

Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2025

**MINUTES OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, met in Informal Session in the Meeting Chamber Conference Room CH-14 of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center located at 600 East Fourth Street, Charlotte, North Carolina at 5:25 p.m. and in Formal Session in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center at 6:16 p.m. on November 5, 2025.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chair Mark Jerrell, Vice-Chair Leigh Altman and Commissioners Arthur Griffin, Laura J. Meier, Vilma D. Leake, Elaine Powell, Yvette Townsend-Ingram Susan Rodriguez-McDowell, and George Dunlap County Manager Michael Bryant County Attorney Tyrone C. Wade Clerk to the Board Kristine M. Smith Deputy Clerk to the Board Arlissa Eason

Absent: None

-INFORMAL SESSION-

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mark Jerrell, after which the following matters were addressed.

REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT

The Board identified item(s) to be removed from Consent and voted upon separately. The items identified were Items:

25-0547 Commissioner Leake
25-0569 Commissioner Leake
25-0574 Commissioner Leake
25-0575 Commissioner Leake
25-0578 Commissioner Leake
25-0586 Commissioner Leake
25-0590 Commissioner Leake
25-0591 Commissioner Leake

STAFF BRIEFINGS - None

25-0598 CLOSED SESSION

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Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Meier, and unanimously carried, to go into Closed Session for the following purpose(s): Discuss Land Acquisition

The Board went into Closed Session at 5:25 p.m. and came back into Open Session at 6:07 p.m.

The Board then proceeded to the Meeting Chamber for the remainder of the meeting.

-FORMAL SESSION-

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jerrell called this portion of the meeting to order, which was followed by, introductions, invocation by Commissioner Townsend-Ingram, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; reading of the County's Mission and Vision and the FY2026 Board Budget Priorities after which, the matters below were addressed.

25-0598 CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Griffin, and unanimously carried to authorize the County staff and Historical Landmarks Commission to negotiate and execute all documents necessary for the acquisition of tax parcel 069-17-103 (+/- 0.4 acres) from the Alfred and Helen Alexander Living Trust, including improved structures for the purchase price of \$325,000 for historic landmark preservation purposes.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

25-0606 Joint Proclamation Declaring November 2025 Homelessness Awareness Month

Background: The Board of County Commissioners recognizes Homelessness Awareness Month to raise awareness of the needs of homeless individuals and families in Mecklenburg County. The observance of this month serves as an opportunity to raise awareness about issues relating to housing insecurity and homelessness.

Commissioner Powell read the proclamation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell, seconded by Commissioner Meier, and unanimously carried to adopt a joint proclamation declaring November 2025 as Homelessness Awareness Month in Mecklenburg County.

Hannah-Marie Warfle, Co-Chair of Homeless Services Network, gave remarks and accepted the proclamation.

The Commissioners gave remarks.

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**City of Charlotte
and
Mecklenburg County**



JOINT PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of November welcomes in both a time of thanksgiving and a season for sharing our resources and our freedoms to worship, work, and live as independently as possible; and

WHEREAS, some members of our community cannot find adequate employment or a place to live for a variety of reasons, both simple and complex; and

WHEREAS, there are efforts to bring homeless children and adults out of the shadows of our abundance, to address the diverse needs among them as well as to correct systemic conditions that have led to their poverty and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, our current economic challenges call for greater awareness and guidance to address needs among all of our neighbors; and

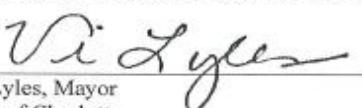
WHEREAS, The Homeless Services Network of Charlotte-Mecklenburg, its member organizations, and its public partners in the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County desire to dispel myths and overcome stereotypes of homelessness and to provide opportunities for all of our citizens to learn about the plight, the hopes, and the achievements of homeless neighbors of our community and to welcome them. We commit to work together to overcome systemic causes of homelessness.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Vi Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, and Mark Jerrell, Chair of the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim the month of November 2025, as

"HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH"

In Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and urge all of our citizens to honor this observance.

Witness Our Hand and Official Seals of the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.


Vi Lyles, Mayor
City of Charlotte


Mark Jerrell, Chair
Mecklenburg County
Board of Commissioners

25-0589 National Adoption Awareness Month

Background: In Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, there are approximately 575 children in the custody of the Department of Social Services as of October 8, 2025, the goal of approximately 168 of these children is adoption. In conjunction with the national observance of November as National Adoption Awareness Month, The Board is asked to adopt a proclamation to that effect in Mecklenburg County.

Commissioner Griffin read the proclamation.

Denise Steele-Campbell, Youth and Family Services Division Director, accepted the proclamation and gave remarks.

The Commissioners gave remarks.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Griffin, seconded by Commissioner Leake, and unanimously carried to declare November 2025 as "National Adoption Month" in Mecklenburg County.

Mecklenburg County

North Carolina

Proclamation

WHEREAS, all children deserve love, support, security, safe, and permanent homes where they can grow and be nurtured; and

WHEREAS, in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, there are approximately 399 children in the custody of the Department of Social Services as of October 8, 2025; and

WHEREAS, many of these children cannot be returned to the custody of their parents and need the security and nurturing of new, permanent families; and

WHEREAS, the goal of approximately 168 of these children is adoption as of October 8, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County is currently recruiting families to provide a permanent home filled with love and care for these children who do not have an adoptive family identified; and

WHEREAS, many of these children have special needs because of physical, mental or emotional disabilities, because they must be placed as sibling groups, because they are children of color, or because they are older children; and

WHEREAS, everyone in Mecklenburg County can play a role in the lives of children in our child welfare system; and

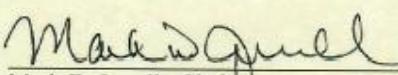
WHEREAS, children waiting for a permanent home, as well as families who have adopted or served as guardian caretakers for these children, require and deserve community and public agency support.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim November 2025 as

"NATIONAL ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH"

in Mecklenburg County and urges all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, businesses, and others to celebrate families that offer permanency to foster care children through adoption or becoming guardian caretakers. Also, to recognize those children who live with the burden of an uncertain future while they await permanent families.

Dated this 5th day of November 2025.



Mark D. Jerrell, Chair
Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners



25-0604 Operation Green Light for Veterans

Background: In support of military veterans statewide and across the country, this Veterans Day, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners joins the National Association of Counties and the National Association of County Veteran Service Officers in inviting North Carolina counties to participate in Operation Green Light. This initiative shows support for veterans by lighting county buildings and infrastructure green from November 4th to November 11th as a marker to show that veterans are seen, appreciated and supported.

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Commissioner Dunlap read the proclamation. A video of employee veterans and family members of employees who were veterans was shown during the reading of the proclamation

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunlap, seconded by Commissioner Griffin, and unanimously carried to adopt a proclamation declaring November 4-11, 2025, as Operation Green Light for Veterans.

Shareka Privott CSS Veterans Services Supervisor accepted the proclamation and gave remarks.



PUBLIC ART MOMENT – N/A

25-0565 PUBLIC APPEARANCE

The following persons appeared to speak during the Public Appearance portion of the agenda:

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1. Denesha Degraffenreid Topic: Mental Health

APPOINTMENTS

25-0602 Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Meier, and carried unanimously to reappoint Evelyn Moses to fill one (1) three-year term expiring October 31, 2028.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - N/A

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

25-0581 Air Quality Commission- Annual Report

The Board received the Annual Report of the Air Quality Commission.

The Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners (Advisory Board) Appointment Policy states all Committees must report at least annually to the Board of County Commissioners on their activities. Reports can be submitted to the Clerk to the Board for distribution to the Board in writing or for formal presentation at a Regular Board Meeting.

Peter McGrath, Air Quality Commission Chair, gave the presentation.



Presented by: Peter McGrath, Chair
Staff Support: Leslie Rhodes, AQ Director

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2025 Air Quality Commission



Pictured (left to right): Mr. Ron Ross, Rev. Dr. Janet Garner-Mullins, Ms. Ieshishua Pierce (Clerk)
Mr. Gregory Twait, Mr. Richard Matulis, Dr. Brian Magi
Mr. Marcus Hackler (Vice Chair), Mr. Steven Moore
Not pictured: Ms. Lisa Hooker, Mr. Bill Lawrence, Mr. Peter McGrath (Chair), Dr. Karl Welke

Topics

- National Ambient Air Quality Standards- Compliance Status
- Regulatory Air Monitoring Network Activities
- Federal Updates
- Community Outreach
- GRADE (Grants to Replace Aging Diesel Engines)

Evaluating Air Monitoring Compliance 2024 Annual Compliance Values

Mecklenburg County currently meets all federal, health-based air quality standards.

