



Durham County

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Meeting Agenda Board of County Commissioners

Monday, July 13, 2026

5:00 PM

Commissioners' Chambers

Regular Session

Closed Session (To be held at: 5:00 pm)

26-0376

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 by 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.

"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 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.

7:00 pm Regular Session

- 1. Opening of Regular Session - Pledge of Allegiance (5 min)**
- 2. Agenda Adjustments (5 min)**
- 3. Announcements (5 min)**

26-0381 Announcements (5min)**Agenda Text:**

- 1. Solid Waste Convenience Sites to Close on Thursday, July 16** - All Durham County Solid Waste Convenience Sites will be closed to the public on Thursday, July 16, for a scheduled staff development day. During the closure, operations at all convenience sites will be suspended. The convenience site locations include Parkwood Convenience Site (5928 Highway 55) and Northern Convenience Site (11894 N. Roxboro Road). Both sites will reopen with normal operating hours at 7 a.m. on Friday, July 17.
- 2. County Launches New Digital Platform for Property Tax Payments** - Durham County Government has launched PayDCoNC, a new digital

platform that makes it easier for residents to manage and pay property taxes online. PayDCoNC is available now at pay.dconc.gov. PayDCoNC gives residents the flexibility to manage property taxes in a way that works for their schedule and budget. More information on PayDCoNC can be found here:

<https://dconc.gov/DurhamCo-News/Durham-County-Launches-New-Digital-Platform-for-Property-Tax-Payments.htm>.

3. Sheriff Invited to Address National Association of Latino Elected Officials - Sheriff Birkhead will represent Durham County at this week's National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials Conference. He is invited to be a featured speaker at a "Leadership Forum" to discuss immigration reform, and how we in Durham County are handling the balance between local law enforcement and this national policy challenge. He is scheduled to speak on July 16th and will be joined by the Police Chief of Santa Ana, California in neighboring Orange County. More information is available on the NALEO website.

4. Sheriff's Office Collecting Donations for School Supply Drive - Durham County Sheriff's Office is collecting school supplies during the month of July to support students of all ages returning to school for the 2026-2027 school year. School supplies are being collected in the marked boxes on the 1st-3rd floor lobbies of the Sheriff's Office located in the Durham County Courthouse at 510 S. Dillard Street. Donations will be distributed at the Back to School and Stop the Violence Community Resource Fair on August 1st. For more information, contact Project Safe Neighborhoods Coordinator Tamika Gilmer at 919-560-7702. Donations are due July 24.

5. Stay Informed with "In Touch with Durham County" - In the July episode, host Deborah Craig-Ray, Chief Communications Officer, welcomes Ellen Beckmann, Director of Durham County Transportation, and Miles Spann, Community Engagement Analyst. Beckmann highlights ongoing efforts to improve and connect transportation across the region as Durham continues to grow. Spann discusses how Durham County Community Partnerships & Engagement is strengthening relationships, elevating community voices, and connecting residents to resources. Watch the full episode on the Durham County Government YouTube Channel: <https://youtu.be/gFOA5IfdGcs?si=Gzm5w6zbPp68ojIF>.

4. Minutes (5 min)

[26-0380](#)

Minutes (5mins)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve the June 22, 2026, Regular Session meeting minutes.

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

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

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the June 22, 2026 Regular Session meeting minutes.

Attachments: [Regular Session - June 22, 2026](#)

5. Ceremonial Items (10min)

[26-0365](#)

Resolution Honoring Civil Rights Icon Dr. Virginia Williams (10min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve a resolution recognizing Dr. Virginia Williams for her courage and lifelong commitment to social justice. Dr. Williams will be honored with the International Civil Rights Center & Museum's 2026 'Sit-In Participant Award' at its Annual Gala on July 18, 2026. This award recognizes the brave individuals who took part in sit-in protests that confronted African American exclusion and racial discrimination.

At a young age, Dr. Williams participated in a peaceful sit-in at the Royal Ice Cream Parlor as one of the 'Royal Seven.' This pivotal act of direct action occurred nearly three years prior to Greensboro Woolworth's lunch counter protest. Dr. Williams continues to devote her efforts to inspiring future generations to stand against social injustice.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal 1: Regional Leadership

Resource Persons: Dr. Mike Lee, Chair, Durham Board of County Commissioners

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board present this resolution to Dr. Virginia Williams, along with sincere congratulations for her many years of advancing civil rights in our community, state and beyond.

Attachments: [Resolution - Dr. Virginia Williams](#)

6. Citizen Comments (30 min)

[26-0377](#)

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.

7. Consent Agenda (15 min)

26-0322 **Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA001 Appropriating \$1,500,000 of Collection System Rehabilitation Fund Fund Balance and Transferring Funding to the Collection System Rehabilitation Capital Project (SE051) for a New Total Project SE051 Budget of \$10,598,592.13**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA001 appropriating \$1,500,000 from the Collection System Rehabilitation Fund (6006690000) fund balance and transferring the funding to the Collection System Rehabilitation Capital Project (SE051) for a new total SE051 project budget of \$10,598,592.13.

The Collection System Rehabilitation Project is used primarily for critical collection system projects that reduce the risk of sanitary sewer overflows and decrease ongoing maintenance costs for the Utilities Division. These projects include raising manholes to be above the 100-year flood plain, repairing or replacing damaged sewer pipes due to age, annual manhole labeling and inspections, and for the repair of existing pump stations as required to maintain reliability. Contractor costs associated with emergency responses to sewer spills also come from this project. Durham County's wastewater collection system consists of thirteen (13) pump stations and one hundred and fifteen (115) miles of piping.

