February 6, 2018

MINUTES OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, met in Informal Session in the Meeting Chamber Conference Room of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center located at 600 East Fourth Street, Charlotte, North Carolina at 5:00 p.m. and in Formal Session in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2018.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chair Ella B. Scarborough and Commissioners
Dumont Clarke, Patricia "Pat" Cotham, George Dunlap,
Trevor M. Fuller, Bill James, Vilma D. Leake,
Jim Puckett, and Matthew Ridenhour
County Manager Dena R. Diorio
Deputy County Attorney Tyrone Wade
Clerk to the Board Janice S. Paige

Absent: None

-INFORMAL SESSION-

The meeting was called to order by Chair Scarborough, after which the matters below were addressed.

REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT

The Board identified item(s) to be removed from Consent and voted upon separately. The items were 18-4462, 18-4467, 18-4472, 18-4477, 18-4478, 18-4484, 18-4492, 18-4493, 18-4494, and 18-4500.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

18-4486 REAL ESTATE DISPOSITION UPDATE

Senior Assistant to the County Manager Dennis LaCaria shared information related to a Center

City real estate disposition matter. It involved parcels located at Fourth and Graham Streets: 7316101, 07316103, 07316106, 07316201, and 07316202. The following was noted:

- The County was approached by a private developer interested in acquiring these parcels.
- Sale price determined by appraisal $6.78MM in 2017
- No discount sought by the private developer
- No public participation sought by the private developer

- Private entity would build mixed-income/mixed-use development
    - 20 senior housing units affordable to 60% AMI
    - 20 family housing units affordable to 60% AMI
    - 40 market rate for-sale family units
    - 100 public parking spaces
    - 3500 sf retail wrap along South Graham St

- Staff has had conversation with Charlotte Area Transit (CATS) because of the location being near the proposed Gateway Station Redevelopment Center.
- CATS was aware of discussions with the private developer and was excited about the County's work with a private developer.
- There had even been discussion with the private developer around building some infrastructure specifically for CATS.
- When going through the mandatory referral process, CATS informed the County that they would like to see these parcels folded into the redevelopment of the Gateway Station and offered as part of the proposal that would go out for developers to respond to.
- The mandatory referral process was completed and the planning committee indicated its okay for the County to dispose of these parcels to a private developer or CATS.
- It was made clear to CATS that if the City was to acquire the parcels, it would be at the appraised value and that the same affordability of housing would be honored in the City's Request For Proposal (RFP) as proposed by the private developer.
- The City was currently working through matters on their end to make sure they're able to pay for the land and come up with a commitment on the affordable units, if this was folded into their larger redevelopment.
- The affordable units may or may not be on the County's parcels but would be a part of the RFP.
- County staff was giving the City time to see if they could pull things together on their end and/or the County would consider moving forward with the private developer.
- The private developer has been around since March of 2017 and was willing to move forward.

A copy of the presentation is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

Comments

Commissioner Dunlap asked what would happen if the private developer upset the City's bid. *Senior Assistant to the County Manager LaCaria said there would not be an upset bid process if the County decided to go with the City. The County would just enter negotiations with the City.*

Commissioner Dunlap expressed concern about the timing of the City's interest.

Commissioner Leake asked Senior Assistant to the County Manager LaCaria for his opinion on how negotiations would go with the City. *Senior Assistant to the County Manager LaCaria said staff was hopeful the City would agree to the purchase amount and the affordable units request.*

County Manager Diorio asked was there a deadline for the City to respond. *Senior Assistant to the County Manager LaCaria said not at this time. He said this one reason why he brought the matter to Board.*

Senior Assistant to the County Manager LaCaria said he was supportive of a deadline being set for the City to respond. He said even though there was no agreement with the private developer, it was only fair to let the private developer know where things stood.

Commissioner Fuller echoed Commissioner Dunlap's sentiment about the timing of the City's request. He said the City needed to be given a short deadline, 30 days to respond.

Commissioner Dunlap asked about the City/County Land Transfer Ledger. *Senior Assistant to the County Manager LaCaria said this would not be real estate ledger transaction. He said the County would want cash for these parcels.*

Commissioner Clarke asked about the site and the private developer's proposed plan, which was addressed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunlap, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to direct staff to inform the City of Charlotte that they had 30 days to respond.

CLOSED SESSION

18-4482 CONSULT WITH ATTORNEY
18-4502 LAND ACQUISITION
18-4508 PERSONNEL MATTER

Prior to going into Closed Session, Deputy County Attorney Wade announced the following Land Acquisition matters to be discussed in Closed Session: Tax Parcels: 09711122 and 09711199.

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner James and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to go into Closed Session for the following purposes: Consult with Attorney, Land Acquisition and Personnel Matter.

The Board went into Closed Session at 5:23 p.m. and came back into Open Session at 5:55 p.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Fuller, seconded by Commissioner Leake and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to move Item 18-4467 Proclamation-February 2018 Teen Dating Violence Prevention and Awareness Month from Consent to Awards/Recognition.

The Board then proceeded to the Meeting Chamber for the remainder of the meeting.

-FORMAL SESSION-

Chair Scarborough called this portion of the meeting to order, which was followed by introductions, invocation by Commissioner Clarke, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; after which, the matters below were addressed.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

18-4499 HARDING UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM (COMMISSIONER LEAKE)

The Board recognized Harding University High School Football Team for winning the NCHSAA 4A State Championship on December 9, 2017.

Commissioner Leake, sponsor of the proclamation, acknowledged the presence of the team, principal, coach, parents/guardians, and faculty that were in the audience. She asked that Principal Eric Ward and Coach Samuel Greiner come to the podium.

It was noted that player Quavaris Crouch, who was also receiving a proclamation, was unable to be present because of surgery today.

Commissioner Leake asked for a moment of silence on his behalf for a good recovery.

All members of the team were then asked to stand.

Commissioner Leake read the proclamation. The proclamation was received by Harding University High School Principal Eric Ward, Coach Samuel Greiner, and one of the players, all of whom thanked Commissioner Leake and the Board for the recognition.

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Puckett and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to adopt a proclamation designating February 12-16, 2018 as Harding University High School Week in Mecklenburg County and a proclamation designating February 7, 2018 as Quavaris Crouch Day.

