

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

Monday, April 14, 2025

7:00 P.M. Regular Session

**MINUTES**

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

Present: Chair Nida Allam, Vice Chair Dr. Mike Lee and Commissioners Michelle Burton, Wendy Jacobs and Stephen Valentine

Presider: Chair Nida Allam

Zoom Hybrid  
Participants: 5

**Regular Session – 7:00 PM**

**Opening of Regular Session - Pledge of Allegiance**

**Agenda Adjustments**

Commissioner Valentine moved, seconded by Vice Chair Lee to approve the agenda

The motion carried unanimously.

**Announcements**

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

1. **Entries Due Tomorrow for Budget Cover Contest** – Our Budget Department is looking for young Durhamites with a knack for art that want to be featured in this year's Budget Book! Youth Pre-K to 12th grade – design an image that showcases “What Is Your Favorite Park of Durham County?” to be featured on the cover of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Book. Other submissions will be used throughout the book.

Download and print an entry here: <https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:VA6C2:88090524-0240-4232-88b0-a2aaefcbe26d?viewer%21megaVerb=group-discover>. Submit here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BX2YMCN> by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15!

2. **Durham County Government to Observe Good Friday** – Most Durham County Government offices will close on Friday, April 18, in observance of the Good Friday Holiday. All offices will reopen with normal business hours on Monday, April 21. To see impacts to certain services, read here: <https://www.dconc.gov/Home/Components/News/News/10605/>.

3. **North Carolina Emergency Management Experience** – Durham County young women in 9th-12th grades are encouraged by Durham City-County Emergency Management to apply for the North Carolina Emergency Management Experience, a free 5-day public safety career exploration. Running from June 23-27 at the N.C. State Emergency Operations Center in Raleigh, the sessions include field trips, career-building connections, hands-on experience, and more! Apply by April 21 at <https://ncdps.gov/ncem-management-experience>. Questions? Email [EMExperience@ncdps.gov](mailto:EMExperience@ncdps.gov).
4. **Little River Community Complex Fair** – The Little River Community Complex Fair returns to the Durham County Memorial Stadium parking lot through Sunday, April 20. The Fair runs from 5-10 p.m. on weekdays and 1-11 p.m. on the weekend. The mission of the Little River Community Complex in Bahama is to provide recreational, educational, health and social activities for the people of the Little River region and surrounding communities. Admission tickets, food, and ride tickets will be available for purchase at the Stadium, located at 750 Stadium Drive.
5. **In Touch with Durham County Show** – Watch the latest edition of the “In Touch with Durham County Show” from the Public Information Office. The April show features guests County Manager Claudia Hager and Commissioner Michelle Burton! Watch it here: <https://youtu.be/UqvT5B-edvE>.
6. **Become a Bull City Strong Community Health Promoter!** – Are you a health advocate in your community and do you enjoy learning and helping others? Combine your interest working in the African American community and improve health in Durham by joining the 5-week Durham County Community Health Promoter Training. Upon completion of the program, you will receive \$200 and community networking opportunities.

Session will meet on Tuesday and Thursdays; May 20<sup>th</sup> – June 26<sup>th</sup> via zoom from 5:30-7pm. Please contact Edeia Lynch at [elynych@dconc.gov](mailto:elynych@dconc.gov) (919-560-0501) or B. Sult at [bsult@dconc.gov](mailto:bsult@dconc.gov) (919-560-7720) for more information.

#### **Continuous Announcement for Posting Only - Will Not be Read During the Meeting Open**

**Office Hours with Planning Staff** – The Durham City-County Planning Department is updating the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)! The UDO sets the rules for how land is developed in Durham, and we want your input! We will be hosting recurring office hours throughout the project. Drop in with your questions and feedback at the Durham County Main Library (300 N. Roxboro St.) on First Thursdays 3-6 p.m. and Third Thursdays 10 a.m.-1 p.m. through August 2025. Website: [www.engagedurham.com](http://www.engagedurham.com) Contact: [NewUDO@DurhamNC.gov](mailto:NewUDO@DurhamNC.gov).

**Cigna Healthcare has selected Durham County Government as a recipient of their 2024 gold level Healthy Workforce Designation** for demonstrating a strong commitment to improving the health and vitality of its employees through a workplace well-being program.