Collection System Rehabilitation Capital Project Budget

Current Budget: \$9,098,592.13

Project Amendment: \$1,500,000

Revised Budget: \$10,598,592.13

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This action is in accordance with Durham County Strategic Plan Goal 4: "Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity". These funds ensure rehabilitation projects can be completed which reduce sanitary sewer overflows, inflow and infiltration, pipe failure, etc.

Resource Persons: Jay Gibson, PE, Director of E&ES; Stephanie Brixey, Deputy Director; Jonathan Yeomans, Budget & Management Analyst; and David Ades,

Assistant Director of Budget & Management.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA001 appropriating \$1,500,000 from the Collection System Rehabilitation Fund (6006690000) fund balance and transferring the funding to the Collection System Rehabilitation Capital Project (SE051) for a new total SE051 project budget of \$10,598,592.13.

Attachments:

[CPA-01 LEGAL FORM Appropriating Fund Balance to Project SE051\(\\$1,500.00\)](#)

26-0323

Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA002 Appropriating Approved County Contribution (PAYGO) Funds (\$8,895,562) for Multiple Capital Projects

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA002 appropriating approved County Contribution (PAYGO) funds (\$8,895,562) for multiple capital projects.

The funding for this action was approved with the Annual Budget Ordinance, this step formally adds the funding to the respective capital projects. This capital project amendment is a standard annual procedure that occurs at the beginning of each fiscal year.

The projects are as follows:

Durham County Capital Projects	Current Budget	Increase/Decrease	Updated Budget
Ongoing HVAC Replacement (4190DC076)	\$7,794,814.64	\$	946,508
\$8,741,322.64			
Ongoing Roof Replacement (4190DC073)	\$5,099,704.00	\$	795,483
\$5,895,187.00			
Ongoing Building Envelope (4190DC078)	\$4,739,930.00	\$	198,078
\$4,938,008.00			
Ongoing Security Improvements (4190DC081)	\$4,242,370.00	\$	1,306,074
\$5,548,444.00			
County Stadium Upgrades (4190DC083)	\$4,320,738.00	\$	340,750
			\$4,661,488.00
Ongoing Facilities Systems Upgrades (4190DC087)	\$2,271,666.36	\$	1,734,304
\$4,005,970.36			
Ongoing Parking Lot Replacement (4190DC074)	\$2,971,380.00	\$	54,365
\$3,025,745.00			
Ongoing Building Equipment Replacement (4190DC089)	\$558,485.00	\$	75,000
\$633,485.00			
Library Ongoing Maintenance (NEW)	\$0.00	\$	400,000
			\$400,000.00
Open Space Land Acquisition (4730DC083)	\$11,960,769.70	\$	500,000
\$12,460,769.70			
Durham to Roxboro Rail Trail (4590270200DC001)	\$33,334.00	\$	100,000
\$133,334.00			
DTCC - Retrofit HVAC (5920CC017)	\$3,340,000.00	\$	1,470,000
			\$4,810,000.00

DTCC - Roof Repair & Replacement (5920CC025)	\$900,000.00	\$	975,000
	\$1,875,000.00		
TOTAL	\$48,233,191.70	\$	8,895,562
			\$56,778,753.70

For more detailed information about each project, please see the CPA supplement attached.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Consistent funding support for ongoing capital projects meets the Strategic Plan Goal 5 “Accountable, Efficient, and Visionary Government” by enabling the County to provide the timely upgrades and capital purchases necessary to most efficiently meet infrastructure demands.

Resource Persons: Keith Lane, Director, Budget & Management Services and David Ades, Assistant Director, Budget & Management Services.

County Manager’s Recommendation: The County Manager recommends approval of Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA002 appropriating approved County Contribution (PAYGO) funds (\$8,895,562) for multiple capital projects.

Attachments:

[CPA-02 LEGAL FORM County Contribution to Capital Projects \(\\$8,895,562\)](#)

[CPA-02 SUPPLEMENT County Contribution to Capital Projects \(\\$8,895,562\)](#)

26-0346

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 27BCC001 Public Health to Recognize \$30,000 from the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry to the Department of Public Health’s Dental Division for the Operation Blue Bridge Initiative.

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 27BCC001 Public Health to Recognize \$30,000 from the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry to the Department of Public Health’s Dental Division for the Operation Blue Bridge Initiative.

The Durham County Department of Public Health provides services that prevent disease, promote health, and protect the environment. Routine dental services are typically provided onsite at the Department of Public Health. The Division strives to serve all patients, including those with special needs in Durham County. The Operation Blue Bridge initiative will expand access to care for patients with special needs, including physical, developmental, and/or cognitive conditions.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This grant aligns with Strategic Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All

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. 27BCC001 Public Health to Recognize \$30,000 from the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry to the

Department of Public Health's Dental Division for the Operation Blue Bridge Initiative.

Attachments: [AAF - AAPD Access to Care Grant - Dental](#)
 [AAPD award](#)
 [AAF-1-Legal Form](#)
 [AAF Supplemental Document - AAPD Access to Care Grant](#)

26-0352**Approval of Purchase through the SAVVIK Cooperative for Six Ambulances in the Office of Emergency Services for a total not to exceed \$2,494,682.00****Agenda Text:**

The Board of County Commissioners is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute a contract and any additional contract addendums with Spartan Fire and Emergency Apparatus in the amount not to exceed \$ 2,494,682.00 to purchase six (6) Braun Chief XL Select ambulances for the Office of Emergency Services. These ambulances will replace five (5) aging ambulances and add an additional new ambulance within the OES-EMS Fleet for a total of six (6) ambulances, as approved in the FY2026-2027 Fiscal Year budget.

