

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

Monday, April 27, 2009

7:00 P.M. Regular Session

MINUTES

Place: Commissioners' 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 and Brenda A. Howerton

Absent: Commissioner Becky M. Heron

Presider: Chairman Page

Opening of Regular Session

Chairman Page welcomed everyone to the Monday, April 27, 2009 Regular Session of the Board of County Commissioners. He requested that persons rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Agenda Adjustments

County Manager Ruffin requested that Consent Agenda Item No. 9j be removed from the agenda (Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the County of Durham and the City of Durham Regarding Durham Government TV). It would be presented at the May 4 Worksession.

The Commissioners discussed whether to defer Agenda Item No. 10 (Board and Commission Appointments) as Commissioner Heron was absent due to the death of her brother. Chairman Page and Commissioner Bowser stressed that if the item is deferred, similar requests of absent Board members should be honored.

Chairman Page announced that the Closed Session (Agenda Item No. 11) should be removed from the agenda.

Commissioner Howerton moved, seconded by Vice-Chairman Reckhow, to remove agenda item Nos. 9j, 10, and 11.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Ayes: Bowser, Howerton, Page, and Reckhow

Noes: None

Absent: Heron

Chairman Page offered condolences to Commissioner Heron and her family. He stated that a card would be sent to Commissioner Heron on behalf of the Commissioners.

Vice-Chairman Reckhow moved, seconded by Commissioner Bowser, to excuse Commissioner Heron from the meeting.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Ayes: Bowser, Howerton, Page, and Reckhow

Noes: None

Absent: Heron

Announcements

Chairman Page made the following announcements:

- The Board of County Commissioners will hear funding requests from nonprofit organizations on May 4, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.
- Durham County will hold a “Groundbreaking Ceremony” for the new Health and Human Services Building on May 5 at 10:00 a.m. The activity will be held in the block across the street from the current Health Department, located at 414 East Main Street. Parking will be available adjacent to the site. He stated that the Commissioners would be attending; he encouraged citizens to attend as well.

Minutes

Vice-Chairman Reckhow moved, seconded by Commissioner Bowser, to approve the March 5, 2009 Worksession, March 23, 2009 Regular Session, and March 24, 2009 Conversations Minutes of the Board as submitted.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Ayes: Bowser, Howerton, Page, and Reckhow

Noes: None

Absent: Heron

Presentation of the Commissioners Community Circle Award

Chairman Page stated that the Commissioners Community Circle Award (created by Michael D. Page, 2009 Chairman of the Durham Board of County Commissioners [BOCC]) is designed as a way to recognize County departments, local non-profit organizations, and programs for the extraordinary services they provide to Durham’s citizens.

He announced that the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club had been selected to receive the Commissioners’ Community Circle Award due to its inspirational service that improves the

lives of Durham's teens. The Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club has displayed the ability to cultivate consistently the competence and wellbeing of the clients they serve. Its outstanding mentorship and leadership cannot go unnoticed by the BOCC.

Chairman Page called Joshua Dorsette, Executive Director for the Club, to come forward, introduce the members, and receive the award.

Mr. Dorsette introduced board members, staff, and youth who participate in the Boys and Girls Club. He shared words of appreciation for the award. Mr. Dorsette stated that the organization strives to fulfill the mission of the Club, which is to "enable all youth, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to reach their full potential as caring and respecting citizens".

Corps Officer Major Bruce Smith echoed the comments of Mr. Dorsette. He then gave much credit for the success of the club to Mr. Dorsette, a recent graduate from North Carolina Central University and dedicated, dynamic leader. Major Smith thanked the Board of County Commissioners, Club supporters, volunteers, and staff.

Chairman Page read the award, presented it to Mr. Dorsette and Major Smith, and thanked persons associated with the Club for their great work in the Durham community.

