



Durham County

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Meeting Agenda Board of County Commissioners

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Monday, June 1, 2015

9:00 AM

Commissioners' Chambers

Workession

"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 Chairman will ask the offending person to leave the meeting until that individual regains personal control. Should decorum fail to be restored, the Chairman will recess the meeting until such time that a genuine commitment to the public charge is observed.

As a courtesy to others, please turn off cell phones during the meeting.

9:00 am Worksession Agenda

1. Discussion Items:

[15-244](#) Citizen Comments (30 min)

Agenda Text:

The Board of County Commissioners will provide a 30-minute comment period at the beginning of its Worksession meeting on the first Monday of each month. Any citizen 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 must sign in prior to the start of the meeting providing a mail/email address and telephone number so that staff may reply to comments and/or questions. Citizens who request an immediate response from the Board are encouraged to submit a brief description of the issue to the Clerk to the Board two weeks prior to the Worksession to allow an opportunity for research prior to the meeting. **All speakers shall have three minutes to speak and are requested to refrain from addressing issues related to personnel matters.**

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: Citizen 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: V. Michelle Parker-Evans, County Clerk to the Board

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive citizen comments and direct staff to respond, as deemed appropriate.

[15-474](#)

Joint Statement in Support of Affordable Housing in Downtown Durham (10 min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to receive a joint statement from First Presbyterian Church and St. Philip's Episcopal Church in support of a public-private partnership to expand housing and retail opportunities downtown as well as addressing the county's need for additional parking. The two churches have passed this resolution offering support for the idea of moving ahead with that approach now and using the parking lot between the two churches as the location.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: Affordable housing aligns with Goals 1 (Community and Family Prosperity and Enrichment) and 3 (Safe and Security Community).

RESOURCE PERSONS: Jim Svava, Durham CAN

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the presentation and direct staff as appropriate.

Attachments:

[Joint Statement Parking Deck St Ph and 1st P-Final2.pdf](#)

[15-472](#)

Removal of Citizen Board Members Due to Poor Attendance (5 min)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to remove the following individuals from their respective boards in keeping with the Attendance Policy approved by the Board of County Commissioners in August, 2014. "If an appointee has absences (excused or unexcused) which constitute more than 50% of the meetings in any calendar year or three (3) consecutive unexcused absences or five (5) consecutive excused absences in any calendar year, he or she is obligated to resign."

Kendall Alford-Madden - Adult Home Care Community Advisory Committee

Alicia Butler - Farmland Protection Advisory Board

Cynthia Fisher-Richardson - Durham Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

The Clerk's Office was notified by the respective Boards of the absences and has attempted to contact each of the board members. There has been no

response.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: When citizens are engaged and partners on our boards and Commissions, the vision of our Strategic Plan is achieved—a thriving, vibrant, diverse community with abundant opportunity for all residents to live, work, learn, play and grow.

RESOURCE PERSONS: V. Michelle Parker-Evans, County Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board suspend the rules and take action to remove the above listed individuals from their respective boards to due poor attendance.

Attachments: [Alicia Butler-Farmland Protection Advisory Board.doc](#)
[Kendall Alford-Madden--Adult Care Community.doc](#)
[Cynthia Fisher-Richardson--Bicycle & Pedestrian.pdf](#)
[D. Artemas Holden-Open Space & Trails.pdf](#)

[15-401](#)

Annual Reports for the Durham County Adult Care Home (10 min presentation) and Nursing Home Community Advisory Committees (10 min presentation)

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to receive the Annual Reports for the Durham County Adult Care Home and Nursing Home Community Advisory Committees.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: (brief statement and relevant goal)

RESOURCE PERSONS: Carmelita Karhoff, Ombudsman

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the Annual Reports and direct staff as appropriate.

Attachments: [DC Adult Care CAC 2014 Annual Report.pdf](#)
[DC Nursing Home CAC Annual Report 2014.docx](#)

[15-475](#)

C.C. Spaulding Elementary School Student Council Visit (10 min)

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to welcome the C.C. Spaulding Elementary School Student Council as they visit to learn more about the decision-making body for Durham County Government. The BOCC is also requested to entertain questions from the group regarding local government processes and procedures.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: Goal 5: Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government. The visit from C.C. Spaulding's Student Council, Durham County is displaying its commitment to the pursuit of excellence

through: collaborative leadership, exceptional customer service, innovation, transparency and fiscal responsibility.

RESOURCE PERSONS: Michael Page, Chairman of the Durham BOCC; Dawn Dudley, Sr. Public Information Specialist; and Sharon Torian, Counselor at C.C. Spaulding Elementary School

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board welcome the C.C. Spaulding Elementary School Student Council.

[15-404](#)

Presentation on Project BUILD Gang Prevention and Intervention Program (10 min presentation)

Agenda Text:

The BOCC is requested to receive a report on the Project BUILD Gang Prevention and Intervention Program.