In FY27, the Board of County Commissioners approved a total of \$3,009,648 to purchase six ambulances in accordance with the County's vehicle replacement policy, enhancing both the safety and sustainability of the emergency response fleet. The acquisition, completed through the SAVVIK Cooperative Agreement with Spartan Fire and Emergency Apparatus, reflects a per-unit cost of \$415,682.00. This pricing includes Braun's idle-mitigation system and the full EMS graphics package, reducing the need for aftermarket upfitting, lowering associated costs, and expediting the timeline for placing the new ambulances into service.

G.S. 143-129(e) allows local governments to be exempted from the competitive bidding requirements and purchase furnishings/equipment through group purchasing programs

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Focus Area 3: Safe and Resilient Community Initiative 2a: Innovate and strengthen emergency response and prevention systems

Resource Persons: Mark Lockhart, OES Director, Marc Ferguson, OES Business Operations Officer.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the BOCC authorize the County Manager to execute a contract and any additional contract addendums in the amount of \$2,494,682.00 with Spartan Fire and Emergency Apparatus for the purchase of six (6) Braun Chief XL Select Ambulances for OES-Emergency Medical Services as approved in the FY2027 Annual Budget.

Attachments: [Spartan Ambulance AAF](#)
[Spartan Quote](#)
[Budgeted vehicles](#)
[SAVVIK Agreement](#)
[SAVVIK Base Price List](#)
[SAVVIK Options Price List](#)

26-0355**Approval of Contract with Stryker in the Amount of \$186,264.08 to provide EMS ProCare Services for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) stretchers, Power-LOAD units, and LUCAS Devices****Agenda Text:**

The BOCC is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute a contract with Stryker the amount of \$186,264.08 to provide EMS ProCare Services for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) stretchers Power-LOAD units, and LUCAS devices and to sign future renewals to include up to a 5% inflationary increase in price per year.

Durham County OES-Emergency Medical Services utilizes Stryker stretchers, Power-LOAD systems, and LUCAS CPR Devices, all of which require annual preventative maintenance and periodic repairs to ensure reliable performance throughout their service life. These needs include mechanical service and battery replacements ranging from \$700 to \$900 each, with any mechanical failure rendering the affected unit out of service until repairs are completed. To support cost-effective procurement, the SAVVIK Buying Group will be used for pricing, which will help streamline acquisition and reduce overall expenses. Continuing service coverage for all devices will provide timely repair support, reduce equipment downtime, and minimize delays associated with contract and purchase order processing, thereby enhancing operational continuity and sustaining the readiness of essential life-saving equipment.

G.S. 143-129(e) allows local governments to be exempted from the competitive bidding requirements and purchase furnishings/equipment through group purchasing programs

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Focus Area 3: Safe and Resilient Community Initiative 2a: Innovate and strengthen emergency response and prevention systems.

Resource Persons: Mark Lockhart, OES Director, Marc Ferguson, OES Business Operations Officer.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the BOCC authorize the County Manager to execute a contract and any additional contract renewals including up to a 5% annual inflationary increase with Stryker in the amount of \$186,264.08 for the contract of OES-Emergency Medical Services Stryker stretcher, powerload, and LUCAS Devices preventative maintenance and

repairs.

Attachments: [AAF Supplemental Document - Contract Approval Template -Stryker PM](#)
[DURHAM COUNTY OFFICE OF EMER SVCS Treatment and Transport ProCa](#)
[SAVVIK-Price-File-October-2025.10012025](#)
[SIGNED Agreement-Stryker-PSAI-RFB-2024-04-Stretchers-and-Power-Cots-K](#)
[Treatment-Stryker SAVVIK-Price-File-October-2025.10012025 \(1\)](#)

26-0359

Approval of the FY27 Transit Work Program Special Q1 Amendment

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve the FY27 Transit Work Program (Work Program) Special Q1 Amendment.

As part of the appropriations process for the Durham County Transit Plan, an annual Work Program is developed to outline the budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The 2023 Transit Governance Interlocal Agreement (ILA) establishes the process for developing and approving this budget. In accordance with the ILA, the Work Program must be approved by both the Durham Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) and the GoTriangle Board of Trustees.

The Work Program was approved by the BOCC on June 8, 2026, and by the GoTriangle Board of Trustees on June 24, 2026.

To fully evaluate GoTriangle's proposal for Route 800 and Route DRX Improvements, the Durham Staff Working Group (SWG) unanimously voted to recommend approval of the FY27 Transit Work Program Special Q1 Amendment. This amendment was also approved by the GoTriangle Board of Trustees on June 24.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Durham County Focus Area: Regional Leadership

Resource Persons: Brandi Minor, CLGFO, Transit Program Administrator

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the FY27 Transit Work Program Special Q1 Amendment.

Attachments: [FY27 Special Q1 Amendment Memo](#)
[FY27 Special Q1 Amendment Cycle](#)

26-0360

Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 27BCC005 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$150,000 for the First Year of a Four Year North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) Welcome Baby Program Grant for Family Support Program Services

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 27BCC005 Cooperative Extension to recognize \$150,000 for the first year of a four year North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) Welcome Baby Program Grant for Family Support Program Services.

The grant will be administered and budgeted on a yearly basis at \$150,000 per fiscal year for four years, totaling \$600,000, beginning with FY 2026-2027 and ending with FY 2029-2030. The FY 2026-27 funding appropriated will be used to support an already established 0.65 (FTE) Parent Educator Position that will assist existing staff with offering Incredible Years School Age and Circle of Parents Programming. Remaining dollars will be used for operating expenses related to the program. The 0.65 (FTE) position was created at the April 17, 2026 BOCC regular session.