Vitality is defined as the capacity to pursue life with health, strength and energy. It is both a driver and an outcome of health and work/life engagement, and Cigna Healthcare believes it is not only essential to individuals, but also a catalyst for business and community growth. Research conducted as part of the Evernorth Vitality Index confirms that those with higher vitality experience better mental and physical

health along with higher levels of job satisfaction and performance. An opportunity remains for employers as less than one in five U.S. adults report having high levels of vitality. A workplace well-being program that takes a comprehensive approach to employee health can be critical in boosting vitality and building a workforce that experiences better overall health and job productivity.

The Cigna Healthy Workforce Designation evaluates organizations based on the core components of their well-being program, including leadership and culture, program foundations and execution, policies and accommodations, and additional areas. Organizations recognized with this designation set the standard of excellence for organizational health and vitality. Cigna Healthcare is proud to honor Durham County Government with the gold level designation for having made strong progress towards a healthy work culture by establishing and growing their employee well-being and engagement program.

For more details, visit <https://cignahwd.com/>

## **Minutes**

Commissioner Valentine moved, seconded by Commissioner Burton to approve the March 24, 2025 Regular Session minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

## **Ceremonial Items**

### **25-0145 Proclamation – Fair Housing Month 2025**

Commissioner Jacobs read the following proclamation:

#### **FAIR HOUSING MONTH | 2025**

**WHEREAS,** The Fair Housing Act, enacted on April 11, 1968, enshrined into federal law the goal of eliminating racial segregation and ending housing discrimination in the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing based on race, color, religion, sex, familial status, national origin, and disability, and commits recipients of federal funding to affirmatively further fair housing in their communities; and

**WHEREAS,** Durham County is committed to the mission and intent of Congress to provide fair and equal housing opportunities for all; and

**WHEREAS,** our social fabric, the economy, health, and environment are strengthened in diverse, inclusive communities; and

**WHEREAS,** more than fifty years after the passage of the Fair Housing Act, discrimination persists, and many communities remain segregated; and

**WHEREAS,** acts of housing discrimination and barriers to equal housing opportunity are unacceptable to a common sense of decency and fairness.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** I, Nida Allam, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2025 as

## **“FAIR HOUSING MONTH”**

in Durham County, North Carolina; an inclusive community committed to fair housing, to promoting appropriate activities by private and public entities, and to provide and advocate for equal housing opportunities for all residents and prospective residents of Durham County.

This 14th day of April 2025.

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Nida Allam, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Sharon Sunkel, Co-Chair, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI), Durham Regional Association of REALTORS, Inc. thanked the Board for the proclamation and continued support of the Durham Regional Association of REALTORS, Inc.

The Board thanked Ms. Sharon for promoting fair treatment, access and opportunities for equal housing needs for Durham residents.

### **25-0155 Proclamation – Second Chance Month**

Chair Allam read the following proclamation:

#### **DURHAM COUNTY SECOND CHANCE MONTH | 2025**

- WHEREAS,** Durham County Government and its Board of County Commissioners have been supporting reentry and rehabilitation efforts in Durham County for more than 30 years; and
- WHEREAS,** in 2017 Durham County joined with the Department of Adult Correction to create the Durham Local Reentry Council; and
- WHEREAS,** annually nearly 6,600 individuals cycle through the Durham County Detention Center; and
- WHEREAS,** in 2024 the Department of Adult Correction released 459 individuals from incarceration returning to Durham County; and
- WHEREAS,** North Carolina has joined Reentry 2030, a commitment spearheaded by Governor Roy Cooper’s through Executive Order No. 303 that commits to system changes, learning new innovations and best practices while connecting and collaborating with experts and leaders to transform the reentry system to support reintegration for every person; and
- WHEREAS,** effective reentry programs offer the chance for a better life to those who return from our nation’s corrections facilities; and
- WHEREAS,** it’s up to all of us, working together, to emphasize the importance of these programs and policies that make such a positive and lasting difference, not only to the individuals served, but to the communities in which they return; and
- WHEREAS,** Durham County recognizes that April is Second Chance Month, a time dedicated to recognizing the collateral consequences of a criminal record and advancing efforts that

promote fairness and access to opportunities for people who have been directly impacted by the criminal legal system; and

**WHEREAS,** Durham County Board of County Commissioners joins the effort to highlight the value of local reentry programs and calls upon the community to support their work. The investments we make today through resources we dedicate, and the enthusiasm we generate, will greatly benefit the returning citizens and the overall public safety in Durham County.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nida Allam, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2025 as

### **“SECOND CHANCE MONTH”**

in Durham County and urge all citizens to join in recognizing how important it is to help justice involved individuals positively transition to become law abiding and productive members of society.

