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<u>**Item:**</u>
Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 19BCC000055 - Approval of Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Grant reimbursement from the State of North Carolina, Department of Public Safety

<u>**Date of BOCC Meeting:**</u> **May 13, 2019**

<u>**Request for Board Action:**</u>
The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 19BCC000055 approving the 2018 LEPC Grant and recognizing $948.09 in additional revenue, as well as reducing General Fund-Fund Balance appropriation by $948.09. The 2018 LEPC Grant reimburses the County for items and materials used to support LEPC meetings such as printing supplies, handouts, marketing material, or food/beverage meeting support.

The Durham County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) is identified as an active LEPC in North Carolina and has a vital role in coordinating information on chemical storage, emergency planning, and chemical spill response. Coordination is accomplished through effective partnerships between our Emergency Management Division staff, emergency responders, and business and industry that use and store hazardous substances.

The LEPC Grant is a federally funded program that is passed through the State of North Carolina Emergency Management (NCEM). NCEM provides up to $1,000 annually to active LEPCs across the state to support their planning and preparedness activities. Since this is a reimbursement of expenditures already expended, the General Fund-Fund Balance appropriation is being reduced in order to maintain a balanced budget.

<u>**Alignment with Strategic Plan:**</u> County's Strategic Goal 3: Safe Community

<u>**Resource Persons:**</u> Jim Groves EM/FM Director.

<u>**County Manager's Recommendation:**</u>
The County Manager recommends that the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 19BCC000055 approving the 2018 LEPC Grant, and recognizing $948.09 in additional revenue, as well as reducing General Fund-Fund Balance appropriation by $948.09.

County Manager: _____