

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

Monday, October 10, 2022

7:00 P.M. Regular Session

**MINUTES**

Place: Commissioners' Chambers, Second Floor, Durham County Government Administrative Complex, 200 East Main Street, Durham, North Carolina

Present: Chair Brenda Howerton, Vice-Chair Wendy Jacobs and Commissioners Nida Allam, Nimasheena Burns and Heidi Carter

Presider: Chair Brenda Howerton

**Opening of Regular Session - Pledge of Allegiance**

**Agenda Adjustments**

Chair Howerton announced that there were no agenda adjustments.

**Announcements**

Monica Wallace, Clerk to the Board read the following announcements:

1. **DCo Public Health COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic Hours** – The walk-in COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the Durham County Department of Public Health, 414 E. Main St., has the following hours to get your free vaccination: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Tuesday: 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. New booster shots are available. Please note, clinics are closed between 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. daily. Visit [www.dcopublichealth.org/COVIDVaccines](http://www.dcopublichealth.org/COVIDVaccines) for more information.
2. **Flu Shots Also Available at DCoDPH** – The Durham County Department of Public Health is offering flu vaccinations in the flu vaccine clinic. Flu vaccinations are by appointment only. Save time and get your COVID-19 vaccine on the same day! Visit [www.dcopublichealth.org/Immunizations](http://www.dcopublichealth.org/Immunizations) or [www.dcopublichealth.org/COVIDVaccine](http://www.dcopublichealth.org/COVIDVaccine) for more information. For questions about the cost of vaccines and the fee structure, or to make an appointment, please call the Immunization Clinic at 919-560-7608.
3. **Early Voting Begins Oct. 20** – The Early Voting Period for the 2022 General Election will run from Thursday, October 20 to Saturday, November 5. Durham County voters will vote in local, state and federal elections, as well as the three-part 2022 General Obligation Bond Referendum on the two-page ballot. There are eight locations for Durham County voters to cast their ballots during this Early Voting period. Find locations and hours and other important early voting information at [www.dcovotes.com/voters/voting/early-voting](http://www.dcovotes.com/voters/voting/early-voting). Election Day is Tuesday, November 8. Voters must vote at their assigned precinct on Election Day!

4. **Help Improve Access and Walkability in Durham** – Durham is working to help create connected, walkable, and pedestrian-friendly communities! Staff has been working on an update to the Unified Development Ordinance, or the tool guiding what development looks like in Durham City and County and we want to hear from you! To ensure new developments are better connected to the surrounding area and existing neighborhoods, language within the UDO has been changed to better include pedestrians, cyclists, and transit riders who may not have access to a car. While this work has been reviewed by City and County departments along with the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, we need your feedback! To learn more about this work, current growth happening in Durham, and how to get involved, please visit: <https://durham.mysocialpinpoint.com/growthmanagement/land-use-home/>.
  
5. **Open Space Matching Grant Program** – The Durham County Government Open Space Matching Grant Program is accepting applications for the 2022-23 cycle. This program funds recreation and open space related projects throughout the county and allows qualifying projects within priority focus areas up to \$5,000 with reduced applicant match of 25 percent (County matching funds are 75 percent). Contact Brendan Moore, Open Space Land Manager, at [brmoore@dconc.gov](mailto:brmoore@dconc.gov) to see if your project location is eligible. Applications are due Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 5 p.m. Information and application are available at [www.dconc.gov/matchinggrants](http://www.dconc.gov/matchinggrants).
  
6. **Durham County Community Health Assessment** – Data collected in the Community Health Assessment Survey helps us make decisions, plan our programs and services, and write grants. Help out by completing a survey if we knock on your door or by volunteering to conduct door-to-door surveys! More
  - FAQs: <http://DCoPublicHealth.org/CHASurvey2023>
  - Training registration: <http://tinyurl.com/CHATraining22>
  - Virtual training: <http://tinyurl.com/CHAVirtualTraining22>
  - Volunteer signup: <http://tinyurl.com/CHAVolunteer22>
  
7. **Fall/Winter Clothes Needed** – Welcome Baby is calling on Durham County residents to help our area’s youth stay warm by donating new or gently-used fall and winter clothes. Sizes needed are 2T to 8. Donations are accepted Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Welcome Baby’s office at the Durham County Cooperative Extension building, 721 Foster St. For more information, call 919-560-7150.

