

Meeting Minutes
May 30, 2024

MINUTES OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, met in Special Session- Straw Vote Workshop, in the Valerie Woodard Conference Center located at 3205 Freedom Drive, Charlotte, North Carolina 28208, at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2024.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chair George Dunlap, Vice-Chair Mark Jerrell,
and Commissioners Leigh Altman, Patricia “Pat” Cotham,
Arthur Griffin, Elaine Powell, Vilma D. Leake, Laura J Meier,
and Susan Rodriguez-McDowell
County Manager Dena R. Diorio
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 Dunlap, followed by introductions and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chair Dunlap discussed how the straw votes would be conducted.

24-0338 BUDGET STRAW VOTE WORKSHOP

The Board reviewed the County Manager's Recommended Budget for FY2024-2025 and will take action, including straw votes, as may be deemed appropriate.

Background: During this meeting, the Board will take straw votes and direct staff to prepare a Budget Ordinance for FY2024-2025, which is scheduled for adoption on June 4, 2024.

Adrian Cox, Budget Director, made the presentation.



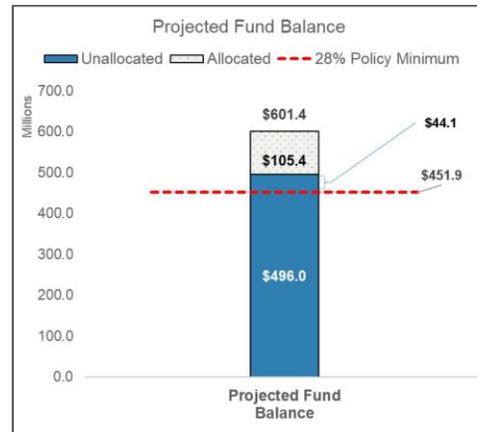
Overview

- 1. Fund Balance Policy
- 2. Straw Voting
- 3. CIP Recommended Projects



Fund Balance Policy

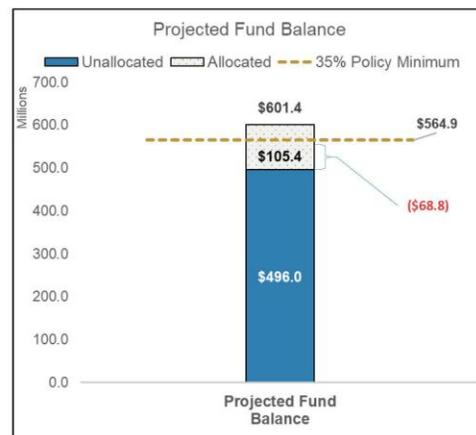
	Amount (Millions)
Projected Fund Balance	\$601.4
28% Policy Minimum	\$451.9
Amount Available Above Minimum	\$149.5
Amount Recommended For FY2025	\$105.4
Remaining Amount Above Minimum	\$44.1
Total Fund Balance Remaining	\$496.0
% of General Fund Revenue	31%



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Fund Balance Policy With a 35% of Revenue Minimum

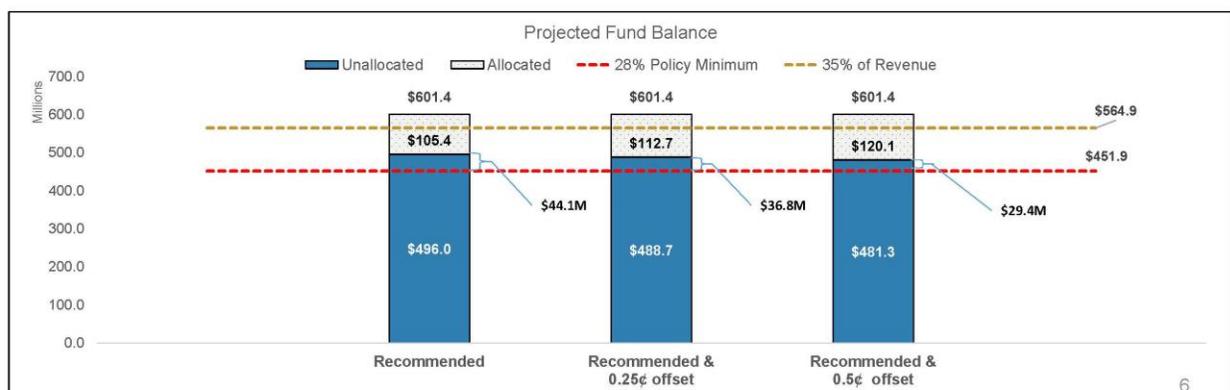
	Amount (Millions)
Projected Fund Balance	\$601.4
35% Policy Minimum	\$564.9
Amount Available Above Minimum	\$36.5
Amount Recommended For FY2025	\$105.4
Resulting Amount Under Minimum	(\$68.8)