This 14th day of April 2025.

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Nida Allam, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Robin Heath, Assistant Director, Justice Services Department (JSD) thanked the Board for recognizing the proclamation and highlighting the importance of Second Chance Month. Ontario Joyner, Local Reentry Council Coordinator, JSD noted that community members could drop off backpacks at the JSD where they would be given to clients transitioning back to society. He added the JSD partnered with the Religious Coalition of a Non-Violent Durham to deliver food boxes provided by Grace Outreach Enrichment Ministries to clients experiencing food insecurity and provided treats for clients and participants by Favor Dessers on Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Joyner stated other programs and activities would take place during the month of April and for more information, please contact the Local Reentry Council at 919-560-0500.

The Board inquired if the Reentry Program worked with clients once they were released or during incarceration. Roshanna Parker, Director, JSD replied the program was designed to work differently based on when a client was ready for services.

The Board thanked Ms. Parker and JSD staff for their commitment to local reentry for Durham residents. The Board asked the Clerk to add the Second Chance Month activities and programs to the announcements.

### **25-0160 Proclamation – Elizabeth Catlett Days in Durham County**

Commissioner Valentine read the following proclamation:

### **ELIZABETH CATLETT DAYS | 2025**

**WHEREAS,** Elizabeth Catlett, a world-famous painter, sculptor, and printmaker, was born on April 15, 1915 in Washington, DC; and

**WHEREAS,** after graduating from Howard University in 1935, Elizabeth Catlett took a teaching position in Durham, NC, which was her mother’s hometown; and

**WHEREAS,** Catlett taught art at Hillside High School and at several of Durham’s elementary schools for three academic years; and

**WHEREAS,** Catlett’s innate sense of fairness caused her to criticize the system of lower pay for black teachers and advocate for salary equalization; and

**WHEREAS,** even with the assistance of Thurgood Marshall, the NAACP, and the recently formed Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, Catlett was unsuccessful in equalizing teacher wages in Durham. However, perhaps Catlett’s consultations with Thurgood Marshall may have played a role in Marshall’s equal pay victory in the landmark 4th Circuit case of *Alston v School Board of Norfolk, Va* in 1940; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1938, Elizabeth Catlett moved from her teaching post in Durham and entered graduate school at the University of Iowa and the direct tutelage from the artist, Grant Wood; and

**WHEREAS,** the National Gallery of Art is currently hosting a major exhibit of Catlett’s work in Washington, DC.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Nida Allam, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 7 – 15, 2025, as

**“ELIZABETH CATLETT DAYS”**

in Durham, North Carolina. This 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025.

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Nida Allam, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Eddie Davis, former Durham County City Council Member, Retired Teacher and Community Member stated Ms. Catlett’s artwork was in a major exhibit at the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. after a showing at the Brooklyn Museum. He added the recognition highlighted Ms. Catlett’s impact on the arts and the importance of her contributions to social justice.

The Board thanked Mr. Davis for bringing the proclamation to the Board and educating Durham residents about Ms. Catlett. The Board reminded residents of the rich cultural heritage that continued to shape the Durham community.

**25-0161 Proclamation – Black Maternal Health Week**

Commissioner Burton read the following proclamation:

**BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK | 2025**

**WHEREAS,** Black women nationwide, regardless of income or education level, are three to four times more likely to die from preventable pregnancy-related complications, and Black infants are two to three times more likely to die during their first year of life; and

**WHEREAS,** the maternal mortality rate in North Carolina doubled between 2019 and 2021, exacerbated by the global pandemic, while NC maintains the 11th highest maternal mortality rate in the country; and

**WHEREAS,** 39% of Black women in North Carolina receive late or no prenatal care, compared to only 24% of white women, meaning they are less likely to be diagnosed and treated for pregnancy-related complications such as diabetes, high blood pressure, and fetal conditions; and

**WHEREAS,** as many as 50% of Black women experiencing maternal mental health disorder symptoms fail to receive adequate help; and

**WHEREAS,** 1 in 5 babies in North Carolina are birthed to Black women, so this issue is consequential for our entire community; and

**WHEREAS,** Black Maternal Health Week was founded by the Black Mamas Matter Alliance to increase awareness around the state of Black Maternal Health and promote activism and investment in solutions; and