Proclamation for "Children's Mental Health Awareness Day"

Chairman Page read the following proclamation into the record:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, strong mental health is essential to the success of a child; and

WHEREAS, according to the United States Department of Health and Human services, at least one in five children and adolescents have a mental health disorder with one in 10, or about 6 million people, suffering from a serious emotional disturbance; and

WHEREAS, mental health disorders can have negative impacts on behavior, school performance, and concentration; and

WHEREAS, untreated mental health disorders can lead to alcohol and drug abuse, violence, and life threatening behaviors; and

WHEREAS, an awareness of the mental health services provided by Durham County high schools can lead to diagnoses and treatments of these mental health disorders; and

WHEREAS, as parents, teachers, guidance counselors, neighbors, friends, and concerned citizens, there are many ways to reach out to the youth of Durham County who are in need of education, information, and mental health resources:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Michael D, Page, Chairman of the Durham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 7, 2009 as

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY

in Durham County.

This the 27th of April, 2009.

/s/ Michael D. Page, Chairman

Nick Tice, representative of the National Center for Child Traumatic Stress at Duke University, spoke about the importance of children's mental health and provided information about the work of the agency, whose mission is to improve services nationwide to children and families who have faced trauma. He reported that the United States Department of Health and Human Services estimates that at least one in five children and adolescents have a mental health disorder with one in 10, or about 6 million people, suffering from a serious emotional disturbance. He thanked the County Commissioners for recognizing May 7 as Children's Mental Health Awareness Day. He acknowledged Durham County for its support in providing mental health care innovations to children through System of Care, Multiple Response System in Child Protective Services, and Durham Connects.

Mr. Tice received the proclamation from the Commissioners.

On behalf of Durham County, Chairman Page thanked Mr. Tice for his work.

Foster Care Month Proclamation

Chairman Page stated that all children deserve a safe, happy life, including the 513,000 American children and youth in foster care. Young people in foster care especially need nurturing adults on their side because their families are in crisis and unable to care for them. Each May, the Department of Social Services salutes the compassionate people who make a difference by serving as foster parents, relative caregivers, mentors, advocates, social workers, and volunteers. Thanks to these unsung heroes, many formerly abused or neglected children and teens will either safely reunite with their parents, be cared for by relatives, or be adopted by loving families.

Commissioner Bowser, Department of Social Services Board member, read the following proclamation:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the family, serving as the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem, and support, is the foundation of our communities and our state; and

WHEREAS, over 513,000 American children are in foster care because their own families are in crisis and unable to provide for their essential wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, in Durham County, there were 236 children and youth in foster care on March 1, 2009 being provided with a safe, secure, and stable home along with the compassion and nurture of a foster family; and

WHEREAS, foster families, who open their homes and hearts and offer help to children whose families are in crisis, play a vital role helping children and families heal and reconnect and launching children into successful adulthood; and

WHEREAS, the growth in the foster care populations results in a greater need for more foster families; and

WHEREAS, the Durham County Department of Social Services is joined by numerous individuals and public and private organizations who work to increase public awareness of the needs of children in and leaving foster care as well as the enduring and valuable contribution of foster parents, and the foster care “system” is only as good as those who choose to be part of it;

WHEREAS, the Durham County foster care system depends on the active support and involvement of the Durham community:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Michael D. Page, Chairman of the Durham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 2009 as

FOSTER CARE MONTH.

I commend this observance to our community and urge all citizens to come forward and do something positive that will help *change a lifetime* for children and youth in foster care.

This the 27th day of April, 2009.

/s/ Michael D. Page, Chairman

Jovetta Whitfield, Program Manager, Child Placement and Supportive Services, thanked the Commissioners for their continued support of DSS Child Welfare staff and foster parents. She requested that the Commissioners and citizens participate in the Walk for the Children

on Saturday, May 2, at 9:00 a.m. to help recruit foster and adoptive parents and to bring awareness to the community of the needs of the children in foster care. Ms. Whitfield gave contact information to persons who may be interested in becoming foster or adoptive parents.

Mable Hill, on behalf of the Foster Home Licensing Unit, thanked the Commissioners and the community. She announced the Foster Parent's Banquet on Thursday, May 7, and invited the Commissioners to attend.