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Offsetting Ongoing Revenue Shortfalls

- Would result in a structural imbalance that would need to be corrected in future budgets
- Likely result in tax increase or expense reductions in the future
- The scenarios shown below show the impact on fund balance in the first year, but the shortfall would continue beyond FY2025



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Comments

Commissioner Griffin asked if the possibility of raising a half cent tax in 2025 a way to address an imbalance in future years. *Mr. Cox said they didn't necessarily know what would happen in the future but the only two option to address the gap was to raise taxes or reduce expenses.*

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked if it were also possible to have higher revenue than expected to offset the gap. *Mr. Cox said each year they also talk about annual growth and how much would be available to provide services for the growing population.*

Chair Dunlap said the policy minimum is 28% and suggested keeping the current policy to that minimum.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Griffin to keep our current fund balance minimum at 28%.

County Manager Diorio said she would not recommend increasing the minimum to 35% and would never recommend using fund balance to balance the budget as it was not a respo0nsible way to manage the finances of the County.

The motion was carried unanimously to keep our current fund balance minimum to 28%.

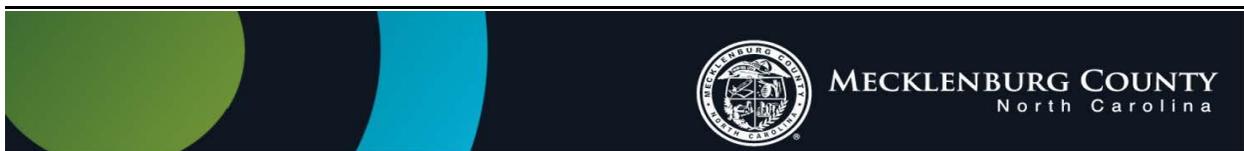
The Commissioners asked a few clarifying questions about the budget that were answered by County Manager Diorio.



Straw Voting Process

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2. **Discussion**
 - Following the motion the Board can discuss and can ask clarifying questions.
3. **Take the straw vote**
 - Straw votes are non-binding and do not require a second.
 - If a majority approves, staff will update the budget to reflect the change.
4. **Final action**
 - Direct staff to develop the FY2025 Operating Budget Ordinance for the Board's adoption on June 4th.

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FY2025 Budget Straw Vote

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Valerie C. Woodard Conference Center

1. Fund Balance Policy
2. Board Questions and Responses
3. FY2025 Budget Straw Votes
4. Capital Improvement Plan Recommended Projects

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How much do we have: The projected year-end fund balance above the County’s 28% minimum is \$149.5 million. The Manager’s Recommended Budget includes \$105.4 million, leaving \$44.1 million in fund balance above the minimum. Factoring the fund balance recommended by the Manager the projected fund balance as a percent of General Fund revenues will be 31%.