Mecklenburg County
North Carolina
Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Harding University High School Rams football team, led by Coach Sam Greiner, exemplifies exceptional sportsmanship, talent, and hardworking athletes; and

WHEREAS, the football team's drive and perseverance through adversities led them to earn a championship title and school recognition on the national, state and local levels; and

WHEREAS, on December 9th, 2017 the Harding University High School Rams defeated Scotland County 30 – 22 in the 4A title game to win their first state championship since 1953; and

WHEREAS, the Harding University High School Rams ended their season with an undefeated 6-0 record in their conference and a 14-1 overall season record; and

WHEREAS, the Harding University High School Rams are recognized for its completion of a successful season with a state championship title and a promising future of many more to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners do, hereby, congratulate the Harding University High School football team located in District 2, under the leadership of Principal Eric Ward and Coach Sam Greiner, on its outstanding achievement and hereby proclaims February 12–16, 2018 as

"HARDING UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL WEEK"

in Mecklenburg County and encourage all citizens to join us in this special observance.

This the 6th day of February 2018

Ella B. Scarborough, Chair
Mecklenburg Board of
County Commissioners

Vilma D. Leake, Commissioner
District 2
Mecklenburg Board of
County Commissioners

Mecklenburg County
North Carolina
Proclamation

WHEREAS, junior Quavaris Crouch led the Harding University High School football team to its first state championship in 64 years on December 9th, 2017 by running 23 times for 141 yards and two touchdowns even though he was injured; and

WHEREAS, Quavaris Crouch was named championship Most Valuable Player; and

WHEREAS, Quavaris Crouch ended the season with 3,283 yards and 33 touchdowns, and 48 tackles and 14 sacks on defense; and

WHEREAS, Quavaris Crouch was named North Carolina Gatorade Player of the Year, and was a prospect for Gatorade's national player of the year award; and

WHEREAS, Quavaris Crouch was elevated to a five-star recruit by Rival.com and Rivals now ranks him as the Number 2 overall prospect in America for the class of 2019; and

WHEREAS, Quavaris Crouch carries an impressive 3.31 grade-point average; and

WHEREAS, Quarvaris Crouch is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, a devoted member of his church and a peer mentor at Harding University High School.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners do, hereby, congratulates Quavaris Crouch on his accomplishments as an athlete and a scholar. We wish him continued success in all his endeavors and hereby proclaims February 7, 2018 as

"QUAVARIS CROUCH DAY"

in Mecklenburg County and encourage all citizens to join us in recognizing this gifted young man.

This the 6th day of February 2018

Ella B. Scarborough, Cha
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Vilma D. Leake, Commissioner
District 2
Mecklenburg Board of
County Commissioners

18-4467 PROCLAMATION – FEBRUARY 2018 TEEN DATING VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to adopt a joint proclamation declaring February 2018 as Teen Dating Violence Prevention and Awareness Month in Mecklenburg County and City of Charlotte.

The proclamation was read by Commissioner Leake and received by Alex Pyun with Community Support Services.

PROCLAMATION
City of Charlotte/Mecklenburg County

Teen Dating Violence Prevention and Awareness Month Proclamation
February 2018

WHEREAS, females between the ages 16-24 are more vulnerable to intimate partner violence, experiencing abuse at a rate almost triple the national average; and

WHEREAS, one in three adolescents in the United States is a victim of physical, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner, a figure that far exceeds victimization rates for other types of violence affecting youth; and

WHEREAS, high school students who experience physical violence in a dating relationship are more likely to use drugs and alcohol, are at greater risk of suicide and are much more likely to carry patterns of abuse into future relationships; and

WHEREAS, young people victimized by a dating partner are more likely to engage in risky sexual behavior and unhealthy dieting behaviors and the experience may disrupt normal development of self-esteem and body image; and

WHEREAS, nearly half of teens who experience dating violence report that incidents of abuse took place in a school building or on school grounds; and

WHEREAS, only 33% of teens who are in an abusive relationship never tell anyone about the abuse, and 81% of parents surveyed either believe teen dating violence is not an issue or admit they do not know if it is one; and

WHEREAS, by providing young people with education about healthy relationships and relationship skills and by changing attitudes that support violence, we recognize that dating violence can be prevented; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to raise community awareness and to provide training for teachers, counselors and school staff so that they may recognize when youth are exhibiting signs of dating violence; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month will benefit young people, their families, schools and communities regardless of socioeconomic status, gender, sexual orientation or ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, everyone has the right to a safe and healthy relationship and to be free from abuse:

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, and Ella B. Scarborough, Chair of the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim, February 2018 as

"TEEN DATING VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH"

in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and commend its observance to all citizens.

WITNESS OUR HANDS and the official Seals of the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.

Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor
City of Charlotte

Ella B. Scarborough, Chair
Mecklenburg Board of
County Commissioners

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

18-4479 PUBLIC APPEARANCE

The following persons appeared to speak during the Public Appearance portion of the agenda:

Whitley (last name not known), Christina Adelakay with the NC AIDS Action Network, Morris Young (HIV Prevention Coordinator) with Power House Project Charlotte, Janice Shirley with Carolinas Care Partnership, and Jason Foreman with RAIN addressed the Black Treatment Advocacy Network (BTAN) Charlotte, the impact of HIV on the Black community and National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, February 7, annually. This year's theme was "Get Educated, Get Involved, Get Tested, & Get Treated." It was noted that HIV was an epidemic in Mecklenburg

County. They said the County needed to ensure that PREP got into the hands of those that need it.

Lloyd Scher, a former County Commissioner addressed the Lark Haven Golf Course. He was joined at the podium by Charles Mills. Former County Commissioner Scher asked the Board to consider purchasing the Lark Haven Golf Course which was up for sale. He said it would be a good addition to the County's golf course system. Former Commissioner Scher said the last addition to the County's golf course system was in 1990, which was the Sunset Hills Golf Course. He said Lark Haven Golf Course should be saved for historical reasons and because of the continued growth of the sport in the community.

Rev. Jordan Boyd acknowledged the presence of Dr. Mwai Makoka from the World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland. He said Dr. Makoka was visiting Charlotte/Mecklenburg County to evaluate the County's Village Heartbeat Program and that his assessment would be taken back to the World Council of Churches.

He then turned the podium over to Pastor Evie Landrau who addressed what the World Council of Churches was all about and introduced Dr. Mwai Makoka.

Pastor Landrau also expressed thanks and appreciation to Cheryl Emanuel with the County's Health Department for her vision and leadership with respect to the Village Heartbeat Program.

Note: "Village HeartBeat" is a Mecklenburg County Health Department Community/Faith-Based Outreach Initiative. It is *designed to prevent heart disease risk factors using a collaborative, team approach that engages faith-based and/or neighborhood organizations. Efforts target African American and Hispanic communities given the disproportionately higher burden of heart disease and associated behavioral and environmental risk factors in these populations."*

Dr. Mwai Makoka thanked the Board for allowing him to speak. He addressed the need for health strategies from a faith-based perspective. He said health care was not just a hospital concern but that the health system included the environment and the community.

Dr. Makoka said the definition of the health sector needed to expand beyond what's typically thought of to address the major detriments of ill health. He complimented the County for its work with the faith community to promote good health, via the Village HeartBeat Program.

