

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

Monday, August 26, 2024

7:00 P.M. Regular Session

MINUTES

Place: Commissioners' Chambers, Second Floor, Durham County Government Administrative Complex, 200 East Main Street, Durham, North Carolina

Present: Chair Nida Allam, Vice Chair Nimasheena Burns and Commissioners Heidi Carter, Brenda Howerton and Wendy Jacobs

Presider: Chair Nida Allam

Zoom Hybrid
Participants: 8

Closed Session – 5:30 PM

The Board requested to adjourn to Closed Session 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; pursuant to G.S.143-318.11(a)(6).

Commissioner Howerton moved, seconded by Vice Chair Burns to adjourn into Closed Session.

The motion carried unanimously.

Reconvene to Open Session

Chair Allam stated the Board met in closed session and provided direction to staff.

Regular Session – 7:00 PM

Opening of Regular Session - Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Adjustments

Chair Allam announced that there were no agenda adjustments.

Announcements

Monica Wallace, Clerk to the Board read the following announcements:

1. **Virtual RYSE Assessment Center Community Forum on Aug. 27** – We invite all community members to attend a virtual community forum to introduce our new Resources for Youth Success & Empowerment (RYSE) Assessment Center from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 27. These informative and engaging community forums will provide community members with a chance to learn about the new program and its benefits to the Durham County community. Join the session via Microsoft Teams at <https://bit.ly/DCoRYSEonline>. Questions? Reach out to RYSE@dconc.gov.
2. **What’s the 411: Diabetes and Food Labels** – In the latest installment of their series, the Durham County Department of Public Health hosts “What’s the 411: Diabetes and Food Labels” at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 27. The virtual session is free. Come and learn about how to read food labels, what’s recommended when you have a chronic disease such as high blood pressure or diabetes, and much more! Contact Yvonne Reza at 919-560-7223 or go online to <https://bit.ly/Whatsthe411> Aug24 to register.
3. **Sponsorships Available for Durham MED Week** – Sponsorship of the 2024 Minority Enterprise Development Week from Durham County and the City of Durham are available now! Sponsorships build excellent visibility for your business in the community at large, and to the many business leaders and decision makers who participate in the week’s events. Sponsoring MED Week is a great way to associate your business with a positive, proactive movement for the celebration of minority entrepreneurship and development of diversity. Deadline for sponsorship registration and payment is Monday, September 1, 2024. Find out more information at <https://www.dconc.gov/county-departments/departments-f-z/supplier-diversity/med-week#ad-image-0> or download sponsorship packet here: <https://www.dconc.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/41367/638575030796800000>.
4. **Aging Well Durham Community Meeting** – Please join Aging Well Durham on Wednesday, September 25th from 11am – 2pm at Duke Memorial UMC located at 504 W. Chapel Hill Street to receive updates on the Durham Aging Plan, enjoy tabletop activities and refreshments. Registration is required for this event. For more information, please call 919-599-9642.
5. **Most DCo Offices Closed for Labor Day** – On Monday, September 2, most Durham County Government offices will be closed for the Labor Day holiday. All offices will reopen with normal business hours on Tuesday, September 3. To see impacts on certain services, visit www.dconc.gov.

Commissioners shared the following additional announcements.

- National Women’s Equality Day, observed annually in the United States on August 26th, marked the adoption of the 19th Amendment in 1920, which granted women the right to vote.

Minutes

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Vice Chair Burns to approve the August 12, 2024, Regular Session Minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