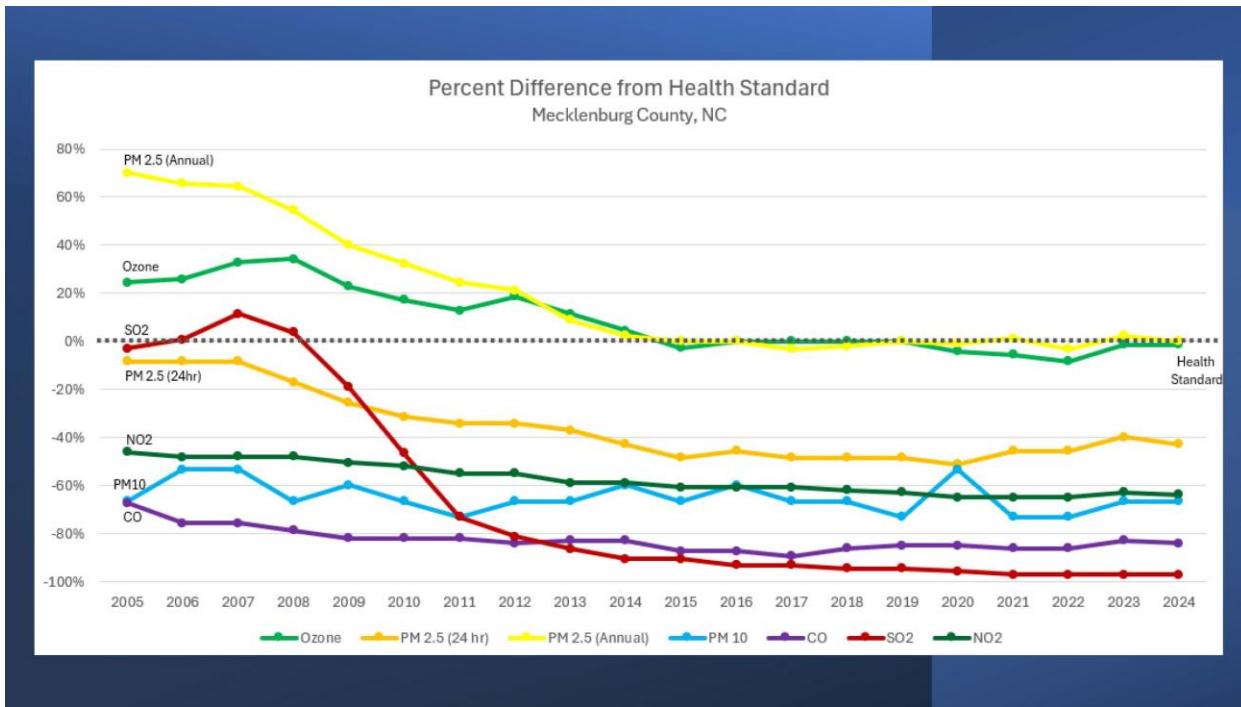
Pollutant	Averaging Time	Mecklenburg Compliance Value (2024)	NAAQS	Federal NAAQS Designation
Ozone (O3)	8-hour	69 ppb	70 ppb	Attainment
Particulate Matter (PM2.5)	24-hour	20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	35 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	Attainment
	Annual	9.0 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3*$	9 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	
Particulate Matter (PM10)	24-hour	50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$	Attainment
Carbon Monoxide (CO)	8-hour	1.6 ppm	9 ppm	Attainment
	1-hour	1.7 ppm	35 ppm	
Sulfur Dioxide (SO2)	1-hour	2 ppb	75 ppb	Attainment
	3-hour	0.002 ppm	0.5 ppm	
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2)	1-hour	36 ppb	100 ppb	Attainment
	Annual	13 ppb	53 ppb	

* Excludes days impacted by wildfires following EPA's Exceptional Events Rule.

■ Highlight indicates pollutants of local concern.

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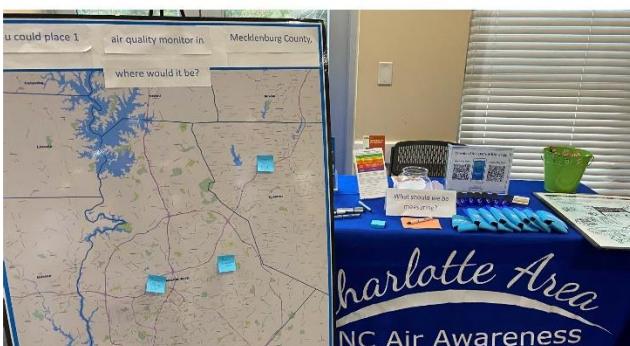
MCAQ air monitoring since the 1960s

- Supports compliance with USEPA standards for cleaner air
- Provides local air quality data to the public
- Supports air pollution research



Proactive Outreach to Data Users

- Goals:
 - Learn how people use the data and if there are any perceived gaps.
 - Start a conversation about air quality!
- Methods for Input:
 - Social Media
 - Webform
 - In-Person Activity
 - Personal Email
- Outcome:
 - Approximately 5,000 impressions on social media.
 - Overall, the Monitoring Network is sited to meet the needs of respondents.



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Federal Updates

- USEPA identified 31 federal de-regulatory priorities. The one most likely to impact local air quality in Charlotte is related to mobile sources.
 - Reconsideration of vehicle regulations- The administration's priority appears to be focused on elimination GHG requirements but there are also significant criteria pollution reductions (ozone precursors) in these rules that could also be repealed.
- Federal Funding which MCAQ has received annually since 1974 is at risk in the Federal Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. This funding supports non-discretionary work including:
 - Permitting, inspections, and enforcement at over 500 local regulated facilities;
 - Oversight of asbestos abatement in demolition activities; and,
 - Ambient monitoring.

Community Outreach

- The AQC assisted with three outreach efforts over the last year:
 - Connecting staff with groups who could give input about how they use air quality data.
 - Piloting an electric vehicle access activity.
 - Developing air quality messages that can be amplified by corporate partners.
- During FY25, Air Quality staff reached residents in most of the AQC's priority outreach areas.

Pictured: AQC Members Ron Ross (L) and Janet Garner-Mullins (R) at the November 2024 grand opening of the latest Historic West End electric vehicle charging station.



GRADE: Grants to Replace Aging Diesel Engines

- AQC members participated in the Grants to Replace Aging Diesel Engines (GRADE) 2025 Selection Committee.
 - The Selection Committee sub-awarded \$600,000 in federal funding to 14 projects, 9 of which were diesel-to-electric ground-support equipment (GSE) conversions at the airport.
 - These 14 projects are projected to reduce 83 tons of air pollution over the next 10 years.

Pictured: GSE operator at Charlotte Douglas International Airport gives the electric equipment a thumbs up!



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AQC Member	Sector	BOCC District
Mr. Peter McGrath (Chair)	Attorney	4
Mr. Marcus Hackler (Vice Chair)	Industry	2
Rev. Dr. Janet Garner-Mullins	Public	2
Ms. Lisa Hooker	Public	1
Mr. Bill Lawrence	Public	1
Dr. Brian Magi	Scientist	3
Mr. Richard Matulis	Public	6
Mr. Steven Moore	Transportation	4
Mr. Ron Ross	Environmental	2
Mr. Greg Twait	Engineer	1
Dr. Karl Welke	Public	5
Vacant	Health Professional	

Comments

Commissioner Powell the chair of the Environmental Stewardship Committee said they needed to do everything possible to reduce particulate matter. She talked about the Environmental Leadership Action Plan but stated they needed to do better. and said and thanked the Air Quality staff for their work.

Commissioner Meier asked why the standard would go back up from twelve to nine and if they could have their own level or standard. *Mr. McGrath said they wanted to reconsider because the first time they lowered the standard they did not adequately calculate the costs of coming into compliance. Ms. Rhodes said they were national ambient air standards so they could not have their own, but they could have their own rules and regulations that helped reduce the levels of PM2.5. She said the biggest sector of emissions in Mecklenburg County came from cars, trucks, and off-road equipment and they did not have the authority to regulate those. She said that was why programs like GRADE was so important, but those programs depended on federal grant funding and the regulatory programs for the vehicles had to come from the federal government. She said the same regulations that reduced greenhouse gas emissions and economically force electric vehicles and new technology also had effects on particulate matter on ozone and the pollutants of most concerns in Mecklenburg County. She said repealing the greenhouse portions of those rules also indirectly effected the other pollution.*

Commissioner Leake asked how they were inspecting junk yards. *Mr. McGrath said they looked at the impacts of those facilities on their air quality. He said Mecklenburg County Air Quality did not have the authority to regulate them but City Code Enforcement could to ensure they were complying.*

Commissioner Griffin asked how the reconciled good air quality with the complaints the commissioners received that said there was an increase in asthma. He said there were portions of the geography were all roads crossed in the same area and asked if there were subareas where particulates were higher. He asked what interventions they were pursuing. *Mr. McGrath said the EPA established rules and protocols for where they site monitors in the County to ensure they got an assessment of all areas of the County and that the data they got from them gave a reliable picture of air quality in the County. He said the EPA regularly audited their air quality program. Ms. Rhodes said the levels were highest near roadways and they would likely see housing rezoning.*

Commissioner Powell said tree canopy was shrinking and the impervious has increased. She asked if they were having conversations about it. *Mr. McGrath said he did not recall tree canopy being on the agenda, but they would take it into consideration.*

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25-0600 Library Board of Trustees - Annual Report

The Board received the Annual Report of the Library Board of Trustees.

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Dr. Amy Hawn Nelson, Chair of the Library Board of Trustees, gave the presentation.



Impact Report

CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG LIBRARY

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Library Fast Facts

FY2025 Totals

9,421,237 ↑ Total Circulation	623,627 WiFi Usage
2,606,133 ↑ Library Visitors	21 Locations + Library Administration Center
346,661 ↑ Active Cardholders	487 Library Positions
26,061 ↑ Programs	\$53,465,100 FY2025 Annual Budget*

*General Fund

University City Regional Library

Opened February 2025

20,000+

Visitors in first month



Main Library



Topping Out
February 2025



Grand Opening
Spring 2027

Capital Improvement Plan



Sugar Creek Library - 2027

Public Engagement & Design continues

West Boulevard Library - 2028

Public Engagement underway



Regional Branches

Neighborhood & Community Branches

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CML in the Community - MiLa



- Mobile computer lab and classroom
- Digital literacy and workforce development classes
- Translation tablets to communicate with non-English speakers
- Free hotspots for customer checkout

New Partnerships - MoLi



FIFTH THIRD



- Expanded permanent collection
- Increased access to adult, teen, and children's materials
- Free Wi-Fi

FY2026-2028 Strategic Direction Public Rollout

Access & Welcome

Ensure the Library provides a welcoming environment and access to all it has to offer every member of the community.

Learn & Engage

Create opportunities for engagement and growth, learning new skills and pursuing passions to build a stronger and more connected community.

Prepare & Excel

Strengthen internal resources and capacity to support planned growth and ensure the sustainable impact of Charlotte Mecklenburg Library.



New Main Library

Deliver Charlotte Mecklenburg Library's flagship location in Uptown Charlotte, a destination for local, regional, and national engagement.



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Improve Lives



22,100 seniors
FY25 In-person Programming

40% of programs provided
outside of Library branches

Build a Stronger Community



Early Childhood Literacy – Reading Buddies

4,688 participants



Workforce Development – CMS Hiring Events

≈ 1,100 attendees
20% recommended for hire

CML's Most Valuable Resource



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Comments

Commissioner Dunlap thanked the presenters and said he was impressed with their leadership and looked forward to the new libraries.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell thanked the presenters for their updates and said she appreciated the senior outreach.

Commissioner Townsend-Ingram thanked the presenters and asked how they tracked and determined the best ways to communicate information. *Krystel Green, Chief Marketing Officer*, said they met with people where they were by utilizing social media and websites. She said they were also out in the community passing out flyers and talking to community leaders. She said the best measurement was the branch staff, who lets them know what the people were telling them.