Dr. Makoka said he was going to look for more opportunities to elevate the Village HeartBeat Program, so that other places could learn that churches and government should collaborate more for the "benefit of the people," because both are serving the same individuals. He said

churches and government should collaborate and not compete; complement each other's weaknesses and strengths.

He said Village HeartBeat was a model that needed to be nurtured and grown. He said the model had the potential to touch more lives within Mecklenburg County.

In closing Dr. Makoka expressed kind regards from the leadership of the World Council of Churches and best wishes to the Board for its continue partnership with the faith community and continued progress of the Village HeartBeat Program.

Reverend Boyd concluded by noting things his church had done as a result of being involved with Village HeartBeat. He thanked the Board for the Village HeartBeat Program.

Marquis Fitch with the American Heart Association for the Greater Charlotte Region addressed Heart Awareness Month and heart disease. He noted their work with the Village HeartBeat.

Patrick Steptoe and Cherry Reeves registered to speak but were not present.

APPOINTMENTS

18-4487 NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

ARCHITECTURAL SELECTION COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Commissioner Puckett, seconded by Commissioner James and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to waive the Board's term policy and reappoint Gregory Godley to the Architectural Selection Committee for a three-year term expiring September 3, 2021, since there were no other applicants.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND REVIEW

Commissioner Puckett nominated all applicants for appointment consideration to the Board of Equalization and Review: Russell Allen, Julian Cuthbertson, and Jeff Scott.

Commissioner Ridenhour asked about the extension of the number of terms persons could serve on the Board of Equalization and Review which was addressed.

Commissioner Clarke commented on the composition of the existing Board of Equalization from a district perspective. He said the majority of the members lived in districts 5 & 6 and that it was the same for those nominated.

Commissioner Clarke suggested the Board not take action and instead, keep nominations open. The hope would be to get a more diverse group of applicants from a district perspective, so that more areas of the community could be represented on the Board of Equalization and Review.

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to defer taking any action with respect to the Board of Equalization and Review and to direct the Clerk to continue to advertise to seek additional applicants.

Commissioner Dunlap encouraged residents to apply for a position on the Board of Equalization and Review, especially African Americans.

BUILDING DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Puckett, seconded by Commissioner James and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to reappoint Rodney Kiser to the Building Development Commission as the Master Electrical Contractors Association representative for a three-year term expiring July 31, 2021.

CITIZEN'S TRANSIT ADVISORY GROUP

Motion was made by Commissioner Puckett, seconded by Commissioner James and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to nominate and appoint Davena Mgbeokwere to the Citizen's Transit Advisory Group for a two-year term expiring June 30, 2020.

INFORMATION SERVICES & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Commissioner Puckett nominated the following persons for appointment consideration to the Information Services & Technology Committee: Khari Baker and Frank Benson.

Motion was made by Commissioner James, seconded by Commissioner Leake and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to nominate and appoint Khari Baker to the Information Services & Technology Committee to fill an unexpired term expiring February 28, 2018 and then a three-year term expiring February 28, 2021 and Frank Benson to fill an unexpired term expiring February 28, 2019.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

18-4501 BUSINESS INVESTMENT GRANT: KURZ TRANSFER PRODUCTS

Commissioner Puckett asked to be excused from participating in the discussion of the forthcoming proposed Business Investment Grant to Kurz Transfer Products to avoid a conflict of interest.

Motion was made by Commissioner James, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to excuse Commissioner Puckett from participating in the discussion of the forthcoming proposed Business Investment Grant to Kurz Transfer Products to avoid a conflict of interest.

Commissioner Puckett left the dais and was away until noted in the minutes.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ridenhour, seconded by Commissioner James and carried 8-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to open a public hearing to receive comments on a proposed Business Investment Program grant to Kurz Transfer Products (Kurz).

Economic Development Director Peter Zeiler presented the matter to the Board. He noted the presence of Thomas Hurtline, CEO, Kurz North America.

The following was noted:

- Kurz Transfer Products is a subsidiary of Leonhard Kurz Stiftung & Co. KG, a global leader in hot stamping foils, cold stamping printing, in-mold decoration and transfer substrates.
- Kurz Transfer Products North American Headquarters is in north Charlotte off of Starita Road where it houses corporate, sales, manufacturing and production operations and employs 94 people.

- Kurz products are found in most day to day items including holographic foils in currencies for more than 100 nations, credit cards, and passports. A growing segment of Kurz products is interior and exterior automotive finishes.
- Kurz Transfer Products is growing into new markets and seeks to establish a larger North American headquarters building that can accommodate immediate and long-term production growth needs.
- Kurtz's proposed project meets all the following Business Investment Program guidelines for a five-year grant, specifically:

  - A taxable investment of $18,475,000 to be completed in the next five years.
  - Creation of 90 new jobs with an average wage of $60,000 (which is equal to 106% of the average for the Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill M.S.A.).
  - There is competition for this project from Fort Mill, South Carolina.
  - The existing 94 positions at the Headquarters on Starita Road are at risk of being relocated to another state if Mecklenburg is not the chosen regional headquarters site.

- The Business Investment Program grant is a 50% grant over 5 years, with an estimated total amount of up to $337,796.

- The general terms and condition of this grant include:

  - A portion of the grant must be repaid if the company moves this investment from Mecklenburg County within 5 years of the end of the grant term.
  - Actual grant payments are based on the value of the investment as appraised by the Mecklenburg County Tax Office.
  - All property taxes due from the company must be paid before a grant payment is made.

- Kurz Transfer Products has indicated that the proposed project site on Patterson Road in Huntersville is competitive only if Patterson Road is improved from its current state as a one and half lane gravel road to a fully paved and improved road meeting commercial zoning standards. The Town of Huntersville has authorized the necessary funds to complete the road improvements and Kurz Transfer Products has agreed to forego receipt of the Business Investment Program grant dollars if Mecklenburg County will use the grant funds that Kurz would be entitled to receive as an approved Business Investment Program grant to partially reimburse Huntersville for the cost of the improvements

Motion was made by Commissioner Ridenhour, seconded by Commissioner James to close the public hearing and adopt a resolution approving a Business Investment Program grant to Kurz

for a total estimated amount of $337,796 and authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute necessary contracts.

Commissioner Leake asked about the number of new jobs and training, which was addressed.

Commissioner Leake said she still wanted to receive a report regarding the number of Mecklenburg County residents hired by companies receiving Business Investment Grants and whether those employees were still there.

Commissioner Ridenhour spoke in support of the grant.

Commissioner Fuller said he would support the motion, however, expressed concern for this type of incentive. He questioned whether this could be achieved through an economic development agreement rather than using the Business Investment grant tool. He asked that it be noted in the record that approval of this request may be setting a precedent that the County may not want to set.

