

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA**

Monday, March 24, 2008

County Commissioners' Chambers  
200 East Main Street, Durham, North Carolina

**AGENDA**

**"Public Charge"**

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

As a courtesy to others, please turn off cell phones during the meeting.

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7:00 P.M. Regular Session

1. **Opening of Regular Session**—Pledge of Allegiance 5 min.
2. **Agenda Adjustments** 5 min.
3. **Announcements** 5 min.
  - On Tuesday, March 25, the NC Turnpike Authority will hold an Open House and Design Public Hearing on the Triangle Parkway Project. The open house is from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.; the public hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m. The location is Sigma Xi at 3106 E. North Carolina Highway 54 in the Research Triangle Park.
4. **Minutes** 5 min.

February 25, 2008
5. **Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation** 5 min.

Child Abuse Prevention month is celebrated annually across the nation in April. This celebration provides the opportunity to raise awareness and educate the community about the many ways to support families and prevent abuse and neglect. The theme for this year's celebration is "When Families are Fine, Communities Shine."

Wearing Blue Ribbons is a visible way you can show that you support families and children. We are encouraging Durham residents to make their neighborhoods "Blue Ribbon Communities" by developing effective networks of support for parents and

caregivers. Parents are encouraged to learn tips for effective discipline, read about child development, get advice from the child's pediatrician or childcare provider, and utilize community services when needed. The attention of a caring adult can make a big difference in the life a child.

Durham County DSS is celebrating Child Abuse Prevention month to raise awareness about ways to prevent abuse and educating the community about how to identify child maltreatment and to make a report of abuse or neglect. In addition to the proclamation, staff members are distributing "Blue Ribbons" in support of Child Abuse Prevention Month, holding the annual "A Good Parent Is" art contest in Durham Public Schools, holding the annual Child Abuse Prevention Walk, and dedicating the *Investing in Human Capital: DSS Partnership Series* workshop on April 10 to sharing information on the child welfare system.

DSS Staff will present Commissioners, staff and meeting attendees with Blue Ribbons to raise awareness of Child Abuse Prevention.

Resource Person(s): Sammy R. Haithcock, DSS Director; Chuck Harris, Assistant Director; and Gail Angle, Child Protective Services Program Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: Recommend approval of proclamation declaring National Child Abuse Prevention Month in Durham County and to raise community awareness of the many ways to support parents and children.

6. **Proclamation for 2008 National County Government Week**

5 min.

The week of April 6-12 has been declared National County Government Week. Durham County Government will participate in this event by hosting various community and employee events.

National County Government Week (NCGW) is an annual celebration of county government. First held in 1991, the goal of county government week is to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nation's counties.

This year's theme is Protecting of Children.

County Manager's Recommendation: Approve the proclamation.

7. **Consent Agenda**

20 min.

- a. Street Closing—T.W. Alexander Drive (SC07-10) (set a public hearing for April 28, 2008 on the proposed street closing);
- b. Property Tax Releases and Refunds for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (accept the property tax release and refund report for February 2008 as presented and authorize the Tax Assessor to adjust the tax records as outlined by the report);

- c. Award of Contract for Purchase of Vehicles for the Sheriff's Office and General Services (Animal Control) (authorize Manager to enter into a contract with University Ford Inc. for \$820,294);
- d. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 08BCC000066—Recognition of City Revenue and Movement of County Funds; Interlocal Agreement for Sustainability Program; and One New FTE (approve the interlocal agreement for a Sustainability Program; the creation of one new FTE Sustainability Manager; create a FY 2007-08 \$100,000 budget for the Sustainability program to be located in the Engineering Department; and recognize revenue from the City of Durham funding half of the cost of the program);
- e. Capital Project Amendment No. 08CPA000017—Creating Ten New Durham Public School Capital Projects with Advanced Durham County Funds From the 2007 GO Bond Referendum to be reimbursed per a February 11, 2008 County Reimbursement Resolution when the funds become available);
- f. Letter of Commitment for Federal Funding for Lincoln Community Health Center Renovation Project (authorize the Manager to sign a “Letter of Commitment” to include in the *Health Care and Other Facilities Program Application* for Lincoln Community Health Center); and
- g. Approve the Second Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Durham Public Schools and authorize the Manager to execute said amendment.

8. **Public Hearing—Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Text Change—Sidewalks (TC07-20)**

10 min.

Receive public comments on Text Change—Sidewalks (TC07-20) and adopt an ordinance amending the Unified Development Ordinance, incorporating revisions to Article 12, Infrastructure and Public Improvements.

Resource Person(s): Steven L. Medlin, AICP, Interim City-County Planning Director, and Julia Mullen, Planner

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the Board conduct a public hearing on the proposed UDO text change and, if appropriate based on the comments received during the hearing, approve the change.

9. **Closed Session**

60 min.

The Board is requested to adjourn to Closed Session to consult with an attorney and to preserve the attorney-client privilege pursuant to G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(3); to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of business or industry pursuant to G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4); and pursuant to G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143-318.10(e).

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2 hrs.