



Durham County

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Meeting Agenda Board of County Commissioners

Monday, March 2, 2026

9:00 AM

Commissioners' Chambers

Work 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.

9:00 am Work Session Agenda

1. Citizen Comments (30 min)

[26-0110](#)

Citizen Comments (30min)

Agenda Text:

The Board of County Commissioners will provide a 30-minute comment period at a meeting once a month. Any resident of Durham County wishing to speak shall have an opportunity to do so. The Board may direct staff to research and reply to the concerns, if appropriate. Speakers were asked to provide comments prior to the start of the meeting so that staff may reply to comments and/or questions. All speakers are

requested to refrain from addressing issues related to personnel matters.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Resident engagement aligns with all five of the strategic goals by allowing the Board to receive comments and concerns from the community related to important issues in Durham County.

Resource Persons: Monica W. Wallace, Clerk to the Board

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the board receive resident comments and direct staff to respond, as deemed appropriate.

2. Consent Agenda (20 min)

[26-0063](#)

Memorandum of Agreement between Durham County and the Sedimentation Control Commission

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to authorize the Chair to sign a Memorandum of Agreement between Durham County and the Sedimentation Control Commission regarding the County's status as a locally delegated Erosion and Sediment Control Program.

The Sedimentation Control Commission approved an updated Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Delegated Local Governments and the Commission in late 2025. This MOA outlines the responsibilities of both the Commission and Durham County as a delegated program. The Commission is formally requesting that Durham County renew its agreement with the Commission and sign this updated version of the MOA.

Durham County most recently signed an MOA with the Commission in 2023. The updated MOA does not alter the standards and expectations of Local Programs. Rather, the updated MOA adds new language in Part III outlining the process of terminating a program's jurisdiction either in whole or in a select area (such as a County program who covers a Town and no longer wishes or is able to do so).

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment.

Resource Persons: Ryan D. Eaves, PE, Stormwater and Erosion Control Division Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the Chair to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between Durham County and the Sedimentation Control Commission.

Attachments:

[Durham City-County MOA 11.2025](#)

[Durham City-County - MOA signed 2023](#)

[26-0067](#)

Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC055 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$14,820.61 in additional Smart Start funding for the Welcome Baby Program

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC055 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$14,820.61 in additional Smart Start funding for the Welcome Baby Program

Cooperative Extension's Welcome Baby Program provides accessible, evidence-based child development information, positive parenting strategies, and concrete support. The program's goals are to reduce Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), improve school readiness, increase caregiver knowledge of child development, reduce parental isolation, and connect families with essential resources that support both daily caregiving and long-term child success. These goals directly align with NC Department DHHS DSS statewide Prevention Framework priorities related to primary prevention, protective factor development, and family strengthening.

Welcome Baby has been a recipient of Smart Start funding for over 20 years. This additional funding will support the continued delivery of evidence-based parental support for families with children ages 0-5.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The additional funds to implement evidence-based parenting workshops align with the strategic focus areas of Healthy & Inclusive Community, Empowered Community, and Financial Stewardship.

Resource Persons: Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director; Patience Mukelabai, Welcome Baby Program Manager.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approves Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC055 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$14,820.61 in additional Smart Start funding for the Welcome Baby Program

Attachments: [Notification of Carry Forward Funding Availability-FY 2025-2026](#)
[AAF-55 Legal Form](#)

26-0069 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC057 to recognize \$50,396 in year 4 of grant funding to the Office of Emergency Services-EMS Division (OES-EMS) from the NC Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS), Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services (MMDDSA), and to authorize the County Manager to sign and execute all contracts for authorized and approved uses associated with the grant program throughout the grant's period of performance.

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to review and approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC057 to recognize \$50,396 in year 4 of grant funding to the Office of

Emergency Services-EMS Division (OES-EMS) from the NC Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS), Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services (MHDDSUS), and to authorize the County Manager to sign and execute all contracts for authorized and approved uses associated with the grant program throughout the grant's period of performance.

The EMS Bridge Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) Program grant's purpose is to develop or expand services for the purpose of reducing opioid overdose related deaths. This grant allows OES-EMS to provide services to eligible individuals throughout Durham County and periodically reports on performance measures relevant to these services. This program supports Community Paramedics responding to individuals with an opioid overdose who refuse transport to emergency departments (EDs) for treatment. Under the supervision of a prescriber, specially trained paramedics induct a person on buprenorphine (i.e., medication-assisted treatment) after an overdose event. Then the Community Paramedics and/or Post Overdose Response Team (PORT) follow up and continue to provide medication and support for up to seven days until the person can be referred to other appropriate opioid use disorder (OUD) treatment.

The grant originally had a period of performance from October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2025. The full grant award was for up to \$350,000 in reimbursable funds over a 3-year period. The BOCC approved year one award of \$73,660.06 in the November 14, 2022, regular session. The BOCC approved year two award of \$129,866.61 during the October 9, 2023, regular session. The BOCC approved year three award of \$125,981.00 during the November 12, 2024, regular session. In 2025, the NCDHHS MHDDSUS added an additional \$50,396 to this grant and extended the end date to September 30, 2026. OES is now requesting approval of the year four grant amount of \$50,396 for a period of performance of October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026. Currently, this is the final year of this grant.

OES-EMS collaborates with the Durham Joins Together to Save Lives (DJT) task force to enhance and expand services for the purpose of reducing opioid overdose related deaths throughout Durham County. The project, the EMS Bridge MAT Program accomplishes this in three program-specific ways: (1) provide field-induced buprenorphine to people Durham County EMS has treated for an opioid-related emergency, (2) provide a warm hand off/referral to community Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) or Office-Based Opioid Treatment (OBOT) providers while bridging MAT up to seven days from the initial induction, and (3) survey EMS Bridge MAT Program enrollees to determine treatment success at 30 days, 90 days, and six months.

The EMS Bridge MAT Program addresses the increases in overdose deaths and illness in several ways. (1) Increases accessibility to MAT to people who have challenges obtaining these services, especially underserved populations (2) Provides warm referrals to community OTP/OBOT providers that can continue the MAT and

provide needed psychological supports, recovery treatment, and assistance with social determinants of health. (3) Reduces the occurrence of opioid-related death by helping persons begin treatment with research-based MAT. (4) Reduce racial disparities in rates of substance use by reaching people at the time of the overdose so they do not become lost in the follow-up milieu.