Commissioners shared the following additional announcements:

- County staff attended funeral services for Reshaun Cates, Violence Interrupter for Bull City United and sent condolences to the family.
- October 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> was Durham County’s Employee Appreciation Week.
- Lois Harvin-Raven was elected President of the North Carolina Association of County Veteran Service Officers and she would serve as the first African American in the role.
- Catherine Ferrell celebrated her 110<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 10<sup>th</sup> at Central Park.
- The Board attended the Durham Farm Tour on Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Hillside High School celebrated 100 years as a pillar of strength for Durham.

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Vice Chair Jacobs asked for an excused absence for the October 24, 2022 Regular Session meeting.

Commissioner Carter moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns to grant Vice Chair Jacobs an excused absence for October 24, 2022 Regular Session meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Ceremonial Items**

**22-0545 Proclamation – The Exchange Family Center’s 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Commissioner Allam read the following proclamation:

**PINWHEELS, PUTTERS, & PEARLS: EXCHANGE FAMILY CENTER’S 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY | 2022**

**WHEREAS,** the Exchange Family Center, a nonprofit organization located in Durham, NC works to help children and keep families together; and

**WHEREAS,** the Exchange Family Center supports children and families through therapy, counseling, and coaching through our three programs: Family Support Program, Early Childhood Outreach, and Parents of Adolescents; and

**WHEREAS,** the Exchange Family Center serves 500 families every year with a growing waitlist of over 70 families; and

**WHEREAS,** the Exchange Family Center is celebrating 30 years of helping the Durham community with an anniversary event; and

**WHEREAS** the anniversary event, titled Pinwheels, Putters, & Pearls, will include an evening gala and auction as well as a morning golf tournament; and

**WHEREAS,** both events will take place at the Croasdaile Country Club in Durham, the gala on October 22, 2022 and the golf tournament on October 24, 2022; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED I,** Brenda Howerton, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the weekend of October 22-24 as the

**“PINWHEELS, PUTTERS, & PEARLS 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY”**

in Durham County and call a celebration of 30 years of work to prevent child abuse and neglect and in service to the children and families of Durham.

This 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 2022.

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Brenda Howerton, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Kelly Thompson, Executive Director of the Exchange Family Center thanked the Board for the proclamation and gave an overview of the organization’s mission and accomplishments. Myca Jetter, Board of Directors member stated the anniversary event called Pinwheels, Putters, and Pearls consisted of an evening gala and auction on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and a golf tournament on the morning of October 24<sup>th</sup>. She added residents could visit the website at [www.exchangefamilycenter.org](http://www.exchangefamilycenter.org) for more information on the anniversary events.

The Board inquired about the 70 families on the waitlist for services and how the Board could provide assistance with the waitlist. Ms. Thompson responded COVID-19 increased the need for more services in homes, children centers and schools; adding raising awareness, unrestricted funds, and donations would help with the waitlist. Ms. Jetter stated many of the families on the waitlist and those not able to join the program were facing difficulties.

The Board thanked the Exchange Family Center for helping to keep children safe and families together in Durham.

**22-0576 Proclamation – Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

Commissioner Burns read the following proclamation:

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH | 2022**

**WHEREAS,** the safety, security, physical and emotional wellbeing of our neighbors affects the lives of everyone in our community; we recognize that domestic violence takes a variety of forms and believe all individuals have the right to live their best and fullest lives free of violence and fear; and

**WHEREAS,** we recognize that 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men report experiencing physical violence by an intimate partner in their lifetimes, according to the National Centers for Disease Control. Domestic violence is a serious, preventable public health concern involving the manipulation of power and control, including willful intimidation, physical and sexual assault, emotional and financial abuse, and other abusive behaviors; and

**WHEREAS,** anyone can be a victim of intimate partner violence, regardless of gender, age, race, socioeconomic status, ability, or relationship choice. We believe that everyone deserves a life free of violence, regardless of gender identification, ethnicity, ability, age, religion, or social status; and

**WHEREAS,** we recognize that the crime of domestic violence impacts victims, families, and society, and can lead to long-term health problems, missed days of work and loss of employment, psychological distress, family instability and homelessness, and increased risk for future violence; and

**WHEREAS** ending domestic violence starts with awareness and education, changing social norms about gender and violence, and mobilizing our communities, including men, boys, our faith institutions, the public, and private sectors. We urge all who engage with youth to teach and model respect, consent, and healthy relationships. We encourage government, health professionals, law enforcement, faith communities, and civic organizations to ensure an inclusive environment that supports survivors of domestic violence and sustains their efforts to rebuild their lives without violence in Durham. We are strongly

committed to working with all partners so that every individual can access appropriate and affirming resources to address and end violence in our communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** I, Brenda Howerton, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim October 2022 as

**“DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH”**

in Durham County.