Commissioner Ridenhour addressed what was different about this particular Business Investment Grant.

Commissioner Cotham spoke in support of the grant and the fact that the County was willing to work with the Town of Huntersville.

Commissioner Ridenhour left the dais and was away until noted in the minutes.

The vote was then taken on the motion as noted below.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ridenhour, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Dunlap, Fuller, James, Leake, and Scarborough voting yes, to close the public hearing and adopt a resolution approving a Business Investment Program grant to Kurz for a total estimated amount of $337,796 and authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute necessary contracts.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION APPROVING BUSINESS INVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR KURZ TRANSFER PRODUCTS

WHEREAS, **Kurz Transfer Products** is seeking to relocate the corporate functions and the majority of the existing production capacity in Charlotte to a site in Huntersville, NC that will also house new production lines and equipment; and

WHEREAS, the company evaluated sites in Fort Mill, South Carolina as a replacement for its current facility in Charlotte; and

WHEREAS, this project as described by the company was determined to meet all of the criteria for a Business Investment Program grant from the County of Mecklenburg, the Board of Commissioners voted its intent to provide a Business Investment Program grant to the company during a closed session meeting on December 19, 2017, and as authorized by the Board, the County communicated this information to the company; and

WHEREAS, taking into consideration the Board's stated intent to make an economic development grant, the company subsequently decided to expand in Mecklenburg County by building a new facility in Huntersville, NC. The project will include a capital investment of approximately $18.475 million and will create 90 new jobs within five years at an average annual salary of approximately $60,000. The Business Investment Program grant is a 50% grant over 5 years, with an estimated total amount of up to $337,796; and

WHEREAS, Kurz Transfer Products has indicated that their preferred site on Patterson Road in the Town of Huntersville is only competitive with sites in other states if Patterson Road is improved. As such, the Town of Huntersville will endeavor to fund and complete such improvements and Mecklenburg County will provide funding to the improvements by redirecting, as requested by the company, the Business Investment Program payments that the company would otherwise be entitled to receive under an approved Business Investment Program grant directly to the Town of Huntersville instead of to Kurz Transfer Products. The grant will be subject to the County's standard contract provisions, including compliance requirements for the company related to job creation targets; and

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners has determined that this grant will provide new employment, new taxable property and new economic activity within the County, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the Business Investment Program grant and Economic Development grant as described above, and authorizes the County Manager to execute any and all necessary contracts for the same, including any with the Town of Huntersville.

Resolution recorded in full in Minute/Ordinance Book _____, Document # _____.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS – NONE

Commissioner Puckett returned to the dais.

Commissioner Ridenhour returned to the dais.

MANAGER'S REPORT

18-4497 CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE: INCLEMENT WEATHER EMERGENCY SHELTER PROTOCOL

The Board received a report on the Inclement Weather Emergency Shelter Protocol from Community Support Services Director Stacy Lowry and City of Charlotte Emergency Management Director Deputy Chief Richard Granger.

Director Lowry noted the following:

- Mecklenburg County does not operate shelters.
- The County provides funding, overflow space, staffing support, and emergency coordination with its community partners.
- The County's role in helping those experiencing homelessness is to support organizations that provide immediate assistance to those in need.
- The County partners with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Emergency Management Office to prepare and respond to emergency situations.
- The primary emergency shelters in Mecklenburg County include the Men's Shelter of Charlotte; The Salvation Army Center of Hope; Room in the Inn operated by the Urban Ministry Center, December 1 – March 31; and the Domestic Violence Shelter operated by Safe Alliance.
- Community Support Services provides contractual funding to shelters for operational expenses and specific services aimed at reducing the length of time persons remain in an emergency shelter or to provide diversion to alternative services and avoid shelter admission.
- Other services provided to shelters by Community Support Services were addressed
- Addressed also, was the amount of funding provided to shelters, excluding Room in the Inn, which does not receive funding, and bed capacity.

Director Granger addressed inclement weather shelter overflow activities for the past month. He began by thanking County Manager Diorio for her support and resources provided through various staff.

Director Granger said there had been a little misinformation and miscommunication and that he owned some of that responsibility for not getting the proper message out this season early enough.

The following was noted in the presentation:

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The Emergency Management Office serves as an advisory and coordination entity to ensure that all parts of the emergency process operate towards a common goal and a common operating picture.

It's responsible for: Planning, orchestrating, and coordinating the community's resources and efforts in preparation for, response to, and recovery from all hazards, both natural and man-made

Warming Station: The warming station should provide, at minimum, a warm facility, restroom, warm beverages, comfort food, security, and volunteer staffing.

The proposed hours of operation for the warming station are noon to 6:00 p.m. and as late as 8:00 p.m. Warming stations do not provide overnight shelter.

When a decision to activate is made, Emergency Management coordinates partner involvement.

Extreme Weather Emergency Shelter: A facility that provides overnight accommodations to provide protection from the extreme cold for those who have nowhere to go. Activated when overflow capacity at local shelters is exceeded.

List of Shelter Team Participants was shared.

List of Shelter Partners was shared.

Activating guidelines for extreme cold-related conditions:

- A sustained wind chill factor of 10 degrees for 24 hours; or
- Existing overnight sheltering is unable to accommodate influx of persons requiring overnight shelter.
- Environmental conditions that contribute to prolonged health risks; or
- An increase in call volume by 20% to 9-1-1 centers, or an increase in calls for assistance to service agencies. Unless the calls to 9-1-1 centers are specific to cold weather issues, the 20% increase guideline may not provide the data required for activation.

Response Timelines shared January 1 -7, 2018; January 16 – 19, 2018
Shelter Capacity during each timeline shared
Event Summary shared

It was noted also that some persons choose not to go to the shelter, which was their choice to do or not to do.

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A copy of the presentation is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

The following persons appeared to speak on this matter:

Deborah Woolard, Amy Anderson, Pastor Michael McKenzie, Charles Robinson, Stacy Phillips, Shakira Clarke, Gesela Serrano, Chuck Kewin, and Pastor Ray McKennon all addressed the housing needs of the homeless, including children that were homeless.