Commissioner Griffin thanked the presenters and said they should not forget to put the Southwest Regional Library in their capital plan.

Commissioner Meier asked how the book supplier, Baker & Taylor, closing would affect the library. *Caitlin Moen, Chief Library Services Officer* said there would be a resounding impact. She said they had been proactive and avoided committing to one vendor. She said they were shifting how they were acquiring different materials and would result in longer wait times, especially for high-demand materials.

Commissioner Powell thanked the presenters and said the seed library was a big hit. She said she greatly appreciated the programs for seniors. She thanked Charles Thomas for keeping her updated.

Commissioner Altman expressed her gratitude for the presenters.

Chair Jerrell thanked the presenters and asked how old the Hickory Grove library in East Charlotte was and asked what the future plans were. *Ms. Nelson* said it was established in 2008 and said they had a capital plan list containing that information.

Chair Jerrell asked for an update on the Hickory Grove Library.

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MANAGER'S REPORT

25-0628 Project BOAST – Business Opportunity and Supportive Transit

Background: In response to the passage of the transit bill, which is projected to generate over \$25 billion in infrastructure and construction over the next 20+ years, the county is launching the project BOAST framework. This initiative reflects a strategic commitment by Mecklenburg County envisioned to be implemented in collaboration with community partners to promote small business support and mitigate business displacement. In addition, project boast is designed to prepare local businesses to take advantage of emerging opportunities across key sectors such as construction, logistics, retail, hospitality, and services, thereby positioning small businesses to participate in the opportunities that result from the strategic transportation investment.

The overarching strategies are expected to include:

1. *Business preservation and anti-gentrification*
2. *Access to contracting opportunities*
3. *Capacity building and technical assistance*
4. *Customer connections*
5. *Workforce and talent development*

Further research and design will be conducted to refine the implementation details.

The Board received a presentation on a proposed strategic framework for supporting small businesses in response to the passage of the transit bill

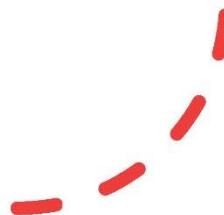
Roger Johnson, Economic Development Director, gave the presentation.



Statement of Commitment

The Project BOAST framework reflects the County's commitment to supporting new and existing small businesses, as well as anti-displacement efforts.

Research and design is required to refine the implementation details.



Where are we now?

Transit Bill passed

Estimated \$25 Billion in new projects over 20+ years

Huge impact to businesses across county

Unique opportunity for local businesses

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The vision is clear. Transportation investments should strengthen business communities, not displace them.

Position small businesses to benefit from transportation improvements

Connect local small businesses to economic opportunities

Protect existing small businesses from displacement

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Where do we want to be?



One entity can not achieve this alone

Collaboration

Coordinated Effort

Collective Impact

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How do we get there?



1. Business Preservation and Anti-Gentrification



2. Access to Contracting Opportunities



3. Capacity Building and Technical Assistance



4. Customer Connections



5. Workforce and Talent Development

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How do we get there?



1. Business Preservation and Anti-Gentrification



Business stabilization efforts, such as education on lease negotiation, accessing capital and assisting with relocation strategies



Tenant protection resources, including access to legal support for negotiating long-term leases, contract review, and tenant rights



Preservation zones along transportation corridors to protect existing small businesses (*collaboration with local municipalities required*)



A registry recognizing and promoting legacy businesses, ensuring they remain visible and valued

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How do we get there?



2. Access to Contracting Opportunities



A public-facing contracting portal with clear, accessible postings of upcoming opportunities (collaboration with community partners)



Promote local business participation in transportation-related projects (collaboration with community partners)



Outreach efforts to educate small businesses on preparing for and pursuing bids and purchasing opportunities



A mentor-protégé initiative linking smaller firms with experienced contractors

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How do we get there?



3. Capacity Building and Technical Assistance



Business resource hubs, in partnership with local governments, colleges, chambers, and nonprofit organizations, to provide training and coaching



Industry-specific training programs designed to prepare businesses for opportunities in construction, logistics, retail, hospitality, and service sectors



One-on-one assistance to strengthen financial management, bonding, licensing, and compliance

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How do we get there?



4. Customer Connections



Campaigns to encourage residents to shop locally during and after construction projects



Directional signage and wayfinding systems to connect transit riders and others to neighborhood businesses



Opportunities for small businesses to participate in markets, pop-ups, and kiosks near new transit hubs



Streetscape improvements in commercial districts connected to transportation investments

*Collaboration with community partners required

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How do we get there?



5. Workforce and Talent Development



Apprenticeships and internships linking residents and students to employment in small businesses.

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Estimated Annual Budget Range

Category	Estimated Cost (low)	Estimated Cost (high)
County Personnel & Admin	\$425,000 (3 FTEs)	\$565,000 (4 FTEs)
On-going Operating & Maintenance	\$175,000	\$375,000
Outside contractors*	\$1,700,000	\$2,700,000
Total	\$2,300,000	\$3,640,000

* Assumes majority of work can be successfully contracted

Note: Research and design necessary to refine this initiative

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Next Steps

Phase I (November - March)

- Partnership Development & Implementation Planning:
 - Collaborative Strategy Discussion
 - Define resources and responsibilities
 - Who is the Lead, Partner, Support
 - Budget Actuals
 - Clarifying Scope of Work & Timeline

Phase II (FY 27)

- **Hiring Process:**
 - Internal staffing
 - Temporary contractors
- **Contracting Process:**
 - Identifying partners
 - Proposal requests
 - Selections
 - Performance based contracts

Phase III (FY 27)

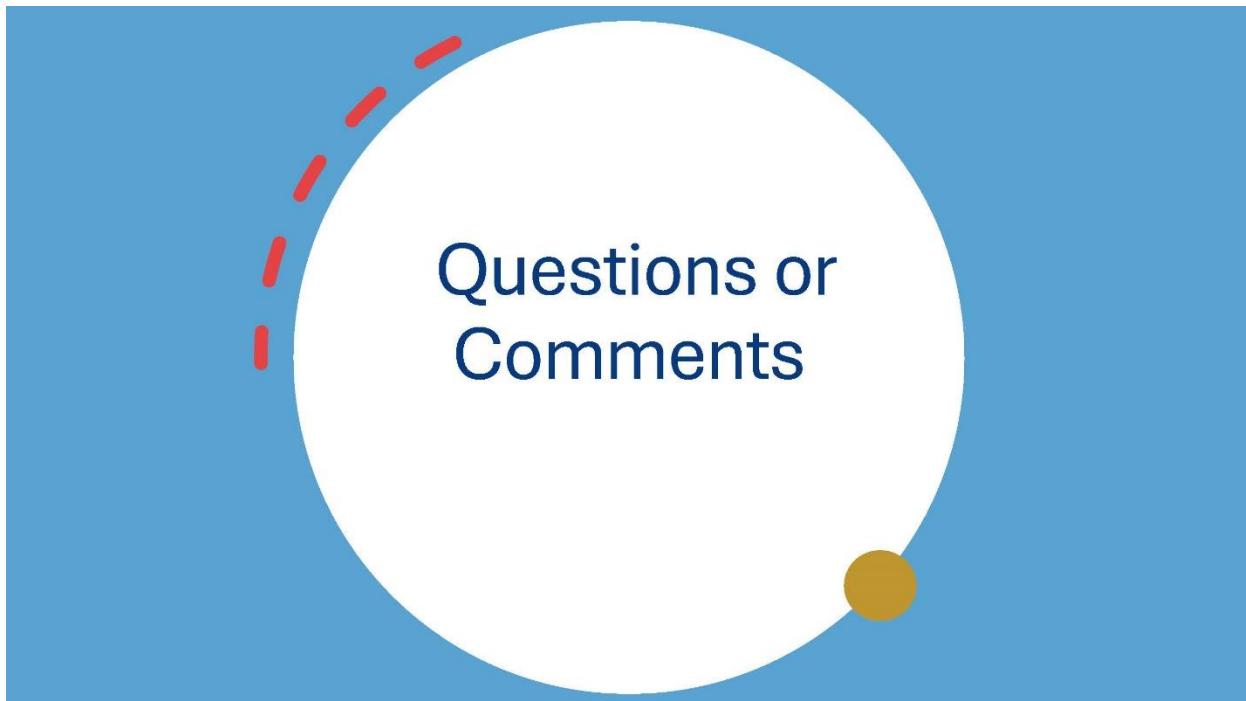
- Groundwork complete, ready for launch
- Annual report

Additional Phases...

*Phased implementation to align with collaborating entities.

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Comments

Commissioner Meier asked if they met with the City and developed the plan with them. *Mr. Johnson said they were working with the City and the City and County seemed to be very aligned on the mission. County Manager Bryant said more that likely City Council would be receiving a similar presentation.*

Commissioner Altman thanked the County Manager, Dr. Leslie Johnson, Mr. Johnson and the team. She said they were very responsive to what the community expressed as major concerns. She said their plans were thoughtful and comprehensive.

Commissioner Leake thanked the presenter and staff for their work on the project.

Commissioner Dunlap said he appreciated that even those who did not vote for the referendum were being listened to and had their concerns addressed. He thanked the County Manager and staff for their work.

Commissioner Griffin said it was profound and would have a powerful impact on the community. He said with kinds of recommendations given in the presentation, the County would see partnerships and collaborations that would grow healthy communities. He said he supported it and thanked the presenter and staff for their work on the project.

Commissioner Townsend-Ingram asked if it was only for small businesses or if there was some coordination to assist residents with their actual homes, because that was the reason the other 42% didn't vote in favor. She said she wanted to ensure the residents understood they heard them on that portion as well. *County Manager Bryant said they were doing their due diligence regarding the residential concern, but the presentation was strictly based on the small businesses.*

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell said she was interested in the anti-gentrification portion as well. She said evictions were rising and funding for the Charlotte Center for Legal Advocacy was down. She said the presentation mention including access to legal support for negotiating long-term leases which sounded like another budgetary item. She said a good plan would have that built in instead of costing the County. She said she appreciated the forward thinking, but she wondered if it would fall on property taxpayers. She said she was looking at how it would be double taxing again. She said it was important to look at the cost to the County. She said she

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supported the effort and would vote for it but was disappointed that it would have to be paid from the County budget instead of from the massive funding that was coming.

