

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

Monday, June 10, 2013

MINUTES

6:00 pm

Chairman Foster opened the meeting and announced that the Board was requested to adjourn to Closed Session under the following statutes:

- 1) The Board of Commissioners is requested to adjourn to closed session to consult with an attorney concerning *In the Matter of the Appeal of IBM Credit Corporation for the Valuation and Taxation of Real Property by Tax Year 2001, 01 PTC 544*, and to preserve the attorney-client privilege pursuant to G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(3).
- 2) 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.
- 3) The Board was requested to adjourn to closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege and to discuss the case in the matter of Geraldine Robinson v. Joe Bowser et al.

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow to adjourn to Closed Session.

The motion carried unanimously.

7:00 P.M. Regular Session

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

Present: Chairman Fred Foster, Jr., Vice-Chair Brenda A. Howerton, and Commissioners, Wendy Jacobs, Michael D. Page, and Ellen Reckhow

Absent: None

Presider: Chairman Fred Foster, Jr.

Opening of Regular Session—Chairman Foster announced that the Board met in closed session. Directives were given to staff. He asked everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Adjustments

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

Announcements

Chairman Foster made the following announcements:

- “In Touch with Durham County,” the Durham County Television show, airs on Cable TV Channel 8 at 8:30 a.m. and 12 noon on Mondays; and 8:30 a.m., 12 noon and 6:30 pm on Tuesday–Sundays. Our County Commissioners’ meetings are also rebroadcast on Thursdays at 2:00 p.m., Saturdays at 9:00 p.m., and Sundays at 9:00 p.m.
- Durham County needs you! If you have a few hours to commit, Durham County has a number of boards and commissions that can benefit from your participation. We invite you to make a difference in our community. Contact the Clerk’s Office at 919-560-0025, visit the County’s website, or email Clerk@dconc.gov for more information. Please note that all City and County taxes must be current at the time of application.
- The Durham County Department of Social Services' office hours will be changing. Effective June 24, 2013 the agency’s operating hours to the public will be 7:30 am - 5:30 pm.
- Applications are available for the 2013 Durham Neighborhood College. This series of classes, co-sponsored by the City and County of Durham, allows participants to learn about government operations. The final day to apply for this year’s session is Friday, July 19. Classes are held on nine Thursday nights beginning September 5th. The cost is \$30. All applicants must be current in their personal and property taxes at the time of application. For more information, call 919 560-0008 or visit our website at www.dconc.gov;
- The Durham County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council will host its first annual Keeping our Youth Safe & Engaged during the Summer Public Awareness Event on June 13 and June 22, 2013. The first event will be held on Thursday, June 13 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Community Family Life and Recreation Center at Lyon Park, 1309 Halley Street. Dinner will be served. The second event will be held Saturday, June 22 from 9:00 - 11:00 am at Holton Career & Resource Center, 401 North Driver Street. Breakfast will be served. For more information, contact Celia Jefferson at 919-560-0534 or cjefferson@dconc.gov.
- The Durham Diabetes Coalition is hosting a Diabetes Tech Summit on Thursday, June 20 at the Duke Medical Education Building. The purpose is to identify the most promising apps to improve diabetes outcomes. The event is open to the public. Registration closes on June 14. For more information on the Tech Summit and to register, visit www.DurhamDiabetesCoalition.org.

Minutes

Vice-Chair Howerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow, to approve as submitted the May 28, 2013 Regular Session Minutes of the Board.

The motion carried unanimously.

