



**COUNTY OF DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Agenda Action Form**

Item:

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. _____ to request the relocation of all graves within the abandoned cemetery identified as the “Emory Cemetery.”

Date Of BOCC Work Session (WS): April 1, 2024

Date Of BOCC Regular Session (RS): April 8, 2024

Request For Board Action: The Board is requested to approve the relocation of all graves within the abandoned cemetery identified as the “Emory Cemetery” under the supervision of the Health Director or the Health Director’s designee pursuant to NCGS 65-106.

The Board previously approved the relocation of five (5) particular gravesites within Emory Cemetery (Action Item 23-0854, 12/11/2023). The subsequent discovery of additional graves was not expected, and so this additional request for approval applies the additional seventeen (17) graves located within Emory Cemetery.

The request for Board approval is being made pursuant to NCGS 65-106 by the current property owner JOHN G. UPCHURCH (Deed Book 9967, Page 285-287) to provide for perpetual care, safer access, protection from further vandalism, and interment of all decedents interred in Emory Cemetery in a cemetery more suitable to their memory and proper care. The gravesites are proposed to be disinterred from the current location at 3014 Carpenter Pond Rd, Raleigh, NC 27613 (Durham County) to be reinterred in a perpetual care cemetery pursuant to the direction and supervision of the Health Director or the Health Director’s designee.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Goal 5 - Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government.

Resource Persons: Rodney Jenkins, MHA, Public Health Director and Patrick C. Eaton, REHS, Onsite Water Protection Supervisor

County Manager’s Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve relocation of the seventeen (17) additional gravesites located within the abandoned cemetery identified as the “Emory Cemetery,” that the relocation shall take place under the supervision of the Health Director or Health Director’s designee pursuant to NCGS 65-106.

County Manager: _____

		Motion	Yes	No
() Approved	Howerton	_____	_____	_____
() Denied	Jacobs	_____	_____	_____
	Allam	_____	_____	_____
	Burns	_____	_____	_____

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