Leasing Authority to County Manager Draft 7-22-25 \(002\)](#)
[GS 153A-176](#)
[GS 160A-272](#)

25-0448

Approval of Contract with Boundtree Medical for the Purchase of

UEScope Video Laryngoscopes not to exceed the amount of \$146,073.12.**Agenda Text:**

The Board is requested to approve a contract with Boundtree Medical for the purchase of UEScope Video Laryngoscopes to replace outdated video laryngoscopes. The Office of Emergency Services (OES) will utilize existing capital budget funds for EMS equipment replacement in the amount not to exceed \$146,073.12 utilizing Buy Board cooperative purchasing group exemption.

EMS has utilized King Vision video laryngoscopes for several years; however, the manufacturer has discontinued both the device and its essential components. As critical parts, such as the compatible blades, are no longer available for purchase, EMS must transition to a new video laryngoscope system. Following a comprehensive field evaluation of multiple brands, EMS has selected the UEScope as the replacement for the King Vision.

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

Resource Persons: Mark Lockhart, OES Director and Marc Ferguson, OES Business Operations Officer

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the BOCC approve the contract with Boundtree Medical in the amount not to exceed \$146,073.12 and authorize the County Manager to sign and execute all contract documents for the purchase of UEScope Video Laryngoscopes.

Attachments:

[AAF Supplemental Document - Contract Approval Template -UEScope VL FY2](#)

[1. BTM Quote-Standard 07-28-2025 4-14-09 PM](#)

[uescope-vl460-brochure](#)

[704-23-Award-Tabulation-Report](#)

25-0449

Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC010 for the Department of Social Services to Recognize Durham County's FY 2025-26 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Funding Plan in the Amount of \$932,221, Which Includes the Required Durham County DSS Local Match of \$86,123 to be Appropriated via General Fund Fund Balance.

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC010 for the Department of Social Services to recognize Durham County's FY 2025-26 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Funding Plan in the amount of \$932,221, which includes the required Durham County DSS local match of \$86,123 to be appropriated via General Fund fund balance. The Home and Community Care Block Care Grant (HCCBG), as authorized in G.S. 143B-181.1 (a) (11), is designed to improve the planning and coordination of in-home and community-based services

provided to North Carolina's older adults. It is also intended to promote the visibility of aging programs at the local level by giving counties increased flexibility with respect to funding aging services available through the Block Grant. The majority of funding comprising the HCCBG is authorized by the federal Older Americans Act.

The Board is also requested to approve the Department of Social Services request to recognize additional Home and Community Block Grant (HCCBG) Funds subsequent to adoption of the FY25-26 Budget. The Department (DSS) and the Durham Center for Senior Life (DCSL) are co-lead agencies for receiving the HCCBG funds and administering the programs. The goal of services provided under this grant is to enable recipients to stay at home longer, receiving the care and services they need in their own homes, thus reducing the necessity for out-of-home placement. Services provided are Adult Day Care Services, Congregate Meals, Senior Center Operations, Information and Case Assistance, Transportation, Home Delivered Meals, and In-Home Aide Services.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: Healthy and Inclusive Community supporting equitable and inclusive health and well-being for all.

Resource Persons: Maggie Cveticanin, Director, Department of Social Services, Travis Williams, Assistant Director, Department of Social Services, Margaret Faircloth, Assistant Director, Department of Social Services.

County Manager's Recommendation: Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC010 for the Department of Social Services to recognize Durham County's FY 2025-26 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Funding Plan in the amount of \$932,221, which includes the required Durham County DSS Local Match of \$86,123 to be appropriated via General Fund fund balance.

Attachments:

[HCCBG Signed AAF SAP \\$932,221 FY26](#)

[HCCBG AAF Suppl FY25-26 \\$932,221](#)

[HCCBG-732](#)

[DCSL-732](#)

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[HCCBG Legistar FY25-26 \\$932,221](#)

[AAF-101 LEGAL FORM DSS to appropriate \\$932,221 in HCCBG funds](#)

25-0466

Approval to Enter into Contract with Runbeck Election Services LLC an Arizona Limited Liability Company for Ballot Printing Services in the Amount of \$105,000.00

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve the Durham County Board of Elections' request to enter into a contract with Runbeck Election Services LLC, an Arizona limited liability company, for the printing of ballots. The total value of the contract is \$105,000.00 and will cover a three-year period from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028, as outlined in RFP 25-052 for Ballot Printing Services.