OES-EMS will follow all County purchasing and contract guidance. Payments to the County under this award will be made available through reimbursement from monthly Financial Status Reports (FSR) submitted to NCDHHS MMDDSUS.

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

Resource Persons: Helen Tripp, EMS MIH Program Manager, Mark Lockhart, NRP, Director Office of Emergency Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board review and approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC057 in the amount of \$50,396 for year three grant award from the NCDHHS-MHDDSUS EMS Bridge MAT Program grant and authorize the County Manager to sign and execute all contracts and purchases for authorized and approved uses associated with the grant program throughout the grant's period of performance.

Attachments: [49566_Durham_County_EMS_Contract_FY_2026-27_Compl](#)
[BCC-57 Legal Form](#)
[AAF Supplemental MAT Year 4 grant Revised](#)

26-0073 **Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC058 Recognizing a \$240,000 Grant from the NCDEQ Division of Water Resources to the Stormwater & Erosion Control Program for the Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park Stream Restoration Project**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC058 recognizing a \$240,000 Clean Water Act Section 319(h) grant from the NCDEQ Division of Water Resources (DWR) to the County Stormwater & Erosion Control Program for the Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park Stream Restoration Project. The Board is also requested to authorize the Manager to enter into a contract with DWR to accept the grant funding.

In FY 2025, North Carolina received \$1.5 million from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for competitive funding of watershed restoration projects under Section 319(h) of the Clean Water Act. The highest priority of the North Carolina- Nonpoint Source Program is to fund projects that target waters of the state assessed as impaired from nonpoint source (NPS) pollution and published in the most recent edition of the state's List of Impaired Waters. Little Lick Creek, which flows through the Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park, is on that list.

The Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park Stream Restoration Project was identified in the County Stormwater Nutrient Management Strategy as a potential project for compliance with the Falls Lake Nutrient Management Rules. The project consists of approximately 1,700 linear feet of stream restoration and a bioretention pond to treat stormwater on the property. The stream restoration project will remove sources of nitrogen and phosphorous from streambank erosion - helping the County meet the nutrient requirements of the Falls Lake Rules - while also reducing flooding impacts to residents of Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park. Education and outreach are also a significant component of the project.

The total estimated project cost is \$2.1 million. The County previously applied for and received a \$400,000 Local Assistance for Stormwater Infrastructure Investments (LASII) grant from the North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure to cover the planning efforts for the Whispering Pines project. The County also received \$500,000 from the Division of Soil and Water's Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program (StRAP) and \$600,000 from DWR's Water Resources Development Grant program. In total, for the \$2.1 million dollar project, the County has received over \$1.7 million in grant funding - over 80% of the total cost.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This agenda item supports Strategic Plan Goal 4: Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity. More specifically, it supports the objective of improving water quality and reducing flooding hazards to residents.

Resource Persons: Ryan D. Eaves, PE, Stormwater and Erosion Control Division Manager; Taylor Dunning, Grant Administrator; H. Jay Gibson, PE, Director of Engineering and Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC058 recognizing a \$240,000 Clean Water Act Section 319(h) grant from the NCDEQ Division of Water Resources (DWR) to the County Stormwater & Erosion Control Program for the Whispering Pines Mobile Home Park Stream Restoration Project. The Board is also requested to authorize the Manager to enter into a contract with DWR to accept the grant funding.

Attachments: [319 Grant FY25 Funding Decision](#)
[BCC-58 Stormwater Legal Form](#)

26-0075 Authorization for Execution of Enbridge Gas North Carolina Encroachment Agreements

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute three encroachment agreements with Enbridge Gas North Carolina for the installation of sanitary sewer, potable water, and electrical service for the Sheriff's Training Facility. These three utility services will be crossing under gas lines maintained by Enbridge Gas North Carolina that traverse a portion of County owned property.

The executed encroachment agreements are part of the construction of the new Sheriff's Training Facility project and will ensure that the facility has proper water and sewer service as required by code. The encroachment agreements have been reviewed and approved by the Durham County Attorney.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This aligns with the Strategic Plan Goal - Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment - through the improvement of an existing facility while repurposing land that is the site of a closed landfill and by providing consolidated Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) services into one facility, providing more efficient training/service delivery.

Resource Persons: Joel T. Jones, Project Manager; Jim Faress, Senior Project Manager; Peri Manns, Deputy Director Engineering & Environmental Services; David LaBarre, DCSO Director of Planning and Development; Hyrum Hemingway, Assistant County Attorney

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to execute three encroachment agreements with Enbridge Gas North Carolina for the installation of sanitary sewer, potable water, and electrical service for the Sheriff's Training Facility.

Attachments: [Encroachment Agreement PSNC Durham County Training Facility Sewer Line](#)
[Encroachment Agreement PSNC Durham County Training Facility Water Line](#)
[Supplemental Document](#)
[Encroachment Agreement PSNC Durham County Training Facility Electrical](#)

26-0076 **Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC059 Appropriating \$100,000 of General Fund Fund Balance for Matching Grant Recipient Contracts in the County's Matching Grant Program**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC059 appropriating \$100,000 of General Fund Fund Balance for Matching Grant recipient contracts in the County's Matching Grants program.

At the end of FY 2024-25, several active Matching Grant contracts from previous fiscal years were closed and canceled. Grant recipients receive funds through the County's contract process, and when these contracts were closed, the obligated funds became unavailable to the awardees. This budget request restores funding to honor approved matching grant projects and ensure community awardees receive the support originally committed.

The Durham County Matching Grants Program for Open Space and Recreation Projects, now in its 34th year, provides matching funds to community groups for public open space or recreational projects. Over the life of the program, the County has supported 130 projects with a total value of \$6.2 million using just over \$2.1 million in county funds.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This program supports Goal 2 of the strategic plan, “Health and Well-being for All” by increasing the quality of life in Durham County, as well as Goal 4: Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity”.

Resource Persons: Brendan Moore, Open Space Land Manager; Celeste Burns, Open Space and Real Estate Division Manager; Jonathan Yeomans, Budget and Management Analyst

County Manager’s Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC059 appropriating \$100,000 of General Fund Fund Balance for Matching Grant recipient contracts in the County’s Matching Grants program.