**WHEREAS,** research demonstrates that the services of diverse birth workers, health advocates, community organizations, and healthcare providers are a crucial component of eliminating disparities, enhancing Black maternal safety and improving birth and health outcomes; and

**WHEREAS,** we recognize and uplift community-based responses to addressing this crisis and we promote initiatives that reduce Black maternal morbidity and mortality such as doula services, midwifery services, peer support, mutual aid and mental wellness support; and

**WHEREAS,** Black women deserve to have beautiful pregnancy and birth experiences with access to care of their choice through being empowered and resourced to make informed decisions based on their needs; and

**WHEREAS,** we acknowledge the urgency in addressing the Black maternal health crisis in Durham County and across North Carolina.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nida Allam, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 11 – 17, 2025, as

**“BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK”**

Durham, North Carolina.

This 14th day of April 2025.

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Nida Allam, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Chair Allam stated Black Maternal Health increased awareness was vital for the Durham community. The Board thanked Aida Anderson, Duke Student and Durham Community Member for bringing the proclamation to the Board.

Commissioner Jacobs asked County Manager Hager to provide the Board with data trends from the Public Health Department about Black Maternal Health.

**Directive: Commissioner Jacobs asked County Manager Hager to provide the Board with data trends from the Public Health Department about Black Maternal Health.**

**25-0162 Proclamation – Lineworker Appreciation Day**

Vice Chair Lee read the following proclamation:

**LINEWORKER APPRECIATION DAY | 2025**

**WHEREAS,** the profession of Duke Energy linemen is steeped in personal, family, and professional tradition; and

**WHEREAS,** Duke Energy linemen are often first responders during storms and other catastrophic events, working to make the scene safe for other public safety officials; and

**WHEREAS,** these brave men and women work with thousands of volts of electricity high atop power lines 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to keep electricity flowing; and

**WHEREAS,** Duke Energy linemen must often work under dangerous conditions far from their families to construct and maintain energy infrastructure throughout the State of North Carolina and the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** Durham County thanks our heroic lineman who supported restoration in Western North Carolina last year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Nida Allam, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 18, 2025, as

**“LINEWORKER APPRECIATION DAY”**

in Durham County, North Carolina.

This 14th day of April 2025.

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Nida Allam, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

The Board thanked Ray Trapp, District Manager, Government and Community Relations, Duke Energy for the proclamation and highlighting lineworkers. The Board stated there was a spiking demand for linemen due to retirements, decreasing enrollment in technical and vocational trades and increased transmission and projects. The Board suggested Duke Energy work with the Justice Services Department on reentry clients being employed as linemen.

**25-0185 Proclamation – Arab American Heritage Month**

Chair Allam read the following proclamation:

**NATIONAL ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH | 2025**



**WHEREAS,** for over a century, Arab Americans have been making valuable contributions to virtually every aspect of our community in the United States: in medicine, law, business, education, technology, government, military service, culture; and

**WHEREAS,** since migrating to the United States and Durham County, men and women of Arab descent have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, while also setting examples of model citizens and public servants; and

**WHEREAS,** they brought with them to the United States and Durham County their resilient family values, strong work ethic, dedication to education, and diversity in faith and creed that have added strength to our democracy; and

**WHEREAS,** Arab Americans have also enriched our society by sharing in the entrepreneurial spirit that makes our nation and our county free and prosperous; and

**WHEREAS,** the celebration of Arab American ancestry and cultural heritage educates our fellow residents and counters misconceptions, harmful stereotyping, and shared experiences by other ethnic groups, and

**WHEREAS,** they join all residents in the United States and Durham County in the desire to see a peaceful and diverse society, where every individual is treated equally and feels safe; and

**WHEREAS,** the incredible contributions and heritage of Arab Americans have helped us build a better nation and county.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nida Allam, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim March 2025 as

**“ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH”**

in Durham County, North Carolina, and call upon all citizens to observe and celebrate the successes of Arab American and to mark this month with appropriate observances honoring the contributions and endless possibilities of Arab Americans everywhere.

This 14th day of April 2025.

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Nida Allam, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Cassandra Kiger, Manager, Equitable Well-Being, thanked the Board for recognizing the proclamation and highlighted the importance of bringing the community together with diversity.

The Board thanked Ms. Kiger and the Equitable Well-Being Department for the continued celebration of all in the Durham community. The Board stated the proclamation was important for green card holders and naturalized citizens were subject to being revoked and deported.