As a result of the funds from NCDSS, Welcome Baby will offer Incredible Years School Age for families with children 6-12 years, and Circle of Parents Program for families with children up to 17 years through Cooperative Extension's Welcome Baby program through June 2030. This will allow Welcome Baby to better support families who have come to Welcome Baby for their children ages 0-5 and have children of other ages, allowing the program to offer more comprehensive parenting support to the entire family. The grant award is intended "to reduce the risk of child abuse and neglect by promoting protective factors that strengthen and support families."

Welcome Baby Resource Program is an award-winning family support program with nearly 40 years of experience serving Durham Families with newborns through the age of five. Each year the program serves over 1500 families and over 3000 children. The grant offers an opportunity to grow services for families with children up to seventeen years old. The grant implementation includes providing Incredible Years School Age and Circle of Parents support groups in English and Spanish. IY School Age Basic strengthens parent-child interactions and attachment. Parents learn how to monitor children after school, set rules regarding screen time, partner with teachers to promote children's academic, social and emotional skills. Circle of Parents® provides a friendly, supportive environment facilitated by trained facilitators, but led by parents and other caregivers. Circle of Parents® provides a space where anyone in a parenting role can openly discuss the successes and challenges of raising children and where they can find and share support.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The grant aligns with Durham County's strategic focus areas of Empowered Community, Safe & Resilient Community, and Healthy & Inclusive community.

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

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 27BCC005 Cooperative Extension to recognize \$150,000 for the first year of a four year North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) Welcome Baby Program Grant for Family Support Program Services.

Attachments: [NCDSS Welcome Baby Grant Award Letter](#)
[Durham County Cooperative Extension NCDSS WB SOW DRAFT](#)
[AAF-5 Legal Form - CES Welcome Baby Grant \(\\$150,000\)](#)

26-0361 **Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 27BCC002 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$17,500 from NC State's 4-H Program for FY 2026-2027 Kids Voting Activities**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 27BCC002 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$17,500 from NC State's 4-H Program for FY 2026-2027 Kids Voting Activities. The funds are managed through Extension's Community Outreach fund center and program area. These resources from the NC State 4-H program will enable the Extension's Kids Voting program to fund contractors and program supplies to enhance its existing voting & elections curriculum and implement training and tools for adult program leaders, youth leaders, and volunteers to implement Kids Voting education and election programs through a statewide Kids Voting NC 4-H partnership.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item addresses the strategic focus areas of Empowered Community and Regional Leadership.

Resource Persons: Donna Rewalt, County Extension Director; LeQuandra Ballen, Community Outreach Coordinator; Carolyn Krueger, Kids Voting Program Coordinator.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 27BCC002 Cooperative Extension to Recognize \$17,500 from NC State's 4-H Program for FY 2026-2027 Kids Voting Activities.

Attachments: [NC 4-H KidsVoting 2026-27 Award Letter](#)
[AAF-2 Legal Form](#)

26-0363 **Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA005 Appropriating \$6,078,556.00 of Limited Obligation Bond Funds to Support the Creation of a New Animal Shelter Capital Project (No. 47302635DC169); as well as Authorize the County Manager to Execute a Contract for Design Services with RND Architects, PA Totaling an Amount Not-to-exceed \$5,578,556.00**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to approve Capital Project Amendment no. 27CPA005 appropriating \$6,078,556.00 of Limited Obligation Bond funds to support the creation of a new Animal Shelter capital project (No. 47302635DC169); as well as authorize the County Manager to execute a contract for design services with RND Architects, PA totaling an amount not-to-exceed \$5,578,556.00, pending legal approval. The balance of funding will be used for preliminary activities including third-party commissioning related to LEED certification and site and utility

assessments.

Project Status	Current Budget	Increase/ Decrease	Revised Budget	Project
Animal Shelter (No. 47302635DC169)		-	\$6,078,556.00	
	\$6,078,556.00	NEW		

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ No.25-006) for Architectural and Engineering Design Services for the Durham County Animal Shelter was advertised in August 2024. Responses were evaluated by representatives from the Sheriff's Office, General Services, Engineering, and the Animal Protection Society of Durham (APS). RND Architects, PA, was selected as the highest qualified firm for this project. The County then entered into a contract with RND to update the 2020 Advanced Planning Study, which was based on pre-pandemic data.

The Revised Advanced Planning Study was completed by RND Architects with support from all project team members: Animal Arts, a national architecture firm specializing in animal care facilities; County Engineering; the Sheriff's Office Animal Control Division; and APS leadership and staff. The scope included a two-day charette with all APS divisions: animal care, veterinary, foster and volunteers, customer service, leadership, as well as County Animal Control. During this workshop, the project team also met with County Sustainability and the project's LEED Consultant to hold the initial scoping meeting that is required for LEED certification.

The new facility will be located on County-owned land at 1117 Junction Road and will provide housing for 131 dogs and 132 cats. The current estimate for building size is 37,250 square feet of interior conditioned space housing all functional areas: medical; separate spaces for dogs, cats, and small animals; separate adoption and surrender entrances, each with private rooms for families; functional space for the foster and volunteer programs; offices for staff; and a flexible training room. The main building will also feature approximately 6,700 square feet of covered exterior spaces for kennels and separate play yards. The plan includes a separate warehouse for food and supply storage, and a barn and paddock for found or surrendered large animals.

