

MAY 22, 2018

MINUTES OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, met in Special Session in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22, 2018.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Chair Ella B. Scarborough and Commissioners Dumont Clarke, Patricia “Pat” Cotham, Trevor M. Fuller, Bill James, Vilma D. Leake, Jim Puckett, and Matthew Ridenhour  
County Manager Dena R. Diorio  
Clerk to the Board Janice S. Paige

**Absent:** Commissioner George Dunlap

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**-FORMAL SESSION-**

***The meeting was called to order by Chair Scarborough, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, and introductions.***

Chair Scarborough said the purpose of the meeting was to receive the County Manager’s Recommended Budget for FY2018-2019. She said the Board would not engage in dialogue at this meeting regarding the County Manager’s Recommended Budget, but would at a Special Meeting scheduled for June 7, 2018.

Chair Scarborough then recognized County Manager Diorio.

County Manager Diorio presented her Recommended Budget for FY 2018-2019, which totaled \$1.7 billion, an increase of \$25 million over FY2018.

***A copy of her remarks is on file with the Clerk to the Board, as well as, a copy of the Recommended Budget for FY 2018-2019.***

Budget Director Michael Bryant presented the details of the County Manager’s Recommended Budget for FY 2018-2019.

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

**Highlights of the County Manager’s Recommended Budget for FY 2018-2019**

## The Headlines! FY2019 Recommended Budget

- An investment in Universal Pre-K consistent with the Economic Opportunity Task Force Report
- A 0.75 cent property tax rate increase which will add \$1.56 a month to a home valued at \$250K
- A one-time \$6M fund balance appropriation to offset the State Certification revenue loss
- No property tax rate increases for the Fire Protection and Law Enforcement Service Districts
- \$3.7M in efficiency savings and repurposed funds to support major investments
- Funding for year 3 of the 3 year department strategic business plans
- 54% of the County budget funds education and literacy
- Funding for employee merit increases
- Adjustments to the Sheriff's Office pay plan for recruitment and high turnover positions
- OurHealth – A New County benefit that will take effect on January 1, 2019



## Next Steps

Date	Time	Activity
June 4	6:00 PM	Budget Public Hearing
June 7	3:00 PM	Budget Workshop – Detailed Overview of Manager's Recommended Budget
June 12-13	9:00 AM	Budget Straw Vote Workshop
June 19	6:00 PM	FY2019 Budget Adoption



This concluded the presentation.

No action was taken or required of the Board at this time.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner James, seconded by Commissioner Puckett and unanimously carried with Commissioners Clarke, Cotham, Fuller, James, Leake, Puckett, Ridenhour and Scarborough voting yes, that there being no further business to come before the Board that the meeting be adjourned at 12:29 p.m.

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Janice S. Paige, Clerk

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Ella B. Scarborough, Chair