Attachments: [BCC-59 Matching Grants Appropriation \(\\$100K\)](#)

26-0077

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC060 Public Health to Approve \$576,219 General Fund fund balance Appropriation to Increase Durham County’s Contract with Wellpath to Provide Comprehensive Medical Services for Inmates in the Durham County Detention Center and Residents of the Durham County Youth Home

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC060 Public Health to Approve \$576,219 General Fund fund balance Appropriation to Increase Durham County’s Contract with Wellpath to Provide Comprehensive Medical Services for Inmates in the Durham County Detention Center and Residents of the Durham County Youth Home.

Due to inflationary increases, several areas of the Wellpath contract need additional funding for the remaining fiscal year. This amount will supplement the original budget by increasing the following lines on the current contract through June 30, 2026:

Line 2	Offsite Medical Fees	\$	75,000
Line 3	Average Daily Population (ADP)	\$	10,000
Line 4	Medications	\$	300,000
Line 5	MAT Phase II	\$	191,219
	Total	\$	576,219

The Board of Health has approved this recommendation.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive Community.

Resource Persons: Dr. Rodney Jenkins, DrPH, MHA, Public Health Director

County Manager’s Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC060 Public Health to Approve \$576,219 General Fund fund balance Appropriation to Increase Durham County’s Contract with Wellpath to Provide Comprehensive Medical Services for

Inmates in the Durham County Detention Center and Residents of the Durham County Youth Home

Attachments: [AAF - Jail Health - WellPath Contract](#)
[AAF-60 Legal Form](#)
[AAF Supplemental Document - WellPath Contract](#)

26-0078 **Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26OPA004 to Approve an Additional \$30,000 from the North Carolina Opioid Settlement Fund to Purchase Additional Naloxone Units to Reverse Opioid Overdoses in Durham County Government**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26OPA004 to Approve an Additional \$30,000 from the North Carolina Opioid Settlement Fund to Purchase Additional Naloxone Units to Reverse Opioid Overdoses in Durham County Government

Naloxone is a medication used to reverse an opioid overdose. Naloxone distribution is an Exhibit A strategy under the NC Memorandum of Agreement, and community distribution of naloxone has been a significant part of Durham County's opioid response. In 2023, Durham County installed its first vending machine to distribute naloxone; in 2026, Durham County will purchase two additional naloxone vending machines using existing, approved opioid settlement funds to increase access to naloxone. While current funds have supported program operations, ongoing program expansion has outpaced available supplies, necessitating a request for additional funding. This request is to ensure a sufficient supply of naloxone to stock all County naloxone vending machines through the end of the current fiscal year.

Funds will be allocated to the Durham County Department of Public Health. The \$30,000 of additional funding will bring the total funds allocated to the harm reduction strategy to \$371,143 for the 25-26 fiscal year.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive 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. 26OPA004 to Approve an Additional \$30,000 from the North Carolina Opioid Settlement Fund to Purchase Additional Naloxone Units to Reverse Opioid Overdoses in Durham County Government

Attachments: [AAF - Opioid settlement - naloxone budget](#)
[FY26 Annual Budget Ordinance for Durham County Opioid Settlement Funds \[A](#)
[FY26 Resolution for Spending Authorization for Durham County Opioid Funds \[L](#)
[AAF-4 Opioid Legal Form](#)
[AAF Supplemental Document - opioid settlement - naloxone budget](#)

26-0079 **Environmental Affairs Board 2025 Annual Report**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to accept the Environmental Affairs Board 2025 Annual Report.

The Environmental Affairs Board (EAB) is a City-County advisory Board of appointed residents to provide the City and County with expert and comprehensive advice on various environmental matters. The EAB's mission is to collaborate with community members, businesses, and organizations to provide guidance to Durham's elected officials and staff on actions and policies to create a sustainable and safe environment for all residents and preserve natural ecosystems and resources.

The EAB considers topics such as watershed protection and stormwater management, air quality, climate change and resilience, energy conservation and renewable energy, waste reduction, and natural resource protection.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment.

Resource Persons: Tobin L. Freid, Sustainability Manager; Peri Manns, Deputy Director Engineering and Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board accept the Environmental Affairs Board 2025 Annual Report.

Attachments: [2025 EAB Annual Report Final](#)

26-0081 **Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC064 Public Health to Recognize \$2,248 from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health, State Office of Child Fatality Prevention to Improve Delivery of Services for Children and Families**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC064 Public Health to Recognize \$2,248 from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health, State Office of Child Fatality Prevention to Improve Delivery of Services for Children and Families

Local Child Fatality Teams are expected to (1) conduct child fatality review pursuant to Article 14 of Chapter 7B of the North Carolina General Statutes; (2) identify gaps or deficiencies that may exist in order to improve the delivery of services to children

and families; (3) make recommendations for changes and carry out changes that could prevent future child fatalities; and (4) educate their communities on how to prevent children dying in their counties.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with the Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive Community.

Resource Persons: Dr. Rodney Jenkins, DrPH, MHA, Public Health Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC064 Public Health to Recognize \$2,248 from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health, State Office of Child Fatality Prevention to Improve Delivery of Services for Children and Families

Attachments: [701 FY26 Durham - signed](#)
[BE2 701 FY26](#)
[FAS1 701 FY26](#)
[AAF-64 Legal Form](#)

26-0082 **Approve a Letter of Submission to N.C. Department of Health & Human Services Outlining the Aggregate Percentage Change of 0% to Public Health's Chargemaster Rate**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve a letter of submission to N.C. Department of Health & Human Services outlining the aggregate percentage change of 0% to Public Health's chargemaster rate.

For Managed Care Medicaid claim activity, Public Health receives Quarterly Separated Directed Payments. The Separate Directed Payment calculation is based on Public Health's specific Ratio of Costs to Charges (RCC) as determined from the Base Year (State Fiscal Year 2019) Medicaid cost report and trended forward annually for inflation. The rate is annually adjusted if the aggregate price changes (Chargemaster change) are more or less than the allowed inflationary increase. To that end, Public Health attests to periodic chargemaster changes. This letter attached reflects Public Health's aggregate chargemaster changes to applicable codes between July 1, 2024 and July 1, 2025, which is 0%. Even though there is no change, Public Health is still to report this to N.C. Department of Health & Human Services.

The Board of Health has approved this amendment.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Healthy and Inclusive Community.