The current Opinion of Probable Cost for the Animal Shelter is \$55 million. This cost estimate will be refined and updated throughout the upcoming design process. Please note that this estimate does not include running utilities to the property or making improvements to Junction Road that we anticipate being required by NCDOT. These off-site expenses are estimated to be an additional \$6.5 million. This off-site cost estimate is especially early-stage, as utilities and ground testing are forthcoming and will substantially determine the actual off-site costs. Any utilities run to the site must support all future uses, so it is critical that the Animal Shelter and Fleet Maintenance design teams coordinate utilities planning. County staff are also assessing the feasibility

and cost of running a water line to residences along Junction Road that may have compromised wells.

The Animal Shelter is scheduled to complete construction in 2030.

Please see Attachment 1 for the architect's proposal for Design Services.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with the DCo Forward Strategic Plan Focus

Area of Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment.

Resource Persons: Christy Raulli, Sr Real Estate Officer/Interim Project Manager, and Peri Manns, ASLA, LEED GA, Deputy Director, Engineering and Environmental Services; Jay Gibson, P.E., Director, Engineering & Environmental Services; Stacy Bluth, Interim Executive Director, APS; and Charles Nickelson, AIA, Principal, RND Architects, PA

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Capital Project Amendment no. 27CPA005 appropriating \$6,078,556.00 of Limited Obligation Bond funds to support the creation of a new Animal Shelter capital project (No. 47302635DC169); as well as authorize the County Manager to execute a contract for design services with RND Architects, PA totaling an amount not-to-exceed \$5,578,556.00, pending legal approval.

Attachments:

[RND Architects Design Proposal for the DCo Animal Shelter May 2026](#)

[CPA-05 LEGAL FORM Animal Shelter Design Contract LOBs Funding \(\\$6,078.](#)

26-0364

Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA004 Appropriating \$388,191.84 of Collection System Rehabilitation Fund Fund Balance Increasing the Utilities Administration Building Capital Project (7100SE057) and Authorize the County Manager to Execute an Amendment with Metcon Inc., for the Utilities Administration Building Project Pre-construction Contract for a total not to exceed \$581,031.84.

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to authorize the County manager to Approve Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA004 Appropriating \$388,191.84 of Collection System Rehabilitation Fund fund balance increasing the Utilities Administration Building Capital Project (7100SE057), and authorize an amendment for the pre-construction contract with Metcon to include the additional services for the Utilities Administration building project located at 451 TW Alexander Drive, Durham, NC 27713. This amendment increases the overall cost for pre-construction services including reimbursables expenses by \$388,191.84 to a total amount not-to-exceed \$581,031.84. (See Attachment 1, Page 1).

Utilities Administration Building Capital Project. (7100SE057)

Current Budget: \$1,722,041.42

Project Amendment: \$388,191.84

Revised Budget: \$2,110,233.26

On July 14, 2021, a preconstruction contract in the amount of \$149,500 was awarded to Metcon for pre-construction services. On April 13, 2023, a preconstruction contract amendment in the amount of \$43,240 included pre-construction updates for the current design to meet 20-year programmatic projections as the previous design program was compiled in 2019. Changes in the operation of the Triangle wastewater treatment plant (TWWTP), growth in RTP and other factors are driving the evolution of the design. The scope of the contract included providing new estimates and evaluation of the construction means and methods based on new design development updates. This amendment, for \$388,191.84 includes additional preconstruction services, plus Rock Scanning and site clearing, and Building Information Modeling (BIM) coordination efforts which are necessary to increase efficiency during the construction process.

Funding for this amendment will be available in the Capital Project account pending this approval. It is recommended that the County proceed with all work described in the proposal dated June 25, 2026, in the amount of \$388,191.84.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Sustainable Infrastructure and Environment: Plan for long-term use of County land, facilities and equipment.

Resource Persons: Peri Manns, ASLA, Deputy Director of E, E & S, Brenda Hayes-Bright, Assoc. AIA, CDT, MPM, Project Manager, Jay Gibson, P.E., Director of Engineering, Paul Young, AIA, DTW Architects.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board Approve Capital Project Amendment No.27CPA004 Appropriating \$388,191.84 of Collection System Rehabilitation Fund fund balance increasing the Utilities Administration Building Capital Project (7100SE057) and authorize the County Manager to execute an amendment for the pre-construction contract amendment with Metcon to include additional services for the Utilities Administration building project located at 451 TW Alexander Drive, Durham, NC 27713. This amendment increases the overall cost for pre-construction services including reimbursables expenses by \$388,191.84 to a total amount not-to-exceed \$581,031.84.

Attachments:

[AAF Attachment DCO Utilities Administration Building Letter 06302026](#)

[AAF Supplemental Document - Utility Admin Metcon Precon Contract Amend](#)

[CPA-04 LEGAL FORM Appropriating Enterprise Fund Cap Proj FB Increasing E](#)

26-0366

Approve Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Contract with the Greater Durham Black Chamber of Commerce for Small Business Support Services in

the Amount of \$50,000**Agenda Text:**

The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute the attached contract in the amount of \$50,000 with the Greater Durham Black Chamber of Commerce (GDBCC) for FY 2026-2027 small business support services.

The Scope of Services reflects the responsibilities carried out by the GDBCC and defines outcome metrics that are in alignment with the County's Strategic Plan. This year's Scope reflects strategies to support small businesses through cohort programming and customized technical assistance. Additionally, the Scope of Services outlines reporting to occur between the agencies in fulfillment of the services described within the scope. Funds for this agreement were included as part of the FY 2026-2027 Approved Budget.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Focus Area: Regional Leadership 1c.

Resource Persons: Andrew Miracle, Economic Development Director; Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager of External Affairs.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to execute the attached contract in the amount of \$50,000 with the Greater Durham Black Chamber of Commerce for services that support small business in FY 2026-2027.