Sammy Haithcock, Director, Department of Social Services (DSS), thanked the Commissioners for allowing DSS to invest in a project a couple of years ago whereby assistance was provided to families which kept children (approximately 40) in their homes as opposed to being placed in foster care. He mentioned that in Durham County on March 1, 2009, 236 children and youth were in foster care. Foster Care Month is an opportunity to educate the community about the need for more foster parents and to celebrate the commitment foster parents make to improve the lives of vulnerable children and youth.

Chairman Page presented the proclamation to Ms. Whitfield, Ms. Hill, and Mr. Haithcock.

Older Americans Month Proclamation

Chairman Page read the proclamation into the record:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Durham County is home to more than 34,089 residents who are 60 years of age or older; and

WHEREAS, the older residents of Durham County represent a dramatic trend in our nation's demographic makeup; and

WHEREAS, older persons are diverse, respected citizens who continue to contribute to our nation's social and economic wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, a growing number of baby boomers are rapidly joining the population of older residents, and the number of individuals providing care to family members and friends is expanding significantly; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services provides in-home services for more than 600 older residents to allow them to remain independent at home and prevent institutional placements; and

WHEREAS, 846 Durham residents live in 33 adult-care homes that are monitored for safety by the Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, more than 300 referrals are made to the Department of Social Services annually for evaluation of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of adults; and

WHEREAS, the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead require the Durham County community to think differently about health and long-term care and work together to rebalance and modernize our current systems so that we may adequately plan for and address the needs of current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, older persons are entitled to lives of dignity and independence through:

- Streamlined access to information and community services;
- Information about cost-effective prevention practices and activities that will improve health and quality of life, and
- Innovative, affordable option for care and support that will provide an array of choice about how and where to live:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Michael D. Page, Chairman of the Durham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 2009, as

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH.

I commend this observance to our residents and urge all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, and businesses to join with the Department of Social Services, Council for Senior Citizens, and Durham's Senior Adult Results Based Accountability Committee to honor older adults, and those who care for them, during May and throughout the year. I urge all to promote and participate in activities that contribute to helping older Americans make choices for a healthy and rewarding future.

This the 27th day of April, 2009.

/s/ Michael D. Page, Chairman

Bob Wallace, Program Manager, Adult and Crisis Services, DSS, mentioned one of the performance measures, which is to keep customers safe and stable. Part of the effectiveness is measured by preventing unnecessary, out-of-home placement. DSS serves over 600 seniors with in-home services and Meals on Wheels; yet, there is a waiting list. By 2030, approximately one in every five persons living in Durham County will be 65 years of age or older; therefore, the waiting list is expected to grow. It is far cheaper to pay for services to help seniors stay safe in their own homes as opposed to paying for out-of-home placement. Mr. Wallace invited the Commissioners to attend the annual Celebration of Life luncheon for DSS Adult Services clients ages 70+ on May 21, 11:30 a.m., at St. Phillips Episcopal Church.

Lois Deloatch, Chair of the Results-Based Accountability Group—Durham Partnership for Seniors, stated that the group represents several dozen nonprofit agencies, community organizations, and governmental agencies. She asked that anyone interested in joining the group to contact Gayle Harris, Director, Public Health Department.

Gayle Harris, Public Health Director and former chair of the Durham Partnership for Seniors, thanked the Commissioners for elevating the group to the position as a Results-Based Accountability Group. The Commissioners' support has established the group's credibility with its partners. "We have done some amazing things and other amazing things are on the horizon".

Joan Pelletier, Director of the Triangle J Area Agency on Aging, congratulated and thanked Durham County for its many years of support for older adults and for setting a model for the rest of the region.

Chairman Page presented the proclamation to the representatives of the Durham Partnership for Seniors. He expressed thanks for all the work that supports Durham's seniors.

Proclaim May 3-9 National County Government Week

Chairman Page requested that Vice-Chairman Reckhow read the proclamation into the record.