Project BUILD is a gang prevention and intervention program that is a collaborative effort between Durham County and the City of Durham. The program, implemented in 2009, is projected to serve over 140 individuals between the ages of 12-22 during this fiscal year. The report will include information on the evidence-based model being used by Project BUILD, current funding sources, service enhancements that have been implemented over the last 12 months and other program details. A proposed outcome evaluation plan developed by a team from the Sanford School of Public Policy at Duke University and some preliminary client outcomes will also be presented. The presentation will show how the program fits into Durham County's strategic goals and planned activities that include the Mayor's Poverty Initiative, My Brother's Keeper, and the City of Durham's participation in technical assistance to address gun violence that is being provided by the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: This program aligns with Goal 1: Community and Family Prosperity and Enrichment; Goal 3: Safe and Secure Community; and Goal 5: Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government. Project BUILD assists disconnected and high risk youth and young adults with reconnecting to and succeeding in education as well as preparing for and obtaining employment. Project BUILD is focused on preventing gang-related violence by providing intensive services to individuals at high risk of involvement in a gang-related crime. Project BUILD programming is innovative, comprehensive, holistic, and cost effective.

RESOURCE PERSONS: Michelle Young, Director, Project BUILD

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the board receive the report on the Project BUILD Gang Prevention and Intervention Program.

Attachments: [Project BUILD Overview3](#)

[15-451](#)

Policy Discussion for Unified Development Ordinance Text Amendment, New Zoning District Request (TC1400006) (30 min presentation)

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to receive the staff report and provide staff with policy guidance towards drafting the regulations for the proposed zoning district. No public hearing is required at this time.

Staff is requesting policy direction regarding aspects of a proposal for a new zoning district requested by the Research Triangle Foundation. Text amendment TC1400006 is an application to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for the creation of a new zoning district to accommodate a mix of uses adjacent to properties zoned Science Research Park (SRP). The proposed name is Science Research Park-Center (SRP-C). The latest version of the specific text amendment application is found in Attachment A.

Attachments: Attachment A: SRP-C Application (second submittal) submitted by Research Triangle Foundation.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: The text amendment emphasizes Goal 1 regarding fair and reasonable regulations for the citizens and business community of Durham while adhering to Goal 5 by maintaining a transparent government and welcoming public input.

RESOURCE PERSONS: Michael Stock, AICP, Senior Planner, and Steven L. Medlin, AICP, City-County Planning Director

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the report regarding the proposed Unified Development Ordinance text amendment and provide any applicable policy guidance.

Attachments: [BOC_WS6-1-15Memo TC1400006_final.pdf](#)

[Attachment A TC1400006_application_secondsubmittal.pdf](#)

15-473

Discussion of Joint City-County Economic Development Strategic Plan

Agenda Text:

The Board is requested to receive a follow up presentation on the Joint City-County Economic Development Strategic Plan and consider adopting the plan at its next regular meeting.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: This project aligns with Goal 1: Community and Family Prosperity and Enrichment by supporting economic development, and Goal 5: Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government by aligning efforts with Durham City for efficient management of resources.

RESOURCE PERSONS: Marqueta Welton, Deputy County Manager; Drew

Cummings, Assistant County Manager.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the follow up presentation on the Joint City-County Economic Development Strategic Plan and consider adopting the plan at its June 8, 2015 meeting.

Attachments: Economic Development Strategic Plan.pdf

15-467 Further Discussion of Sidewalks and Pedestrian Connectivity in the County

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to receive this information, discuss and, if appropriate, direct staff to take further action.

The Commissioners held Worksession discussions of a variety of related sidewalk and pedestrian safety issues at their February, March, and April Worksessions. Then, later in April, Commissioners approved a limited new sidewalk policy, authorized the manager to enter into a maintenance agreement with NCDOT for a particular stretch of new sidewalk, and approved a set of additional action steps.

These steps included scheduling a time to receive additional information on the City's sidewalk program, requesting the development of a draft County Payment-in-Lieu Program, investigate partnerships or other legal mechanisms by which the County could cause additional sidewalk to be constructed and/or maintained, and to consider funding for an expansion of the DurhamWalks! Plan to include public schools (and surrounding areas) outside the City limits.

The presentation provided today addresses all of the above action steps.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: Increasing and improving alternative transportation options is a goal clearly stated the County Strategic Plan (Goal 4), improves community safety (Goal 3), and also specifically aligns with the joint City-County Economic Development Strategic Plan (Strategic Focus Areas 1 and 3).

RESOURCE PERSONS: Drew Cummings, Assistant County Manager

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive this information, discuss and, if appropriate, direct staff to take further action.

Attachments: Sidewalks in the County.pptx

2. Closed Session (30 min)

[15-455](#) Closed Session

Agenda Text: The Board is requested to adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of a business or industry.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN: This discussion aligns with Goal 1: Community and Family Prosperity and Enrichment.

RESOURCE PERSONS: Marqueta Welton, Deputy County Manager

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: The County Manager recommends that the Board adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of a business or industry.

3. Adjournment