They noted and addressed and/or noted the following:

- Disappointment with respect to the timing of when overflow facilities opened during the recent extremely cold temperatures. It was felt it should have been done much sooner than when it occurred.
- "Homelessness is an emergency in any type of weather."
- The capacity of shelters year- round and the need for more
- The face of homelessness varies, as well as, the circumstances that caused one to be homeless.
- Homeless veterans
- The current policy needs to be changed to save lives. It was noted that someone did pass because of the cold temperatures.
- The old jail could be used as a shelter rather than for storage.
- Needs of homeless youth, especially those of color in the LGBT community- recommendations offered:
    - Establish and open a dedicated shelter for LGBT youth, ages 18-24, hopefully by 2020
    - Ensure all service providers have access to training on LGBT issues
    - Expand affordable mental health services for young people in the county
    - Housing organizers throughout the county should create safe and affirm housing for the LGBT community
    - Government officials must support policy reforms that eliminate discrimination policies at the county level
- The homeless should be viewed as "us" and not "them," because it could happen to anyone.
- Ensure funds being provided for homeless services were indeed being used as they should be.
- Use the "secret shopper" concept to make sure services were being provided as they should and to check on capacity at shelters.
- Survey the homeless regarding services being provided
- Efforts being done by Raise You Up Ministry, a faith-based, non-profit group, focused on eliminating chronic homelessness were shared

- Persons should not be referred to as homeless but rather "neighbors" because homeless was their condition, not their "identity."
- Efforts being done by South Tryon Community United Methodist Church were shared
- More needed to be done for our "neighbors" because there's a gap in services
- Revisit policies that impact our "neighbors"
- Find a way to provide the resources that were needed

Comments

Commissioner Puckett commented on the current protocol policy for opening emergency shelters during inclement weather. He said the policy needed to be changed, and he was hopeful that the County Manager would revisit the current activation guidelines and make needed changes for the outlier types of events experienced recently.

Commissioner Puckett said there should be a "faster" way to respond and get facilities open in these types of situations. He acknowledged that it would take coordination amongst various entities, including the faith community.

Commissioner Leake said what concerned her was that the City of Charlotte was responsible for "calling the emergency."

Commissioner Leake noted for the public's awareness that the County provided funding to entities for services to the homeless but did not operate shelters.

Commissioner Leake referenced Hall House, a former hotel downtown that was renovated years ago for families in need of housing but later closed. She questioned why it could not be used again and what needed to be done to help finance and reestablish that facility.

Commissioner Leake addressed the living conditions in the Brookhill community.

Commissioner Leake encouraged those present and at home to attend meetings of elected officials on a continuous basis to make their concerns known and to demand accountability.

Commissioner Leake said not only was housing a problem, but economics in general, as well as, mental health issues.

Commissioner Ridenhour noted that it was not the County's call to open an emergency shelter (warming station). He said although some felt the County didn't care that was not true.

He suggested finding a solution as a community to avoid a reoccurrence of what occurred recently.

Commissioner Ridenhour said the issue was more than about opening warming stations but rather it was about the need for housing.

Commissioner Ridenhour referenced a tiny homes community in Dallas, Texas that in addition to meeting housing needs, persons in this area also had wrap around services nearby. He said perhaps this was something that should be considered here.

Director Lowry said staff followed up on Commissioner Ridenhour's comments from a previous meeting regarding tiny home communities and would be reporting back on that matter soon.

Commissioner Dunlap said a community discussion was needed around the issue of homelessness and housing. He suggested the County Manager work on convening a meeting with community partners and interested people to have a broader discussion about the policies that were in place and what if any changes needed to be made to make them more compassionate, to bring closure to this issue.

Commissioner Cotham expressed concern for the current policy and what occurred because of it. She said communication was a big problem.

Commissioner Cotham said homelessness was a complicated issue and one that everyone needed to learn more about.

Commissioner Cotham thanked staff and those in the community who assisted in helping the homeless during the recent inclement weather conditions.

Commissioner Fuller said the issue of homelessness was something that should be a concern all year long and not just when it's cold weather.

Commissioner Fuller commented on the need for more economic opportunity in the community and how the lack thereof impacts the community. He said the focus needed to be on the causes of homelessness.

Commissioner Fuller asked Director Lowry to respond to comments made regarding individuals not having access to the shelter facilities that were available. *Director Lowry said staff was not aware of anyone not being able to gain access.*

Director Lowry said the shelters had capacity and varying overflow capacity. She said Urban Ministry Teams were sent out twice a day to find people to take them to either a shelter or Room in the Inn. She said the Shelters relaxed their rules to accommodate those in need.

Commissioner Fuller said he liked the secret shopper idea that was suggested by one of the speakers. He said it was important to know if access was an issue and if services were being provided as they should be.

Commissioner Fuller said work was needed to see what could be done to reduce the County's homeless population.

Commissioner Clarke thanked staff for opening the Grady Cole Center during the extreme inclement weather period.

Commissioner Clarke said he visited Grady Cole during that time and was very pleased with what he saw.

Commissioner Clarke said he agreed the activation guidelines should be reviewed to determine if they're appropriate, not only for cold weather but hot weather also.

Chair Scarborough expressed thanks to everyone for helping those in need. She encouraged everyone to continue to do so.

Note: The above was not inclusive of every comment but was a summary.

Commissioner James left the meeting and was absent for the remainder of the meeting.

DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTORS' MONTHLY REPORTS - NONE

STAFF REPORTS & REQUESTS

18-4505 HEALTHIEST CITIES AND COUNTIES CHALLENGE AWARD

Public Health Director Gibbie Harris addressed the County's receipt of the Aetna Foundation's Healthiest Cities and Counties Challenge Award for the County's Village HeartBeat (VHB) Program. She acknowledged the presence of VHB faith-based partners and Health Department staff that manage the program.

Director Harris was joined at the podium by County Manager Diorio, who accepted the award.

The award was presented by Landis Rush, National VP for State and Local Governments for Aetna Public and Labor.

Mr. Rush expressed thanks to Commissioner Leake for taking the initiative to bring Village HeartBeat to the attention of management years ago. He also thanked Commissioners Dunlap and Fuller for their participation in NACo, National Association of County Commissioners.

County Manager Diorio thanked Aetna for its commitment to healthy living in all areas of the country.

County Manager Diorio thanked Health Department staff member Cheryl Emanuel and her team for the work that they do with the Village HeartBeat Program. The County's community partners and faith-based community were also thanked for their participation in making the program a success.

Reverend Jordan Boyd expressed thanks to the Board for the program on behalf of faith-based partners.

Note: Cities, counties and federally recognized tribes that show measurable improvements in health indicators and social determinants of health have had the opportunity to compete for the Healthiest Cities and Counties Challenge. The challenge is offered by the Aetna Foundation, the American Public Health Association (APHA) and the National Association of Counties (NACo), in partnership with CEOs for Cities. Mecklenburg County was selected as one of fifty cities in the Country of the Village HeartBeat Program and made the next level of competition.

The vision of VHB is to ensure that everyone in Mecklenburg County will enjoy good health regardless of their race/ethnicity, gender, disability, age, or socioeconomic status. Pursuit of this vision began in 2012 when the Mecklenburg County Public Health (MCPH) and the Partners in Eliminating Health Disparities (PHED) coalition developed VHB. The goal of VHB has been to prevent cardiovascular disease through the overall strategy of adopting healthy behaviors (reduced tobacco use, improved nutrition, and increased physical activity) in high-risk Public Health Priority Areas (PHPAs).