Proclamation – Juneteenth 2013

Chairman Foster read the following proclamation into record:

WHEREAS, Juneteenth commemorates the day freedom was proclaimed to all slaves in the south by Union General Gordon Granger, on June 19, 1865, in Galveston, Texas, more than two and a half years after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation by President Abraham Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, over former slaves in Texas began to observe June 19 as the anniversary of their emancipation and coined the term "Juneteenth"; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States and is also known as "Juneteenth National Freedom Day," "Emancipation Day," "African American Independence Day"; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth commemorates the survival, due to God-given strength and determination, of African-Americans through extreme adversity, hardship, and triumph and today emphasizes African American education, culture, art, history and achievement; and

WHEREAS, the nineteenth of June, along with the fourth of July, completes the cycle of freedom for Independence Day observances in America; and

WHEREAS, forty-one states including North Carolina recognize the nineteenth day of June as Juneteenth National Freedom Day, to commemorate the end of slavery in the United States and to demonstrate racial reconciliation and healing from the legacy of slavery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Fred Foster, Jr. Chairman of the Durham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim June 15, 2013, as:

NORTH CAROLINA AFRICAN AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

in Durham County, North Carolina and hereby urge all citizens to take special note of this observance and all residents and visitors are invited to participate in these events.

This 10th day of June, 2013.

/s/ Fred Foster, Jr.

Fred Foster, Jr., Chairman
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Ms. Phyllis Coley, Publisher for Spectacular Magazine; Ms. Leila Royster; Ms. Jackie Wagstaff and Rev. Rachael Green were present to accept the proclamation. Ms. Coley thanked the Board for recognizing Juneteenth and encouraged citizens to visit www.CivilWarDurham.com, to gain a historical perspective on the importance of Durham County to the end of slavery and the Civil War. She continued by announcing the Durham Juneteenth Celebration on June 15, 2013 from 1:00-10:00 p.m. at the CCB Building Plaza, located at 201 North Corcoran Street.

Vice-Chair Howerton thanked Ms. Coley and the other organizers for their hard work and contribution to the Durham community.

Proclamation – Vulnerable Adult and Elder Abuse Awareness Month 2013

Chairman Foster read the following proclamation into record:

VULNERABLE ADULT AND ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Durham County joins the world in recognizing World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15th; and

WHEREAS, Durham County is home to more than 40,000 residents 60 years of age or older; and 25,000 individuals between the ages of 16 and 65 with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, 10,000 older adults 65 years and older live alone, and 7,500 live below the poverty line, and 9000 older adults have a disability; and

WHEREAS, Durham County's vulnerable and older adults of all socio-economic, racial, and ethnic backgrounds may be targets of abuse, neglect or exploitation which occurs in families, long-term care facilities and communities; and

WHEREAS, the older residents of Durham County represent a dramatic trend in our nation's demographic make-up, and there is a rapidly growing population of older adults in Durham County with evolving needs; and

WHEREAS, by 2030 one in five Durham County residents will be 60 or older; and

WHEREAS, more than 600 referrals are made to the Durham County Department of Social Services annually for evaluation of abuse, neglect or exploitation of adults; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Aging and Adult Services partners with county departments of social services to offer a statewide Adult Protective Services Program and area agencies on aging to increase awareness about elder abuse through its Long Term Care Ombudsman Program and with the State Attorney General's Office; and

WHEREAS, protecting Durham County's vulnerable and older adults is a societal responsibility and it is imperative that communities work together to help reduce abuse, neglect and exploitation; and

WHEREAS, vulnerable and older persons are diverse, respected citizens who continue to contribute to our nation's social and economic well-being; 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, older persons and vulnerable adults are entitled to lives of dignity and independence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Fred Foster Jr., Chairman of the Durham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim June 2013, as:

VULNERABLE ADULT AND ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

in Durham County, North Carolina and encourage our citizens to join with the Department of Social Services, The Durham Center for Senior Life, the Durham Partnership for Seniors, the Triangle J Area Agency on Aging, and members of Partners Eliminating Adult Victimization in Durham (PEAVD) to participate in community efforts to support and improve the safety and well-being of vulnerable and older adults and secure their right to live free of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

This 10th day of June, 2013.