Ceremonial Items

24-0533 Proclamation – Leaders in Equitable Economic Development Month

LEADERS IN EQUITABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTH | 2024

- WHEREAS,** equitable economic development can help all North Carolina communities thrive by making sure resources for economic success are accessible for all, and
- WHEREAS,** sadly we witnessed government-sponsored urban renewal projects that intentionally dismantled Black economic centers in urban areas throughout the state; today, historic neighborhoods that were the epicenter of Black commerce, the Hayti business community, West End neighborhood and Parrish Street called Black Wall Street of Durham, are experiencing a period of rebuilding and thriving, while growing equity and prosperity and creating a new generation of entrepreneurs in communities; and
- WHEREAS,** during this month, we pause to celebrate traditionally underrepresented minority business leaders who have successfully worked with less access to capital and opportunities to build wealth to create successful businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** we recognize both the legacy and vital importance of Black-owned businesses which contribute much to the nation’s economic success; and
- WHEREAS,** we further use this time to reflect on the history and legacies of many well-known Black business leaders in Durham such as John Merrick, Aaron Moore, CC Spaulding, John Wheeler, W.G. Pearson, and Andrea Harris who have helped lead and inform those seeking to successfully own, operate and grow businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** it is crucial that local, state and federal governments work to offer outreach events to assist Black and underutilized businesses who want to learn how to successfully bid on and receive greater numbers of contracts to provide goods and services needed for those entities so that they may continue to contribute to the nation’s economic well-being.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nida Allam, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim August 2024 as

“LEADERS IN EQUITABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTH”

in Durham County. We urge all Durham County residents to celebrate the legacy of historically black and underutilized businesses in our community, and to work to empower and support a new generation of entrepreneurs who strive to find success and to build wealth for their families and the greater community at large.

This the 26th day of August 2024.

Nida Allam, Chair
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Shannon Trapp, Chief of Staff stated the County held a Hub Vendor Meet and Greet on August 18th and would be celebrating Durham MED Week from October 14th - 17th with events, workshops and

networking opportunities.

The Board asked where the events for MED Week would be held. Chief Trapp responded the events would be held at various locations in Downtown Durham.

The Board thanked Chief Trapp and the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) Department for striving, achieving goals and continued outreach in the community.

Consent Agenda

Chair Allam asked the Board if they requested to pull or comment on any items on the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Jacobs requested to add the following Legislative Goals to the Consent Agenda for approval and submit the goals to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC):

- Seek legislation to require that recovery housing operators do not have any barriers or restrictions for residents to use prescribed medications for behavioral or physical health conditions, given that medications for substance use and mental health disorders can be lifesaving.
- Reference SAMHSA’s best practices for recovery housing.
- Seek legislation that requires all recovery housing to be National Alliance for Recovery Residences (NARR) certified to address unethical and illegal practices in recovery housing.
- NARR developed the most widely referenced national standards to ensure well-operated, ethical, and supportive recovery housing. Certification of recovery houses ensures the home meets organizational, fiscal, operational, property, and recovery support standards.
- Reference SAMHSA’s best practices for recovery housing.
- National Alliance for Recovery Residences (NARR) Standards <https://narronline.org/standards/> AND <https://narronline.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/NARR-Standard-3.0.pdf>
- Seek legislation that requires jail facilities to assess inmates’ substance use status, treat those with opioid-use disorders with medications, and provide follow-up treatment and care coordination after release.
- Maryland example: https://mgaleg.maryland.gov/2019RS/fnotes/bil_0006/hb0116.pdf
- National Academy for State Health Policy: <https://nashp.org/states-may-soon-have-to-provide-medication-assisted-treatment-to-inmates-here%20%92s-how-to-fund-it/>

Commissioner Carter moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to approve the added Legislative Goals and submit the goals to the NCACC.

The motion carried unanimously.

Hearing no additional comments, Chair Allam entertained a motion for approval.

Commissioner Howerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda.

The motion carried unanimously.

*24-0179 Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.24CPA00023 and Budget Ordinance Amendment No.24BCC00093 Appropriating \$350K of Debt Service Fund Balance, Transferring \$350K of Debt Service Fund Fund Balance to the PAYGO Fund, and Appropriating \$350K from the PAYGO Fund to the Durham County Sheriff’s Training Facility Capital Project (4310DC091) for Preconstruction activities; as well as Execution of a Contract for Preconstruction Services in the Amount of \$202,003.00 with CT Wilson Construction Co./Rankin III Grading for the Durham County Sheriff’s Training Facility Project

*24-0183 Approval of Capital Project Amendment No. 24CPA00022 and Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 24BCC00092 Appropriating \$200K of Debt Service Fund Fund Balance to the PAYGO Fund for a New Capital Project: Project Build Renovation at Shoppes of Hope Valley (47302635DC161), as well as Authorize the County Manager to Execute a Contract for Architectural Design Services with RND Architects for the Project Build Renovation at Shoppes of Hope Valley Capital Project