In accordance with Article 14A of Chapter 163 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the NC Administrative Code, counties are required to purchase ballots in quantities equal to 100% of registered voters within their jurisdiction. Runbeck Election Services LLC is a certified ballot printer in North Carolina. As mandated by NCGS 163-165.9(b)(1), county boards of elections may only purchase ballots from state-approved vendors.

Scheduled Election Dates are as follows:

October 7, 2025, Municipal Primary Election
November 4, 2025, Municipal General Election
March 3, 2026, Statewide Primary Election
November 3, 2026, Statewide General Election
October 5, 2027, Municipal Primary Election
November 2, 2027, Municipal General Election
March 7, 2028, Statewide Primary Election

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with the Durham County Strategic Goal: Regional Leadership. Acquiring this service will support efforts which ensure that registered voters in Durham County have access to ballots and other election related material printed by the vendor.

Resource Persons: Derek Bowens, Director of Elections

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the Board of Elections' contract with Runbeck Election Services, an Arizona limited liability company, in the amount of \$105,000.00 for ballot printing services over the three-year contract period from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2028, and to authorize the Manager to execute future contract amendments as needed.

Attachments: [2025 08 13 FY26 Final Runbeck Ballot Printing Services Contract.pdf](#)

25-0468 **Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC011 Public Health to Recognize \$212,893 from NC DHSS Division of Public Health for the Prevention of Communicable Diseases**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC011 Public Health to Recognize \$212,893 from NC DHSS Division of Public Health for the Prevention of Communicable Diseases

Through efforts to recruit and retain highly qualified staff, these funds will support the foundational service areas and core functions of Durham County Public Health. Core functions include: (1) preventing the spread of communicable disease, (2) ensuring food, air, and water quality are safe, (3) supporting maternal and child health, (4) improving access and linkages to clinical care services, and (5) preventing chronic disease and

injury.

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 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. 26BCC011 Public Health to Recognize \$212,893 from NC DHSS Division of Public Health for the Prevention of Communicable Diseases

Attachments:

[117 FY26 Durham](#)

[AAF for AA117 Funds FY26](#)

[FY26 AAF Supplemental Doc - AA117](#)

[AAF-11 Legal Form](#)

25-0469

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC012 Public Health to Recognize \$3,200 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Chronic Disease and Injury Section/ Cancer Prevention and Control Branch

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC012 Public Health to Recognize \$3,200 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Chronic Disease and Injury Section/ Cancer Prevention and Control Branch

This grant provides funding through Agreement Addendum 452 Breast and Cervical Cancer to the Local Health Department (LHD) to help support activities associated with breast and cervical screening. The target number of screenings has increased to 55.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This grant aligns with Strategic Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All

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. 26BCC012 Public Health to Recognize \$3,200 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Chronic Disease and Injury Section/ Cancer Prevention and Control Branch

Attachments: [452 FY26 Durham - signed](#)
 [AAF - Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening](#)
 [AAF Supplemental Document - Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening](#)
 [AAF-12 Legal Form](#)

25-0470 **Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC013 Public Health to Recognize \$13,826 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Epidemiology Section Communicable Disease Section Branch for Health Screenings**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC013 Public Health to Recognize \$13,826 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Epidemiology Section Communicable Disease Section Branch for Health Screenings

This grant provides funding to the Local Health Department (LHD) to help support activities associated with the number of refugee arrivals to Durham County, which has exceeded expectations with an increased number of screenings, for a new total 800 screenings.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This grant aligns with Strategic Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All

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. 26BCC013 Public Health to Recognize \$13,826 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Epidemiology Section Communicable Disease Section Branch for Health Screenings

Attachments: [583 FY26 Durham - signed](#)
 [AAF AA 583 Supplemental Document - Noncontract](#)
 [AAF - AA 583 Refugee Health](#)
 [AAF-13 Legal Form](#)

25-0471 **Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC014 Public Health to Recognize \$9,081 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Epidemiology Section /Communicable Disease Branch for STD/HIV Care**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC014 Public Health to Recognize \$9,081 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Epidemiology Section /Communicable Disease Branch for STD/HIV Care