/s/ Fred Foster, Jr.
Fred Foster, Jr., Chairman
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Mr. Michael Becketts, Director of Social Services (DSS); Ms. Jovetta Whitfield, Assistant Director of Family Safety and Permanency Services; Mr. Bob Wallace, Adult Services Program Manager and Ms. Joan Pelletier, Executive Director, Triangle J Area Agency on Aging were present to accept the proclamation.

Mr. Becketts thanked the Board for recognizing the vulnerable adult and elder abuse month. Mr. Becketts stated that there was a growing population of older adults in Durham County who must be provided with adequate resources and services. He continued to say that there was a collaborative effort of several organizations to address this issue.

Mr. Wallace thanked the Board and staff for their support of the proclamation. He provided statistics regarding vulnerable adult and elder abuse in Durham County during FY 2012-13. Mr. Wallace announced that in order to raise awareness of elder abuse, that Partners Eliminating Adult Victimization in Durham (PEAVD) will host *End the Silence: Elder Abuse Prevention Forum*. The forum will be held on June 17, 2013 from 10:00 a.m.-12noon at the Durham Center for Senior Life from, located at 406 Rigsbee Avenue.

Ms. Pelletier praised the Board stating that their support resulted in strong collaborative efforts by several organizations. She reiterated the need for teamwork in order to have a positive impact on the issue of elder abuse and victimization.

Consent Agenda

Chairman Foster asked the Commissioners if they desired to pull any items from the Consent agenda.

Commissioner Reckhow stated that she wished to comment on item “f.” Citing a previous Board discussion, she suggested that the Board authorize County Manager Michael Ruffin to compose a letter to accompany the funding to the Durham Striders indicating the funding was a “one-time” grant.

Vice-Chair Howerton stated that she did not recall a discussion regarding the letter in question. Commissioner Jacobs stated that the Durham Striders were aware that the funding was a “one-time” amount and did not have an expectation that the funding would be provided again next year.

Vice-Chair Howerton stated that she could not support the suggestion if she was not a part of the previous discussion. Chairman Foster asked Vice-Chair Howerton if she wanted to pull item “f”, to which she agreed.

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow, to approve the following consent agenda items (7b, c, d, e, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o and p):

- a. ITEM REMOVED;
- b. *Approve the attached resolution and associated Capital Project Amendment No. 13CPA000012 for 2013 Round Single Family Rehabilitation Grant Project (4120DC097);
- c. *Approve the attached resolution designating four County staff as eligible to sign requisitions for reimbursement under the 2013 Single Family Rehabilitation grant

from the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency. Those four persons will be the Chairman of the Durham County Board of County Commissioners, Fred Foster, Jr.; Vice Chair Brenda Howerton, Michael M. Ruffin, County Manager; or George Quick, Finance Director;

- d. Approve the attached funding agreement with the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency for the \$170,000 Single Family Rehabilitation grant we have been approved for;
- e. *Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 13BCC000083 to recognize \$400 in donations and appropriate those funds in the Cooperative Extension budget;
- g. *Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 13BCC000085 to recognize the BECOMING grant funds and the Sub-recipient Agreement with Alliance Behavioral Healthcare to pass through the funds for the BECOMING Project to Alliance;
- h. Authorize the County Manager to enter into a contract with Baker & Taylor, Inc. for the acquisition of audiovisual materials and cataloging and processing services for a total amount not to exceed \$277,000.00, with an option to renew the contract for five (5) successive one (1) year periods;
- i. *Approve the attached resolution designating certain County staff to sign requisitions for funds available to the County under the 2013 CDBG-Infrastructure Grant (06-D-2405);
- j. Approve the proposed Lease Amendment with Coastal Horizons Center, Inc and authorize the Manager to execute the Lease Amendment;
- k. Approve the first reading for Franchise Renewal for Duke Life Flight, and schedule the required second reading and final approval for the June 24, 2013 Board of County Commissioners Meeting;
- l. *Approve the attached resolution, which will be forwarded to the appropriate staff at the NC Department of Transportation;
- m. Approve the request to increase the number of Durham County Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee volunteers from the current 13 positions to 20 positions;
- n. Decline to purchase the school properties located at 301 and 302 Morris Street;
- o. Approve the Durham County Coordinated Public Transit – Human Service Transportation Plan;
- p. *Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 13BCC000086 transferring \$700,936 from the Community Health Trust Fund into the General Fund Public Health budget to purchase Patagonia Patient Management Software and authorize the execution of the contract.

