



Durham County

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Meeting Minutes

Board of County Commissioners

Commissioners' Chambers

Monday, July 11, 2016

7:00 PM

Opening of Regular Session - Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Adjustments

Vice Chair Howerton announced that there were no agenda adjustments.

It was noted that Chairman Page received a unanimous vote at the June 27, 2016 Regular Session meeting to excuse him from the July 11, 2016 Regular Session meeting.

Announcements

Vice Chair Howerton spoke about the violence that had occurred in the recent days and offered her condolences from the Board to the families of the victims. She stated that everyone should continue to support the law enforcement in the ways that they continued to support our community. Vice Chair asked for a moment of silence. She continued with the announcements below:

- 1)The next meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be held August 1st at 9:00 am, here in the Commissioners' Chambers.
- 2)Please contact the Clerk's Office at 919-560-0025 or clerk@dconc.gov to find out about opportunities to serve on one of our volunteer boards or commissions.
- 3)We invite you to tune in to Cable TV Channel 8 or 97-5 to see rebroadcasts of tonight's meeting as well as other Durham County programming that may be of interest to you. Please contact the Public Information Office at 919-560-0008 or our website www.dconc.gov for more information.
- 4)These announcements may also be found on the County's website or you may call the Clerk's Office at 919-560-0025.
- 5)Vice Chair Howerton congratulated the Department of Social Services on receiving a grant to continue to work with the families and children of Durham County.

Minutes

Commissioner Reckhow moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to approve the

June 6, 2016 Worksession minutes and the June 27, 2016 Regular Session minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

Ceremonial Items

Resolution - Recognizing the 40th Anniversary of the Durham County General Services Department

Vice Chair Howerton read the following resolution:

DURHAM COUNTY GENERAL SERVICES 40TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Durham County General Services Department was created on July 1, 1976 and located in the basement of Health Science Building on Main Street in Durham, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, since its creation, Durham County General Services Department has had three Directors; Wade Copeland from 1976 to 1981; Mike Turner from 1981 to 2009; and Motiryo Keambiroiro from 2010 to present; and

WHEREAS, over the last 40 years the Durham County General Services Department has grown from six employees maintaining 12 buildings at nearly 290,000 square feet to 77 employees maintaining 72 buildings at 2.01 million square feet and 245 acres of property; and

WHEREAS, the Durham County General Services Department and its employees have provided assistance in times of disaster both in and outside of Durham: eleven employees joined a response team that traveled to Homestead, Florida during the aftermath of Hurricane Andrew and Solid Waste Division staff provided vegetative debris cleanup during the aftermath of an ice storm in Durham County in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Durham County General Services Department has expanded its service offerings to include Road Identification Signage from NCDOT in 1984; Mosquito Control in 1995; County Government Inter-Office and Out-Going Mail Services in 1996; and management of the Animal Control Division from 1997 to 2012; absorbed Detention Center maintenance from contractor services in 2012; 94 gallon roll cart to unincorporated residents in 2013 to present; and

WHEREAS, other operations that Durham County General Services provides includes Building and Grounds maintenance, Durham County Memorial Stadium leasing and operations, Security Services, Solid Waste Services, Warehousing services, Business services and Administration.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we the Durham Board of County Commissioners do hereby recognize the **40th Anniversary of the Durham County General Services Department**, its current and former employees and their dedication and service to Durham County Government operations.

This the 11th day of July 2016.

Michael D. Page, Chairman

Brenda A. Howerton, Vice-Chairman

Wendy Jacobs

Fred Foster, Jr

Ellen W. Reckhow

Motiryo Keambiroiro, Director of General Services thanked the Board for supporting the General Services Department and introduced a few of the staff members.

Commissioner Jacobs congratulated Ms. Keambiroiro and the department heads for all their contributions to County Government.

Commissioner Foster asked the staff to stand for acknowledgment. He thanked them for doing a phenomenal job while working behind the scenes.

Other Business

Citizen Comments

Anita Keith-Foust, citizen, discussed the funds being provided to Durham Public Schools (DPS) and inquired about how the money would be spent. Ms. Keith-Foust also asked for a moment of silence for the 115 black men and five (5) police officers that were recently killed. She discussed the importance of protecting ourselves by keeping cameras and recorders handy. Ms. Keith-Foust announced that a bill was signed stating that a court order was needed to view all recordings from police worn body cameras.

Jackie Wagstaff, citizen, expressed her concern about the reallocated bond money from 2007. She questioned the spending of the funds requested by DPS and stated there was no need for an additional high school if more children were being placed in Charter Schools instead. Ms. Wagstaff asked tax payers to not vote on the reallocation of the funds in November 2016. She also mentioned the bill passed regarding the body cameras and stated that it would limit the information the public would be able to see.

Dr. E. L. Allison, citizen, requested data on the funds being requested and inquired about how the money was spent in certain areas of Durham County. She also mentioned the contracts of the current and previous County Managers.

Consent Agenda

Vice Chair Howerton asked the Board if they desired to pull any items from the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Reckhow requested to pull item #16-1153 for a minor amendment and to also comment on item #16-1167.

Commissioner Jacobs requested to give a brief comment on item #16-1156.

Commissioner Reckhow moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to approve all items on the Consent Agenda excluding #16-1153.