Commissioner Powell said the Board represented everyone and hearing the concerns of the community in the whole was very important. She said she had the same concerns as Rodriguez-McDowell about the funding. She said if the foundations could find so much money for campaigning, why could they not find money for that portion of the project as well so they could address the concerns that came with it. She said she appreciated the attention to small businesses and thanked the presenter.

Commissioner Griffin said he admired the effort of the communities in Brooklyn and Greenville to be forward and opportunity thinking as they invested in areas that they typically did not invest in. He said, regardless of the transit tax vote, it was the right thing to do. He said they had a history in the community of disinvestments.

Commissioner Griffin said they had a 26th judicial district bar, Mecklenburg County bar association that did pro-bono work. He said they should think outside the box for every opportunity where their resources were necessary.

Chair Jerrell said displacement and gentrification had been happening even before the General Assembly allowed the County to take on the vote. He said, regardless of the PAVE act, the Board would still be discussing those topics. He said the County was only one component of a larger pie and all entities needed to be involved but he did not want redundancy. He said the City had \$40 million set aside for displacement efforts and the County had a role in it as well. He said they had wiggle room to figure out how they would address things, but the conversations had been taking place for months. He said gentrification and displacement were legitimate concerns and they had to work together to support and invest in the community. He said greenlining should be the County's North star.

25-0629 Food Resource Plan During the Pause of Federal SNAP Benefits

The Board received as information a presentation on the emergency Food Resource Assistance provided by Health and Human Services (HHS) during the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) pause in benefits.

On November 1, 2025, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits were not distributed to the ~138,500 Mecklenburg County residents that participate in this program. Health and Human Services departments developed a plan and was approved by the Mecklenburg County Manager to provide additional food resources during this emergency.

Yolanda Griffin, Department of Community Resource Director, gave the presentation.

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Food Resource Plan During Federal SNAP Benefits Pause

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Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners

Yulonda D. Griffin
Director, Department of Community Resources



Agenda

- **SNAP Benefits During the Federal Government Shutdown**
- **Food Resource Plan**
 - Increased Food Pantry Resources
 - SNAP Double Bucks at Farmer's Markets
 - Food Assistance Cards
 - Food Distribution for Seniors and Thanksgiving
 - Food Resource and Fund Drive
- **Next Steps**



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SNAP During The Federal Government Shutdown

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP): Financial assistance for food to households with limited income and resources

In Mecklenburg County:*

- 138,500 SNAP recipients (September 2025)
- \$175 per household per month (average amount)
- \$24 million per month in total SNAP benefits

SNAP benefits were suspended beginning November 1 due to the Federal Government Shutdown

The USDA plans to utilize its contingency fund to cover 50% of the November benefit allotment for FNS households



* Latest Available Data



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Reduced SNAP Allotment for 48 States and D.C.

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Household Size	Normal Max Amounts (\$)	Reduced Max Amounts (\$)
1	298	149
2	546	273
3	785	392
4	994	497
5	1,183	591
6	1,421	710
7	1,571	785
8	1,789	894
Each additional person	218	109

Source: USDA Food and Nutrition Service



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Addressing the Need in Mecklenburg County



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Expanded Food Pantry Resources

28,000 additional 7-day food boxes available via
Nourish Up across the community

Additional food for Meck County mini-pantries:

- Valerie C. Woodard Community Resource Center
3205 Freedom Drive, Charlotte, N.C. 28208
- Ella B. Scarborough Community Resource Center
430 Stitt Road, Charlotte, N.C. 28213
- Catherine M. Wilson Center
301 Billingsley Road Charlotte, N.C. 28211



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Farmers Market Vouchers and Food Assistance Cards

Special one-time \$50 local farmers market vouchers will be provided to eligible SNAP households

- Up to 2,000 vouchers total

\$50 food-only gift cards to any resident newly approved for emergency SNAP benefits

- Up to 400 per week



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Food Distribution for Seniors and Thanksgiving Holiday

Expanded mobile market food distribution for SNAP-eligible seniors:

- Additional food supply and service time
- Serving an additional 250 seniors

Thanksgiving holiday turkey distribution:

Saturday, Nov. 22, 2025
Ella B. Scarborough Community Resource Center

- Serving about 1,000 households



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Food Resources and Fund Drive

Food collection boxes at designated Park and Recreation Centers and Library locations to support local food pantries:

- Northern Regional Recreation Center
- Eastway Regional Recreation Center
- Allegra Westbrooks Regional Library
- South County Regional Library
- University City Regional Library



NEW online portal for monetary donations to benefit Nourish Up – NourishUp.org/Meck-Cares



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Additional Resources in Mecklenburg County

- United Way's NC 211
- Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina
- Nourish Up
- Hearts & Hands Food Pantry
- Hope Street Food Pantry
- Feeding Charlotte
- Ada Jenkins Center
- Angels & Sparrows
- Christ the King Food Pantry
- The Park Church



Other resources and information can be found at MeckNC.gov



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Next Steps

- Await Federal and State guidance on the status of SNAP funding
- Monitor the level of food resource utilization and ongoing need
- Advocate for an end to the government shutdown and fully fund the SNAP program
- Continue accepting, processing, and determining eligibility for SNAP applications and renewals



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Comments

Commissioner Powell asked if there was any disruption to senior meal deliveries. *Ms. Griffin said there had been no disruption and they were good through December.*

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked if they had to be a SNAP recipient to get the food boxes. *Ms. Griffin said they tried to increase the capacity for the food bank and for Nourish Up specifically, but with some of the mobile distributions people may have to show that they are SNAP recipients because they were implementing the additional distributions to specifically meet the needs of SNAP recipients.*

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked clarifying questions regarding the one-mile radius requirements. *Ms. Griffin said there were five specific locations that had a one-mile radius where they were trying to increase the number of seniors they would be able to serve. She said within a one-mile radius of the specific rec centers and library locations, they would get a robo-call stating there were additional resources available for them.*

Commissioner Meier asked how people received the vouchers and if they always offered the senior Thanksgiving meals. She thanked the Public Information team for their work because the information was easily accessible and wanted to remind the public that donations of food was important, but money was as well because they would be able to purchase the food at wholesale

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costs. *Ms. Griffin said for the specific vouchers for the farmers market, they could report to the farmers market and were not required to preregister but would need to show their EBT card as well as ID. She said the Turkey Drive was a new initiative where people could receive an additional holiday box. She said it was not strictly for seniors; it was for any SNAP recipient, and they would have to preregister for that.*

Commissioner Leake asked if people had never been on SNAP benefits, could they still get SNAP. *Ms. Griffin said they continued to take applications, and all portals were still being utilized.*

Commissioner Griffin said the information was very comprehensive. He said, not to overload people with information, but it was important for people to know they could still apply for SNAP benefits. He asked if they had seen a dip in applications. *Ms. Griffin said they had not seen a dip.*

Commissioner Griffin asked if there was some way, they could partner with service providers to provide a PSA to people's phones. *Ms. Griffin said they were using all social media platforms to pursue mass communications as such.*

Commissioner Dunlap thanked the staff for their efforts and asked if people would see a lapse in their benefits. *Ms. Griffin said, for November benefits, they were using contingency funding, but the States were told to change the maximum allotments amounts by 50%. She said they were working on getting the information into the system where they would be able load it but was unsure how long it would take. She said the State told them that as soon as they can get the issuance tables in the systems to get it transferred, they would start submitting those files to the vendor that does EBT benefits.*

Commissioner Dunlap said many churches have already been issuing food and may be willing to have their names put on a list stating they were dispersing food. He said her team was good for providing them one-pagers to share information with the community and asked that they create another one for the Commissioners to share on their social media platforms.

Chair Jerrell thanked the County Manager and team for their work. He said they had many vulnerable families that did not receive SNAP benefits and still accessed the foodbanks. He said those families were not included in what they were discussing, as far as impact and what that meant to those families. He said, when they considered that and what the team was able to execute was important and impressive. He thanked the faith community, partners, and those who reached out to offer assistance.

Chair Jerrell said he would like for text message capabilities to be further explored as a County. He said that communication was likely more cost effective than geofencing. He said they could have robo-calls to send out information and commended the County manager for his effort in keeping the community informed.

County Manager Bryant thanked the community partners, faith community, non-profits, etc. for their assistance.

DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTORS' MONTHLY REPORTS – NONE

STAFF REPORTS & REQUESTS - NONE

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORTS & REQUESTS – NONE

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CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunlap, seconded by Commissioner Griffin and unanimously carried, to approve the following item(s):

25-0572 FY2026 NCDOT Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) Grant Application

- 1) Approve the Certified Statement for the FY2026 Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) in Mecklenburg County;
- 2) Approve the application for the North Carolina Department of Transportation's Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) Grant for Fiscal Year 2026 in Mecklenburg County Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services in the amount of \$676,562.
- 3) Amend the 2025-2026 Annual Budget Ordinance to recognize, receive, and appropriate the amount awarded from the State for the FY26 ROAP grant funds to the General Fund (0001) within the Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services.

Background: Mecklenburg County Department of Child, Family, & Adult Services (CFAS) is submitting a Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) grant application. This annual NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT) grant provides funding for transportation services to elderly and disabled citizens, Work First clients requiring transitional/employment transportation services, and the general public living outside the urban area boundary of Mecklenburg County who do not have a human service agency or organization to pay for their transportation. The Mecklenburg Transportation System (MTS) of CFAS Services for Adults Division operates this program.

The Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program (EDTAP) FY2026 formula allocation is \$364,959. This allocation is designated to provide for the public transportation of elderly and disabled citizens.

The Employment Transportation Program (EMPL) FY2026 formula allocation is \$257,437. These funds provide operating assistance for the public transportation of person with employment related transportation needs.

The Rural General Program (RGP) FY2026 formula allocation is \$54,166. These funds are intended to provide transportation services to individuals who do not have a human service agency or organization that will pay for the needed transportation services and live in the non-urbanized area of the county.

State rules allow for the EMPL and the RGP funds to be transferred to any of the other ROAP funds. MTS has consistently transferred all EMPL and RGP funds to EDTAP to provide transportation for eligible elderly and disabled client for specific trip purposes.

