Agenda Action Form Overview

Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. ### Recognizing \$10,000 from the COVID-19 Relief Grant to the Durham County Solid Waste Division.

Background/Justification

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. ### recognizing \$10,000 from the COVID-19 Relief Grant to the Durham County Solid Waste Division. The COVID-19 Relief Grant, made available by the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, provides funding to local governments to support residential recycling programs that have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The County will use the money to purchase additional Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Staff, update signs and brochures to include Covid-19 related changes, and purchase a limited number of small recycling bins to encourage participation in the "glass on the side" recycling program. The optional "glass on the side" program was implemented as a way to help reduce the overall costs of commingled recycling, thereby reducing the solid waste fee increase in the time of the pandemic. The County will provide a \$2,000 cash match.

Policy Impact

There is no impact to current policy.

Procurement Background

On September 22, 2020, Solid waste staff submitted the application to receive funds from the COVID-19 Relief Grant. On September 25, 2020, we were notified of the award.

Fiscal Impact

The Solid Waste Division will provide \$2,000 in matching funds in order to receive the \$10,000 award. These funds will be taken from the current operating budget.

Recommendation

The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. ## recognizing \$10,000 from the COVID-19 Relief Grant to the Durham County Solid Waste Division.