Commissioner Leake gave the history of the County's Village HeartBeat Program and how she approached the County Manager about implementing the program.

Commissioner Leake acknowledged that the Village HeartBeat Program was the vision of Cheryl Emanuel and expressed thanks to her.

Commissioner Leake thanked County Manager Diorio for her support of the program.

Commissioner Leake also acknowledged the support and leadership of Bishop George Battle with Village HeartBeat.

Commissioner Fuller said the Village HeartBeat Program was "revolutionary" and elaborated.

Commissioner Fuller expressed special thanks to Cheryl Emanuel for her leadership.

Mr. Rush said he planned to recognize Mecklenburg County's Village HeartBeat Program nationally at upcoming NACo conferences.

Commissioner Dunlap left the meeting and was absent for the remainder of the meeting.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORTS & REQUESTS – NONE

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Puckett and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to approve the following item(s):

18-4461 ENGINEER SELECTION – CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION (CEI) SERVICES FOR TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT AT MARION DIEHL CENTER

Authorize the County Manager to negotiate fees and execute a contract with Alley, Williams, Carmen & King, Inc. for Construction Engineering and Inspection Services for the Traffic Improvements at Marion Diehl Center and in the event negotiations with this firm are unsuccessful, approve negotiations with the alternate firm of Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, LLP.

18-4466 LAND ACQUISITION/DONATION – NORTH PONG CLARKE CREEK GREENWAY

Authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary for the donation of Tax Parcel 019-441-11 (±1.48 acres) from M/I Homes of Charlotte, LLC.

Note: This property will be used for greenway purposes.

18-4468 ARCHITECT SELECTION – MARION DIEHL AND SUGAW CREEK RECREATION CENTERS RENOVATIONS

Authorize the County Manager to negotiate fees and execute a contract with Neighboring Concepts for Architectural/Engineering Services for the Marion Diehl and Sugaw Creek Recreation Centers renovations, and in the event negotiations with this firm are unsuccessful, approve negotiations with the second ranked firm of LS3P.

18-4472 CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT @ RISK CONTRACTING METHODOLOGY FOR COUNTY PROJECTS

Authorize the use of Construction Management @ Risk (CM @ Risk) contract methodology for the following Capital Improvement Project as being in the best interest of the project and therefore being the best delivery method for the project: Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation - Northern Regional Recreation Center.

18-4475 STORM WATER PROGRAM – FY18 HAZARD MITIGATION FLOODPLAIN ACQUISITION

1. Accept the Offer of Sale of Real Estate from Claudia Pena & Carl Talerico, owners of property located at 221 Fielding Road, Charlotte, NC (tax parcel 031-077-06), for $195,000; and

2. Authorize the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police and Fire Departments to utilize the structure for training exercises; and

3. Adopt a Resolution Approving Transfer of Reusable Building Materials to Habitat for Humanity of Charlotte, Inc. to allow for salvage of materials prior to demolition.
Note: Since late 1999, Mecklenburg County has used local storm water fee revenue to acquire property that will minimize the risk of potential loss of life and property damage from flooding while enhancing the natural and beneficial functions of the floodplain (creating open space, expanding greenways, constructing wetlands, etc.). The requested action will consist of acquiring the property and demolishing the existing building.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION
APPROVING TRANSFER OF REUSABLE BUILDING MATERIALS
TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF CHARLOTTE, INC.

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County desires to voluntarily acquire and demolish certain structures located in flood-prone areas along various creeks in Mecklenburg County through its Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services, Engineering & Mitigation Program, moreover described as follows:

TAX PARCEL ID	STREET ADDRESS	CITY
06907102	816 PRINCE ST	CHARLOTTE
08502210	144 ATANDO AV	CHARLOTTE
22102120	109 REID LN	PINEVILLE
22102117	111 REID LN	PINEVILLE
22102105	617 MAIN ST	PINEVILLE
22102108	709 MAIN ST	PINEVILLE
20502101	810 MAIN ST	PINEVILLE
05913104	3601 URBANA DR	CHARLOTTE
09312516	3014 AIRLIE ST	CHARLOTTE
03107706	221 FIELDING RD	CHARLOTTE
03107306	435 GUM BRANCH RD	CHARLOTTE
12905C99	1207 GREEN OAKS LN	CHARLOTTE
12905C97	1213 GREEN OAKS LN	CHARLOTTE
12905C98	1217 GREEN OAKS LN	CHARLOTTE
17513C97	237 WAKEFIELD DR	CHARLOTTE
17513C97	241 WAKEFIELD DR	CHARLOTTE
17513C97	349 WAKEFIELD DR	CHARLOTTE
13109217	2028 WOODLAND DR	CHARLOTTE
13109204	3742 DRESDEN DR EAST	CHARLOTTE
13109219	3748 DRESDEN DR EAST	CHARLOTTE
13109218	3756 DRESDEN DR EAST	CHARLOTTE
13109211	3701 E INDEPENDENCE BV	CHARLOTTE
13109212	3745 E INDEPENDENCE BV	CHARLOTTE
13109215	3751 E INDEPENDENCE BV	CHARLOTTE

; and

WHEREAS, the properties in question may become a part of the Mecklenburg County open space, parks and greenway system; and

WHEREAS, Habitat For Humanity of Charlotte, Inc. ("Habitat For Humanity"), a North Carolina not-for-profit corporation engaged in providing quality housing to low and moderate income persons in Mecklenburg County, has requested that it be allowed to remove and sell such reusable building materials from said structures, and to use the proceeds to help develop housing for low and moderate income persons in Mecklenburg County; and

WHEREAS, Habitat For Humanity has estimated that it will be able to sell such reusable building materials; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 160A-279 provides that whenever a county is authorized to appropriate funds to any private entity which carries on a public purpose, the county may, in lieu of appropriating funds, convey for private sale to such entity any personal property which it owns provided that it attach a covenant which will assure that the property be put to a public use by the recipient entity; and

WHEREAS, assisting with providing housing for low and moderate income persons is a public purpose as provided in N.C.G.S. 153A-378; and

WHEREAS, said N.C.G.S. 160A-279 requires that the procedural provisions of G.S. 160A-267 shall apply, which statute requires that the Board adopt a resolution authorizing appropriate officials to dispose of the property by private sale at a negotiated price, and that a notice summarizing the contents of the resolution be published once after its adoption, and that such sale be consummated no earlier than ten (10) days after the publication of said notice; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it would be in the public interest and appropriate to use this statutory authorization to convey the reusable building materials to Habitat For Humanity; **now, therefore, be it**

RESOLVED that the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize W. Dave Canaan, Director of Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services, to transfer title to the reusable building materials contained in structures listed above once under the ownership of Mecklenburg County, to Habitat For Humanity, with the covenant that Habitat For Humanity must remove the building materials in a timely manner, and that such building materials either be used directly in the construction of housing for low and moderate income persons, or that the property be sold and the proceeds be used to provide housing for low and moderate income persons; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Clerk to the Board is directed to publish a notice summarizing the contents of this resolution once after its adoption, and that the transfer of property to Habitat For Humanity not be consummated until ten (10) days after its publication.