Resource Persons: Dr. Rodney Jenkins, DrPH, MHA, Public Health Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve a letter of submission to N.C. Department of Health & Human Services outlining the aggregate percentage change of 0% to Public Health's chargemaster rate.

Attachments: [AAF DPH Chargemaster Rate Changes - FY26](#)
[Certification of LHD Chargemaster Change - SFY 2025 - Durham County](#)
[Calculation of Aggregate Percentage Increase SFY 2025](#)

26-0083 **Approve a Service Contract of \$60,000 in County Early Childhood Action Plan Funds for North Carolina Diaper Bank to Provide Diapers and Essential Supplies**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve a service contract of \$60,000 using Early Childhood Action Plan (ECAP) implementation funds. Funds from this contract will be used by Diaper Bank of North Carolina (DBNC) to purchase diapers and other essential supplies for distributions by community partners in Durham County, including Cooperative Extension's Welcome Baby Family Resource Center. This contract will also fund DBNC's Essential Hub program, which distributes supplies in Durham Housing Authority neighborhoods and other community locations. DBNC is only source of comprehensive diaper distribution serving our region.

About 12 percent of Durham County residents live below the federal poverty line and roughly 17 percent of Durham's children live in poverty. Many working families cannot meet basic costs, and when budgets are tight, diapers and hygiene items compete with rent, transportation and food. Running short means more rashes and infections for infants, more missed work or school for caregivers and increased social isolation for those relying on adult incontinence items. In Durham, requests to DBNC have increased by 50 percent for diapers and 83 percent for period products.

DBNC's research shows that distributing free hygiene supplies produces positive outcomes across groups: among parents and caregivers, 62 percent feel happier, 61 percent can increase spending on food, 43 percent perceive their children are happier and 28 percent healthier, 27 percent can pay non-medical bills, 18 percent have the diapers needed for childcare attendance, 15 percent report increased work or school attendance, and 5 percent can pay medical bills; among menstruating individuals, 52 percent feel less stress, 54 percent feel healthier, 87 percent feel cleaner, and 57 percent can spend on other needed items.

These funds will support the distribution of 100,000 diapers and other essential family supplies as needed (such as wipes, infant formula, period products, and adult incontinence products) supporting approximately 2,000 babies in Durham County.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: A robust ecosystem of early childhood programs, aligns with the DCo Forward strategic focus areas of Empowered Community and

Healthy and Inclusive Community.

Resource Persons: Ileana Vink, County Early Childhood Coordinator; Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve a service contract of \$60,000 in Early Childhood Action Plan implementation funds for Diaper Bank of North Carolina.

Attachments: [Contract Diaper Bank of NC](#)
[Diaper Bank Scope of Services Form FY2026](#)
[Diaper Bank Quote for Services FY26 \(3\)](#)
[Diaper Bank Legal Approval email 02-05-2026](#)

26-0085 **Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC066 Cooperative Extension to Appropriate \$40,000 in General Fund fund balance for the Durham County Food Security Program to Support Food Security Work with the Durham Center for Senior Life**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC066 Cooperative Extension to Appropriate \$40,000 in General Fund fund balance for the Durham County Food Security Program to Support Food Security Work with the Durham Center for Senior Life. These funds were unspent in FY 2024-2025 and require reauthorization in the current fiscal year. This technical amendment supports the Durham Center for Senior Life (DCSL) contract previously approved by the board through federal ARPA funding. This is the final contract and obligation for a three-year commitment to supporting food security work at DCSL to connect older adults with food security resources. Through this contract, the Durham Center for Senior Life is providing vital food security support to older adults in Durham.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Durham County Strategic Goals: Healthy Inclusive Community, Empowered Community, & Financial Stewardship.

Resource Persons: Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director; Raina Goldstein Bunnag, County Food Security Coordinator; Joanne Pierce, Assistant County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC066 Cooperative Extension to Appropriate \$40,000 in General Fund fund balance for the Durham County Food Security Program to Support Food Security Work with the Durham Center for Senior Life.

Attachments: [FR 26-560 Durham Center for Senior Life](#)
[AAF-66 Legal Form](#)

26-0088 **Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.26CPA019 & Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC061 Appropriating \$400,000 of**

Debt Service Fund Fund Balance to the PAYGO Fund to Support the Project Build at Shoppes of Hope Valley Renovation Capital Project (4730DC161), and Authorize the Execution of the Construction Manager at Risk Guaranteed Maximum Price Contract with Holt Brothers Construction for the Renovation of the Project Build Facility for the Not-To-Exceed Total of \$1,733,929

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Capital Project Amendment No.26CPA019 and Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC061, appropriating \$400,000 of Debt Service Fund Fund Balance to the PAYGO Fund to support the Project Build at Shoppes of Hope Valley Renovation Capital Project (4730DC161), as well as authorize the County Manager to execute a Construction Manager at Risk contract with Holt Brothers Construction for the Project Build at Shoppes of Hope Valley Renovation project located at 3825 S. Roxboro St., Suite 122, Durham NC 27713, at the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of \$1,683,426.16 (bid packages, plus alternates, allowances), as well as execute any other related contracts - including change orders if necessary - for a not-to-exceed budget of \$1,733,929.00.

Project Name and Number	Current Budget	Increase / Decrease	Updated Budget
Project Build (CISS) Renovation at SOHV	\$1,761,000.00	\$400,000.00	\$2,161,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,761,000.00	\$400,000.00	\$2,161,000.00

The increase in budget for the project budget is driven by several factors. These include the expansion of the staffing complement working at the facility from eight to thirteen persons, which requires additional infrastructure and furniture; there has been a significant rise in cost for furniture and technology equipment due to the tariffs; and an unforeseen water main upgrade is required to support the use of the suite. These factors have resulted in the need for an increase to the budget.

The remaining balance of funding will be used to purchase furnishings, fixtures and equipment, network equipment, Public Art for the facility, and moving services. Holt Brothers Construction was selected as the Construction Manager at Risk, on May 13, 2025, from response to a Request for Qualifications advertisement, by a committee comprised of members from several County departments. A total of 8 construction companies submitted their qualifications for selection.