This 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 2022.

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Brenda Howerton, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Cinzia Thomas, Executive Director of Durham Crisis Response Center thanked the Board for the proclamation and shared an overview of the programs and services provided to the community. Ms. Thomas stated a victim of domestic violence could include emotional violence.

The Board stated domestic violence increased to record levels due to the pandemic and statistics reported on average a victim of domestic violence would attempt to leave seven times before permanently leaving. The Board also stated the holiday season was the highest time for domestic violence.

The Board thanked Ms. Thomas and the Durham Crisis Center for helping victims of domestic violence and continuing to educate the community on the awareness of domestic violence.

**Consent Agenda**

Chair Howerton asked the Board if they requested to pull or comment on any items on the Consent Agenda.

Chair Howerton requested to comment on 22-0570, 22-0571 and 22-0572.

- Item 22-0570, 22-0571 and 22-05 – Chair Howerton commented the three items totaled five million dollars to support children and families.

Hearing no additional comments, Chair Howerton entertained a motion for approval.

Commissioner Allam moved, seconded by Vice Chair Jacobs to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda.

The motion carried unanimously.

\*22-0506 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 23BCC00030 to Recognize \$398,121 in Grant Funding to the Office of Emergency Services-EMS Division (OES-EMS) from the US Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and to Authorize the County Manager to Sign and Execute All Contracts for Authorized and Approved Uses Associated with the Grant Program

Throughout the Grant's Period of Performance

22-0555 Removal of Citizen Board Members Due to Poor Attendance

22-0562 Request to increase contract amount of \$29,395.00 for a not-to-exceed amount \$630,362.00 for HDR Engineering Inc. of the Carolinas for the new Northern Durham County Solid Waste Convenience Site Construction Project - Amendment 3

22-0565 Revision to the Contract Approval to SouthData Inc. in the Amount of \$60,264.20 for Board of Election's Printing and Mailing Services

22-0566 Approval to utilize existing operational funds in the amount of \$227,875.87 for this fiscal year to the Unified Performance Support agreement with Microsoft

\*22-0570 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 23BCC00034 Public Health to Recognize \$ 450,000 from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health for Maternal and Child Health

\*22-0571 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 23BCC00033 Public Health to Recognize \$115,000 from the NC DHHS Division of Child and Family Well-Being, Whole Child Health Section to Provide Temporary Funding to hire Public Health Nurse School Health Liaisons for COVID-19 Coordination

\*22-0572 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 23BCC00032 Public Health to Recognize \$4,190,442 from the NC DHHS Division of Child and Family Well-Being, Whole Child Health Section for Temporary Funding to Support Youth-related COVID-19 Activities

\*22-0573 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 23BCC00031 Public Health to Recognize \$60,474 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Health Epidemiology Section / Immunization Branch to Fund Continued Activities that Focus on Removing Barriers to Accessing COVID-19 Support

22-0574 Public Health to Create One Full-Time FTE Senior Public Health Nurse Position Using Previously Recognized Funds from Agreement Addenda 546 Communicable Disease Pandemic Recovery Grant

22-0575 Public Health to Create One Full-Time FTE Senior Public Health Nurse Position Using Previously Recognized Funds from Agreement Addendum 583 Refugee Health Assessment and Agreement Addendum 546 Communicable Disease Pandemic Recovery Grant

\*22-0578 Capital Project Amendment No.23CPA00009 Appropriating \$175,000 of Future Taxable Limited Obligation Bond Funding (LOBS) to the 300 E. Main St. Capital Project (4730DC150), as well as Authorize the Increase of the Owners Construction Contingency for the C, M @R Contract with LeChase Construction by \$175,000, for a Total Construction Contract Not-to Exceed Amount of \$20,964,669 for the 300 E. Main St. Structured Parking Deck

\*22-0580 Capital Project Amendment No.23CPA00010 Appropriating \$1,326,100 of Future