**25-0191 Proclamation – National Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation 2025**

Commissioner Valentine read the following proclamation:

## CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH | 2025

- WHEREAS,** children are our state’s most vulnerable members as well as our state’s most valuable resources, helping to shape the future of North Carolina; and
- WHEREAS,** positive childhood experiences (PCEs)—like loving caregivers and safe, stable, and nurturing relationships—can help mitigate trauma and the negative impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) to promote the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of children; and
- WHEREAS,** childhood trauma can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects throughout an individual’s lifetime and impact future generations of their family; and
- WHEREAS,** childhood trauma, including abuse and neglect, is a serious problem affecting every community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and
- WHEREAS,** children who live in families with access to concrete economic and social supports are less likely to experience abuse and neglect; and
- WHEREAS,** nurture positive childhoods and preventing child maltreatment is possible because of the partnerships created between families, prevention advocates, child welfare professionals, education, health, community, and faith-based organizations, businesses, law enforcement agencies, and local, state, and national governments; and
- WHEREAS,** we acknowledge that in order to solve the public health issue of abuse and neglect we must work together to change hearts and mindsets through storytelling and sharing, center the needs of families, break down bias and barriers, and inspire action from expected and unexpected partners; and
- WHEREAS,** we are committed to advancing equitable, responsive, and effective systems that ensure all children and families are healthy and thriving; and
- WHEREAS,** we recognize the need to prioritize kids and invest in more prevention initiatives like home visiting and family-strengthening policies, economic supports, and community-based child abuse prevention programs at the national, state, and local levels; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nida Allam, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2025 as

### “CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH”

Durham, North Carolina and urge all citizens to recognize this month by building a narrative of hope for children and families through collaboration and the creation of an ecosystem of primary prevention that does not currently exist in this country.

This 14th day of April 2025.

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Nida Allam, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Maggie Clapp, Director, Department of Social Services (DSS), thanked staff for being out in the field to ensure children and families were safe in the Durham community. LaVelle Chesney, Program Manager, Child Protective Services shared details about the month's activities that included a kickoff ceremony with a symbolic walk and the planting of pinwheels, a national wear blue day, and a lunch and learn session focused on collaboration with community partners. He added the month would conclude with a Family Pledge Day, encouraging community members to commit to child safety, and a day of service at Urban Ministries to support families in need.

The Board thanked Ms. Clapp and the DSS staff for their difficult and important work in the community. The Board stated social work was a special calling and protecting children was vital.

### **Consent Agenda**

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

Commissioner Jacobs requested to pull Items 25-0143, 25-0146 and 25-0167. Commissioner Jacobs highlighted Items 25-0183, 25-0186 and 25-0187.

Commissioner Allam requested to comment on Items 25-0074 and 25-0163.

- Item 25-0074 – Chair Allam asked if the Joint City and County Crisis Communication Plan would replace Alert Durham. Nate Sanders, Deputy Chief, Office of Emergency Services stated the Joint City and Crisis Communication Plan would not replace Alert Durham. Deborah Craig-Ray, Chief Communications Officer added the County and City worked together for two years on the project to establish a Joint City-County communications strategy to notify the public during emergencies, disasters and crisis events.
- Item 25-0163 – Chair Allam asked for conversations with the City and County Transportation Departments to offer more transit options, including a bus stop to provide access to the Durham County Stadium. County Manager Hager responded she would follow up with the City and County Transportation Departments.

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

Commissioner Burton moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda except Items 25-0143, 25-0146 and 25-0167.

The motion carried unanimously.

25-0074 Award of Contract with Innovative Emergency Management (IEM) in the Amount of \$99,853 for the Joint City and County Crisis Communications Plan

25-0103 Approval of Updated Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Durham Public Schools (DPS) for Shelter Sites

25-1108 Approval of the Contract to Install a Partial Roof Replacement at Durham County Southwest Library Using Capital Funds Set Aside for the Purpose of Roofing Life Cycle Replacement in the Amount

of \$71,000

24-0114 Approve Lease Agreement Between Bakers Dozen LLC and Durham County at Shoppes at Hope Valley for a 10-year term, with an Annual Lease Amount of \$30,250 and Annual Common Area Maintenance in the Amount of \$4,875, with Other Terms as Noted in the Attached Lease Agreement