The proclamation follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,068 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities serving 300 million Americans; and

WHEREAS, Durham County and all counties take seriously their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare, and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, many county government initiatives and programs involve the protection of valuable and vulnerable environmental resources in communities; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties created National County Government Week in 1991 to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nation's counties to meet the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties and Durham County are working together to restore the partnership between all levels of government to serve American communities:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Michael D. Page, Chairman of the Durham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 3-9, 2009 as

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK

in Durham. I encourage all Durham County officials, employees, schools, and residents to take special note of this observance by participating in county government week activities.

This the 27th day of April, 2009.

/s/ Michael D. Page, Chairman

Assistant County Manager Deborah Craig-Ray announced that the week of May 3-9 is declared National County Government Week which is an annual celebration of county government. First held in 1991, the goal is to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nations' counties. Durham County Government will participate in this event by hosting various community and employee events. She reported on the events and activities planned for the upcoming week and thanked Dawn Dudley, Public Information Specialist, for coordinating the events. The theme is "Greening Our Future" with emphasis on sustainability.

Chairman Page requested that Ms. Craig-Ray send an email to provide the Commissioners with the events and the corresponding dates.

Ms. Craig-Ray accepted the proclamation from the Commissioners.

2009 Durham County Employees United Way Campaign

County Manager Mike Ruffin stated that the County's 2009 United Way Campaign conducted last fall was one of the most successful campaigns in recent memory, particularly in light of the economic downturn. County Employee Campaign Chairman Nina Bullock and her committee reported employee giving at \$95,715.00. The real winners are the Triangle United Way charities that will benefit, particularly those in Durham County. County Manager Ruffin commended Ms. Bullock and the Committee members for their efforts.

Ms. Bullock made the following comments:

"For many years, Durham County Government has partnered with the Triangle United Way in an attempt to bring much needed funding to over 80 of our area nonprofit organizations in Durham, Orange, and Wake counties, dealing with various issues faced by citizens of the community, from education to healthcare.

Durham County employees have consistently risen to the challenge when called upon annually to donate to this worthy cause. This year was expected to be especially difficult due to a dire, global economic strain that has negatively affected the households of virtually all Americans.

Even with our employees facing no annual increases in the next fiscal year, this was not a deterrent to our employees donating MORE this year than in years past, exceeding our goal of \$95,000 to be disbursed among the Triangle United Way's Partner Agencies that serve those in need.

It truly says something about the caliber of Durham County Government employees and their willingness to give when most would choose to do the opposite under such severe financial conditions. THANK YOU to all of the wonderful Durham County Government employees who donated to this year's campaign, not only with your money, but also with your time and support.

To make a quick note about our departmental performances, our Human Resources Department, headed by Marqueta Welton and Committee Representative Lavern Peele, had a 100% participation rate.

Several other departments, including County Engineering, Criminal Justice Resource Center, Finance, Mental Health, and SAP Shared Services had over a 70% participation rate.

I would like to make special note of the Sheriff's Department. With over 400 employees scattered over different locations within the County, they managed a participation rate of 88%, raising over \$18,000.

It is because of statistics like these, in a time like this, that I thought some special members of this year's committee should receive recognition exceeding the usual pat on the back. These are not just representatives from departments with the highest numbers but committee members who were present at all of our events and coordinated venues, entertainment, food, etc.; these folks went above and beyond the norm.

They attended the meetings and made sure they were able to answer co-workers questions so I would not be bombarded with phone calls and emails pertaining to the campaign.

Many of our employees do thankless jobs with little pay; so when asked to serve on an extra-curricular committee (of sorts), where others would wane their responsibilities, these people stepped up to the plate and knocked it out of the park.

Will the following persons please rise when I call your name?

From the Sheriff's Department:

1. Rita Collins
2. Lisa Jordan
3. Randy Vaughn

From the Tax Department:	Lorie Domnas
From the Criminal Justice Resource Center:	JoAnn Hawkins
From General Services:	Paulette Smith
From the Register of Deeds:	Jennifer Smith
From the Youth Home:	Ronald Mitchell
From County Engineering:	Deb Stout
From the Library:	Catherine Mau
From the Dept. of Social Services:	Priscilla Young

And an employee who was not officially on the committee, but literally pounded the pavement and asked for local vendor support, which has garnered many of the incentive prizes our employees received last year and this year...