Taxable Limited Obligation Bond Funding (LOBS) to the 500 E. Main St. Downtown Parking Deck Capital Project (47302635DC151); as well as Authorize An Owner's Contingency in the Amount of \$1,326,100 to Execute Any Necessary Change Orders for the Deck Development Agreement with ZOM Living, for a Total Budget Not-to-Exceed \$31,826,100

22-0583 Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with NC Administrative Office of the Courts for Cabling for Wireless Internet Equipment at the Durham County Justice Center

\*22-0586 Capital Project Amendment No.23CPA00011 Appropriating \$66K of County PAYGO Funding to the Judicial Building Annex Renovation Capital Project (47302635DC141) to Cover Contract and Contingency Costs of \$328,900 for Ground Water Intrusion Repairs; as well as Approve a Contract for Ground Water Intrusion Repairs at Durham County Judicial Building Annex

22-0588 Conservation Easement Option with Margie and Bill Sparrow Jr. for 3901 Red Mill Road

22-0592 Approval of Contract with Jewish for Good to Implement Durham's Master Aging Plan

\*22-0593 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 23BCC000035 - Transferring \$21,324,888 of General Fund Fund Balance to the Capital Financing Fund in Recognition of Final Sales Tax and Occupancy Tax Collection from the Prior Year (FY 2021-22) and Revenue from the Sale of the American Tobacco Parking Deck in Adherence to Board Policy

\*22-0597 Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 23BCC000038 Appropriating \$450,000 of General Fund Fund Balance and Approve a Contract Amendment Increasing Funds for the FY 2022-23 Durham Pre-K Contract with Child Care Services Association

22-0607 Approve the contract renewal with SAP America, Inc. to ensure continued SAP business services for Durham County Government

22-0608 Amend a recent renewal contract with Carahsoft Technology Corp to add \$22,104 for additional ServiceNow platform licenses to be used by the County's Department of Social Services

22-0609 Approve the renewal of a contract with Westaff Staffing agency to continue the services of a contracted IS&T project manager

22-0610 Approve the contract renewal with Westaff staffing agency to continue the contracted services of an IS&T Senior Business Analyst

22-0611 Approve contract renewal in the amount of \$154,800 with the Select Group for a contracted IS&T Project Manager

22-0612 Approval of the Contract Renewal to Insight Global Staffing Services to Provide an Administrative Assistant Contractor

22-0613 Approve the contract renewal with Insight Global staffing services to provide a technical writer contractor for IS&T. The amount of the contract renewal would be in the amount of \$77,792 and would be funded from IS&T's current fiscal year, 2022-2023 operational budget

Consent Agenda Item #22-0506

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23BCC00030**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2022-2023 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Public Safety	\$75,720,636.00	\$398,121.00	\$76,118,757.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$75,575,413.00	\$398,121.00	\$73,973,534.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0570

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23BCC00034**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2022-2023 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Human Services	\$109,853,029.00	\$450,000.00	\$110,303,029.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$78,372,450.00	\$450,000.00	\$78,822,450.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0571

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23BCC00033**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2022-2023 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Human Services	\$109,738,029.00	\$115,000.00	\$109,853,029.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$78,257,450.00	\$115,000.00	\$78,372,450.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0572

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23BCC00032**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2022-2023 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Human Services	\$105,547,587.00	\$4,190,442.00	\$109,738,029.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$74,067,008.00	\$4,190,442.00	\$78,257,450.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0573

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23BCC00031**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2022-2023 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Human Services	\$105,487,113.00	\$60,474.00	\$105,547,587.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$74,006,534.00	\$60,474.00	\$74,067,008.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0578

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23CPA-09**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:  
That the FY 2021-22 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<b>Project #</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Increase / Decrease</b>	<b>Updated Budget</b>
47302635DC150	300 Block East Main Redevelopment	\$24,612,884.00	\$175,000.00	\$24,787,884.00

All capital projects in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0580

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23CPA-10**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:  
That the FY 2021-22 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<b>Project #</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Increase / Decrease</b>	<b>Updated Budget</b>
47302635DC151	500 Block East Main Redevelopment	\$31,843,516.00	\$1,326,100.00	\$33,169,616.00

All capital projects in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0586

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23CPA-11**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:  
That the FY 2021-22 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<b>Project #</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Increase / Decrease</b>	<b>Updated Budget</b>
47302635DC141	Judicial Annex Bldg Renovation	\$4,930,084.00	\$66,000.00	\$4,996,084.00

