

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

Monday, January 3, 2000

6:20 P.M. Special Session

**MINUTES**

Place: City Council Chambers, first floor, City Hall, 101 City Hall Plaza,  
Durham, NC

Present: Chairman MaryAnn E. Black, Vice-Chairman Ellen W. Reckhow, and  
Commissioners William V. Bell, Joe W. Bowser, and Becky M. Heron

Absent: None

Presider: Chairman Black

**Opening of Special Session**

Chairman Black called the Special Session to order.

Chairman Black referred to the Board of County Commissioners for the disposition of two items. Chairman Black said there are two items before the Board as follows:

1. Cost benefit analysis—support or oppose; and
2. Endorse or oppose the concept to establish the charter commission.

Chairman Black commented the cost benefit analysis would cost \$93,900.

Commissioner Bell moved, seconded by Vice-Chairman Reckhow, with a friendly amendment, to approve the cost benefit analysis and to establish the charter commission in parallel.

Vice-Chairman Reckhow's friendly amendment suggested benefit analysis cost be shared equally by the two governing bodies, and to put the approval on the Commissioners' agenda for the January 10, 2000 Regular Session.

The motion and the friendly amendment was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Bell, Black, Bowser, Heron, and Reckhow  
Noes: None

**Adjournment**

Chairman Black adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Garry E. Umstead, CMC  
Clerk to the Board