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CERTIFIED STATEMENT
FY2026
RURAL OPERATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
County of Mecklenburg

WHEREAS, the state-funded, formula-based Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Integrated Mobility Division provides funding for the operating cost of passenger trips for counties within the state;

WHEREAS, the county uses the most recent transportation plans (i.e., CCP, CTIP, LCP) available and other public involvement strategies to learn about the transportation needs of agencies and individuals in the county before determining the sub-allocation of these ROAP funds;

WHEREAS, the county government or regional public transportation authorities created pursuant to Article 25 or Article 26 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes (upon written agreement with the municipalities or counties served) are the only eligible recipients of Rural Operating Assistance Program funds which are allocated to the counties based on a formula as described in the Program Guidelines included in the ROAP State Management Plan. NCDOT will disburse the ROAP funds only to counties and eligible transportation authorities and not to any sub-recipients selected by the county;

WHEREAS, the county finance officer will be considered the county official accountable for the administration of the Rural Operating Assistance Program in the county, unless otherwise designated by the Board of County Commissioners;

WHEREAS, the passenger trips provided with ROAP funds must be accessible to individuals with disabilities and be provided without discrimination on the basis of national origin, creed, age, race, or gender (FTA C 4702.1B, FTA C 4704.1A, Americans with Disabilities Act 1990); and

WHEREAS, the period of performance for these funds will be July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 regardless of the date on which ROAP funds are disbursed to the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, by signing below, the duly authorized representatives of the County of Mecklenburg North Carolina certify that the following statements are true and accurate:

- The county employed a documented methodology for sub-allocating ROAP funds that involved the participation of eligible agencies and citizens. Outreach efforts to include the participation of the elderly and individuals with disabilities, persons with limited English proficiency, minorities and low-income persons in the county's sub-allocation decision have been documented.
- The county will advise any sub-recipients about the source of the ROAP funds, specific program requirements and restrictions, eligible program expenses and reporting requirements. The county will be responsible for invoicing any sub-recipients for unexpended ROAP funds as needed.
- The county will monitor ROAP funded services routinely to verify that ROAP funds are being spent on allowable activities and that the eligibility of service recipients is being properly documented. The county will maintain records of trips for at least five years that prove that an eligible citizen was provided an eligible transportation service on the billed date, by whatever conveyance at the specified cost.
- The county will be responsible for monitoring the safety, quality, and cost of ROAP funded services and assures that any procurements by subrecipients for contracted services will follow state and federal guidelines.
- The county will conduct regular evaluations of ROAP funded passenger trips provided throughout the period of performance.
- The county will only use the ROAP funds to provide trips when other funding sources are not available for the same purpose or the other funding sources for the same purpose have been completely exhausted.

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- The county will notify the Regional Grant Specialist assigned to the county if any ROAP funded services are discontinued before the end of the period of performance due to the lack of funding. No additional ROAP funds will be available.
- The county will provide an accounting of trips and expenditures in monthly reports to NCDOT – Integrated Mobility Division or its designee. Back-up documentation is required to support the monthly reports, failure to provide documentation will affect future disbursements. The June report will be considered the annual report.
- Any interest earned on the ROAP funds will be expended for eligible program uses as specified in the ROAP application. The County will include ROAP funds received and expended in its annual independent audit on the schedule of federal and state financial assistance. Funds passed through to other agencies will be identified as such.
- The county is applying for the following amount of FY2026 Rural Operating Assistance Program funds: *The total amount of allocated funds are identified in the Total Disbursement (columns L-O) on the allocation table. The amount of requested funds cannot exceed the amount of allocated (disbursed) funds listed in the application table. Funds are allowed to be transferred to ROAP programs as needed, according to transfer criteria. Transfers must be recorded in the monthly ROAP report in the month transferred.

State-Funded Rural Operating Assistance Program	Allocated ^a (Disbursed)	Requested
Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program (EDTAP)	\$364,959	\$364,959
Employment Transportation Assistance Program (EMPL)	\$257,437	\$257,437
Rural General Public Program (RGP)	\$54,166	\$54,166
TOTAL	\$676,562	\$676,562

WITNESS my hand and county seal, this 21st day of November, 2025.



Signature of County Manager/Administrator

Michael Bryant

Printed Name of County Manager/Administrator



Signature of County Finance Officer

David Boyd

Printed Name of County Finance Officer

State of North Carolina County of Mecklenburg

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FY26 Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) Application

Name of Entity (County)	Mecklenburg
County Manager Name	Michael Bryant
County Manager's Email	Michael.Bryant@mecklenburgcountync.gov
County CFO Name	David Boyd
CFO's Email	David.Boyd@mecklenburgcountync.gov
Person Completing this Application (Applicant)	Gina Merrell
Applicant's Job Title	Grant Development Administrator
Applicant's Email Address	Gina.Merrell@mecklenburgcountync.gov
Applicant's Phone Number	(980) 355-4067
Community Transportation System Name	Mecklenburg Transportation System
Transit Contact Name	Andre Amos
Transit Contact's Email	Andre.Amos@mecklenburgcountync.gov

Application Completed by: Jina Marrell Date: 10/8/2025
Signature

I certify that the content of this application is complete and accurately describes the County's administration of the ROAP Program, and the use of the ROAP funds in accordance with applicable state guidelines. I certify and understand that if the monthly and final monthly milestone reports, and any other status reports required by the Integrated Mobility Division (IMD) are not submitted on or before the due dates, the next scheduled disbursement will be held until all reports are submitted.

I further certify that ROAP funds will only be used for program purposes to provide trips and will not be used for administrative or operational expenses. If it is determined that ROAP funds have been misused, repayment of funds must be made.

Transit Director: _____ Date: 10/8/2025
Signature _____
County Manager: _____ Date: 11/05/25
Michael Bryant
County Finance Officer: _____ Date: 11/6/25
Signature _____
David Boyd

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Application Instructions

County officials should read the Program Administration Guide for Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) which contains guidance on the administration of the ROAP Program and information about the preparation of grant applications.

- The application must be completed by an official of the county or his/her designee.
- **Answer choices** are in the (parenthesis) before each gray rectangle. Click on the gray rectangle and type each answer. If necessary, the text will automatically wrap to the next row.
- Please answer every question. Leave no blanks.
- If the county wishes to explain their response to any questions or provide more information, the county may include additional pages with this application form. All the pages of the application and any pages added by the applicant should be scanned into the same file.
- If there are questions regarding this application, contact the NCDOT-IMD Regional Grant Specialist assigned to the area served by the transit system.

FY26 ROAP Program Schedule

Application Deadline: October 24, 2025

Anticipated Funds Disbursement: Week of November 17, 2025**

**** Applications not uploaded into Smartsheet by October 24th will delay disbursement of funds until the application is submitted and reviewed.**

- Counties with unspent FY25 funds will retain the funds and the FY26 disbursement will be adjusted accordingly.
- Counties with 5% or less in unspent funds are eligible for a second disbursement of any unspent funds from FY25. The ROAP formula will be used to determine the amount of funds each eligible county will receive.
- Once IMD ROAP reconciliation begins in mid-August, any outstanding reports will be considered unspent funds
- Monthly reports are due via SmartSheet 30 days following the reporting period (unless it falls on a weekend day i.e., July reporting period, report due August 30th)

ROAP Reporting Period	ROAP Report Deadline
July 1 - 31, 2025	August 29, 2025
August 1 - 31, 2025	September 30, 2025
September 1 - 30, 2025	October 30, 2025
October 1 - 31, 2025	November 28, 2025
November 1 - 30, 2025	December 30, 2025
December 1 - 31, 2025	January 30, 2026
January 1 - 31, 2026	February 27, 2026
February 1 - 28, 2026	March 30, 2026
March 1 - 31, 2026	April 30, 2026
April 1 - 30, 2026	May 29, 2026
May 1 - 31, 2026	June 30
June 1 - 30, 2026	July 30, 2026

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Management of ROAP Funds

County governments or regional public transportation authorities created pursuant to Article 25 or Article 26 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes (upon written agreement with municipalities or counties served) are the only eligible applicants for ROAP funds. As a recipient of ROAP funds, the county must implement administrative processes that will ensure the following:

- ROAP funds are expended on needs identified through a public involvement and/or planning process.
- ROAP funds are expended only on eligible activities as described in Appendix A of the ROAP Guidance.
- Supporting documentation of expenditures (software printouts, legible receipts, etc.) is required by all applicants.
- Transportation service recipients must meet eligibility requirements, and their eligibility is documented.
- Trips funded with ROAP funding are monitored and evaluated throughout the period of performance.
- ROAP funds received and expended are included in the local annual audit.

Counties have the flexibility to determine how the funding will be used to meet the needs of the citizens and how to suballocate the funding to meet the transportation needs, but the guidelines for each program used must be followed and trips accounted for by program used.