The Board's approval and authorization of these contracts are essential for the successful and timely completion of the renovation project, ensuring that the Project Build facility at the Shoppes of Hope Valley is equipped with the necessary resources to serve the community effectively. The strategic allocation of funds and the selection of experienced contractors like Holt Brothers Construction will contribute significantly to the quality and efficiency of the renovation, ultimately enhancing the facility's functionality and aesthetic appeal.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Healthy & Inclusive Community: Increase equitable

outcomes through County operations and services.

Resource Persons: Dan Nosbusch, Project Manager; Brenda Hayes-Bright Project Manager, Assoc. AIA, CDT, MPM; Peri Manns, Deputy Director Engineering & Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends approval of Capital Project Amendment No.26CPA019 and Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC061, appropriating \$400,000 of Debt Service Fund Fund Balance to the PAYGO Fund to support the Project Build at Shoppes of Hope Valley Renovation Capital Project (4730DC161), as well as authorize the County Manager to execute a Construction Manager at Risk contract with Holt Brothers Construction for the Project Build at Shoppes of Hope Valley Renovation project located at 3825 S. Roxboro St., Suite 122, Durham NC 27713, at the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of \$1,683,426.16 (bid packages, plus alternates, allowances), as well as execute any other related contracts - including change orders if necessary - for a not-to-exceed budget of \$1,733,929.00.

Attachments:

[AAF - Supplemental Document](#)

[Project BUILD - Shoppes of Hope Valley - GMP - 02.16.26](#)

[CPA-19 LEGAL FORM CISS Project Build \(\\$400,000\)](#)

[BCC-61 LEGAL FORM Debt Service to PAYGO for Project BUILD \(\\$400K\)](#)

26-0089

Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC067 Cooperative Extension Appropriating \$30,000 in General Fund Balance for the Durham County Food Security Program

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC067 Cooperative Extension Appropriating \$30,000 in General Fund Balance for the Durham County Food Security Program. These funds were unspent in FY 2024-2025 and require reauthorization in the current fiscal year. This technical amendment supports the Durham County Food Security Microgrant Program, administered by Durham Congregations in Action through a current contract with Durham County. The microgrant program provides small amounts of funding, between \$500-\$2500, to community organizations meeting urgent food security needs for Durham County residents. Durham Congregations in Action has managed this grant program for two previous funding cycles and was selected for a third term due to its proven success, including exceptional support for participating organizations.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Durham County Strategic Goals: Healthy Inclusive Community and Empowered Community.

Resource Persons: Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director; Raina Goldstein Bunnag, County Food Security Coordinator; Joanne Pierce, Assistant County Manager.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that

the Board Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC067 Cooperative Extension Appropriating \$30,000 in General Fund Balance for the Durham County Food Security Program

Attachments: [FR 25-1410 DURHAM CONGREGATIONS IN ACTION](#)
[AAF-67 Legal Form](#)

26-0090 **Authorization of an Amendment to the Design Contract with HH Architecture, PA for Design Development and Construction Administration Services Related to the Office of Emergency Services Fleet Maintenance Project in the Amount of \$24,400 for a Total Revised Contract Amount of \$603,282.50.**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute a contract amendment to the design contract with HH Architecture, PA for design development and construction administration services related to the Office of Emergency Services Fleet Maintenance Project in the amount of \$24,400 for a total revised contract amount of \$603,282.50.

On November 10, 2025, the Board approved a contract amendment with HH Architecture to develop renovation plans for a new site at 1129 E. East Geer Street that meets the requirements of the OES Fleet Maintenance Facility program with a contract total of \$578,882.50.

During the preparation of construction documents, it was identified that further work was necessary for the fire protection system and structural design, which had not been included in HH Architecture's Amendment 1 proposal. This amendment to their contract addresses the need for these additional services. Adequate funding for this amendment is available in the capital project.

The Office of Emergency Services (OES) Fleet Maintenance Facility is responsible for servicing and repairing ambulances for Durham County Emergency Medical Services. The current facility, located on Stone Park Court, must be vacated due to a railroad realignment project.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Approval of this amendment is consistent with the Board's ongoing support for providing the citizens of Durham with a safe and resilient community.

Resource Persons: Dan Nosbusch, Project Manager; Peri Manns, Deputy Director Engineering & Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve execution of a contract amendment to the design contract with HH Architecture, PA for design development and construction administration services related to the Office of Emergency Services Fleet Maintenance Project in the amount of \$24,400.00 for a total revised contract amount of \$603,282.50.

Attachments: [AAF - Supplemental Document HH Arch Amendment 2](#)
[2025-1125 Durham Co OES Fleet Maint Amend #2](#)

26-0091 **Authorize the County Manager to Increase the Contingency by \$401,025.39 for the Construction Manager at Risk Contract with Samet Construction for the OES Fleet Maintenance to a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,100,944.**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to increase the contingency by \$401,025.39 for the construction manager at risk contract with Samet Corporation for the OES Fleet Maintenance Facility project located at 1129 E. Geer St., Durham NC, to a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,100,944.

On June 9, 2025, the BOCC awarded the Construction Manager at Risk (CM@R) preconstruction services contract to Samet Corporation. The pre-construction services phase of the project was the first step in the CM@R process in which the contracting team provided cost estimating, constructability reviews, schedule development and value analysis of the project design. The project has been broken into 3 GMP (Guarantee Maximum Price) packages to facilitate an efficient scheduling and delivery process.

On August 11, 2025, the BOCC approved GMP #1 early release packages which consisted of immediate and long lead time items including: (1) Site Utilities -Sprinkler Service (2) Electrical Switchboards, Panels, MTS and (3) Mechanical HVAC Units and Exhaust Capture.

On October 27, 2025, the BOCC approved CPA No. 26CPA010 and BOA No. 26BCC031 appropriating an additional \$3,020,000 of Debt Service Fund Fund balance to the PAYGO Fund to support the Temporary OES Fleet Maintenance Facility Renovation Capital Project (4730DC164) and requested authorization for the County Manager to execute a contract amendment or change order with Samet Corporation for GMP#2 in the amount of \$2,479,112.96 (bid packages plus allowances), and to execute any other related contracts or change orders not to exceed \$2,699,918.61. This brought the project budget to \$4,020,000.00. This authorization will allow the County to contract up to an amount not-to-exceed \$3,100,944.00 for the construction contract. This contingency adjustment will allow all elements to be added to the total contract. Funding for these elements is available in the current CIP budget.