Attachments:

[FY27 Contract and Scope of Services - GDBCC](#)

26-0367**Approval of Agreement with Alliance Health in the Amount not to Exceed \$2,364,862 to Manage the Provision of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services (MH/DD/SUS) to Residents of Durham County****Agenda Text:**

The Board is requested to approve a contract with Alliance Health (Alliance) in the amount not to exceed \$2,364,862 to support the provision and management of mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance use services (MH/DD/SUS) for residents of Durham County.

SERVICES: Alliance shall manage the delivery of high quality, cost-effective MH/DD/SUS services to Durham County residents. These services will be provided when other first or third-party payor sources such as Medicaid, Medicare, private pay, insurance, or grant funding are unavailable, denied, exhausted, or when State funding is not allocated by Alliance. Alliance will provide quarterly reports disaggregated by age, gender, race, and ethnicity. These reports will detail service utilization and outcomes resulting from the County's Annual Allocation and will be incorporated into the County's performance measures reporting system.

ANNUAL ALLOCATION: Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 122C-115, the County agrees to allocate and pay Alliance \$2,364,862, referred to as the Annual Allocation. Alliance

may use up to 2% of the Annual Allocation actually expended for services, or 2% of total service dollars during the fiscal year, to cover administrative costs related to fulfilling the terms of this Agreement. The remaining funds shall be used exclusively to provide MH/DD/SUS services to eligible Durham County residents served by Alliance.

Funding to support this contract was included in the FY 2026-27 Budget Ordinance approved on June 12, 2026, by the Board of County Commissioners.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Strategic Plan Goal - Healthy and Inclusive Community

Resource Persons: Robert Robinson, Alliance Health CEO; Kelly Goodfellow, Alliance Health CFO; Joanne F. Pierce, Assistant County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve an agreement with Alliance Health in the Amount not to Exceed \$2,364,862 to Manage the Provision of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services (MH/DD/SUS) to Residents of Durham County

Attachments:

[Durham County-FY27 Funding Agreement \\$2364862 \(7.1.26-6.30.27\) Final](#)

26-0368

Approve and Authorize the Manager to Execute an Amendment to the Real Estate Management Agreement for the Shoppes of Hope Valley Shopping Center, Subject to the Review and Approval of the County Attorney's Office, to Update the Exclusive Agency Listing Agreement

Agenda Text:

Approve and authorize the Manager to execute an Amendment to the Real Estate Management Agreement for the Shoppes of Hope Valley shopping center, subject to the review and approval of the County Attorney's Office, to update the Exclusive Agency Listing Agreement and authorize minor changes to the Amendment prior to execution.

The County purchased Shoppes of Hope Valley in July 2023 in order to locate the Board of Elections. At that time, the County considered using the remainder of the shopping center for County offices while assessing other options for the vacant storefronts and contracted with Trademark Properties for property management services. The County has since determined that it is in the best interest of the shopping center's tenants and the community at large to lease vacant spaces to commercial tenants through the longest current lease term that ends in December 2037. This amendment updates the Exclusive Agency Listing Agreement to allow for commercial leasing commission payments to the County's Broker and Tenants' Brokers in addition to the current agreement's commission schedule for lease renewals.

Please see attachment 1 for the Management Agreement and attachment 2 for the draft updated Agency Agreement.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This Amendment supports Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment Planning for long-term use of County land, facilities, and equipment.

Resource Persons: Christy Raulli, Senior Real Estate Officer; Peri Manns, ASLA, LEED GA, Deputy Director, Engineering and Environmental Services; Jay Gibson, P.E., Director, Engineering and Environmental Services; Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager; Curtis Massey, Deputy County Attorney

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board Approve and authorize the Manager to execute an Amendment to the Real Estate Management Agreement for the Shoppes of Hope Valley shopping center, subject to the review and approval of the County Attorney's Office, to update the Exclusive Agency Listing Agreement and authorize minor changes to the Amendment prior to execution.

Attachments: [Management Agreement for SoHV](#)
[DRAFT Agency Agreement Amendment](#)

26-0369

Approval of Service Contract with Animal Protection Society of Durham, Inc in the Amount of \$1,258,760.

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to approve the FY 2026-27 service contract with the Animal Protection Society of Durham, Inc. (APS) for the operation of the Durham County Animal Shelter, in the amount of \$1,258,760 and authorize the County Manager to execute the contract. This contract includes services such as: (i) caring for, at the shelter, all dogs, cats and other animals impounded by Animal Control and/or delivered to it by members of the general public; (ii) providing necessary veterinary care for animals impounded, housed, or surrendered to the shelter; (iii) maintaining accurate records and providing monthly reports of all animals impounded; (iv) the disposition of all animals; and (v) the amounts collected for boarding, redemption fees, and civil penalties by APS. Funding for the contract is included in the FY 2026-27 budget.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This request aligns with Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All and Goal 3: Safe Community.

Resource Persons: Stacy Bluth, Interim Executive Director, Animal Protection Society of Durham; Mark Manning, Captain of Animal Services, Durham County Sheriff's Office; Clarence Birkhead, Sheriff, Durham County Sheriff's Office.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the service contract with Animal Protection Society of Durham, Inc. for the operations of the Durham County Animal Shelter in the amount of \$1,258,760 and authorize the County Manager to execute the Agreement.

Attachments: [FY27 APS Budget Letter](#)
 [FY27 APS Budget Request](#)
 [inspection](#)
 [SIGNED Animal Protection Society contract template FY27](#)

26-0371 **Approve Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Contract with Downtown Durham, Inc. for Economic Development Services in the Amount of \$200,000**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute the attached contract in the amount of \$200,000 with Downtown Durham, Inc. (DDI) to support downtown economic development services.

