

**REVISED**

(Deletion—Item No. 3a and 7o)  
(Addition—Item No. 9—Closed Session)

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

**Monday, May 14, 2007**

**AGENDA**

**“Public Charge”**

The Board of Commissioners asks its members and citizens to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous manner, both with the Board and fellow citizens. At any time, should any member of the Board or any citizen fail to observe this public charge, the Chairman will ask the offending person to leave the meeting until that individual regains personal control. Should decorum fail to be restored, the Chairman will recess the meeting until such time that a genuine commitment to the public charge is observed.

As a courtesy to others, please turn off cell phones during the meeting.

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7:00 P.M. Regular Session

- 1. **Opening of Regular Session**—Pledge of Allegiance 5 min.
- 2. **Agenda Adjustments** 5 min.
- 3. **Announcements** 5 min.
  - a. ~~May 4<sup>th</sup>—Second Annual Gala and kick off event for the 2007 Walk for the Animals—A night of elegance at the Washington Duke Inn and Golf Club to benefit the Animal Protection Society of Durham. The celebration includes dinner and/or the reception and auction portion of the evening.~~
  - b. May 19<sup>th</sup>—The 2007 Walk for the Animals will be held at Duke University’s Wallace Wade Stadium from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- 4. **Minutes** 5 min.  
April 23, 2007 Regular Session
- 5. **Foster Care Month Proclamation** 5 min.  
Foster Care Month originated in 1988 when the National Foster Parent Association persuaded then Senator Strom Thurmond to introduce a resolution to proclaim May as National Foster Care Month. President George H.W. Bush issued an annual proclamation during each year of his presidency, providing an impetus for state, county, and city proclamations. The main focus of these early efforts was appreciation and

recognition of the tremendous contributions of foster parents across the nation. In the 1990's, Foster Care Month focused more on the needs of older youth, particularly those about to age out of the system. Under the leadership of the National Foster Care Coalition and Casey Family Programs, the campaign became a significant part of the drumbeat that ultimately resulted in the passage of the Chafee Foster Care Independence Act.

Today, the campaign spotlights the importance of permanency for the 513,000 children in out-of-home care. With this proclamation, the Department of Social Services calls on Durham residents to do something positive that will change a lifetime for the 266 children in foster care in our community.

One of Durham's foster parents, Lisa Richmond, was recently named as "Honoring Connections: Key to Hidden Treasures" Adoptive Parent of the Year by Region 3 of the NC Association of Foster and Adoptive Parents. As part of our awareness activities and celebration, we would like the Board of Commissioners to recognize Ms. Richmond for her contributions to foster children and our system in Durham County. Ms. Richmond also serves as president of the Durham Foster Parents Association and is employed by the County as a Deputy Sheriff.

Resource Person(s): Jovetta Whitfield, Child Placement and Supportive Services Program Manager; and Deputy Sheriff Lisa Richmond, President, Durham Foster Parents Association.

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the Board approve the proclamation and recognize Ms. Lisa Richmond for her award.

6. **Durham Soil and Water Conservation District Envirothon Team Recognition**

5 min.

The Durham Soil and Water Conservation District requests that the Board of County Commissioners officially recognize the homeschool Envirothon team, the Vicious Vipers, for their accomplishments in the 2007 NC Envirothon.

More than 500 North Carolina middle and high school students from all 100 counties in the state gathered in Burlington on April 27 and 28 for an environmental science competition called the Envirothon. The competition, held annually in the U.S. and Canada, is coordinated in North Carolina through the N.C. Division of Soil and Water Conservation, the state's 96 local soil and water conservation districts, and the N.C. Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Locally, the Envirothon is sponsored by the Durham Soil and Water Conservation District through means of training and resource materials. Five member student teams are tested on their knowledge of the environment and natural resources in the areas of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife, and current environmental issues. The team with the highest combined point total wins the state competition.

The Durham Soil and Water Conservation District sponsored five teams from Durham County that participated at this year's State level competition. All five teams were eligible to compete due to their high placement at an area level competition in March. At this time the Durham Soil and Water Conservation District request that a special congratulation be extended to the Vicious Vipers, who placed first among all middle school teams, for their outstanding performance at the 2007 State Envirothon competition. Team members include Anna Gass, Nathaniel Gass, Merilee Nixon, Michael Estes, Mason Erb, and team advisor Cindy Gass.

Resource Person(s): Eddie Culberson, Director Soil and Water; and Jennifer Brooks, Watershed Conservationist

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the BOCC receive the presentation and congratulate the home school team, Vicious Vipers, for their accomplishment in winning the 2007 North Carolina Envirothon.

7. **Consent Agenda**

20 min.