From General Services: James M. Brown

Kevin Etheridge from the Budget Department, who is no longer with Durham County Government, was essential to how smoothly the campaign was run this year.

These employees will be presented with *Certificates of Appreciation* at a later date.

On a personal note, I would like to thank the following people for their part in my becoming the first non-department head Chair of the Triangle United Way Campaign Committee:

First, to Skip Auld, Library Director and previous year Committee Chair, for recognizing abilities and talents in me that would have you suggest me as your successor.

To County Manager Mike Ruffin, for being willing to allow ALL employees the opportunity to develop and exhibit leadership skills on a countywide level, irrespective of title.

Finally, to County Attorney Chuck Kitchen, for your support in allowing me the freedom to see this campaign through from beginning to end.

It was a pleasure to work with our Triangle United Way Representative, Dana Dubis, this year's Committee, and all of our donating Durham County Employees

in making this the most successful Durham County Government/Triangle United Way Campaign to date.”

Chairman Page expressed appreciation to Ms. Bullock for going above and beyond the call of duty, especially during tough, economic times.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Howerton moved, seconded by Vice-Chairman Reckhow, to approve the following consent agenda items:

- *a. Property Tax Releases and Refunds for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 (accept the property tax release and refund report for March 2009 as presented and authorize the Tax Assessor to adjust the tax records as outlined by the report);
- b. Request from Northern High School to Transfer Ownership of a Surplus Turf Grass Mower to the Durham Public School System (approve the request for the maintenance of Northern High School’s football, softball, and baseballs playing fields);
- c. Lease of a Portion of 2117 East Club Blvd. to the Animal Protection Society of Durham Inc. (approve the lease agreement and authorize the County Manager to execute the agreement);
- d. Cultural Master Plan Project Funding Approval (receive the proposed Cultural Master Plan initiative funding and, if appropriate, approve funding for the initiatives);
- *f. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 09BCC0000060—The Durham Center—Budget Decrease of \$2,322,420 for Medicaid pass through funds;
- *h. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 09BCC0000062—2008 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) (recognize \$105,565 in grant revenue received from the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management to be applied to Durham County Emergency Management); and
- *i. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 09BCC0000063—Economic Development—Pass-Through of One NC Funds from the State of North Carolina in the amount of \$150,000 to Eisai Inc.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Ayes: Bowser, Howerton, Page, and Reckhow

Noes: None

Absent: Heron

*Documents related to these items follow:

Consent Agenda Item No. a. Property Tax Releases and Refunds for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 (accept the property tax release and refund report for March 2009 as presented and authorize the Tax Assessor to adjust the tax records as outlined by the report).

Due to property valuation adjustments for over assessments, listing discrepancies, duplicate listings, and clerical errors, etc., the report details releases and refunds for the month of March 2009.

Releases & Refunds for 2008 Taxes:

Real Estate	\$ 12,410.76
Personal	\$ 401,101.97
Motor Vehicles	\$ 37,634.54
Vehicle Fees	\$ 785.00
Solid Waste	<u>\$ 540.00</u>

Total for 2008 Taxes and Fees: \$ 452,472.27

(Recorded in Appendix A in the Permanent Supplement of the April 27, 2008 Regular Session Minutes of the Board.)

Consent Agenda Item No. f. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 09BCC0000060—The Durham Center—Budget Decrease of \$2,322,420 for Medicaid pass through funds.

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
 FY 2008-09 Budget Ordinance
 Amendment No. 09BCC000060

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2008-09 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$402,134,717	(\$2,322,420)	\$399,812,297

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$452,584,463	(\$2,322,420)	\$450,262,043

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 27th day of April, 2009.

Consent Agenda Item No. h. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 09BCC000062—2008 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) (recognize \$105,565 in grant revenue received from the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management to be applied to Durham County Emergency Management).