The goal of the Office of Emergency Services project is to renovate approximately 8,000 square feet of space at 1129 E. Geer St., formally used as a metal fabrication facility, to house the OES Fleet Maintenance Facility. The new facility delivery is critical as the current facility is scheduled for demolition after May 2026. The scope of work includes interior renovations and building system upgrades and replacements.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This project allows Durham County Government to increase their ability to have a Safe & Resilient Community

Resource Persons: Dan Nosbusch, Project Manager; Peri Manns, Deputy Director, Engineering & Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the increase to the contingency by \$401,025.39 for the construction manager at risk contract with Samet Corporation for the OES Fleet Maintenance Facility project located at 1129 E. Geer St., Durham NC, to a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,100,944.

Attachments:

[AAF - Supplemental Document](#)

[24-170 DCo OES Fleet Maintenance Samet Proposal GMP 2 10.16](#)

26-0092

Approve Execution of Contract with Gregory Poole Equipment Company in the amount of \$103,558.00 for a Generator for the Office of Emergency (OES) Services Fleet Maintenance Facility

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute a contract with Gregory Poole Equipment Company to provide and deliver a 125kW portable generator and supporting equipment for the new OES Fleet Maintenance Facility for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$103,558.00. Funding for this contract is available within the previously approved capital project.

OES Fleet Maintenance is relocating to a larger temporary facility, and, as part of the transition, additional equipment is required to support the expanded space and the operational needs of the department. The expected service life for this equipment is more than twenty years, and the equipment will be relocated to the permanent Junction Road Fleet Operations Center at such time as that facility is constructed.

G.S. 143-129(e) allows local governments to be exempted from the competitive bidding requirements and purchase furnishings/equipment through group purchasing programs. Equipment cost is based on a Sourcwell purchasing agreement, which provides pre-negotiated, competitive pricing and ensures compliance with state procurement requirements.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal: Safe & Resilient Community: Create happy, healthy, and safe places for residents and County employees. This facility serves a critical role providing Durham County citizens with emergency medical services.

Resource Persons: Dan Nosbusch, Project Manager; Peri Manns, Deputy Director, Engineering & Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to execute a contract with Gregory Poole Equipment Company to provide and deliver a 125kW portable generator and

supporting equipment for the new OES Fleet Maintenance Facility for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$103,558.00.

Attachments: [02_09_2026 Not In Stock XQ125 Diesel Generator Quote_Durham County Caterpillar Inc. Contract 092222-CAT Sourcewell](#)

26-0103 **Approval of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the Division of Sales Tax Between the County of Durham and the City of Durham July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve a one-year interlocal cooperation agreement for the division of sales tax between the County of Durham and the City of Durham for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. This interlocal pertains to Sales Tax Articles 39, 40, & 42 and 44 (including Local Government Hold Harmless Provisions). City administration has agreed to amending the current interlocal agreement per agreed upon guidelines for an additional year.

The updated agreement, renewed annually, splits collected sales tax (except Article 46) for both the City and County, with the County receiving 55.0% of the total amount and the City 45.0%. Per state statute the County Commissioners have the authority to set the distribution method for Sales Tax Articles. This agreement continues the use of the Per Capita Distribution method which is best for both local governments due to the nuances of the Ad Valorem method.

The split had been at 55.5% and 44.5% for the prior two fiscal years. However, with recent property tax increases by both governments the percentage split has changed slightly. The actual split will vary over fiscal years based on a variety of factors from each government's tax rate changes to population shifts. The budget offices of both governments work together each Fall to establish an agreement for future years. This agreement is then reviewed with both Management teams before being brought forward to the elected officials of each respective government.

The Durham City Council is set to approve this annual interlocal cooperation agreement at an upcoming City Council meeting for the next fiscal year (FY 2026-27).

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

Resource Persons: S. Keith Lane, Director of Budget and Management Services, David N. Ades, Assistant Director of Budget and Management Services.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve a one-year interlocal cooperation agreement for the division of sales tax between the County of Durham and the City of Durham for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 and authorize the County Manager to sign of this agreement.

Attachments: [FY 2026-27 Sales Tax ILA.pdf](#)

[AAF Supplemental - FY 2026-27 Sales Tax ILA Update 55 County 45 City Split.](#)

26-0104

Approval of Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC065 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$475,000 in Golden LEAF Foundation funding for Durham County Farm Campus and Creation of One New Farm Manager FTE Position

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC065 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$475,000 in Golden LEAF Foundation funding for Durham County Farm Campus and Creation of One New Farm Manager FTE Position

Durham County Cooperative Extension has been awarded a \$475,000 grant from the Golden LEAF Foundation through its Community-Based Grants Initiative to support Phase 1 of the Durham County Farm Campus project. The Farm Campus will serve as a centralized agricultural hub designed to strengthen a resilient local food system by addressing the root causes of food insecurity while fostering entrepreneurship and workforce development. It will provide training, infrastructure, and business support for farmers at all stages, filling a critical gap in agricultural education and resources across Durham County.

The Farm Campus project has been in development for over a decade. In 2016, the Durham County Farmland Protection Board formed the first working group, and in 2022, the County secured USDA funding for a Feasibility Study managed by Cooperative Extension. This study included site analysis, community engagement, design planning, and implementation guidance. Its findings informed Durham County's 2024 purchase of 129 acres on Orange Factory Road for the Farm Campus and other community uses. The study concluded in June 2025 with strong recommendations for launching the project and a 10-year roadmap to implement the campus in three phases.

Golden LEAF funding will support a three-year effort (Feb. 5, 2026 - Feb. 4, 2029) to build foundational infrastructure and launch programming focused on project sustainability and community engagement. Funds will cover personnel, construction, equipment, and supplies. A critical early step is hiring a full-time (1.0 FTE) Farm Manager. Golden Leaf is providing \$150,000 to the salary and benefits with the remaining \$65,350 to be provided by Durham County in year 3 of the grant term. This position, identified as an essential initial step in the feasibility study and strongly supported by community input, will oversee site development, coordinate programming, and lead engagement efforts in collaboration with Extension staff and contractors. Additional county funding will be needed longer term to sustain the position beyond the grant term.