ROAP Public Hearing Is Not a State Requirement Please Provide These Documents, Only If Required Locally	
1. Public Hearing Notices languages (N/A, English Only, English & Spanish)	N/A
2. Public Hearing Affidavit (N/A, Attached)	N/A
3. Was the Public Hearing Notice published within 7-14 days of the hearing? (N/A, Yes, No)	N/A
4. Public Hearing Record (N/A, Attached)	N/A
5. Public Hearing Minutes (N/A, Attached)	N/A
6. Title VI Survey (N/A, Offered but None Completed, Attached)	N/A

Grant Administration
1. What Public Transportation Plans are available for your area? (Community Coordinated Plan (CCP), Locally Coordinated Plan (LCP), Statewide Locally Coordinated Plan (SLCP), Other Plans – (List all that apply)) Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation plan; Comprehensive Transportation plan
2. Did the County/Authority ask the Community Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) to recommend how the ROAP funds should be suballocated? (Yes/No) Yes
2a. If no, how were recommendations made and by whom (Describe) N/A
2b. How many individuals assisted in the determination? (List number here) N/A
3. Were outreach efforts conducted to inform agencies about the availability and eligibility of ROAP funds and to discuss transportation needs PRIOR TO the county deciding how to suballocate the ROAP funds? (N/A, Yes- Outreach Conducted, No Outreach) No outreach, funds stay with the County

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Financial Management
1. Does the county pass through any ROAP funds to governmental or non-profit agencies or organizations? (If the County/Authority passes through any ROAP funds, they should have a written agreement between them which addresses the proper use and accountability of these funds.) (List all that applies: N/A, EDTAP, EMPL, RGP) N/A
2. Do any of the organizations or departments receiving ROAP funds plan to use private transit contractors to provide the ROAP funded trips? (Their procurement practices will need to meet all federal and state requirements for procurement of professional services.) (List all that applies: No - Private Contractor Used, Yes for EDTAP, EMPL, and/or RGP) Yes for EDTAP
3. Are ROAP funds deposited in an interest-bearing account? (Ensure interest earned on the funds will be retained by the transportation program and must be used for transportation related expenses) (Yes, No) Yes
4. Do you have local financial support that will prevent discontinuation of services? (Trips may be limited but cannot stop altogether due to lack of ROAP funds.) (Yes, No) Yes
4a. If No, how will you continue to offer trips after ROAP funds are exhausted? (Please describe.) N/A
Monitoring and Oversight Responsibilities
1. Subrecipients of ROAP funds are required to provide sufficiently detailed progress reports and statistical data about trips provided and rider eligibility with ROAP funds. Are you receiving these? (The County must be prepared to provide documentation that an eligible citizen was provided an eligible service or trip on the billed date, by whatever conveyance, at a specific cost.) (Yes, No) Yes
2. Will the ROAP allocation be used as matching funds for any of the following programs? (EDTAP funds may only be used for Enhanced Mobility of Senior & Individuals with Disabilities and must be properly tracked.) 5310 – Enhanced Mobility of Senior & Individuals with Disabilities Program-EDTAP (Operating only) (Yes, No) No 5310 – Enhanced Mobility of Senior & Individuals with Disabilities Program-EDTAP (Capital Cost of Contracting only) (Yes, No) No 5311 Operating only - Rural Area Formula Program (Yes, No) No Rural State Operating Program (Yes, No) No 5311 Capital Cost of Contracting Program (Yes, No) No
3. Will fares be charged for a ROAP funded trip? (List all that applies: No-Fares not charged, Yes - EDTAP, EMPL, and/or RGP Yes, EDTAP
4. Describe the eligibility criteria and documents used in this County to determine who will be provided ROAP-funded trips. (Please describe i.e. Driver's license check, professional assessment, etc.) For new clients, client information is verified with Medicaid and online disability database. No documentation required.

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Application recorded in full in Document Book 54, Document #120.

25-0579 Capital Improvements for Edgewater Farm Park

Approve the use of \$900,000 budgeted for farmland preservation in the FY2026 budget for capital outlay to make improvements to the Edgewater Farm Park.

Background: The FY26 budget currently allocates \$900,000 for farmland preservation. This funding was originally budgeted in FY2025 and was later carried forward in FY2026. The Budget Ordinance requires Board approval to increase any capital outlay in the operating budget over \$100,000. Funding will be used to extend a water line, make ADA improvements, and upgrade

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utilities to the Edgewater Farm Park, located at Beatties Ford Road and US 73 in Huntersville. In addition, the funds will be used to add minor assets to the site, including a market garden, orchard, greenhouse, open air wash-n-pack, cold storage, tool room, and farm equipment.

25-0588 Acquisition of Flood Prone Property Under Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant
EMA-2021-FM-036-0003

- 1) Accept the Offer of Sale of Real Estate from Patricia Hallman, owner of property located at 5215 Kildare Drive, Charlotte, NC (tax parcel 099-082-03), for \$315,000.
- 2) Authorize local emergency response agencies to use the structures for training exercises.

Background: Since late 1999, Mecklenburg County has used storm water fee revenue to acquire flood prone property. Buyouts reduce the risk to life and property during floods, while also enhancing the natural and beneficial functions of the floodplain. Mecklenburg County uses the land as open space, for expanding greenways, constructing wetlands, etc.

Storm Water Services (STW) pursued FEMA grant funds through the Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) grant program in February 2021. The BOCC approved to recognize, receive and appropriate the grant funding if awarded at the February 1, 2022, meeting. The grant was approved and awarded in November 2024 for a voluntary buyout of two properties including 5215 Kildare Drive and 5517 Cutshaw Court in the Briar Creek Watershed. The property at 5517 Cutshaw Ct has already been approved by the BOCC and purchased; this Board Action is to request approval to purchase the property at 5215 Kildaire Drive.

This action is consistent with goals in the Environmental Leadership Action Plan which supports the Environmental Leadership Policy adopted by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC). These acquisitions are part of Storm Water's 15-year CIP risk reduction goals and consistent with recommendations in the Flood Risk Assessment and Risk Reduction Plan, adopted by the BOCC on May 1, 2012.

The buyout is voluntarily. The purchase and demolition are funded by a combination of Federal and local STW capital funds. The requested actions will consist of acquiring the property and demolishing the existing building. The purchase price is based upon a current fair market value appraisal. HMA grant awarded will pay 90% of the Fair Market Value (FMV) at the time of the application in 2021. Local STW capital funds will be used to pay the 10% match for the grant plus any increase in FMV since 2021.

STW staff allows training opportunities for local police and fire personnel prior to demolition of flood prone buildings. In addition, STW staff has established a process with Habitat for Humanity of Charlotte to maximize the responsible reuse of materials prior to structure demolition while protecting the health of the community.

25-0613 Comprehensive Plan for Unincorporated South Mecklenburg Public Hearing Request

Request to reschedule the public hearing for the November 18, 2025, Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting for the Comprehensive Plan for Unincorporated South Mecklenburg.

Background: During the September 24, 2025, Public Policy meeting, the BOCC heard a presentation regarding the Comprehensive Plan for Unincorporated South Mecklenburg. at its October 21, 2025, Regular Meeting, the BOCC approved holding the hearing on November 5,

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2025. Due to a Charlotte Observer publishing error, it is being requested that the public hearing be rescheduled to be held during the November 18, 2025, BOCC Regular Meeting.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG ON
THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR UNINCORPORATED SOUTH
MECKLENBURG COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 East Fourth Street on November 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits, on a request to approve the Comprehensive Plan for Unincorporated South Mecklenburg County. Parties in interest and residents shall have an opportunity to be heard at the hearing and may obtain information on the requested abandonment from the Mecklenburg County Managers Office, 600 E. 4th Street, either by phone (704-621-8416) or email (Erin.Stanforth@Mecknc.gov).

Persons desiring to speak can sign up online at <https://mecknc.seamlessdocs.com/f/clerk> or call 980-502-4825. The deadline for online registration is November 18, 2025, by 3 p.m. After the online registration has closed, members of the public may still register to speak when they arrive at the meeting on November 18, 2025.

Anyone needing special accommodations when attending this meeting and/or if this information is needed in an alternative format because of a disability, contact the Clerk to the Board at least seventy two (72) hours prior to the meeting, either by phone (980) 314-2939, e-mail (Kristine.Smith@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov) or by mail at 600 East Fourth Street, Charlotte, N.C. 28202.

Kristine Smith,
Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

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THIS CONCLUDED ITEMS APPROVED BY CONSENT

25-0597 PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioners may remove agenda items from the Consent Agenda for a separate vote, to bring public awareness or to make comments. The following items were pulled and voted upon separately:

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25-0547 Construction Contract - Valerie C. Woodard Center Deep Energy Retrofit Project

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Altman, and unanimously carried to award a construction contract to Miles-McClellan Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$3,695,000.00 for the Valerie C. Woodard Center Deep Energy Retrofit Project.

Background: This project is for a Deep Energy Retrofit Project at the Valerie C. Woodard Center, located at 3205 Freedom Drive, Charlotte NC. This project scope will include, but not be limited to, replacing four chillers, four air handling units and 15 split air conditioning units with more efficient units and retrofitting any remaining existing fluorescent lighting with LED lighting, thereby reducing the facility's carbon footprint. This project is part of the County's Environmental Leadership Action Plan initiative to achieve net-zero carbon by 2035.

This item was pulled by Commissioner Leake for clarity and/or public awareness.

25-0569 Budget Amendment - Department of Child, Family, And Adult Services

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Griffin, and unanimously carried to;

- 1) Amend the 2025-2026 Annual Budget Ordinance to recognize, receive, and appropriate an increase in federal Medicaid revenue and expenses in the amount of \$300,000 from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services to the General Fund (0001) for Services for Adults (SFA) in the Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services.
- 2) Amend the 2025-2026 Annual Budget Ordinance to decrease federal revenue and expenses in the amount of \$13,016 from the Family Caregiver Support Program Grant to the General Fund (0001) in the Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services.
- 3) Amend the 2025-2026 Annual Budget Ordinance to decrease federal revenue and expenses in the amount of \$32,900 from the Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) to the General Fund (0001) in the Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services.
- 4) Amend the 2025-2026 Annual Budget Ordinance to recognize, receive, and appropriate an increase in federal revenue in the amount of \$239,330 and state revenue in the amount of \$12,951 from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services to the General Fund (0001) in the Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services

Background: 1) The Services for Adults (SFA) program within the Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services is in need of recognizing and appropriating additional funding in the amount of \$300,000. The funding will be allocated for services provided by temporary personnel agencies for the Call Center within Mecklenburg Transportation Services (MTS) and Adult Protective Services (APS), a bus camera system implementation within MTS, services related to Age Friendly Mecklenburg, and other general services provided by SFA. The expenses for these services will be funded with Medicaid revenue generated and received by the SFA program.

- 2) The Family Caregiver Support Grant provides services to caregivers caring for individuals aged 60 or older, or diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, or a related dementia, or grandparents/relative caregivers providing support for grandchildren. The 2025-2026 fiscal year funding was decreased in the amount of \$13,016 for a total award of \$117,236.
- 3) Annually, the Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services submits for Board approval of the Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) funding plan (also referred to as the County

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Aging Plan). The following services are provided with this grant: In-Home Aide Services, Transportation Services, Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, Senior Center Operations, and Adult Day Care/Day Health. The 2025-2026 fiscal year funding for Mecklenburg County Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services was decreased by \$32,900.

4) The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services allocates funding to Mecklenburg County for Public Assistance and Social Service Programs. Funding authorization has been revised to include a net increase of federal revenue in the amount of \$239,330 and state revenue in the amount of \$12,951 for the following programs:

- Child Care Development Administration: Increase of federal revenue of \$266,924*
- Permanency Planning: Increase of federal revenue of \$2,189*
- Family Reunification: Decrease of federal revenue of \$5,690*
- Links Program: Decrease of federal revenue of \$24,093*

- Emergency Beds: Increase of state revenue: \$18,974*
- Links Program: Decrease of state revenue: \$6,023*

This item was pulled by Commissioner Leake for clarity and/or public awareness.