25-0123 Authorization to Enter into a Contract with Siemen's Industry for the Replacement of Fire Alarm Systems at Six Durham County Facilities: Community Shelter- 412 Liberty St, Fire & Rescue Station 82- 1724 S Miami Blvd, Fire & Rescue Station 85- 4200 Farrington Rd, East Regional Library- 211 Lick Creek Ln, EMS #6- 226 Milton Rd, and North Regional Library- 221 Milton Rd. in the Amount of \$335,149.00

25-0138 Approval of Contract Amendment for Sanford Electrical Contractors, LLC, for Electrical Services in the Amount of \$19,504.97 Bringing the Total Amount to \$139,504.97

25-0144 Approval of Sole Source Exemption for Utilities Division Purchase of Reclaimed Water System Compressor in the Amount of \$23,409.11

\*25-0150 Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.25CPA037 Transferring \$381,996 of PAYGO Funding in the 300 Block Rolling Door Capital Project (4190DC088) to the Ongoing HVAC Replacement Capital Project (4190DC076) to Cover Unanticipated Equipment Replacement Costs

25-0153 Authorize the County Manager to execute a Standard Non-Reimbursable Utility Agreement and any other required documents for the Relocation and Upsizing of a Durham County Lift Station and Related Appurtenances for Lumley Road Multifamily

25-0154 Approve and Authorize the Manager to Sign the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the County of Durham and City of Durham for the Purchase and Storage of Sodium Chloride (salt)

25-0156 Upgrade BAS Building Automation System with Schneider Electric for the HHS and Courthouse Buildings for the amount of \$774,045.00

25-0163 Approval of Easement Deed to City of Durham for a Sidewalk Easement at 750 Stadium Drive

25-0180 Approval of Contract Amendment with Brame Specialty Company in the amount of \$100,000 for the Durham County Detention Center

25-0181 Authorize the County Manager to Execute an Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Durham Governing the Development of a New Durham Cultural Roadmap by the Durham Cultural Advisory Board

25-0183 Approve Acceptance of Impervious Surface Conservation Easement (19.302 acres, a portion of REID 237256 at 2421 Stagville Road) for Permanent Open Space

25-0186 Approval of Subaward Agreement to Central Pines Regional Council in the Amount of \$142,799 to Implement the Client Intake Process and Manage Contractors Conducting Low-Income Residential Energy Efficiency Improvements and Minor Home Repair Associated with the Energy Burden and Emissions Reduction Program

25-0187 Authorize the County Manager to execute a Subaward Agreement with the North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association for \$49,820 to Provide Program Design and Support for the Energy Burden and Emissions Reduction Program

\*25-0197 Approval of Capital Project Amendment No.25CPA039 Reallocating 2022 General Obligation Bond Funds Reducing the Durham Technical Community College (DTCC) Land Purchase Capital Project (5920CC022) Budget by \$390,000, Increasing the DTCC Campus Police Renovation Capital Project (5920CC023) Budget by \$90,000, and Increasing the New DTCC Conduit and Cabling Capital Project (5920CC026) Budget by \$300,000 to Fund Unanticipated Cost Increases

Consent Agenda Item #25-0150

**Durham County, North Carolina  
FY 2023-2024 Capital Project  
Amendment Number 25CPA-37**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:

That the FY 2024-25 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Project #	Project Name	Current Budget	Increase / Decrease	Updated Budget
41904200DC076	Ongoing HVAC Replacement Project	\$6,087,977.00	\$381,996.00	\$6,469,973.00
41904200DC088	300 Block Rolling Door Project	\$381,996.00	(\$381,996.00)	\$0.00

All capital projects in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 14, 2025

Consent Agenda Item #25-0197

**Durham County, North Carolina  
FY 2023-2024 Capital Project  
Amendment Number 25CPA-39**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:

That the FY 2024-25 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Project #	Project Name	Current Budget	Increase / Decrease	Updated Budget
59205300CC022	DTCC Land Purchase Project	\$3,200,000.00	(390,000.00)	\$2,810,000.00
59205300CC023	DTCC Campus Police Office Renovation (Bacon Street)	\$300,000.00	\$90,000.00	\$390,000.00
59205300CC026	DTCC Conduit and Cabling Project	\$0.00	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00

All capital projects in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 14, 2025

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## Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda

### **25-0143 Execution of a Contract with Summit Design & Engineering Services, Inc. for Construction Materials Testing (CMT) and Special Inspections for the New Durham County Sheriff's Training Facility in the amount of \$128,550 plus ten percent (10%) contingency in the amount of \$12,855 for a total contract not to exceed \$141,405**

Commissioner Jacobs stated she pulled the item to vote no.