This grant supports the local health department (LHD) STD/HIV Care, and

Prevention, Partner Services, and Surveillance activities. The goal is to control the spread of HIV/STDs by providing case investigation and contact tracing services to county residents infected with or exposed to these organisms.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This grant aligns with Strategic Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All

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. 26BCC014 Public Health to Recognize \$9,081 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Epidemiology Section /Communicable Disease Branch for STD/HIV Care

Attachments:

[547 FY26 Durham - signed](#)

[AAF 547 Supplemental Document - Noncontract](#)

[AAF AA547 HIV and STI Partner Services](#)

[AAF-14 Legal Form](#)

25-0472

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC015 Public Health to Recognize \$17, 500 from the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services for HIV Prevention

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC015 Public Health to Recognize \$17, 500 from the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services for HIV Prevention

These funds are an amendment to the existing Integrated Targeted Testing Services (ITTS) grant provided through the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services. The additional \$17,500.00 in funding supports expanded HIV prevention efforts, including targeted education, testing, and referral services during hours accessible to individuals at highest risk-particularly men who have sex with men, transgender individuals, and communities disproportionately impacted by 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 grant aligns with Strategic Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All

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. 26BCC015 Public Health to Recognize \$17, 500 from the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services for HIV Prevention

Attachments: [534 FY26 Durham - signed](#)
[AAF - AA 534 ITTS](#)
[AAF Supplemental Document - AA 534 ITTS](#)
[AAF-15 Legal Form](#)

25-0476 **Approval of Contract Amendment with Carolina Civilworks, Inc. for Emergency and Scheduled Collection System Repair Services in the Amount of \$210,289.02, Bringing the Contract Amount from \$400,000 to \$610,289.02 and to Execute Any Other Related Contract Amendments Not to Exceed \$700,000**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to enter into a contract amendment to increase the existing service contract with Carolina Civilworks, Inc. (FR# 24-626 and RFP# 21-022) for emergency and scheduled collection system repairs in the amount of \$210,289.02, bringing the total contract amount from \$400,000 to \$610,289.02, and to execute any other related contracts, including amendments, not to exceed \$700,000.

The Utilities Division maintains approximately 112 miles of gravity sanitary sewer pipes, 10 miles of force main, 3,112 manholes, and 13 lift stations. Per the Collection System Permit, WQCS00038, the County is required to repair areas of concern as needed to ensure there are no sanitary system overflows (SSOs). A contract was put in place with Carolina Civilworks, Inc. for emergency and scheduled collection system repairs that include repairs to collection system equipment, piping and sewer lateral repair and installation. Emergency repairs frequently happen after hours, holidays, and during inclement weather.

This contract is funded from the Enterprise Fund's operating budget.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This action is in accordance with Durham County Strategic Goal: "Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment," as this aids in the prevention of sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) and/or lessens the impact to the environment. No additional policy impacts are expected.

Resource Persons: Jay Gibson PE, Director of E&ES; Vince Chirichella PE, Sr. Project Manager; Stephanie Brixey, Deputy Director of E&ES

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends the Board to authorize the County Manager to enter into a contract amendment to increase the existing service contract with Carolina Civilworks, Inc. (FR# 24-626 and

RFP# 21-022) for emergency and scheduled collection system repairs in the amount of \$210,289.02, bringing the total contract amount from \$400,000 to \$610,289.02, and to execute any other related contracts, including amendments, not to exceed \$700,000.

Attachments: [AAF Supplemental Document](#)
[CCW FR24-626 Contract Pkg](#)
[08.08.25 TW Alexander SS Repair](#)

25-0477 **Approval of McGill Environmental Systems of NC, Inc. Contract Amendment for Triangle Wastewater Treatment Plant Residuals Transport and Disposal in the amount of \$142,000 Bringing the Contract Amount from \$408,600 to \$550,600**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to enter into a service contract amendment with McGill Environmental Systems of NC, Inc. for the transport and disposal (RFP 21-023) of approximately 7,200 wet tons per year of wastewater treatment plant residuals in the amount of \$142,000, bringing the total contract amount from \$408,600 to \$550,600. This service is funded by the Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This action is in accordance with Durham County Strategic Goal: “Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment,” as this contract allows for the disposal and beneficial reuse of the Triangle Wastewater Treatment Plant’s residuals as compost.