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2008-09 Budget Ordinance
Amendment No. 09BCC000062

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2008-09 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$399,815,097	\$105,565	\$399,920,662

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Public Safety	\$ 50,841,755	\$105,565	\$ 50,947,320

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 27th day of April, 2009.

Consent Agenda Item No. i. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 09BCC000063—Economic Development—Pass-Through of One NC Funds from the State of North Carolina in the amount of \$150,000 to Eisai Inc.

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2008-09 Budget Ordinance
Amendment No. 09BCC000063

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2008-09 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$399,920,662	\$150,000	\$400,070,662

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Economic and			
Physical Development	\$ 7,488,584	\$150,000	\$ 7,638,584

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 27th day of April, 2009.

Consent Agenda Items Removed for Discussion

Consent Agenda Item No. e. Employee Benefits for FY 2010—Approval of Contracts for Health, Dental, Vision, Life Insurance, Wellness Clinic, and Ancillary Services—Effective July 1, 2009 (authorize the execution of health and related contracts; total costs for FY 2009-2010 not to exceed \$13,067,614).

Commissioner Bowser removed the item from consent to ask several questions including: a) whether the contracts had been previously presented to the Board; b) a breakdown of how much each contract represents; and c) the parking and transportation account.

Marqueta Welton, Human Resources Manager, stated that the Board had been provided a report earlier in the year; she would get a copy of it to Commissioner Bowser. Ms. Welton provided the following contract amounts:

Health Insurance (BCBS)	\$10,034,910
Dental (ACS)	\$ 925,056
Vision (United Health Care)	\$ 246,870
Life Insurance (US Able)	\$ 231,000
Flexible Spending Account	
Administration (P & A Group)	\$ 40,000
Cobra Administration (P & A Group)	\$ 5,600

Ms. Welton informed Commissioner Bowser that the parking and transportation account would allow the employees pre-tax deductions to cover work-related parking expenses, as well as public transportation expenses related to work.

Vice-Chairman Reckhow informed Commissioner Bowser that the County contracts with TTA would provide services to major employers but not directly to Durham County employees.

Ms. Welton mentioned the Go Pass program, which is separate from the tax deduction program.

Ms. Welton explained the Wellness Clinic.

Commissioner Bowser moved, seconded by Vice-Chairman Reckhow, to approve consent agenda item No. e.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Ayes: Bowser, Howerton, Page, and Reckhow

Noes: None

Absent: Heron

Consent Agenda Item No. g. Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 09BCC000061—Public Health—Recognize Title X Bonus Funds in the Amount of \$2,800 for the Family Planning Program.

Commissioner Bowser removed the item to ask why Durham County was receiving the State's minimum allocation amount of \$2,800. He also noted that the actual allocation to Durham County for the fiscal year was lower than in several other counties.

Gayle Harris, Public Health Director, informed Commissioner Bowser that this particular allocation amount is from bonus money and is determined by a formula based on population and service levels.

Chairman Page asked Ms. Harris if she had to supply any data for the formula.

Ms. Harris replied in the negative.

Vice-Chairman Reckhow echoed Commissioner Bowser's concerns.

Ms. Harris stated that she would research the questions and get back to the Commissioners with very specific answers.

Commissioner Bowser moved, seconded by Vice-Chairman Reckhow, to approve consent agenda item No. g.

The motion carried with the following vote:

Ayes: Bowser, Howerton, Page, and Reckhow

Noes: None

Absent: Heron

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2008-09 Budget Ordinance
Amendment No. 09BCC000061

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2008-09 Budget Ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$399,812,297	\$2,800	\$399,815,097

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$450,262,043	\$280,000	\$450,262,843

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 27th day of April, 2009.

Commissioner Bowser encouraged citizens to support the Walk for the Children on Saturday, May 2, at 9:00 a.m. (across from the Durham Housing Authority). He also encouraged the Commissioners and the administrative staff to support the walk.

Chairman Page encouraged citizens to consider participating in all of the activities and events which had been announced earlier.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Page adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vonda Sessoms, CMC
Clerk to the Board