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18-4480 INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENTS

Recognize, receive and appropriate insurance reimbursement funds of $15,301 for Asset and Facility Management, $9,372 for Land Use and Environmental Services and $427 for Park and Recreation.

Note: The County received insurance proceeds based on claims for stolen and damaged items in the departments identified. This Board action provides authority to use the funds for replacement of these items.

18-4481 MINUTES

Approve Minutes of Regular meeting held January 3, 2018, Budget/Public Policy held January 23, 2018 and Closed Sessions held December 19, 2017, December 12, 2017, and January 23, 2018.

18-4483 TAX REFUNDS

Approve refunds in the amount of $75,002.18 and interest as statutorily required to be paid as requested by the County Assessor.

Notes: This Board action is necessary to approve tax refunds resulting from clerical errors, audits and other amendments, including revaluation appeals. Accrued interest is estimated to be $322.63.

A list of the taxpayer recipients is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

18-4488 FLEET AUCTION REVENUE AND EXPENSES

Recognize, receive and appropriate 9-16-17 vehicle auction revenue of $40,587.21. Of the auction proceeds, appropriate $31,994.95 to the Fleet Reserve Fund, $3,770.25 to the Department of Social Services transportation unit, and $4,822.02 to Park & Recreation.

18-4489 BUDGET AMENDMENT – LUESA (REVENUE/EXPENDITURE INCREASE)

Recognize, receive and appropriate a revenue increase of $49,741 from Valley-Forest Brook, LLC as part of a default of bond obligations related to Forest Brook subdivision to FY18 Permitting & Compliance Bond Budget (Unit 3090) and carry forward the unspent balance until project is completed.

18-4490 GRANT APPLICATION – FY18 AND FY19 CLEAN AIR ACT, SECTION 103

Affirm submission of a two-year extension of the County's CAA Section 103, Special Purpose federal grant application in the amount of $371,668; and upon award of grant, recognize, receive and appropriate the CAA Section 103 grant award; and authorize the carry forward of any unspent funds to subsequent years.

Note: Mecklenburg County's particulate matter (PM 2.5) network was established in 1997 and continues to be 100% funded with federal funds from a Clean Air Act (CAA), Section 103 grant through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The funding pays for two full-time air monitoring specialists, operations, maintenance and replacement of monitoring equipment. Mecklenburg County Air Quality operates three fine particulate matter monitoring sites year-

round at Garinger High School, Montclaire Elementary School and Sunset Hills Golf Course. The data collected represent concentrations over a wide area and determine Mecklenburg County's compliance with national ambient air quality standards.

18-4491 GRANT APPLICATION STORM WATER SERVICES – NC CLEAN WATER MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND

1. Affirm submission of a grant application to the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund (CWMTF) for the restoration of Stewart Creek from Tuckaseegee Road to Wilkinson Boulevard up to an amount of $500,000;

2. Affirm submission of a grant application to the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund (CWMTF) for the restoration of Irwin Creek from Jeff Adams Drive to Atando Avenue up to an amount of $500,000;

3. Authorize the County Manager to negotiate and enter into a grant contract with CWMTF; and

4. Upon receipt of either or both grants, recognize, receive and appropriate up to $1,000,000 in funds from the CWMTF.

18-4495 TAX REFUNDS

1. Approve refunds in the amount of $6,612.31 for registered motor vehicles as statutorily required to be paid as requested by the County Assessor; and

Notes: This Board action is necessary to approve registered motor vehicle tax refunds resulting from clerical errors, value changes and appeals processed in the new statewide vehicle tax system.

2. Approve refunds in the amount of $95,821.64 and interest as statutorily required to be paid as requested by the County Assessor.

Notes: This Board action is necessary to approve tax refunds resulting from clerical errors, audits and other amendments, including revaluation appeals. Accrued interest is estimated to be $773.39.

A list of the taxpayer recipients is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

18-4496 GRANT APPLICATION – NATIONAL RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION "MEET ME AT THE PARK EARTH MONTH" GRANT

Affirm submission of a grant application in the amount of $20,000 for the "Meet Me at the Park Earth Month" grant through the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA); and if awarded, recognize, receive and appropriate the award amount.

Note: The amount of the grant provided to the Grantee shall be $20,000 for a physical park improvement project in underserved areas tied to one or more of the following focus areas:

1. *Connecting youth to nature. Examples include providing environmental education programs, enhancing sustainable features at your park with the addition of educational signage or creating or improving access to nature through nature play areas, trails and greenspace.*
2. *Inspire healthy living. Examples include implementing recreational programs to get people more active, providing access to walking trails or creating fitness stations.*
3. *Improving youth's access to sports. Examples include utilizing vacant spaces for a sports field, improving a sports field, offering sports programming or providing youth access to sports equipment.*

THIS CONCLUDED ITEMS APPROVED BY CONSENT

18-4462 BUDGET AMENDMENT (REVENUE INCREASE) – CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to recognize, receive and appropriate for fiscal year 2018, $37,048.00 in funding from Cardinal Innovations Healthcare to support local jail diversion efforts related to the Stepping Up Initiative.

Note: Stepping Up is a national NACo initiative geared towards addressing behavioral health in jail populations across the country. The funding will be used to make a technology upgrade to Correct Care's computer system so that mental health cases can be flagged as they enter the jail

and are connected with Correct Care staff. Once identified those within the jail with behavioral health needs, we can link them with community based services.

Commissioner Leake removed this item from Consent for more public awareness.

18-4477 BUDGET AMENDMENT – HEALTH DEPARTMENT (REVENUE INCREASE)

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to:

A. Recognize, receive, and appropriate an increase in other revenue in the amount of $101,387 from Smart Start of Mecklenburg (through additional funding by Vanguard) covering from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018; and

Note: Smart Start of Mecklenburg has been awarded a grant in the amount of $101,387 from the Vanguard Foundation to fund the expansion of the Healthy Families Mecklenburg program. The Healthy Families Mecklenburg program provides case management to vulnerable first time parents, with the goals of promoting positive parenting, enhancing family functioning, enhancing child health and development, and preventing child abuse and neglect. Smart Start of Mecklenburg will pass through funds to the Health Department to deliver services.