Resource Persons: Jay Gibson PE, Director of E&ES; Stephanie Brixey, Deputy Director; Amy Moore, Compliance Manager/TWWTP ORC

County Manager’s Recommendation: The County Manager recommends the Board to authorize the County Manager to enter into a service contract amendment with McGill Environmental Systems of NC, Inc. for the transport and disposal (RFP 21-023) of approximately 7,200 wet tons per year of wastewater treatment plant residuals in the amount of \$142,000, bringing the total contract amount from \$408,600 to \$550,600.

Attachments: [AAF Supplemental Doc](#)
[McGill FY25 Contract Pkg for FY26 Increase](#)
[McGill FY26 Rates](#)

25-0481 **Approval of Agreement with Alliance Health in the Amount not to Exceed \$6,173,542, to Manage the Provision of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services (MH/DD/SUS) to Residents of Durham County**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve a contract with Alliance Health (Alliance) in the amount not to exceed \$6,173,542 to support the provision

and management of mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance use services (MH/DD/SUS) for residents of Durham County.

SERVICES: Alliance shall manage the delivery of high quality, cost-effective MH/DD/SUS services to Durham County residents. These services will be provided when other first or third-party payor sources such as Medicaid, Medicare, private pay, insurance, or grant funding are unavailable, denied, exhausted, or when State funding is not allocated by Alliance. Alliance will provide quarterly reports disaggregated by age, gender, race, and ethnicity. These reports will detail service utilization and outcomes resulting from the County's Annual Allocation and will be incorporated into the County's performance measures reporting system.

ANNUAL ALLOCATION: Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 122C-115, the County agrees to allocate and pay Alliance \$4,503,802, referred to as the Annual Allocation. Alliance may use up to 2% of the Annual Allocation actually expended for services, or 2% of total service dollars during the fiscal year, to cover administrative costs related to fulfilling the terms of this Agreement. The remaining funds shall be used exclusively to provide MH/DD/SUS services to eligible Durham County residents served by Alliance.

EXPANSION INVESTMENTS: The County agrees to allocate and pay Alliance \$1,669,740, referred to as the Expansion Allocation. Alliance may use up to 2% of the Expansion Allocation actually expended for services during the fiscal year to cover administrative costs associated with implementing the expansion initiatives. The expansion efforts will support the following service areas:

- Peer Support in the amount of \$40,000
- Integrated Care in the amount of \$100,000
- School Based Mental Health in the amount of \$700,000
- SOAR Workers in the amount of \$28,000
- El Futuro Support in the amount of \$769,000
- Administrative Costs in the amount of \$32,740

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - Healthy and Inclusive Community

Resource Persons: Robert Robinson, Alliance Health CEO; Kelly Goodfellow, Alliance Health CFO; Joanne F. Pierce, Assistant County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approves the agreement with Alliance Health.

Attachments: [Alliance Health FY26 Funding Agreement_08282025](#)

25-0483

Approve Acquisition of Three Conservation Easements: Sandra and Jerry Wrightenberry for 119 acres, Frances Cook for 147 acres, and

Tom Washington for 76 acres for a total estimated County cost of \$1.8 million**Agenda Text:**

The Board is requested to approve the acquisition of three conservation easements with Jerry and Sandra Wrightenberry, Frances Cook, and Tom Washington; to use existing open space capital project funds to support no more than 50% of the easements' costs; and to authorize the Manager to execute funding agreement documents if funds are awarded.

Wrightenberry property, 119 acres: Five parcels on both sides of 15-501 at the Person County line, including forests, hay fields, pastures, barns, and their home.

Cook property, 147 acres: Beef cattle farm at 1717 Hopkins Road, productive since the 1970s

Washington property, 76 acres: Land at 5615 Bahama Road, recently purchased from his aunt's estate, which Mr. Washington plans to manage for wildlife habitat.

Protecting these properties will preserve agricultural, scenic, wildlife, and water-quality resources. The Wrightenberry and Cook farms qualify for USDA-NRCS (United States Department of Agricultural- Natural Resource Conservation Service) Agricultural Lands Easement (ALE) funds, covering 50% of easement value. Mr. Washington's farm lies within a one-mile buffer of Camp Butner, making it eligible for up to 75% funding through the US Department of Defense's REPI (Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration) Program under an existing County-Army National Guard agreement.