25-0574 Specialty Consultant Selections - Multiple County Projects

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Altman, and unanimously carried to authorize the County Manager to negotiate terms and conditions, including fees to execute a contract with the selected firms for Geotechnical Investigation, Construction Phase Materials Testing, and Special Inspection Services for multiple County projects and in the event negotiations with the selected firms are unsuccessful, approve negotiations and contract execution with the alternate firms.

Background: Mecklenburg County has the need to select and contract with specialty firms for Geotechnical Investigation, Construction Phase Materials Testing, and Special Inspection services on each of the following projects:

*7th & College Street Parking Deck
Tuckasegee Recreation Center
Latta Place Historic Site Visitor Center
Ribbonwalk Nature Center*

Geotechnical Engineering, Construction Materials Testing and Special Inspection firms are licensed engineering firms that are hired separately from the primary design consultant and construction contractor. These firms work directly for the Owner and provide onsite observation and laboratory services to verify the proper installation of critical construction elements that can include soils, concrete, masonry, structural steel, seismic resistance, fireproofing, etc.

This item was pulled by Commissioner Leake for clarity and/or public awareness.

25-0575 Specialty Consultant Selections - Multiple County Projects

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Altman, and unanimously carried to authorize the County Manager to negotiate terms and conditions, including fees to execute a contract with the selected firms for Building and Envelope Commissioning Services for multiple County projects and in the event negotiations with the selected firms are unsuccessful, approve negotiations and contract execution with the alternate firms.

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Background: Mecklenburg County has the need to select and contract with specialty firms for building and envelope commissioning services on each of the following projects:

*7th & College Street Parking Deck
Tuckaseegee Recreation Center
Latta Place Historic Site Visitor Center
Ribbonwalk Nature Center*

Building Commissioning and Building Envelope Commissioning services firms are licensed engineering firms that are hired separately from the primary design consultant and construction contractor. These firms work directly for the Owner to provide design review, construction submittal review, onsite observation, and testing services to verify the proper installation of critical construction elements that can include mechanical, electrical, plumbing and other building systems, as well as building envelope elements such as water, moisture, and air barriers, roofing systems, sealants, etc.

This item was pulled by Commissioner Leake for clarity and/or public awareness.

25-0578 Resolution - North Carolina Commercial Property Assessed Capital Expenditure Program

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Griffin, and unanimously carried to:

- A) Adopt a Resolution declaring intent to participate in the North Carolina Commercial Property Assessed Capital Expenditure (C-PACE) Program
- B) Set a public hearing for the November 18, 2025, at 6:30 pm to receive comments from the public

Background: On October 14, 2025, the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) received an informational presentation regarding the North Carolina Commercial Property Assessed Capital Expenditure (C-PACE) program. In order to activate this program within Mecklenburg County, the BOCC must adopt a resolution of intent to participate in C-PACE as well as hold a public hearing requesting comment on the County's participation in C-PACE.

This item was pulled by Commissioner Leake for clarity and/or public awareness.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG ON
THE REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NORTH CAROLINA
COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ASSESSED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (C-PACE)
PROGRAM**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 East Fourth Street on November 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits, on a request for Mecklenburg County to participate in the North Carolina Commercial Property Assessed Capital Expenditure (C-PACE) program. Parties in interest and residents shall have an opportunity to be heard at the hearing and may obtain information on the requested participation in the program from the Mecklenburg County Managers Office, 600 E. 4th Street either by phone 704-621-8416 or email (Erin.Stanforth@mecknc.gov).

Persons desiring to speak can sign up online at <https://mecknc.seamlessdocs.com/f/clerk> or call 980-314-2912. The deadline for online registration is November 18, 2025, by 3 p.m. After the online registration has closed, members of the public may still register to speak when they arrive at the meeting on November 18, 2025.

Anyone needing special accommodations when attending this meeting and/or if this information is needed in an alternative format because of a disability, contact the Clerk to the Board at least seventy two (72) hours prior to the meeting, either by phone (980) 314-2939, e-mail (Kristine.Smith@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov) or by mail at 600 East Fourth Street, Charlotte, N.C. 28202.

Kristine M. Smith,
Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

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MECKLENBURG COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO JOIN COMMERCIAL
PROPERTY ASSESS CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Article 10B of Chapter 160A of the General Statute of North Carolina, as amended (the "C-PACE Act"), authorizes the establishment of a statewide commercial property assessed capital expenditure (C-PACE) program (the "C-PACE Program") that local governments may voluntarily join; and

WHEREAS, the C-PACE Act authorizes the North Carolina Department of Commerce (the "Program Sponsor") to oversee the C-PACE Program and requires the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina, Inc., a North Carolina nonprofit corporation (the "Statewide Administrator") to administer the C-PACE Program and, in support thereof, provide certain administrative services described in N.C. General Statute 160A-239.14; and

WHEREAS, the C-PACE Act and C-PACE Program permit willing owners of commercial, industrial, or agricultural real property, or residential real property with five or more dwelling units located in the jurisdictional boundaries of participating local governments ("Qualifying Commercial Property") to obtain direct financing ("C-PACE Financing") from a "capital provider" (as further defined in N.C. General Statute 160A-239.12(1), "Capital Provider") for "qualifying improvements" (as further defined in N.C. General Statute 160A-239.12(14), "Qualifying Improvements") approved by the Program Sponsor, including energy efficiency measures, resiliency measures, renewable energy measures and water conservation measures; and

WHEREAS, under the C-PACE Act, C-PACE Financing shall be secured by a (a) voluntary assessment imposed on Qualifying Commercial Property by a local government for the total amount of such financing (the "C-PACE Assessment") and (b) lien on such Qualifying Commercial Property until the financing is paid in full (the "C-PACE Lien"); and

WHEREAS, the County of Mecklenburg, North Carolina (the "County") acting by and through its Board of County Commissioners desires to participate in the C-PACE Program and in support thereof, adopt a resolution setting forth the items required by N.C. General Statute 160A-239.15(a);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1. The County hereby authorizes (a) the C-PACE Program to operate within its jurisdictional boundaries and (b) the Statewide Administrator to provide the administrative services described in N.C. General Statute 160A-239.14.

Section 2. The County intends to (a) authorize the C-PACE Financing within the jurisdictional boundaries of the County, (b) authorize the imposition of C-PACE Assessments to secure repayment of C-PACE Financing, (c) assign the C-PACE Lien to Capital Providers providing C-PACE Financing and (d) delegate billing, collection and enforcement duties for the C-PACE Assessment and C-PACE Lien to Capital Providers.

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Section 3. The amount of any C-PACE Financing and related C-PACE Assessment repayment terms shall be pursuant to an agreement by and among the County, the Statewide Administrator, a "property owner" (as defined in the C-PACE Act, a "Property Owner") and Capital Provider (an "Assessment Agreement") and a financing agreement between a Property Owner and a Capital Provider in which a Property Owner agrees to repay a Capital Provider for the C-PACE Financing provided, including, but not limited to, any finance charges, fees, debt servicing, accrual of interest and penalties, and any terms relating to the treatment of prepayment and partial payment, and the billing, collection and enforcement of the C-PACE Financing.

Section 4. The County Managers Office shall, upon receipt from the Statewide Administrator of an approved project application for C-PACE Financing within the jurisdictional boundaries of the County, execute an Assessment Agreement, a Notice of C-PACE Assessment, and an Assignment of a C-PACE Lien.

Section 5. The County shall be reimbursed by the Statewide Administrator for the actual and reasonable costs associated with the performance of the duties described in Section 4 hereof.

Section 6. A public hearing on the C-PACE Program will be held in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 East Fourth Street on November 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits.

Section 7. Nothing in this resolution shall be interpreted as authorizing the County to pledge, offer or encumber its full faith and credit, and the County shall not pledge, offer or encumber its full faith and credit in connection with any C-PACE Financing.

Section 8. Should any provision or provisions of this Resolution be declared invalid or unenforceable in any respect by final decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity or unenforceability of any such provisions shall not affect the remaining provisions of such Resolution.

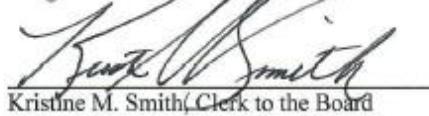
Section 9. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 10. This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

Adopted the 5th day of November, 2025.

Approved as to Form:


Tyrone Wade, County Attorney


Kristine M. Smith, Clerk to the Board



Resolution recorded in full in Document Book 54, Document #122

25-0586 FY2027 Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization Federal Transit Administration 5303 Grant Application

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Powell, and unanimously carried to approve the application for the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 Grant application for Fiscal Year 2027 in Mecklenburg County Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services in the amount of \$81,840.

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Background: Mecklenburg County Department of Child, Family, & Adult Services (CFAS) would like to submit an FTA 5303 grant application to fund a study on the transportation barriers for older adults who are unhoused or at risk of being unhoused. The FTA 5303 grant, administered through Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO), provides funding for multimodal transportation planning in metropolitan areas that can reflect transportation priorities. Addressing transportation issues for unhoused older adults is a priority of both the Mecklenburg Transportation System (MTS) and within the Age Friendly Mecklenburg plan.

Reliable transportation is often a key factor in achieving housing stability, yet many unhoused individuals face significant barriers in this area. By identifying specific gaps and needs, the anticipation is that this study can inform equitable policy decisions, enhance service delivery, and support data-driven solutions that promote mobility, safety, and long-term self-sufficiency for vulnerable populations. This study will look to partner with community and County stakeholders who work with this population daily.

The grant application will be for a total cost of \$81,840 which is comprised of \$66,000 in Federal funds and \$15,840 in matching local funds as required by the grant. The \$66,000 in Federal funding will fund the cost of the study and the \$15,840 for the required match which will be provided utilizing in-kind match from existing staff time and the corresponding salary and benefit costs in support of the study.

The staff time utilized for match will be used to provide project management needed including working with procurement to conduct the Request for Proposal process, provide oversight for the project including coordinating interagency and external parties' participation in the study. Staff time will also be utilized for the contract management of the feasibility study including review of invoices and deliverables.