The agreement and Scope of Services will continue to seek service delivery that assists in the business recruitment and retention of downtown Durham, strategic planning, and concurrent tax base growth. This Scope of Services reflects current levels of service delivery carried out by Downtown Development, Inc., as well as reflecting responsibilities and metrics that align with the County's Strategic Plan. Funds for this agreement were included as part of the FY 2026-2027 Approved Budget.

This item requires a separate vote. Vice Chair Nida Allam currently sits on DDI's Board of Directors and will need to recuse herself from this vote.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Focus Area: Regional Leadership 1b.

Resource Persons: Andrew Miracle, Economic Development Director; Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager of External Affairs.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to execute the attached contract in the amount of \$200,000 with Downtown Durham, Inc., for services that support economic development in FY 2026-2027.

Attachments: [FY27 Contract - DDI](#)
 [FY27 Scope of Services - DDI](#)

26-0372 **Approve Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Contract with the Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce for Business Recruitment and Expansion Services in the Amount of \$225,000**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute the attached contract in the amount of \$225,000 with the Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce for FY 2026-2027 business recruitment and expansion services.

The Scope of Services reflects the economic development responsibilities carried out by the Chamber and defines outcome metrics that are in alignment with the County's Strategic Plan. This year's Scope reflects program strategies for business recruitment and retention, data collection, marketing, and workforce development. Additionally,

the Scope of Services outlines reporting to occur between the agencies in fulfillment of the services described within the scope. Funds for this agreement were included as part of the FY 2026-2027 Approved Budget.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Focus Area: Regional Leadership 1b.

Resource Persons: Andrew Miracle, Economic Development Director; Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager of External Affairs.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to execute the attached contract with the Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce for services related to business recruitment and expansion in the amount of \$225,000 in FY 2026-2027.

Attachments:

[FY27 Contract - GDCC](#)

[FY27 Scope of Services - GDCC](#)

26-0373

Approval of Grant Agreement with Urban Ministries of Durham in the amount of \$548,681

Agenda Text:

The Board is asked to authorize the County Manager to negotiate and enter into a \$548,681 grant agreement with Urban Ministries of Durham (UMD) for the continued provision of an emergency shelter in Durham for individuals experiencing homelessness. Durham County has played a vital role in Urban Ministries' operations from its inception in 1983, providing substantial annual operating support. The County owns the shelter side of the facility and leases it to UMD for \$1 per year, while maintaining ownership of critical building systems. UMD is Durham's primary, publicly funded shelter for the unhoused. The County recognizes the importance of UMD's non-profit services to the Durham community, as the number of individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness in Durham has almost doubled since 2019.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with Focus Area: Empowered Community, Objective EC3: Support efforts which ensure that Durham residents of all economic backgrounds have access to housing; Initiative EC 3a: Develop strategies to partner with stakeholders and identify funding and resources to reduce housing insecurity. This initiative is one of the County's essential efforts under EC 3a, reflecting the ongoing partnership with Urban Ministries of Durham, a key stakeholder in the ongoing efforts to reduce housing insecurity and homelessness.

Resource Persons: Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager; John Keefer, Director of Organizational Effectiveness; Montana Scott, Management Analyst, Organizational Effectiveness.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to negotiate and enter a FY2026-2027 grant agreement totaling \$548,681 with Urban Ministries of Durham.

Attachments: [Attachment 1 - Scope of Services Form and Budget FY2027](#)
[Risk and Legal Approval 27 UMD Funding](#)
[V.2 UMD Annual Funding Grant Agreement FY2027 7.9.26](#)

26-0374 **Approval of a Durham City-County Interlocal Agreement in the amount of \$75,000 to Fund the University of Pennsylvania Consulting Work on the joint City-County Violence Reduction Plan Framework**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to review and approve the Durham City-County interlocal agreement in the amount of \$75,000 to fund the University of Pennsylvania Crime and Justice Lab consulting work on the joint City-County Violence Reduction Plan Framework. Funding is included in FY 2026-27 budget.

The University of Pennsylvania Crime and Justice Lab will support the City and County of Durham through a six-month analysis and planning project to address community violence. This initial planning phase will lay the foundation for a data-driven, partnership-based, city level strategy to reduce non-fatal shootings and homicides in Durham in the near-term and sustain reductions into the long-term. Specifically working with City and County leadership, the Crime and Justice Policy Lab at the University of Pennsylvania (CJP) will conduct a problem analysis of violence in Durham; assess the relative strength of key local capacities to reduce violence and leverage these findings to inform preliminary design of an effective city-level strategy and related management structure.

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

Resource Persons: Krystal Harris, MSW, Director - Community and Intervention Support Services Department

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve a Durham City-County interlocal agreement in the amount of \$75,000 to fund the University of Pennsylvania Crime and Justice Lab consulting work on the joint City-County Violence Reduction Plan Framework.

Attachments: [City County ILA - Violence Reduction Plan 6.11.26](#)
[CC - Vendor Signed Contracts - Contract 22705 - Contract Type SERVICE Tit](#)

26-0375 **Approve Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Contract with Made in Durham for Workforce Development Services in the Amount of \$250,000**

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute the attached agreement in the amount of \$250,000 with Made in Durham for services that support workforce development programming in FY 2026-2027.

The agreement and Scope of Services will continue to maintain the service delivery

that has assisted in the workforce development efforts to prepare residents for credentialed attainment and employment readiness. This year's Scope has been updated to reflect current levels of service delivery and specified program examples. The attached Scope of Services outlines Made in Durham's responsibilities and metrics that align with the County's Strategic Plan. Funds for this agreement were included as part of the FY 2026-2027 Approved Budget.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Focus Area: Regional Leadership 1a.