The motion carried unanimously.

*Document(s) related to this item follow:

Consent Agenda Item No. b.

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2012-13 Capital Project Ordinance
Amendment Number 13CPA000012

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2012-13 Capital Project Ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments for the following projects.

Project	Current Budget	Inc./Dec.	Revised Budget
2013 Single Family Rehabilitation Grant Project (4120DC097)	\$0	\$170,000	\$170,000

This the 10th day of June, 2013.

Consent Agenda Item No. c.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DURHAM COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES TO SIGN REQUISITIONS FOR FUNDS ASSOCIATED WITH 2013 SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION GRANT

WHEREAS, Durham County has received a \$170,000 FY 13 round Single Family Rehabilitation grant through the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency; and

WHEREAS, this is a reimbursement grant requiring Durham County to first expend grant-related funds and then request reimbursement from the state; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency requires the Durham County Board of County Commissioners to approve a resolution identifying those County employees authorized to sign these Requisitions of Funds:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Durham County Board of County Commissioners do hereby approve that the following Durham County representatives are authorized to sign these Requisitions of Funds for the 2013 Single Family Rehabilitation Grant:

Fred Foster, Jr., Chairman of the Durham County Board of County Commissioners
Brenda A. Howerton, Vice-Chairman
Michael M. Ruffin, County Manager
George Quick, Finance Director

This the 10th day of June, 2013.

Fred Foster, Jr., Chairman
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Consent Agenda Item No. e.

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2012-13 Budget Ordinance
Amendment No. 13BCC000083

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2012-13 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>			
Contributions & Donations	\$778,664	\$400	\$779,064

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Economic and Physical Development	\$4,221,039	\$400	\$4,221,439

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

This the 10th day of June, 2013.

Consent Agenda Item No. g.

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2012-13 Budget Ordinance
Amendment No. 13BCC000085

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2012-13 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	\$53,655,011	\$1,500,000	\$55,155,011

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$87,195,697	\$1,500,000	\$88,695,697

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

This the 10th day of June, 2013.

Consent Agenda Item No. i.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DURHAM COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES TO SIGN
REQUISITIONS FOR FUNDS ASSOCIATED WITH 2012 CDBG INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT
(06-D-2405 (CT))

WHEREAS, Durham County has received a FY 12 CDBG Infrastructure grant through the North Carolina Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, this is a reimbursement grant requiring Durham County to first expend grant-related funds and then request reimbursement from the state; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Commerce requires the Durham County Board of County Commissioners to approve a resolution identifying those County employees authorized to sign these Requisitions of Funds:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Durham County Board of County Commissioners do hereby approve that the following Durham County Employees are authorized to sign these Requisitions of Funds for the 2012 CDBG Infrastructure Site grant:

Fred Foster, Jr., Chairman of the Durham County Board of County Commissioners
Brenda A. Howerton, Vice-Chairman
Michael M. Ruffin, County Manager
George Quick, Finance Director

This the 10th day of June, 2013.

Fred Foster, Jr., Chairman
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Consent Agenda Item No. 1.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Durham County government strongly supports economic development and job creation within Durham County; and

WHEREAS, Durham County seeks to support, through these economic development and job creation activities, both existing, expanding, and new ventures; and

WHEREAS, Durham County has become aware of proposed new development which would bring at least \$94 million in new capital investment and between 100 – 200 new jobs to Durham; and

WHEREAS, this new development has the project name “Project Dixie;” and

WHEREAS, this new development will require a number of improvements to existing NCDOT road infrastructure within the County, including a new turn lane on E. Cornwallis Dr. and some nearby resurfacing work; and

WHEREAS, Durham County seeks to leverage all possible support for such crucial economic development projects, and

WHEREAS, Durham County understands that the NC Department of Transportation from time to time will allocate *additional* state funds to help facilitate economic development in the state:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Durham County Board of County Commissioners do hereby request new funding support from the NC Department of Transportation to help ensure this development for Durham County by defraying some of the costs associated with the road improvements necessary for this project.

