

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

Monday, September 28, 2009

9:20 P.M.

Closed Session

Minutes and General Accounts

Place: Commissioners' Conference Room, second floor, Durham County Government Administrative Complex, 200 E. Main Street, Durham, NC

Present: Chairman Michael D. Page, Vice-Chairman Ellen W. Reckhow, and Commissioners Joe W. Bowser, Becky M. Heron, and Brenda A. Howerton

Absent: None

Presider: Chairman Page

The Board met in closed session to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of a business or industry pursuant to G. S. 143-318.11(a)(4).

Deputy County Manager Carolyn Titus was asked to convey to the Board a message from Keith Crisco, Secretary of North Carolina Department of Commerce, who wished to speak on behalf of Project Fuqua. Ms. Titus informed the Board that Secretary Crisco relayed Project Fuqua owner's request for the Board to reconsider the structure of the \$200,000 incentive offer, as it relates to the requirement for the company to hire Durham residents. Project Fuqua has committed to hiring as many Durham residents as possible but cannot guarantee it. Secretary Crisco asked the Board to consider that Project Fuqua's request is more about building a relationship. Ms. Titus elaborated on the advantages Project Fuqua would bring to Durham County.

Ms. Titus communicated that the One North Carolina Fund is asking the County to match its \$150,000 incentive for Project Fuqua. The \$100,000 for Durham residents' training expenses is not an eligible match due to the contingency nature of the funds.

A discussion ensued in regards to the incentive offer.

The County Manager recommended that the Board maintain its previous incentive offer of \$100,000 and an additional \$100,000 for Durham residents hired and trained (\$1,000 per resident).

The Board reached a consensus to accept the County Manager's recommendation.

Commissioner Bowser moved, seconded by Commissioner Howerton, to seal the September 28, 2009 Closed Session Minutes of the Board.

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Page adjourned the closed session at 9:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne R. Jones
Acting Clerk to the Board