Resource Persons: Andrew Miracle, Economic Development Director; Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager of External Affairs.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to execute the attached contract in the amount of \$250,000 with Made in Durham for workforce development services in FY 2026-2027.

Attachments: [FY27 Contract - MID](#)
[FY27 Scope of Services - MID](#)

26-0378

Authorize Execution of Purchase of Goods Contract with Carolina Business Interiors for Furniture for Project Build at Shoppes of Hope Valley in the amount of \$172,119.82 with a Contingency of \$8,606.00 for a Not-to-exceed Total of \$180,725.82

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to execute a contract with Carolina Business Interiors (CBI) for the purchase of furniture for the Project Build at Shoppes of Hope Valley renovation project in the amount \$172,119.82 plus owners contingency of \$8,606.00 and to execute and other related contracts or amendments, if necessary, not to exceed the budget of \$ 180,725.82.

The Project Build renovation at the Shoppes of Hope Valley involves a full buildout of a space not previously occupied by the County, requiring complete interior construction to support the program's operations. As the facility is being established from the ground up, the purchase of new furniture is essential to support workspace layouts, meeting space, and staff operational needs. The proposal from CBI was prepared using NC Statewide Term Contract and OMNIA group purchasing programs as allowed by North Carolina General Statute 143-129(e) and was therefore not subject to a competitive bidding process. In addition to the purchasing agreement-eligible items, the proposal includes several ancillary items that fall outside the cooperative purchasing agreement. These items have been incorporated into the overall package because their individual costs fall below the County's competitive bidding thresholds for goods.

This renovation is in process, and we anticipate a move in date near October 26, 2026. Funding for this contract is available in project budget.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Sustainable Infrastructure & Environment: Plan for long-term use of County land, facilities, and equipment.

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

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve execution of a contract with Carolina Business Interiors (CBI) for the purchase of furniture for the Project Build at Shoppes of Hope Valley renovation project in the amount \$172,119.82 plus owners contingency of \$8,606.00 and to execute and other related contracts or amendments, if necessary, not to exceed the budget of \$ 180,725.82.

Attachments:

[AAF - Supplemental Document](#)

[DUC00018 Project Build Budget REV 06-30-26](#)

[Durham County Project Build Solutions 06-29-26](#)

[OMNIA -Sit On It](#)

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8. Public Hearings (20 min)

[26-0370](#)

Public Hearing to Consider a Performance-Based Award for Project Glass with AbbVie Inc. (20min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to hold a public hearing to consider a performance-based award for Project Glass with AbbVie Inc. ("AbbVie") in a not-to-exceed amount of \$15,450,000 and to authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute a performance agreement for the award. This new manufacturing project will create approximately 734 jobs and invest \$1,295,000,000 over a five-year period at the Parmer Edge site in Durham.

The performance-based award will be funded by the new tax revenue generated by Project Glass; the award pays for itself and the revenue would not exist but for Project Glass. All payments for the project will adhere to the Durham County Business Recruitment & Expansion Policy and will only occur following annual performance verification that the Company has met its job creation, investment, and community partnership commitments. This includes maintaining that property taxes paid annually are at a minimum twice the scheduled payment amount.

This is AbbVie's first major investment in North Carolina. The site was selected for the strength of the region's local workforce and its ability to support future expansion. When completed, this campus will serve as AbbVie's U.S. center of excellence for small volume parenteral (SVP) manufacturing and deliver next-generation medicines to patients in the U.S. and worldwide.

Manufacturing is a priority for Durham County. Approximately 65% of the jobs will be open to those with a high school, 2yr or 4yr degree; approximately 87% of the jobs will be open to those with a 2yr or 4yr degree. Additionally, with approval of this award, the Company has agreed to make good faith efforts to support the local talent pipeline through internships and apprenticeships and to participate in Durham Public Schools Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. The Company also offers robust benefits to its employees, including parental leave, family caregiver leave, and financial reimbursement for expenses related to adoption and surrogacy.

Staff recommend approval of this award. This public hearing has been advertised as required by law.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with focus area Regional Leadership 1b.

Resource Persons: Matthew Filter, Economic Development Manager; Andrew Miracle, Economic Development Director; Maurice Jones, Deputy County Manager External Affairs

County Manager's Recommendation: The Board is requested to hold a public hearing to consider a performance-based award for Project Glass with AbbVie Inc. ("AbbVie") in a not-to-exceed amount of \$15,450,000 and to authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute a performance agreement for the award.

Attachments: [Project Glass - Attachment](#)

9. Board and Commission Appointments (10 min)

26-0382

Board and Commission Appointments (10min)

Agenda Text:

Monica Wallace, Clerk to the Board, will distribute ballots to the Board to make appointments to the following boards:

- Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
- Department of Social Services
- Durham Convention Center Authority
- Durham County Women's Commission
- Library Board of Trustees

The Board of Commissioners recognizes the need to have a representative sample of the citizens of Durham County serve on boards, commissions, committees, and authorities. No citizen may serve more than four consecutive terms for 2-year term boards; three consecutive terms for 3-year term boards; two consecutive terms for 4-year term boards; and one consecutive term for 5 and 6-year term boards in any one position, unless otherwise stated by statute; or there are no other applicants who meet the eligibility requirements. The Equalization and Review Board shall be exempt from these term limits.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item aligns with focus area: High Performing Organization.

Resource Persons: Monica Wallace, Clerk to the Board

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board of County Commissioners vote to appoint members to the aforementioned Boards and Commissions.

Attachments: [B&C Appt Memo - 7.13.2026](#)

10. Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda (20 min)

11. Adjournment