The Golden LEAF Foundation funding award is a significant opportunity to launch the Farm Campus project and turn years of planning into action. The initiative already has strong internal and external support. Durham County Open Space has begun the capital improvement process for the site, creating opportunities for collaboration as development moves forward. In addition, local universities, nonprofits, and community members engaged during the feasibility process have expressed interest in participating in early project activities. These partnerships will help maximize the impact and reach of foundational Farm Campus efforts throughout the grant period.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The grant funding for Farm Campus aligns with the strategic focus areas of Regional Leadership, Healthy & Inclusive Community, Empowered Community, and Financial Stewardship.

Resource Persons: Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director; Raina Goldstein Bunnag, County Food Security Coordinator; Ashley Troth, Horticulture Extension Agent

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 26BCC065 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$475,000 in Golden LEAF Foundation funding for Durham County Farm Campus and Creation of One New Farm Manager FTE Position

Attachments:

[Golden LEAF Foundation award notification 02-02-2026](#)

[10977 DCCE Grantee Acknowledgement and Agreement Letter](#)

[DCFC Final Presentation feasibility study May 2025](#)

[AAF-65 Legal Form](#)

26-0105

Consideration and Adoption of Updated High Performance Building Policy

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to consider the updated High Performance Building Policy, and if in favor to adopt this policy. The policy revision is a key step in advancing Durham County's sustainability commitments, supporting long-term cost savings, reducing the County's carbon footprint, and meeting and exceeding similar policies passed this year by other local government organizations with comparable sustainability goals.

Durham County adopted a High Performance Building Policy in 2008 establishing procedure for achieving LEED certification in new and renovated buildings. LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is a certification system from the US Green Building Council that promotes sustainable, healthy, and cost-efficient building practices. The framework includes design, construction, operation, and maintenance for new and renovated buildings. The County now has 1 Platinum, 3 Gold, 4 Silver, and 4 Certified level LEED buildings.

The revised policy reflects the evolution of sustainable building policy that has

occurred since 2008 and is modelled after policies adopted by other NC local governments including the City of Durham and City of Charlotte. The revised policy continues the commitment to LEED certification and explicitly lists the types of measures within LEED that the County should focus on, includes additional, more expansive requirements from the County Renewable Energy Plan, and creates reporting requirements. This new policy will provide more clarity to our designers, engineers, contractors, and staff as we continue to make our facilities healthier and more sustainable.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment

Resource Persons: Tobin L. Freid, Sustainability Manager; Megan Pendell, Sustainability Specialist; Haley Williamson, MCE, Renewable Energy Project Manager; Peri Manns, ASLA, LEED GA, Deputy Director Engineering and Environmental Services

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board consider, and if finding it favorable, adopt the updated High Performance Building Policy.

Attachments: [DCo High Performance Building Policy - 2026 Revision final](#)
[High-Performance-Building-Policy 2008](#)

26-0106 **Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.26CPA020 & Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC062 Appropriating \$584,085 of Debt Service Fund Fund Balance to the PAYGO Fund to support the 500 E. Main St. Downtown Parking Deck Capital Project (47302635DC151); as well as Authorize an Increase in the Owner's Contingency in the Amount of \$584,085 to Execute Any Necessary Change Orders for the Deck Development Agreement with ZOM Living for a Total Not-to-Exceed of \$34,585,185.00**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Capital Project Amendment No.26CPA020 and Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC062 appropriating \$584,085 of Debt Service Fund Fund Balance to the PAYGO Fund to support the 500 E. Main Street Downtown Parking Deck Capital Project (4730DC151); as well as authorize an increase in the owner's contingency in the amount of \$584,085 for the Deck Development Agreement with ZOM Living for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$34,585,185 for the 500 E. Main St. Structured Parking Garage. (See Attachments 1-3).

Project Name and Number	Current Budget	Increase / Decrease	Updated Budget
500 E. Main St. Downtown Parking Deck	\$34,644,616.00	\$584,085	\$35,228,701.00

The Deck Development Agreement was previously approved by the BOCC on December 13, 2021. At the time of approval/execution, the deck development budget did not include an owner's contingency for the \$26,522,000 construction contract between LeChase Construction and ZOM Living. The original request for owner's contingency in the amount of \$1,326,100 was approved by the BOCC during the October 10, 2022, RS Meeting and an additional contingency request in the amount of \$875,000 was approved on April 10, 2023. Contingency increase #3 was approved on August 12, 2024, in the amount of \$1,300,000. In order to close out the project and address occupancy and efficiency issues to make the deck safe, secure, and consistent with other decks throughout downtown an increase of \$584,085 is needed. As noted during occupancy, additional closeout activities/items including infrastructure for E/V charging, additional signage/branding, bollards, and Pay-on-Foot machines that will be installed pending this increase. Completion of this project is providing a parking solution for various County departments, the market-rate and affordable residential, commercial, and retail locations supporting the mixed development/affordable housing initiative along E. Main St. The deck includes 847 parking spaces, and its completion has allowed the commencement of the 500 E. Main St. affordable housing development that will include 195 units serving 30-80% of the Area Median Income which is slated for completion in late Summer of 2027.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The Project is in accordance with Strategic Plan Goal 4 - Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity particularly Strategy 4.2.C - Regional Planning: Participate in smart growth practices and support regional planning partnerships to promote a high quality of life for all.

Resource Persons: Peri Manns, ASLA, LEED GA, Deputy Director of Engineering and Engineering Services; Jay Gibson, P.E., Director of Engineering and Environmental Services; Eric Schoenagel, AIA, Technical Principal, Little Diversified Architectural Consulting; Keith Lane, Budget Director; and Chris Didier, Development Manager, ZOM Living

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Capital Project Amendment No.26CPA020 and Budget Ordinance Amendment No.26BCC062 appropriating \$584,085 of Debt Service Fund Fund Balance to the PAYGO Fund to support the 500 E. Main Street Downtown Parking Deck Capital Project (4730DC151); as well as authorize an increase in the owner's contingency in the amount of \$584,085 for the Deck Development Agreement with ZOM Living for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$34,585,185 for the 500 E. Main St. Structured Parking Garage. (See Attachments 1-3).