- a. Cultural Master Plan Revised Spending Request for Durham Rising Festival (approve this grant request for \$8,000 for DDI's Durham Rising festival, authorizing the expenditure of implementation funds);
- b. Budget Ordinance Amendment 07BCC000063—County Tax Service Inc.—Approve the Contract Amendment to recognize \$30,000 in additional tax revenue and authorize the Manager to amend the contract;
- c. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 07BCC000064—Public Health—Recognize One-Time Title X Bonus Funds in the amount of \$48,960 from the NC Department of Health and Human Services for the Family Planning Program;
- d. Approve the Proposed Lease Amendment for Lincoln Community Health Center and authorize the Manager to execute;
- e. Approve the Contract with RS&M Appraisal Services Inc. to provide revaluation assistance to the Tax Administration Department; contract amount not to exceed \$150,000;
- f. Approve the Recommended JCPC/DJJDP Program Funding Allocations for FY 2007-2008;
- g. Grandale Subdivision Infrastructure Improvements at Scott King Road (approve the transfer of \$140,000 from the Scott King Road stormwater infrastructure escrow account to Durham Public Schools);
- h. Durham Public Schools—Approval of Construction Contract for New Elementary School "B" (enter into a contract with De Vere Construction for \$12,401,000);
- i. Capital Project Amendment No. 07CPA000008—Durham Public Schools (DPS)—Applications to the Public School Building Capital Fund (approve funds to the Neal Middle School capital project [\$105,000] and Hillside High School capital project [\$90,000] and that the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners sign the two applications for PSBCF funding);

- j. Durham Public Schools—Approval of Construction Contract for Lowe’s Grove Middle School (enter into a contract with H.B. West Construction Company for the construction of a new fire lane at Lowe’s Grove Middle School for \$186,790);
- k. Enact the Proposed Amendment to the Stormwater Management Ordinance;
- l. Approve the Offer to Purchase 50 acres on the Little River Owned by North Triangle Realty \$11,000 per acre or approximately \$550,000; the offer is contingent upon a CWMTF award equaling 65% of the purchase price, a clean Phase I environmental assessment, and a closing prior to December 31, 2007;
- m. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 07BCC000065—Budget and Technical Changes Related to Moving Dedicated Sales Tax and Occupancy Tax Revenues and to Changes in the Debt Service Fund: 1) make technical changes to how Durham County budgets for dedicated Article 40 and 42 sales tax and occupancy tax revenues; 2) increase the current year budget estimate for these dedicated revenues; and 3) increase the budget estimates for revenues in the Debt Service Fund from various capital project funds as well as decreasing Debt Service Fund expenditures;
- n. Offer to Purchase County Surplus Properties (pursue the upset bid process for the sale of 2422 Barry Street, 723 Eva Street, 3500 Carr Road, 818 Red Oak Avenue, and 2804 Cannada Avenue; the Board has the authority to accept or reject any offer at the conclusion of the upset bid process);
- o. ~~Authorize the Execution of an Acoustical Design Contract Amendment with The Freelon Group, P.A. in the amount \$60,000 for the Proposed Durham County Human Services Complex. Project No.: DC070-48;~~
- p. Authorize the Execution of a Consulting Services Agreement with System WorGx in the amount of \$34,000 for the LEED Commissioning Services for the Proposed Durham County Human Services Complex. Project No.: DC070-48;
- q. Exempt the Oakleigh Building Project from RFQ Procedures for Hiring an Architect and authorize the County Manger to hire an architect to allow the construction schedule to move forward as quickly as possible;
- r. Approve the Verizon Easement on the Detention center Property; and
- s. Exempt the County Stadium Structural Evaluation from RFQ Procedures for Hiring a Consulting Engineer and authorize the County Manager to hire a consulting engineer to allow the evaluation and any needed remediation to move forward as quickly as possible.

8. **Public Hearing to Consider Allocating Economic Development Investment Funds to Computer Sciences Corporation**

10 min.

The Board is requested to hold a public hearing to consider allocating economic development investment funds to Computer Science Corporation (CSC), a leading provider of information technology services to commercial and government markets worldwide.

CSC is competing for a contract to provide data center services to the federal government. If awarded the bid, CSC would expand their current operations consisting of approximately 300 employees in Research Triangle Park. The expansion would include redevelopment of the former EPA campus at Highway 54 and TW Alexander

Drive which has been vacant for approximately 5 years. Over the next ten years, CSC would invest approximately \$250 million in a new 240,000 square foot facility which includes 100,000 square feet of data center space and associated network and computer equipment. The data center would house 200 new, well paying jobs available to Durham citizens. Company officials have stated that incentives are a key consideration in its ability to be awarded the winning bid.

Staff is recommending that the County participate in this economic development project by providing up to \$1,000,000 for the costs of expansion and employee training.

This public hearing was advertised on Friday, May 4, 2007, as required by NC Statute.

Resource Person(s): Carolyn P. Titus, Deputy County Manager

County Manager's Recommendation: The Manager recommends that the Board hold the public hearing, and based upon the information received, approve entering into a standard economic development incentive contract between the County of Durham and Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC) in the amount of \$1,000,000.

9. **Closed Session**

**20 min.**

**The Board is requested to adjourn to closed session to hear a report concerning the investigation of alleged criminal misconduct pursuant to G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(7).**

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1 hr. 20 min.