This the 10th day of June, 2013.

Fred Foster, Jr., Chairman
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Consent Agenda Item No. p.

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2012-13 Budget Ordinance
Amendment No. 13BCC000086

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2012-13 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>			
Other Financing Sources	\$23,362,980	\$700,936	\$24,063,916

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$88,695,697	\$700,936	\$89,396,633

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>COMMUNITY HEALTH TRUST FUND</u>			
Other Financing Sources (Fund Balance Appropriation)	\$266,833	\$700,936	\$967,819

Expenditures:

Function

COMMUNITY HEALTH
TRUST FUND

General Government (transfer to GF)	\$4,216,833	\$700,936	\$4,917,819
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All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 10th day of June, 2013.

Public Hearing – FY 2013-14 Budget

The Board conducted a public hearing to receive citizen input on the FY 2013-2014 Recommended Budget. Chairman Foster set a time limit of two minutes per individual and called the following signed speakers forward for comments:

Mr. Brett Chambers spoke in support of funding for the Durham Symphony Orchestra (DSO).

Mr. William Curry spoke in support of funding for the Durham Symphony Orchestra (DSO).

Ms. Beverly Mahone-Gibbs spoke in support of funding for Durham Community Media.

Ms. Jackie Wagstaff spoke against the proposed 5 cent tax increase.

Ms. Anita-Keith Foust spoke against the proposed 5 cent tax increase.

Mr. Jeremy Taylor spoke in support of funding for Durham Community Media.

Ms. Patricia Hume spoke in support of funding for the Ronald McDonald House of Durham.

Ms. Jenna Wictcher spoke in support of funding for Voices Together.

Ms. Mildred Brown spoke in support of funding for The Southpoint Academy.

Ms. Linda Chappel spoke in support of funding for the Child Care Services Association.

Ms. Elizabeth DeOrnellas spoke in support of funding for Durham Public Schools.

Ms. Holly Jordan spoke in support of funding for Durham Public Schools.

Mr. Jabari Sellars spoke in support of funding for Durham Public Schools.

Mr. Alex Christman spoke in support of funding for Durham Public Schools.

Mr. Brian Proffit spoke in support of funding for Durham Public Schools.

Mr. Dan Curry spoke in support of funding for Clean Energy Durham.

Mr. Will Wilson spoke in support of two resolutions recently passed by the Durham Open Space and Trails Commission.

Mr. Nicholas Graber-Grace spoke in support of funding for Durham Public Schools.

Ms. Chelsea Earles spoke in support of funding for Durham Public Schools.

Ms. Elizabeth Simpson spoke in support of funding for Durham Public Schools.

Mr. James Thomas spoke in support of funding for Bridge to Sports.

Mr. Dennis Dickerson spoke in support of funding for the Durham Symphony Orchestra (DSO).

Mr. James Vaughan spoke in support of funding for Durham Community Media.

Ms. Cynthia Penn spoke in support of funding for the Walltown Children's Theatre.

Ms. Kimberly Hernandez proposed a tiered property tax increase. Ms. Hernandez also spoke in favor of open space within Durham County.

Ms. Victoria Peterson commented on abuse within the community against adolescent African-American males as the result of repeated incarceration. Ms. Peterson spoke in favor of funding for training programs.

Chairman Foster closed the public hearing.

The Board thanked citizens for attending the public hearing and advised that all of the comments would be taken into consideration.