To proceed, the County must secure signed real estate options confirming landowner and County intent as funding is approved. The total cost for all three easement projects is estimated at \$1.8 million. The County's open space and farmland capital project account has sufficient funds to cover its share, so no additional funding is required. If ALE and ARNG funds are awarded, final budgets will be presented to the Board for approval prior to closing.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The acquisition of conservation easements for permanent open space aligns with Strategic Plan Focus Area: Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment, Objective SI 3: Preserve and restore the natural and built environment, and SI 3d: Protect and restore natural resources, land, recreational, historical, and rural spaces.

Resource Persons: Celeste Burns, Open Space & Real Estate Manager; Peri Manns, Deputy Director of Engineering and Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the acquisition of three conservation easements with Jerry and Sandra

Wrightenberry, Frances Cook, and Tom Washington; to use existing open space capital project funds to support no more than 50% of the easements' costs; and to authorize the Manager to execute funding agreement documents if funds are awarded.

Attachments: [AAF Supplemental Document - Three Conservation Easements - September 20](#)
[Attachment - Three Conservation Easement Projects](#)

25-0491 **Budget Amendment Ordinance No. 26BCC018 the Opioid Settlement Fund to Recognize \$72,560 from Opioid Settlement Funding to Increase the Budget for the Post Overdose Response Team (Strategy 8) to Support the addition of a Peer Support Specialist FTE to Assist Emergency Service's Opioid Community Paramedics**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Amendment Ordinance No. 26BCC018 the Opioid Settlement Fund to Recognize \$72,560 from Opioid Settlement Funding to Increase the Budget for the Post Overdose Response Team (Strategy 8) to Support the addition of a Peer Support Specialist FTE to Assist Emergency Service's Opioid Community Paramedics

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This initiative supports the Strategic Plan Focus Area: Community Well-being for All by promoting evidence-based strategies aimed at reducing the risk of overdose among individuals with opioid use disorder, co-occurring substance use disorders, or mental health conditions.

Resource Persons: Joanne Pierce, Assistant County Manager, Dwane Brinson, Assistant County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Amendment Ordinance No. 26BCC018 the Opioid Settlement Fund to Recognize \$72,560 from Opioid Settlement Funding to Increase the Budget for the Post Overdose Response Team (Strategy 8) to Support the addition of a Peer Support Specialist FTE to Assist Emergency Service's Opioid Community Paramedics

Attachments: [FY26 Resolution for Spending Authorization for Durham County Opioid Funds \[/](#)
[FY26 Annual Budget Ordinance for Durham County Opioid Settlement Funds \[/A](#)
[AAF-18 Legal Form](#)

25-0500 **Approval of Contract with Duke University Health System, Inc. for Emergency Medical Director Services for the Office of Emergency Services in the amount of \$195,426 annually for Fiscal Year 2025 with a One-Year Renewal Term.**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve a contract with Duke University Health System, Inc. for Emergency Medical Director services for the Office of Emergency Services in the amount of \$195,426 annually for Fiscal Year 2025 with a one-year renewal term and to authorize the County Manager to sign and execute the contract, including subsequent renewals, extensions,

or amendments associated with this contract as necessary to continue services as required.

Each EMS system in North Carolina is required to have a medical director under Section 10A NCAC 13P .0201(a)(15), with responsibilities outlined in Section 10A NCAC 13P .0400. Duke University Health System has partnered with Durham County EMS since 1976 and provided medical direction for more than 35 years. The EMS Medical Directors support Durham County EMS system and our partners - including Durham County Sheriff's Office, Durham Fire Department, Durham Police Department, Durham Emergency Communications Center, Bahama Fire Department, Eno Fire Department, Lebanon Fire Department, Moriah Fire Department, New Hope Fire Department, and Redwood Fire Department - by annually reviewing patient care protocols, teaching in the EMS Recruit Academy and continuing education programs, conducting clinical clearance assessments for new providers, and performing quality assurance reviews to ensure the highest standards of patient care.

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

Resource Persons: Mark Lockhart, NRP, Director, Office of Emergency Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the contract with Duke University Health System, Inc. for Emergency Medical Director Services for the Office of Emergency Services in the amount of \$195,426 annually for Fiscal Year 2025 with a one-year renewal term and to authorize the County Manager to sign and execute the contract, including subsequent renewals, extensions, or amendments associated with this contract as necessary to continue services as required.

