

REVISED

Additions (Item Nos. 3a and 7)

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

Monday, November 5, 2007

9:00 A.M. Worksession

AGENDA

1. **Citizen Comments**

10 min.

Mr. John Monroe and Ms. Kathryn Spann wish to speak to their concerns regarding the possible site of the Government's Level 4 laboratory in Butner, NC, just a few miles from Durham County.

2. **Progress Report from the Durham Affordable Housing Coalition (DAHC) on the Implementation of Durham's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness & Review of the Agreement between Triangle United Way and DAHC for Implementation of the Plan for the Period of September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.**

20 min.

In October 2006, a Memorandum of Agreement was entered into by the City of Durham, the County of Durham, and Triangle United Way for the implementation of the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness. As stated in the Agreement, United Way entered into a contract with an implementing agency, the Durham Affordable Housing Coalition, selected through a competitive RFP process to meet the measurable and time-bound deliverables of the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness. Triangle United Way serves as a pass-through for funding from the County and City, and then to the DAHC, which monitors their progress. The initial contract period was for March 1, 2007 through August 31, 2007.

As required in the Agreement, the Executive Team, with assistance from Triangle United Way and the Implementing Agency, will provide mid-term and annual reports to the County Commissioners and the City Council. A mid-term report was presented to the Commissioners on June 4, 2007. Representatives will be present to report on the progress made during that contract period.

Additionally, for FY 2007-2008, the County Commissioners and City Council approved funding for the implementation of the 10-Year Plan at \$98,000 or \$49,000, respectively. The Triangle United Way is renewing their contract with the DAHC for implementation of the Plan. This contract will be for the period of September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 and is before the Board for review and feedback.

Resource Person(s): Rich Lee and Edythe Hall Thompson, Durham Affordable Housing Coalition; Stan Holt, Triangle United Way; Reverend Herbert Davis, Chair of the Executive Team for Durham's 10-Year Results Plan to End Homelessness; and Heidi York, Assistant County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the Board accept the progress report from the Durham Affordable Housing Coalition on the implementation of Durham's 10-Year Results Plan to End Homelessness and provide feedback on the contract between Triangle United Way and the DAHC for the period of September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

3. **Work First Program Update**

15 min.

The Work First Program is measured each year by the North Carolina Division of Social Services in the level of goals accomplished against state goals. The Durham County Department of Social Services operates the Program and state-approved Work First Block Grant Plan. The Department will update the Board on goals accomplished during Fiscal year 2006-2007.

Resource Person(s): Sammy R. Haitcock, Director; Rhonda Stevens, Division Director; John Myklebust, Work First Program Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends the Board of County Commissioners receive the report from the Department on goals accomplished for FY 2006-2007

3A. **Resolution Approving Lease for the City of Medicine Academy**

15 min.

Pursuant to NC General Statute § 115C-530, the Board of Education has requested that the County approve the proposed operational lease between the Durham Public Schools Board of Education and Beaches West Development, Ltd. for a portion of the real property located at 4100 N. Roxboro Rd. which will house the City of Medicine Academy.

Although the County is not a party to the lease agreement, N.C.G.S. § 115C-530 requires that operational leases entered into by a local board of education for a term of three years or more must be approved by a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners. The proposed Resolution is attached for consideration and, if appropriate, approval.

Resource Person(s): Michael M. Ruffin, County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the BOCC suspend the rules and approve the Resolution approving the operational lease between the Durham Public Schools Board of Education and Beaches West Development, Ltd. for a portion of the real property located at 4100 N. Roxboro Rd. which will house the City of Medicine Academy.

4. **Presentation of The Durham Center Fiscal Year-End Report**

15 min.

The Durham Center has completed its Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Report detailing its activities in service of local citizens faced with mental health, developmental disability, and substance abuse issues. Included in the Report are data addressing crisis facility and State hospital bed use, updates on the implementation of evidence-based practices, jail diversion activities and our housing initiative, and a variety of departmental reports.

The Durham Center will elaborate on the contents of the Report and address questions from the Commissioners.

Resource Person(s): Ellen Holliman, Area Director, The Durham Center

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager requests that the Board of County Commissioners receive this presentation.

5. **County Finance Policy**

15 min.

The Finance Departments is requesting that the current Finance Policy be reviewed and approved with the following changes:

Fund Balance: 1.08 Once the 15% level has been achieved, the amount over 15% may be used to fund pay-as-you-go capital projects or other non-reoccurring expenditures.

Debt Management: 5.05 (f) Total debt service shall not exceed 15% of total current expenditures net of pass-through including current debt service. (During FY2006, Davenport provided the BOCC with a profile for AAA Counties. One of the elements was the level of debt service as a percentage of expenditures.)

All other items in the current approved policy remain unchanged.

Resource Person(s): George K. Quick, Finance Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the BOCC discuss the recommended changes and place the item on the consent agenda for the November 12, 2007 meeting.

6. **Durham County Jail Expansion Needs Assessment**

30 min.

The Board of County Commissioners reviewed a needs assessment for the Durham County Jail during its August Worksession. The assessment indicated that an additional 664 jail beds would be required by 2030. Presently, the facility has 736 beds. Staff was directed to review alternatives that would provide short and mid-term solutions to squeeze more efficiency out of the existing facility as well as present a plan of action for

the construction of additional jail beds. Those options will be presented to and discuss with the Board by representatives from the Sheriff's Office, Criminal Justice Resource Center, and County Engineering Department.

Resource Person(s): Carolyn Titus, Deputy County Manager; Wendell Davis, Deputy County Manager; Glen Whisler, P.E., County Engineer; Gudrun Parmer, CJRC Director; and Wes Crabtree, Chief Deputy

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the Board review and discuss the recommendations and advise the staff if additional information is necessary.

7. **Closed Session**

15 min.

The Board of Commissioners is requested to adjourn to closed session to consult with an attorney concerning *County v. Woodall, et al.*, 06 CVS 6793, and to preserve the attorney-client privilege pursuant to G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(3).

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