Public Hearing to Consider Allocating Economic Development Investment Funds to GE Aviation

Ms. Marqueta Welton, Deputy County Manager, provided the Board with a video presentation regarding GE Aviation (General Electric). Following the presentation, Ms. Welton gave a detailed explanation of the agenda item, including the company's plan for future business expansion. Deputy Manager Welton then provided information regarding the investment funds that were being proposed.

Chairman Foster opened the public hearing and recognized citizens who signed up to speak.

Ms. Anita-Keith Foust questioned the qualifications of the positions proposed by GE Aviation; if Durham Public Schools was adequately educating citizens for the positions in question; and if the County would be entitled to a refund if proposed positions do not materialize.

Ms. Jackie Wagstaff questioned the language used in the proposal; how many of the proposed positions will be staffed with Durham County citizens; and the education and salary levels of the positions in question.

Mr. Ted Conner, Chamber of Commerce, spoke to the proposed business expansion. He provided further detail on the products involved and the manufacturing process.

Ms. Casey Steinbacher, CEO of the Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce, spoke in favor of the proposed economic development investment project. Ms. Steinbacher discussed many of the economic and educational benefits that the project would have on the Durham County.

Ms. Victoria Peterson requested clarification on the exact amounts that would be invested by the City of Durham and Durham County for the project. Ms. Peterson also questioned if staff had toured the GE Aviation facility and if there was a breakdown by race and gender of GE Aviation employees.

Chairman Foster closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Reckhow requested that Ms. Welton respond to several of the questions raised by citizens. Ms. Welton stated that a GE Aviation human resources representative would have to address the salary and education requirements for the positions in question. She added that if Durham County provided the economic development investment and GE Aviation failed to perform according to the performance contract, that the funding would be recalled.

With regard to the terms used in the proposal, Deputy Manager Welton explained that GE Aviation's proposed expansion is contingent on Durham County providing the funding incentives. She stated that she did not have information on the number of current or future employees who reside in Durham County and the demographics of current or future employees. Further, Ms. Welton stated that there was not currently an aviation academy in Durham and that GE Aviation would have to speak to their intent to establish such a program.

Mr. Mike Wagner, Plant Manager for GE Aviation, discussed conversations with Durham Public

Schools and Durham Technical Community College regarding education and training needed to sustain manufacturing operations in Durham. Mr. Wagner also spoke to some of the specific educational and licensure requirements for the jobs in question.

Commissioner Reckhow commented that advanced manufacturing is an area of growth within the United States that should be nurtured. She suggested working with Durham Public Schools and the Workforce Development Board to enhance preparation and develop apprenticeships in this business area. She expressed her support of the development investment funds.

Vice-Chair Howerton stated that she was impressed with the presentation given by GE Aviation at Durham Public Schools. She questioned why an aviation technical program was started at Guilford Technical Community College (GTCC) before Durham Technical Community College. Mr. Wagner stated that GTCC already had an aeronautical and powerplant licensure program with an established curriculum, but that a partnership was being discussed to bring a similar program to DTCC.

Commissioner Jacobs also expressed her satisfaction with the aviation presentation given to DPS. She stated that the cost for program equipment and materials is expensive, but should be feasible if addressed by collaborative efforts.

Commissioner Reckhow moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Howerton, to approve entering into an economic development incentive contract between the County of Durham and GE Aviation in the amount of \$200,000.00.

The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing and Resolution - Bethesda Fire and Rescue Service District

Mr. Lee Worsley, Deputy County Manager, provided background information regarding the creation of the Bethesda Fire and Rescue Service District. Deputy Manager Worsley stated that the creation of the Fire Service District is related to the request of the Bethesda Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for Durham County to assume operations of the fire department, effective July 1, 2013.

Chairman Foster opened the public hearing. As there were no citizens signed up to speak, Chairman Foster closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Reckhow moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs, to approve the creation of the Bethesda Fire and Rescue Service District and the attached Resolution creating the Bethesda Fire and Rescue Service District, effective July 1, 2013.