Vice Chair Dr. Lee moved, seconded by Commissioner Valentine to approve Consent Agenda Item 25-0143.

Ayes: Commissioner Burton, Vice Chair Dr. Lee, Commissioner Valentine  
Nayes: Chair Allam and Commissioner Jacobs

The motion carried.

### **25-0146 Authorization of an Amendment to Design Contract with RND Architects, PA for Design Development and Construction Administration Services Related to the Durham County Sheriff's Training Facility (Project No. 4310DC091) in the Amount of \$186,000, plus approval of a 5% design contingency in the amount of \$47,425 for a Total Revised Contract Amount not to exceed \$995,925**

Commissioner Jacobs stated she pulled the item to vote no.

Vice Chair Dr. Lee moved, seconded by Commissioner Valentine to approve Consent Agenda Item 25-0143.

Ayes: Commissioner Burton, Vice Chair Dr. Lee, Commissioner Valentine  
Nayes: Chair Allam and Commissioner Jacobs

The motion carried.

### **\*25-0167 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 25BCC086 - Appropriate General Fund Fund Balance Totaling \$452,437.63 to Increase Expenditure Authority for the Sheriff's Office Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) grant and to Classify These Funds as Restricted**

Commissioner Jacobs stated she emailed the Sheriff's Office questions about the MAT Program earlier in the day about clarification on the total amount of grant funding spent from 2023. County Manager Hager replied the item was discussed at the April 7<sup>th</sup> Work Session and the item required a technical adjustment to carry forward the grant funding and asked the Board to appropriate the funding.

Clarence Birkhead, Durham County Sheriff stated he was waiting for the funds to be allocated from the general fund to the Sheriff's Department. He added the Sheriff's department developed a plan to expend the remaining funds and requested the authority to spend the funding.

Keisha Lovelace, Legal Advisor for the Sheriff's Office stated the first step to expanding the MAT Program was to hire a Medical Director. Commissioner Jacobs stated funding was allocated from the

Opioid Settlement for the Medical Director. Ms. Lovelace replied yes; adding the plan was for the Medical Director to assist with the planning of the expansion of the MAT Program. Commissioner Jacobs inquired about using Vivitrol for alcoholism with the MAT Program. Ms. Lovelace responded that Vivitrol was approved to fund treatment for alcoholism; however, the State allowed funding to be spent on all approved medications for MAT Programs. Commissioner Jacobs asked how many people could be served by expanding the MAT Program. Ms. Lovelace replied the department was looking to expand the MAT Program versus only expanding the number of people serviced.

Commissioner Burton asked if grant funding went to the County first or directly to the department that applied for the grant. County Manager Hager replied that procedurally the funding would come to the County and then the department would provide a plan to spend the funding. Commissioner Valentine inquired about the time for grant funding to reach a department. County Manager Hager replied she would review the procedures and consistency with handling grant funding.

Vice Chair Dr. Lee moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to approve Consent Agenda Item 25-0167.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda Item #25-0167

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2024-2025 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 25BCC086**

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

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>			
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>			
Public Safety	\$92,103,731.10	\$452,437.63	\$92,556,168.73
<b><u>Revenue</u></b>			
Other Financing Services	\$55,682,417.52	\$452,437.63	\$56,134,855.15

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

Approved April 14, 2025

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**Closed Session**

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

- The Board was requested to adjourn into Closed Session to establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease; or (ii) the amount of

compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract; pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5).

Vice Chair Dr. Lee moved, seconded by Commissioner Burton to adjourn into the Closed Session.

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Reconvene to Open Session**

Commissioner Valentine moved, seconded by Commissioner Burton for the Board to authorize acquisition of easements for Slater Road, Page Park, and Chin Page Road, to negotiate final costs, and to authorize the County Manager to execute purchase agreements and all documents required to consummate the acquisitions.

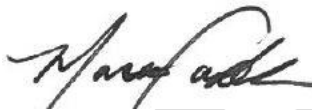
The motion carried unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Burton moved, seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Lee, to adjourn the Regular Session meeting at 9:00 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Macio Carlton  
Deputy Clerk to the Board