

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

Monday, November 1, 2010

9:00 A.M. Worksession

AGENDA

1. **Citizen Comments**

20 min.

Ms. Lois Murphy has requested to address the Board regarding Bragtown Branch Library and Durham County's noise ordinance.

Mr. Billy Totten has requested to address the Board about the location of a cell tower near his residence.

Ms. Victoria Peterson has requested to address the Board about the nonprofit funding process.

Mr. Oliver Leary has requested to address the Board about an animal control issue.

2. **Update on the Durham County Element of the Regional Transit Plan**

60 min.

The Congestion Relief/Intermodal Transport Fund (HB148) contains the Local Government Public Transportation Sales Tax Act that allows for a ½ percent sales tax increase to fund public transportation. The tax must be approved in a referendum scheduled by the Board of County Commissioners. In order to levy the tax, a plan that provides for the allocation of the proceeds must be developed. County and MPO staff will present the status of this plan titled “The Durham County Element of the Regional Transit Plan”, describe the interconnectedness of this plan with the Alternatives Analysis passenger rail project currently being conducted by the Triangle Transit Authority, and identify upcoming milestones for each of these projects.

Resource Person(s): Meg Scully, Durham County Mobility Manager; Mark Ahrendsen, City of Durham/DCHC MPO; and Andy Henry, City of Durham/DCHC MPO

County Manager’s Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive a presentation on the Durham County Element of the Regional Transit Plan.

3. **James A. Whitted School History, Current Conditions, and Proposals for the Future of the Property**

45 min.

Currently, James A. Whitted School is vacant and has been weathered and vandalized substantially. General Services would like to submit a PowerPoint presentation of the history from 1928 through today and to demonstrate the current conditions, historic value, and the proposed options to safeguard the building, reduce the vulnerability from weather damage, and protect the original structure for potential future use.

Resource Person(s): Motiryo Keambiroiro, General Services Director, and Don Hasselbach, Assistant Director

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board accept the presentation and report and give direction and associated funding for the future.

4. **Closed Session**

30 min.

The Board is requested to adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to G. S. §143-318.11(a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of a business or industry.

Resource Person(s): Lowell L. Siler, County Attorney

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board adjourn to closed session and provide directives as appropriate.

LUNCH BREAK

11:35 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

BUDGET WORKSESSION

1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

7 hrs.