Attachments: [AAF Supplemental Document -Duke Medical Director Contract 090825](#)
[Final Durham County EMS Medical Director Contract 2025 Execution Version](#)

25-0503 **Approval of Contract with Vision Government Solutions in the amount of \$291,000 for 2025 Reappraisal Services for Durham County Tax Administration**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve a standard service contract with Vision Government Solutions in the amount of \$291,000 for providing appraisal services using contracted appraisers that will be performing field visits for listing permits, data entry, and commercial projects.

Vision Government Solutions has previous experience working in our local market area, as well as familiarity with Durham County tax CAMA system.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Financial Stewardship

Resource Persons: Keyar J. Doyle, Tax Administrator

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the standard service contract with Vision Government Solutions in the amount of \$291,000 for providing appraisal services using contracted appraisers that will be performing field visits for listing permits, data entry, and commercial projects.

Attachments: [RFP 26-001 Small Business Review Form-Agenda Action Form - Residential C](#)
[TAX RFP 26-000 Bid Tab Ranksheet with Justification](#)
[Vision Government Solutions Service Contract FY2026 - Rev 7-10-25](#)

25-0504

Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC017 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$5,000 from NC State's 4H Program for FY 2025-26 Kids Voting Activities

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC017 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$5,000 from NC State's 4H Program for FY 2025-26 Kids Voting Activities. The funds will enable Kids Voting to fund contractors and program supplies to enhance its existing voting & elections curriculum and implement training and tools for adult program leaders, youth leaders, and volunteers to implement Kids Voting education and election programs through a statewide Kids Voting NC 4-H partnership.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item addresses the strategic focus areas of Empowered Community and Regional Leadership.

Resource Persons: Carolyn Kreuger, Kids Voting Durham Coordinator; Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC017 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$5,000 from NC State's 4H Program for FY 2025-26 Kids Voting Activities

Attachments: [2025 4-H Funding Commitment Letter DRAFT](#)
[AAF-17 Legal Form](#)

25-0507

Approval to Appoint Members for Second Special Board of Equalization and Review for 2025

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to appoint members for a second 2025 Board of Equalization of Review. Compensation rates for 2025 have been set at \$125.00 (Chairperson) and \$100.00 (Member) for the three-hour session, and \$35.00 per hour for any hour over the three-hour session.

Per North Carolina General Statute 105-322, a resolution was adopted in February 2002 (revised in January 2017) to appoint a special Board of Equalization and Review to hear tax appeal matters. Under the resolution, membership of the Board of Equalization and Review is to be determined by the

Board of County Commissioners. Due to an increased number of appeals the need for multiple hearing options exists. The opportunity to serve as appointees will be advertised by the Clerk to the Board on the County Boards and Commissions site.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - Accountable, Efficient, Visionary Government.

Resource Persons: Keyar Doyle, Tax Administrator

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve appointment of members for a second 2025 Board of Equalization and Review.

Attachments: [1.23.2017--17-0023 Update to Resolution Creating a Special Board of Equalizat](#)

7. Public Hearings (30 min)

25-0501 Public Hearing – To Consider Renaming the County Administrative II Building after William V. “Bill” Bell (30min)

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to hold a public hearing to consider renaming the County Administrative II Building after William V. “Bill” Bell, former County Commissioner. During this public hearing, the Board will hear public comments, provide additional feedback and approve the request.

The Board received a presentation from the Naming Committee at the May 5, 2025, Work Session which outlined the application process and recommendations.

A public hearing was held on August 25, 2025, where the Board did not take action on the recommendation proposed by the Naming Committee. At that time, the Board requested a second public hearing to consider naming the Administration II Building after William V. “Bill” Bell.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with all strategic priorities of Durham County.

Resource Persons: Larissa Williamson, County Attorney; Deborah Craig-Ray, Chief Communications Officer; Motiryo Keambiroiro, Director of General Services; Kathy Everett-Perry, Chief Human Resources Officer; Shannon Trapp, Director of Community Partnership and Engagement and Monica Wallace, Clerk to the Board.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board hold a public hearing to consider renaming the County Administrative II Building after William V. “Bill” Bell, former County Commissioner.

Attachments: [Presentatation - William Bell Lobby Naming Request 09.08.2025](#)

8. Item Pulled from the Consent Agenda (20 min)

9. Adjournment