16-1145 2016 General Obligation Bond Referendum

16-1147 NC County Commissioners' Conference Voting Delegate

16-1148 2016 General Obligation Refunding Bonds

16-1149 Contract Amendment for Vincent Valuations LLC

*16-1152 Capital Project Amendment No. 17CPA000001 - Moving Unspent 2007 General Obligation

Bond Funds between Durham Public School Capital Projects and Creating One New Capital Project for District Backflow Prevention (SH238)

16-1154 Approval of FY 16-17 Contract with Downtown Durham, Inc. - \$150,000

*16-1155 Capital Project Amendment No. 17CPA000002 - FY 2016-17 Appropriation of Approved County Contribution Funds (\$6,699,078) for Multiple Capital Projects

16-1156 Addition of Wake County to the Renamed Triangle Tax District and Approval of the Wake County Transit Plan and Multiparty Interlocal Transit Agreement

16-1167 Volunteer Fire Department Contracts

Consent Agenda Item #16-1152

**DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
2016-17 Capital Project Ordinance
Amendment Number 17CPA000001**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:

That the 2016-17 capital project ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments for the following projects.

Project	Current Budget	Increase/ Decrease	Revised Budget
Jordan High School (SH123)	\$4,581,634.26	(\$148,825.44)	\$4,432,808.82
New High School A (SH126)	\$5,447,141.26	(\$190,000.00)	\$5,257,141.26
Fuller Building (SH150)	\$450,126.00	(\$420,000.00)	\$30,126.00
Hillandale Elementary School (SH206)	\$1,494,434.00	(\$17,744.44)	\$1,476,689.56
HVAC Controls (SH234)	\$3,000,000.00	\$576,569.88	\$3,576,569.88
Districtwide Backflow Prevention (SH238)	\$0.00	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
Totals	\$14,973,335.52	\$ 0.00	\$14,973,335.52

Adopted this the 11th day of July, 2016.

Consent Agenda Item #16-1155

**DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
2016-17 Capital Project Ordinance
Amendment Number 17CPA000002**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:

That the 2016-17 capital project ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments for the following projects.

Capital Project	Current Budget	Inc./Dec.	Revised Budget
Judicial Annex Bldg. Refurbishment (4730DC141)	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Administration Bldg. Refurbishment (4730DC137)	\$531,744	\$600,000	\$1,131,744
Ongoing HVAC Replacement (4190DC076)	\$1,461,131	\$308,336	\$1,769,467
Ongoing Roof Replacement (4190DC073)	\$2,574,061	\$266,460	\$2,840,521
Ongoing Parking Resurfacing (4190DC074)	\$1,009,325	\$95,389	\$1,104,714
16 IT Hardware Upgrade (4200DC103)	\$1,000,000	\$2,681,000	\$3,681,000
County Building Envelope Upgrades (4190DC078)	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000
Detention Center Elevator Upgrade (4190DC077)	\$226,222	\$262,048	\$488,270
Convenience Center Site Upgrades (Leased) (4190DC079)	\$0	\$168,330	\$168,330
Convenience Center Site Upgrades (Owned) (4190DC080)	\$0	\$214,947	\$214,947
Detention Center Renovations (4310DC088)	\$0	\$550,000	\$550,000
Open Space & Farmland Acquisition (4730DC083)	\$12,039,560	\$500,000	\$12,539,560
Stanford L. Warren Library Upgrade (6110DC079)	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
County Security Improvements (4190DC081)	\$0	\$202,568	\$202,568

Adopted this the 11th day of July, 2016.

The motion carried unanimously.

Item #16-1156

Commissioner Jacobs expressed her excitement that Wake County was now joining the Triangle Tax District. She stated this was a significant move as it addressed the regional transit needs.

Item #16-1167

Commissioner Reckhow mentioned that the Board received background information on the annual audits that were required; however, some items were not submitted in a timely matter. She stated that Jodi Miller, General Manager assured the Board that this would be a priority for next year. Commissioner Reckhow continued to say hopefully the County would have better performance as it related to the contract language in the annual audits.

Items Pulled From Consent Agenda

16-1153 Approval of FY 16-17 Contract with the Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce - \$265,000

Commissioner Reckhow stated that she had one minor addition to Attachment 1 – Scope of Service item 1D. She mentioned it would be appropriate to add the following (listed in **bold**) to the statement.

*“The Chamber shall work cooperatively with the company’s expanding in or relocating to Durham County, with Duke University, with North Carolina Central University, with Durham Technical Community College **and with Durham Public Schools** so that upon graduation students are best prepared to compete for jobs with those expanding and relocating companies.”*

Commissioner Reckhow stated the addition would prepare students in high school for jobs that would not require a college degree.

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow to approve the additional language to the contract with the Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce.

The motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Vice Chair Howerton stated the Board was requested to adjourn to Closed Session for the following:

- 1) Pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee;
- 2) Pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) 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, which privilege is hereby acknowledged.

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow to adjourn to Closed Session.

The motion carried unanimously.

Reconvene from Closed Session

Vice Chair announced that the Board met in Closed Session and provided direction to staff with no additional action taken.

Adjournment

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow to adjourn the Regular Session meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Monica W. Toomer
Deputy Clerk to the Board