The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing - Evaluation and Assessment Report of the *Durham Comprehensive Plan* (A1300001)

Mr. Steven L. Medlin, City-County Planning Director, requested that the Board hold a public hearing regarding the annual Evaluation and Assessment Report of the *Durham Comprehensive Plan* (A1300001). Mr. Medlin reviewed the attached resolution that amended the comprehensive

plan in accordance with the proposed changes to policies listed in the staff report, rectified the Future Land Use map and amended the Recreation and Open Space and Agricultural layers of the Future Land Use map to reflect technical updates according to the map shown in the staff report.

Chairman Foster opened the public hearing. As there were no citizens signed up to speak, Chairman Foster closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Jacobs questioned the land use acreage with regard to office space. Mr. Medlin responded that there was not a demand for additional office space land designation at that time. He continued say that future evaluations of the comprehensive plan will be conducted to determine if other areas would be designated for office space.

Commissioner Reckhow moved, seconded by Commissioner Page, to approve a resolution amending the Durham Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the proposed changes to policies listed in the staff report; that the Future Land Use map of the Durham Comprehensive Plan be rectified; and that the Recreation and Open Space and Agricultural layers of the Future Land Use map be amended to reflect technical updates according to the map shown in the staff report.

The motion carried unanimously.

Offer to Purchase Real and Personal Property from Bethesda Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.

Ms. Carol Hammett, Deputy County Attorney, provided background information regarding the acquisition of property and equipment related to the creation of the Bethesda Fire and Rescue Service District. Attorney Hammett reviewed the properties to be acquired located at 1724 South Miami Boulevard and 7305 Leesville Road. She continued saying that an inventory of fire suppression and vehicles to be purchased was attached to the Offer to Purchase.

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow, to approve the Offer to Purchase real property, fire suppression equipment and vehicles from the Bethesda Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. and authorize the County Manager to execute the Offer and any subsequent documents necessary to complete the acquisition.

The motion carried unanimously.

Durham Open Space and Trails (DOST) Commission Matching Grants Funding Recommendation

Ms. Annette Montgomery, DOST Matching Grants Committee Chair, presented the Matching Grants Program funding recommendations. Ms. Montgomery provided background information on the Matching Grants committee and the application process.

Mr. Bo Gattis, Budget Analyst/Matching Grants Administrator, described the four projects that were recommended by the Matching Grants Committee to receive funding from the Board:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Grant Request</u>
Diverse Occupational Vocational Education Institute	Briggs Avenue Garden Pavilion and Orchard Project	\$15,370.00

Keep Durham Beautiful	Sandy Creek Park Improvement	\$10,000.00
Triangle L and Conservancy	Horton Grove Nature Park Improvement	\$9,000.00
Trips for Kids Triangle	DPS Hub Farm Improvements	\$7,000.00
TOTAL		\$41,370.00

Chairman Foster recognized citizens who signed up to speak.

Mr. John Goebel spoke in favor of funding for the Matching Grants Program. He commented on the funding and personnel efforts of the matching grant applicant organizations.

Mr. Chris Dreps, Executive Director of the Ellerbe Creek Watershed Association, thanked the Board for support in previous years and provided a narrative that highlighted the need for funding the Matching Grants Program.

Mr. David Harris, representing Keep Durham Beautiful, spoke in favor of the funding for the Matching Grants Program. He emphasized the importance of the projects and the relationships between the public and Durham County government.

Mr. Milton Kutner spoke on the need for parks in Durham County and encouraged the Board to partner with organizations that work to maintain them.

Ms. Joni Hohmeier, representing Waterbury/Lansbury Neighborhood Watch, spoke in favor of funding for the Matching Grants Program. She commented that the investment in parks affects the safety of neighborhoods.

Ms. Kristi Howath, Chair of the Briggs Avenue Community Garden, spoke in favor of funding for the Matching Grants Program and recounted her experiences with community gardens.