Attachments:

[2026 02 23 P Manns final costs](#)

[BCC-62 Debt Service to PAYGO for 500 Deck \(\\$584,085\)](#)

[CPA-20 LEGAL FORM 500 Block East Main \(\\$584,085\)](#)

3. Discussion Items (155 min)

[26-0087](#)

Commissioner Comments on an Annexation Request outside the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) for 4802 Cheek Road (30min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to review and provide comments on an annexation request outside the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) for 4802 Cheek Road.

Motions

To receive the staff report and provide comment.

Summary

The Durham Planning & Development Department has received an annexation request outside of the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) from Mike Foley, of Humabuilt, for one parcel of land totaling 69.16 acres, and located at 4802 Cheek Road. The current zoning is Residential Rural (RR), county jurisdiction. The applicant proposes to change this designation to Planned Development Residential 2.748 (PDR 2.748), city jurisdiction, to connect to city water and sewer and develop up to 190 townhouses, single-family detached, and single-family attached houses.

Attachments

- Attachment A:** Zoning Map
- Attachment B:** Aerial Map
- Attachment C:** Place Type Change Map
- Attachment D:** Annexation Map
- Attachment E:** Zoning Map Change Report
- Attachment F:** Textual Development Plan
- Attachment G:** Comprehensive Plan Consistency Review
- Attachment H:** Cost-Benefit Analysis
- Attachment I:** Operational Impact Analysis
- Attachment J:** Planning Commission Written Comments
- Attachment K:** Board of County Commissioners Presentation

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment. Maintaining, protecting, and improving natural and built systems to support a sustainable Community

Resource Persons: Aaron Cain, Senior Planning Manager, AICP, and Sara Young, AICP, Planning & Development Director.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board review and provide comments on an annexation request outside the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) for 4802 Cheek Road.

Attachments: [Attachment 000 Memo 4802 Cheek Road](#)
[Attachment A - Zoning Change Map](#)
[Attachment B - Aerial Map](#)
[Attachment C - Place Type Change Map](#)
[Attachment D - Annexation Map](#)
[Attachment E - Zoning Map Change Report](#)
[Attachment F - Textual Development Plan](#)
[Attachment G - Comprehensive Plan Consistency Review](#)
[Attachment H - Operational Analysis](#)
[Attachment I - Cost Benefit Analysis](#)
[Attachment J - Planning Commission Written Comments](#)
[Attachment K - Board of County Commission Presentation](#)

26-0034 **Briefing and Discussion on the Creation of the Mangum Fire Protection Service District in Durham County (20min)**

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to conduct a public hearing as required by North Carolina General Statute §153A-320(c) regarding the creation of the Mangum Fire Protection Service District in Durham County as defined within the staff report “Report to the Board of County Commissioners Regarding the Proposal to Establish the Mangum Fire Protection Service District”. The proposed service district has historically been served by the Moriah Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department based in Rougemont, NC without any fee or revenue provided by Durham County. Moriah Volunteer Fire and Rescue is no longer able to service this area without revenue to cover the expenses associated with emergency response into this area.

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 conducts a public hearing and if appropriate based on the comments received during the public hearing, create the Mangum Fire Protection Service District as defined by the staff report “Report to the Board of County Commissioners Regarding the Proposal to Establish the Mangum Fire Protection Service District.”

Attachments: [AAF Supplemental Document - Mangum Fire District](#)
[Mangum Fire Protection Service District Background Report FINAL 020526](#)
[Mangum Fire Protection FAQs FINAL 020426](#)
[Notice of Public Hearing 030926 Final 020426](#)
[Certification of Mailing of Public Notice 020626](#)
[Affidavit of Publication 022326](#)
[BOCC Resolution creating the Mangum Fire Protection Service District 030926](#)
[Mangum Fire Service District for BOCC 022726](#)

26-0111 **Update on the Capital Improvement Plan (60min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to receive an update from staff on the Capital Improvement Plan.

The purpose of this update is to complete a check-in with the BOCC, highlighting projects underway or for consideration. Future updates will occur at the April 6, 2026, BOCC worksession.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal of Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment.

Resource Persons: Keith Lane, Budget and Management Services Director; Peri Manns, ASLA, LEED GA, Deputy Director of Engineering and Environmental Services; Jay Gibson, P.E., Director of Engineering and Environmental Services; James Faress, P.E., Senior Project Manager; Brenda Hayes-Bright, Assoc. AIA, CDT, Project Manager/Public Art Manager; Sarah Martin, MFA, Public Art Coordinator; Dan Nosbusch, Project Manager; Joel Jones, MPA, Project Manager; Christy Raulli, MCRP, Senior Real Estate Officer; and Haley Williamson, MCE, Renewable Energy Project Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the update and provide input to County staff if appropriate.

Attachments: [DCO CIP Update - 03-02-26 BOCC WS](#)
[Item 26-0111 - CIP Update Presentation - March 2, 2026](#)

26-0113 **Presentation on Economic Development and Utilities Infrastructure Improvements (30min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to receive a presentation on Economic Development in the County and the utilities infrastructure improvements needed to support the growth of the business ecosystem in Durham County.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal of Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment and Regional Leadership: Connect Durham Residents to Good Jobs and Economic Opportunities.

Resource Persons: Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager; Matt Filter, Economic Development Manager; Vincent Chirichella, P.E., Senior Project Manager; Stephanie Brixley, Deputy Director of Engineering.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the presentation and provide input to County staff if appropriate.

Attachments: [2026 Capital Improvement Presentation_Rev 1](#)
[2026 Budget Retreat -- Economic Development 2-25-26](#)

26-0093 **Update on Sustainability Initiatives and Progress Towards Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction and Renewable Energy Goals (60min)**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to receive an update on sustainability initiatives including progress towards greenhouse gas emissions and renewable energy goals and provide direction to staff on future projects.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Durham County Strategic Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment

Resource Persons: Tobin L. Freid, Sustainability Manager; Peri Manns, Deputy Director Engineering and Environmental Services; Jay Gibson, P.E., Director of Engineering and Environmental Services.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive an update on sustainability initiatives including progress towards greenhouse gas emissions and renewable energy goals and provide direction to staff on future projects.

Attachments: [Sustainability Update - March 2026](#)

4. Closed Session

26-0109 **Closed Session**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to adjourn into Closed Session 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 to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3).

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Goal: High Performing Organization

Resource Persons: Larissa S. Williamson, County Attorney

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board adjourn into Closed Session and provide direction to staff.

5. Adjournment