All capital projects in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0593

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23BCC00035**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2022-2023 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
General Government	\$149,403,293.00	\$21,324,888.00	\$170,728,181.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Other Financing Sources	\$31,652,018.00	\$21,324,888.00	\$52,976,906.00
<b><u>CAPITAL FINANCING FUND</u></b>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
General Government	\$92,048,536.00	\$21,324,888.00	\$113,373,424.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Other Financing Sources	\$50,699,170.00	\$21,324,888.00	\$72,024,058.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

Consent Agenda Item #22-0597

**Durham County, North Carolina  
2022-2023 Budget Ordinance  
Amendment Number 23BCC00038**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2022-2023 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>			
<u>Expenditure</u>			
Education	\$194,370,540.00	\$450,000.00	\$194,820,540.00
<u>Revenue</u>			
Other Financing Sources	\$53,016,220.00	\$450,000.00	\$53,466,220.00

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved October 10, 2022

**Public Hearings**

**22-0604 Public Hearing – A Request to Permanently Close A 970 Linear Food Section of Akzo Boulevard**

Cole Renigar, City-County Planner stated the Board was requested to approve the permanent closure of a 970 linear foot portion of Akzo Boulevard (Side Road 2602) and the portion was removed from the Secondary Road Maintenance System by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Chair Howerton opened the public hearing.

With no public comments, Chair Howerton closed the public hearing.

Vice Chair Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Carter to approve the request to permanently close a 970 linear foot portion of Azko Boulevard.

The motion carried unanimously.

**22-0618 – Public Hearing – To Consider Rescinding a Previous Vote on the Mason Farms Major Special Use Permit Application and Conducting a New Quasi-Judicial Hearing to Receive Additional Evidence**

Chair Howerton stated the Board was requested to vote on rescinding the previous approval of the Major Special Use Permit for the Mason Farms Development considered during the September 12, 2022 session of the Board of County Commissioners, and to conduct a new quasi-judicial hearing on November 14, 2022 to receive additional evidence on the submitted application.

Chair Howerton opened the public hearing.

With no public comments, Chair Howerton closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Allam to approve rescinding the previous approval of a Major Special Use Permit for the Mason Farms Development heard during the September 12, 2022 session of the Board of County Commissioners, and to conduct a new quasi-judicial hearing on November 14, 2022 to receive additional evidence on the submitted application.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Other Business**

**22-0620 Progress Report from the 2022 Bond Referendum Committee**

Deborah Craig-Ray, General Manager stated the Bond Referendum Committee worked collaboratively for two months composing information and documents to provide to residents. She added the October edition of the “*In Touch with Durham County*” show was dedicated to the three General Obligation Bond Referendums. Ms. Craig-Ray thanked the committee for working with the residents of Durham.

Minnie Forte-Brown, Bond Referendum Committee member stated the committee was working with the community to discuss the bonds and provide information for voters to make an informed decision to vote yes. Ms. Forte-Brown gave an overview of the information and documents the committee developed to provide to residents.

Steve Schewel, Co-Chair of the Bond Referendum Committee thanked the Board for the three General Obligation Bond Referendums. He added the bonds would address many of the needed issues with Durham Public Schools, Durham Technical Community College and the Museum of Life and Science.

William (Bill) Bell, Co-Chair of the Bond Referendum Committee thanked the Board for taking the time and labor to compose the bonds to better the Durham community. He added the bonds would allow the County to borrow money at a low rate to supply funding for the community improvements. Mr. Bell stated the early voting period began on October 20, 2022.

The Board thanked the Bond Referendum Committee for being community leaders to help residents make informed decisions on voting for the bonds.

### **Closed Session**

Chair Howerton stated the board was requested to adjourn to Closed Session for the following:

- To establish, or to instruct the public body’s staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract of proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchases, option, exchange, or lease; or (ii) the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract pursuant to G.S.143-3318.11(a)(5).

Commissioner Allam moved, seconded by Vice Chair Jacobs to adjourn into the Closed Session.

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Reconvene to Open Session**

Chair Howerton announced the Board met in Closed Session and provided direction to staff.

### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Carter moved, seconded by Commissioner Allam to adjourn the Regular Session meeting at 8:13 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Macio Carlton', written in a cursive style.

Macio Carlton  
Deputy Clerk to the Board