Mr. Steven Cohn, President of the Ellerbe Creek Watershed Association, spoke in favor of funding for the Matching Grants Program.

Ms. Debra Hawkins, spoke in favor of funding for the Matching Grants Program and recounted her experience with community involvement. Ms. Hawkins commented on the many uses of the open spaces in question.

Commissioner Reckhow thanked citizens for their comments and commented on the value of the Matching Grants Program.

Vice-Chair Howerton questioned the \$77,000 DOST matching grant amount listed in the FY 2013-2014 budget proposal. County Manager Ruffin stated that an amount of \$77,175 was appropriated for Matching Grants Program in the FY 2012-13 budget, and that grant cycles take place in the fall and spring. Manager Ruffin continued saying that the \$77,175 in the FY 2013-2014 budget proposal, would be for Matching Grants Program cycles in the fall of 2013 and spring of 2014. Manager Ruffin explained that although the funds are budgeted, that the Board must approve the allocations.

Vice-Chair Howerton questioned the eight Matching Grants Program projects listed in the item information. Mr. Gattis explained that four of the project organizations were approved for funding in the fall and four project organizations were presently before the Board. He discussed the fall projects and the amounts allotted.

Commissioner Jacobs spoke on the importance of supporting and incentivizing the efforts of nonprofit organizations. She expressed her support of the Matching Grants Program funding.

Vice-Chair Howerton inquired as to what occurred during the fiscal years that the Matching Grants Program was suspended. Mr. Gattis stated that when the program was suspended during FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11 no funding was appropriated for projects, however funding that had already been appropriated prior to the suspensions taking effect was disbursed.

Chairman Foster stated for the record that funds in question could be used to produce revenue. He emphasized receiving a return on investment in order to fund other services areas and nonprofit organizations. Chairman Foster stated that becoming “efficient, effective and evolving” was necessary when working with limited resources.

The Board discussed nonprofit program and economic development funding at length.

Commissioner Page moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow, to approve the funding requests from Diverse Occupational Vocational Education Institute, Keep Durham Beautiful, Triangle Land Conservancy, and Trips for Kids Triangle and the allocation of \$41,370 of the budgeted Matching Grants funds to these projects.

The motion passed 4-1 with the following vote:

Ayes: Howerton, Jacobs, Page and Reckhow

Noes: Foster

Items Pulled from Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda Item No. f

Vice-Chair Howerton questioned why a letter was requested to accompany the check to the Durham Striders indicating the funding was a “one-time” grant.

Commissioner Reckhow recounted the discussion surrounding the Board approving funding for the Durham Striders. She stated that the discussion included conveying to the organization to secure private funding for the event next year.

Vice-Chair Howerton stated that she supported the funding, but did not understand the purpose of the suggested letter.

Commissioner Jacobs discussed the intent of Durham Strider’s funding request and the importance Durham County hosting the Russell E. Blunt East Coast Invitational at Memorial Stadium.

Vice-Chair Howerton inquired if similar letters had been sent by the Board or County Manager in the past. County Manager Ruffin responded that he did not.

The Board discussed funding and communicating with nonprofit organizations.

Commissioner Reckhow moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Howerton, approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 13BCC000084, a grant to the Durham Striders Youth Association in the amount of \$7,390.50 and authorize the Manager to execute the grant agreement. The Manager was instructed to draft a letter to the Striders, and forward to the Board for review.

The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda Item No. f.

DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2012-13 Budget Ordinance
Amendment No. 13BCC000084

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the FY 2012-13 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>			

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
BOCC Contingency	\$150,000	(\$7931)	\$142,069
Misc. Contracted Services (Non-Departmental)	\$41,150	\$7931	\$40,081

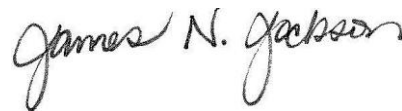
All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 10th day of June, 2013.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Foster adjourned the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



James N. Jackson
Deputy Clerk to the Board