This item was pulled by Commissioner Leake for clarity and/or public awareness.

25-0590 CRTPO/NCDOT Discretionary Grant Application

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Griffin, and unanimously carried to;

- 1) Affirm submittal of an application for a CRTPO/NCDOT discretionary grant for Irwin Creek Greenway, Crestridge Drive to Yorkmont Road up to \$2,500,000.
- 2) If awarded, recognize, receive and appropriate funds to Grant fund (G001) within Park and Recreation.
- 3) Adopt the required grant project ordinance for the grant in the General Grant Fund (G001).

Background: The Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) and NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT) have grant funding available for pedestrian bicycle projects. The opportunity is available to seek a reimbursable grant for up to \$2.5 Million for the Irwin Creek Greenway, Crestridge Drive to Yorkmont Road project, which was fully funded in Park and Recreation FY25-29 Capital Improvement Projects. If awarded the grant will be used to reduce the current CIP allocation.

This item was pulled by Commissioner Leake for clarity and/or public awareness.

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GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County is applying and/or has been awarded a grant from the **(CRTPO/NCDOT)**. The grant has been made available to Mecklenburg County under the **(CRTPO/NCDOT)** up to the amount of **\$2.5 million** and

WHEREAS the grant funds must be used for the construction of Irwin Creek Greenway Crestridge Drive to Yorkmount Rd.

WHEREAS the Mecklenburg County Board of County Commissioners deems this activity to be a worthy and desirable undertaking.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. 159-13.2, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS that:

Section 1. The project described in the **(CRTPO/NCDOT)** grant application is hereby authorized to be undertaken for the duration of the grant.

Section 2. The County Manager is authorized to execute the grant agreement and other documents that are required or appropriate for the County to receive the **(CRTPO/NCDOT)**, and to undertake the project. The County Manager is directed to take steps necessary to ensure compliance with all spending and reporting requirements **(CRTPO/NCDOT)**.

Section 3. The following revenues are anticipated for Mecklenburg County in the General Grant Funding (G001), to complete this project: **(CRTPO/NCDOT)**.

up to \$2.5 MILLION

Section 4. The following **\$2.5 million** is appropriated in the General Grant Funding (G001), to complete this project:

\$2.5 million (application/award amount)

Adopted this 5th day of November 2025


Kristine M. Smith,
Clerk to the Board



Ordinance recorded in full in Document Book 54, Document #123

**25-0591 Revisions to The Mecklenburg County Air Pollution Control Ordinance
(MCAPCO)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Altman, and unanimously carried to adopt revisions to the Mecklenburg County Air Pollution Control Ordinance.

Background: Mecklenburg County Air Quality and the Mecklenburg County Air Quality Commission recommend adoption of revisions to MCAPCO in response to changes to state rules

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and in accordance with state certification requirements.

Regulations found in the Mecklenburg County Air Pollution Control Ordinance (MCAPCO) are either developed by Mecklenburg County Air Quality or are adopted by reference from state rules.

The revision in this RFBA consists of thirty-three (33) state rules adopted by reference. It also includes an administrative update to local permitting and compliance fees that became effective on July 1, 2025, following the adoption of the FY25 Mecklenburg County Budget Ordinance.

This item was pulled by Commissioner Leake for clarity and/or public awareness.

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**PROPOSED REVISIONS
TO THE
MECKLENBURG COUNTY
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE**



Proposed Adoption Date
November 5, 2025

MECKLENBURG COUNTY AIR QUALITY
2145 SUTTLE AVENUE
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA 28208-5237

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REVISIONS TO THE
MECKLENBURG COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE

Providing for the administration and enforcement of an Air Pollution Control Program in Mecklenburg County,

Be it ordained by the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners acting pursuant to authority delegated to it under North Carolina General Statutes Section 143-215.112, and pursuant to authority granted to it by North Carolina General Statutes Section 130A-39 and 153A-77 that the Mecklenburg County Air Pollution Control Ordinance (hereinafter "MCAPCO") providing for the administration and enforcement of an air pollution control program for the protection of the environment and protection of the public health is hereby amended.

This Ordinance, as amended, shall apply throughout Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, including but not limited to all cities, towns, hamlets and villages, whether incorporated or unincorporated.

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SECTION 1: Adoption of Certain State Air Pollution Control Regulations
By Reference

The following rules and section of rules of the North Carolina Air Quality Rules, 15A NCAC Chapter 2 - Subchapters 2D and 2Q as amended through July 1, 2025, are hereby adopted by reference (pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-215.112(c)(1)(d)) thus becoming a part of MCAPCO as fully as if set out verbatim herein and any of said regulations previously incorporated by reference are replaced thereby.

The following changes are from 15A NCAC 2D:

- .0410 "PM2.5 Particulate Matter" (MCAPCO 2.0410)
- .0501 "Compliance With Emission Control Standards" (MCAPCO 2.0501)
- .0503 "Particulates From Fuel Burning Indirect Heat Exchangers" (MCAPCO 2.0503)
- .0506 "Particulates From Hot Mix Asphalt Plants" (MCAPCO 2.0506)
- .0532 "Sources Contributing To An Ambient Violation" (MCAPCO 2.0532)
- .0546 "Control of Emissions From Log Fumigation Operations" (MCAPCO 2.0546)
- .0605 "General Recordkeeping And Reporting Requirements" (MCAPCO 2.0605)
- .0614 "Compliance Assurance Monitoring" (MCAPCO 2.0614)
- .0918 "Can Coating" (MCAPCO 2.0918)
- .0926 "Bulk Gasoline Plants" (MCAPCO 2.0926)
- .0927 "Bulk Gasoline Terminals" (MCAPCO 2.0927)
- .0928 "Gasoline Service Stations Stage I" (MCAPCO 2.0928)
- .0932 "Gasoline Cargo Tanks And Vapor Collection Systems" (MCAPCO 2.0932)
- .0961 "Offset Lithographic Printing And Letterpress Printing" (MCAPCO 2.0961)
- .0964 "Miscellaneous Industrial Adhesives" (MCAPCO 2.0964)
- .1403 "Compliance Schedules" (MCAPCO 2.1403)
- .1701 "Definitions" (MCAPCO 2.1701)
- .1702 "Applicability" (MCAPCO 2.1702)
- .1703 "Emission Standards" (MCAPCO 2.1703)
- .1704 "Test Methods And Procedures" (MCAPCO 2.1704)
- .1705 "Operational Standards" (MCAPCO 2.1705)
- .1706 "Compliance Provisions" (MCAPCO 2.1706)
- .1707 "Monitoring Provisions" (MCAPCO 2.1707)
- .1708 "Reporting Requirements" (MCAPCO 2.1708)
- .1709 "Recordkeeping Requirements" (MCAPCO 2.1709)
- .1710 "Compliance Schedules" (MCAPCO 2.1710)

The following changes are from 15A NCAC 2Q:

- .0102 "Applicability" (MCAPCO 1.5211)
- .0706 "Modifications" (MCAPCO 1.5706)
- .0505 "Application Submittal Content" (MCAPCO 1.5505)
- .0507 "Application" (MCAPCO 1.5507)
- .0508 "Permit Content" (MCAPCO 1.5508)
- .0529 "Title V Insignificant Research and Development Activities Exemption" (MCAPCO 1.5529)
- .0710 "Public Notice And Opportunity For Public Hearing" (MCAPCO 1.5710)

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Copies of the amended portions of the above regulations are in the attached Appendix. The Appendix shows changes with dashed lines through words which have been deleted and with lines under words which have been added.

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SECTION 2: Codification

In order to further the administration of and compliance with this Ordinance, the Director is hereby authorized and directed to reorganize and codify this Ordinance, as amended, in a logical form and sequence in a single document. In so doing, the Director, at her discretion, shall have the authority:

- a. to set out in full any provisions of the State Air Quality Rules adopted and incorporated herein by reference (including to appropriately "localize" terms in such State Rules to make them applicable at the County level); and/or
- b. to merely cite any applicable State Air Quality Rules by reference, provided the general topic covered by any State Rule so cited by reference is reasonably identified by a heading in the codified version of this Ordinance and a complete copy of such State Air Quality Rules is attached to and made a part of such codified version.

As part of such re-codification, the Director shall make such revisions as are necessary to correct typographical and syntactical errors contained in the Articles amended hereby. Provided, in reorganizing and codifying this Ordinance, as amended, pursuant to this section, the Director shall not have the authority to make any substantive changes to this Ordinance, as amended. In the event of any ambiguity in the codified Ordinance or any conflict between the provisions of this Ordinance, as amended, and the provisions of any such codification, the provisions of this amendment as herein enacted shall control.

A copy of the MCAPCO, incorporating the portions amended hereby, as codified, will be kept on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, the Office of Mecklenburg County Air Quality, and the Office of the Clerk to the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners.

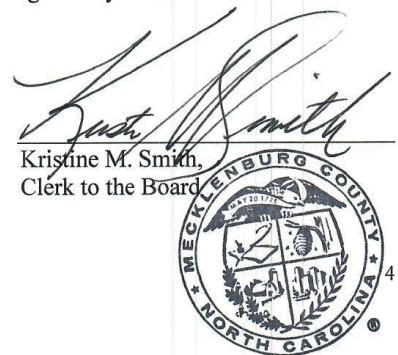
SECTION 3: Effective Date

This amendment and all Regulations referenced herein shall be effective November 5, 2025, except as otherwise provided therein.

Adopted the 5th day of November, 2025, by the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners.

Approved as to form,


Tyrone Wade,
County Attorney



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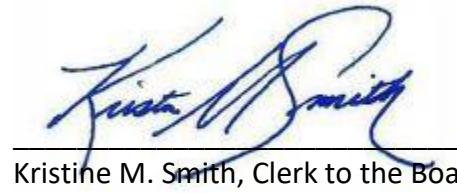
Commissioners shared information of their choosing within the guidelines as established by the Board, which included, but not limited to, past and/or upcoming events.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunlap, seconded by Commissioner Powell, and

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unanimously carried, that there being no further business to come before the Board that the meeting be adjourned at 9:41 p.m.



Kristine M. Smith, Clerk to the Board

Mark Jerrell, Chair