24-0467 Award Contract for Janitorial Services RFP NO. 24-042 to Freddrick’s Housekeeping Services, LLC. for the New Board of Elections Facility in the amount of \$78,140.00 for the remainder of the fiscal year, with option to renew at an annual amount of \$93,768.00

*24-0506 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC014 to Recognize \$75,000 in Grant Funding from the Durham County Alcohol and Beverage Control Board for the Durham Adult Drug Treatment Court

24-0529 Acceptance on behalf of the Raleigh-Durham Airport Authority Federal Aviation Administration Grant Offer 3-37-0056-069-2024 in the amount of \$1,016,279.00

24-0534 Removal of Citizen Board Member Due to Poor Attendance

*24-0537 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC015 transferring \$270, 264 from the General Government Functional Area to the Human Services Functional Area to Purchase Social Service’s Approved FY 2024-25 Vehicles

Consent Agenda Item #24-0179

**Durham County, North Carolina
FY 2023-2024 Capital Project
Amendment Number 24CPA-23**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:
That the FY 2023-24 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Project #	Project Name	Current Budget	Increase / Decrease	Updated Budget
43103200DC091	Sheriff Training Center	\$1,254,608.00	\$350,000.00	\$1,604,608.00

All capital projects in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 29, 2024

**Durham County, North Carolina
2023-2024 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 24BCC00093**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2023-2024 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
GENERAL FUND			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
General Government	\$152,330, 925.14	\$350,000.00	\$152,680,925.14
<u>Revenue</u>			
Other Financing Services	\$151,647,183.14	\$350,000.00	\$151,997,183.14

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 29, 2024

Consent Agenda Item #24-0183

**Durham County, North Carolina
FY 2023-2024 Capital Project
Amendment Number 25CPA-13**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:
That the FY 2043-25 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Project #	Project Name	Current Budget	Increase / Decrease	Updated Budget
47302635DC161	Project Build (CISS) Renovation at Shoppes of Hope Valley	\$70,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$270,000.00

All capital projects in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved September 9, 2024

**Durham County, North Carolina
2024-2025 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 25BCC00024**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2024-2025 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
General Government	\$110,272,681.50	\$200,000.00	\$110,472,681.50
<u>Revenue</u>			
Other Financing Services	\$108,881,858.50	\$200,000.00	\$109,081,858.50

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved September 9, 2024

Consent Agenda Item #24-0506

**Durham County, North Carolina
2024-2025 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 25BCC014**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2024-2025 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Public Safety	\$89,389,689.00	\$75,000.00	\$89,464,689.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$74,287,104.00	\$75,000.00	\$74,362,104.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved August 26, 2024

Consent Agenda Item #24-0537

**Durham County, North Carolina
2024-2025 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 25BCC015**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2024-2025 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
General Government	\$181,892,044.00	(\$270,264.00)	\$181,621,780.00
Human Services	\$114,762,825.00	\$270,264.00	\$115,033,089.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved August 26, 2024

Board and Commission Appointments

Curtis Massey, Interim County Attorney announced the voting results.

The Board made the following appointments (incumbents are identified with an (i). Individuals who are recommended by a Board are underlined.) Individuals listed in bold print were appointed.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

John Lawler (Allam, Carter, Howerton, Jacobs)

Steven Bergman (Burns)

Criminal Justice Advisory Committee

Tonia Dixon (Allam, Burns, Carter, Howerton, Jacobs)

Dangerous Dog Appeal Board

Elisabeth Harper Wiener (Allam, Burns, Carter, Howerton, Jacobs)

(i) Brian Mulligan (Allam, Burns, Carter, Howerton, Jacobs)

Library Board of Trustees

Ivanhoe Francis (Allam, Burns, Carter, Howerton, Jacobs)

Leah Josephson (Burns, Carter, Howerton, Jacobs)

Lauren Schewel (Allam)

Closed Session

The Board was requested to adjourn to Closed Session for the following:

- 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; pursuant to G. S. 143-318.11(a)(6).
- 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).

Commissioner Howerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Carter to adjourn into the Closed Session.

The motion carried unanimously.

Reconvene to Open Session

Chair Allam announced the Board met in Closed Session and provided direction to staff.

Adjournment

Commissioner Howerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Carter to adjourn the Regular Session meeting at 7:38 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Macio Carlton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Macio Carlton
Deputy Clerk to the Board