B. Recognize, receive, and appropriate an increase in other revenue in the amount of $25,000 from American Public Health Association (APHA); and

Note: Community Engagement Village HeartBEAT program was awarded $25,000 from APHA for being recognized as the Healthiest Cities & Counties Challenge (HCCC) Interim Award for excellence. The purpose of this award is to advance proposed projects.

C. Recognize, receive, and appropriate an increase in State revenue for the Children's Developmental Services Agency (CDSA) Program in the amount of $158,205; and

Note: The Children's Developmental Services Agency (CDSA) Program will receive additional ongoing funds of $158,205 due to an amendment in the program's State Contract. The funds will be used to cover the additional cost of client services in the InReach contract. InReach is contracted to reimburse CDSA community based service providers for authorized early intervention services. The funds will also be used to purchase tablets for the employees listed within the State Contract, and create 2 additional positions within the CDSA program.

D. Approve the creation of a Case Coordinator position and a Development Specialist position in the Children's Developmental Services Agency (CDSA) Program.

18-4478 SET PUBLIC HEARING – CLOSING A PORTION OF RIGHT OF WAY FOR GRAND PALISADES PARKWAY

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Puckett and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to:

1. Set a public hearing for March 20, 2018 to hear all interested citizens who appear with respect to the closing of a portion of right-of-way for Grand Palisades Parkway; and

2. Adopt resolution declaring intent to close a portion of Grand Palisades Parkway right-of-way.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO CLOSE A PORTION OF GRAND PALISADES PARKWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 153A-241 specifies that a county may permanently close any public road or easement within the county and not within the city except public roads or easements for public roads under the control and supervision of the North Carolina Department of Transportation and specifies the procedure to be followed; and

WHEREAS, a petitioner has requested that a 0.181-acre portion of right-of-way for Grand Palisades Parkway as shown on the Exhibit A map attached hereto be closed; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency has determined that in its opinion the closing of the portion of said right-of-way petitioned for closing would not deprive any individual owning land in the vicinity of said right-of-way of reasonable ingress and egress to their property, and would not be contrary to the public interest; and has determined that the North Carolina Department of Transportation does not maintain said right-of-way; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners does hereby declare its intent to close the 0.181-acre portion of right-of-way for Grand Palisades Parkway as shown on the attached Exhibit A map, and as required by G.S. 153A-241 does hereby set a public hearing on the question of whether to close said right-of-way for March 20, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the Meeting Chamber on the first floor of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 East Fourth Street, Charlotte, North Carolina and does hereby instruct the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners to have a Notice of Intent published once a week for three successive weeks before the hearing; and does hereby instruct the Project Manager to send or have sent by registered or certified mail a copy of this resolution and the attached Map and Notice to each owner as shown on the County tax records of all properties adjoining the said right-of-way of Wilbanks Drive who did not join in the request to have

said portion of the right-of-way closed; and to have a notice of the closing and the public hearing posted in at least two places at said right-of-way.

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18-4484 NAMING APPLICATION – THIRD WARD PARK TO "JAMES DENNIS RASH THIRD WARD NEIGHBORHOOD PARK"

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Puckett and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to:

1. Acknowledge receipt of an application submitted on behalf of The Committee to Restore and Preserve Third Ward, Inc., and at the request of its Chair, Virginia Woolard, to name Third Ward Park, located at 1001 W. 4th Street Extension, the "James Dennis Rash Third Ward Neighborhood Park"; and

2. Schedule a public hearing on March 7, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. to receive public comment on the proposed naming of Third Ward Park to "James Dennis Rash Third Ward Neighborhood Park" and direct the Clerk to the Board to publish the notice of hearing as required.

18-4492 AMENDED DONATION FOR RAMSEY CREEK PARK PIER (PARK AND RECREATION)

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to recognize and appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund an increased donation of $6,595.95 from the Patriot Military Family Foundation for improvements to the fishing pier at Ramsey Creek Park.

18-4493 GRANT APPLICATION – CHARLOTTE OBSERVER SUMMER CAMP FUND GRANT (PARK AND RECREATION)

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Puckett and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to affirm submission of a grant application of up to $20,000 for a Charlotte Observer

Summer Camp Grant; and if awarded, recognize, receive and appropriate such funds for the grant period.

Notes: The Charlotte Observer Summer Camp Fund awards grants to summer camps to provide scholarships to low-income children in grades K-12 to experience the outdoors during the summer months. Grants must be used to expand the opportunities available to low-income campers.

18-4494 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER BIDS AT COUNTY TAX FORECLOSURE SALES

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Puckett and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to adopt Resolution to authorize the County Manager, or his or her designees, to enter and assign bids at Mecklenburg County tax sales not to exceed appropriated funds for County purchase.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER BIDS AT COUNTY TAX FORECLOSURE SALES

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners has approved a Comprehensive Foreclosure Strategy Program for the Tax Collector that includes a foreclosure acquisition component that will allow the County to become a bidder on delinquent properties in order to equitably enforce the collection of delinquent taxes and to remove aging bills from the tax scrolls by breaking the cycle of delinquency; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC has appropriated money for use by the Tax Collector to enter bids at tax foreclosure sales; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S 105-376 authorizes "taxing units" which term includes counties, to bid at tax foreclosure sales of the nature being conducted under the statutory procedures used by attorneys conducting such sales for Mecklenburg County, and that said authorization includes the power to assign bids under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, a common procedure in North Carolina used by taxing units is to authorize a county employee to enter bids on behalf of the county in such tax foreclosure sales; **now, therefore, be it**

RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that the County Manager, or his or her designees, are authorized to enter and, where applicable, assign bids at Mecklenburg County tax foreclosure sales provided that the total amount of bids entered at any one time does not exceed the amount of

unappropriated funds which have been designated by the Board of County Commissioners for the purchase of properties by the County in such sales. The County Manager shall exercise his or her authority to designate individuals who are authorized to enter and assign bids at tax foreclosure sales only by a written memorandum of delegation filed with the Clerk to the Board, the County Attorney, and the Director of Finance.

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18-4500 NCDOT GRANT FUNDING FOR BARTON CREEK GREENWAY

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Fuller and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, to:

1. Recognize, receive and appropriate additional grant funding in the amount of $1,383,870, awarded by Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO);

2. Commit to providing the funding for the required additional match;

3. Authorize the carry forward of unspent grant funds to subsequent years until completion of the project; and

4. Approve funding as required by NCDOT.

Note: This funding is for Barton Creek Greenway.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Fuller, seconded by Commissioner Puckett and carried 7-0 with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, that there being no further business to come before the Board that the meeting be adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

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Janice S. Paige, Clerk Ella B. Scarborough, Chair