



## Legislation Text

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**Item:**

**Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Community use of Renovated WG Pearson Building**

**Date Of BOCC Meeting:** June 25, 2018

**Request For Board Action:**

The Board is requested to approve the attached MOU and authorize the manager to execute it and append it to the Public Private Partnership agreement for renovation and use of the old WG Pearson building.

The Board of County Commissioners contributed \$4.25 million towards the nearly \$11 million purchase and renovation costs for the old WG Pearson building to receive new life as the headquarters of Student U. Part of the Public Private Partnership (PPP) agreement stipulated that an MOU describing public / community use of certain parts of the building at certain times. Student U has provided periodic updates on their community engagement process and the progression of their own thinking on this question. The proposed MOU represents the culmination of that thinking and is proposed as a legal addendum to the PPP.

Student U agrees through this MOU to provide regular updates on their program metrics as well as community use of this facility, starting in early 2019.

**Alignment With Strategic Plan:** Strong support services for Durham students are strongly aligned with Goal 1: Community Empowerment and Enrichment, but also support and are supported by objectives in multiple other goal areas of the County Strategic Plan.

**Resource Persons:** Drew Cummings, Chief of Staff

**County Manager's Recommendation:** The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the attached MOU and authorize the manager to execute it and append it to the Public Private Partnership agreement for renovation and use of the old WG Pearson building.

County Manager: \_\_\_\_\_