6/30/24 Fund Balance Projections (all amounts in \$ millions)	
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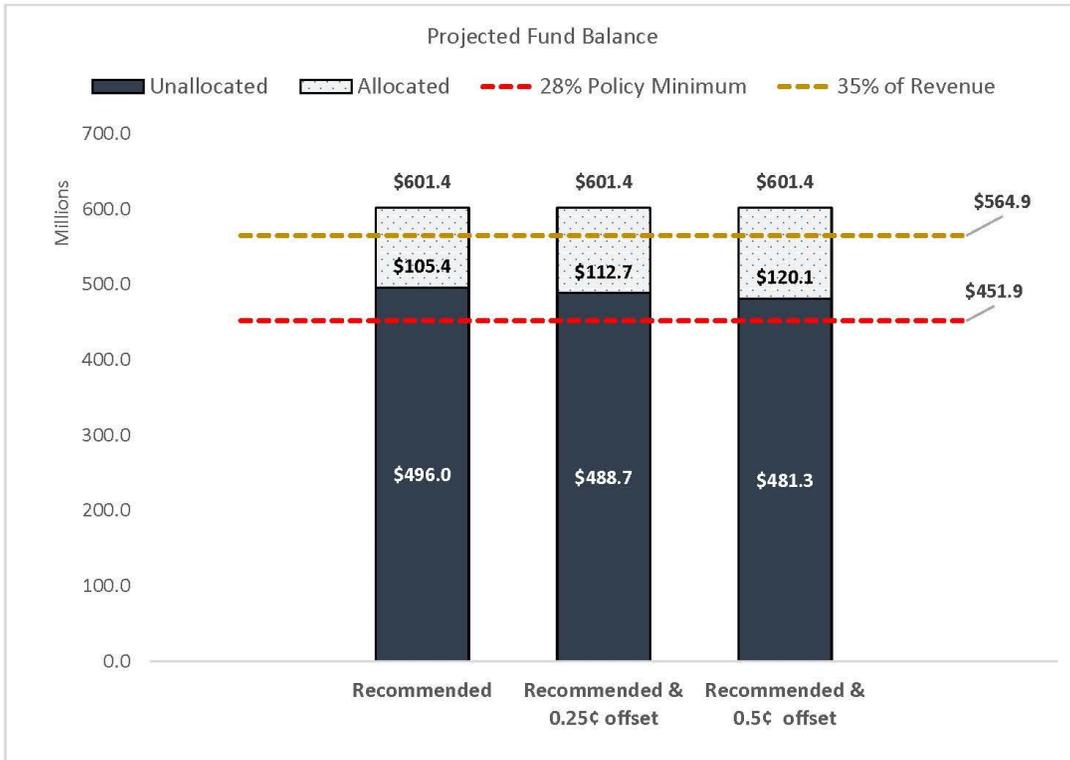
Can we use fund balance to offset a tax increase: Because the recommended 0.5 cent increase for the General Fund is due to a reoccurring revenue shortfall, allocating fund balance to avoid a tax rate increase should only be done with extreme caution and a full understanding that doing so will likely result in tax increases or expenses reductions in FY2026. For this reason, it is not considered a best practice.

If the Board allocates \$7.36 million to offset 0.25 cents of the total recommended General Fund tax increase, assuming no other changes and no other fund balance is allocated above the recommended amount, then the remaining fund balance above the policy minimum would be \$36.7 million. If the County allocates \$14.7 million to offset the entire 0.5 cents recommended General Fund increase, then the remaining fund balance above the policy minimum would be \$29.4 million.

What happens if we adjust the threshold policy: The threshold for how much fund balance the county should maintain is based on 28% of General Fund Revenues. Increasing the percentage will raise the threshold that the County needs to maintain, and less fund balance will be available for allocation. For example, increasing the threshold from 28% to 35% would result in the County needing to maintain \$564.9 million, as opposed to \$451.9 million under the current policy. The Manager’s Recommended budget allocates fund balance that would bring the County below a 35% of general fund revenue threshold, and a reduction of \$68.8M from one-time expenses would be required to meet the new threshold.

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The table below shows the projected year-end fund balance and the allocated amounts for three different scenarios described above compared to the current policy minimum and a scenario with a policy minimum based on 35% of revenue.



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Central Piedmont

1. **Cotham:** What is the change in the contract language around HUB/MWBE goals?

Response: Respondents must now describe how the proposed team will meet or exceed the state-established goals for HUB Participation. In addition, HUB participation is part of the evaluation criteria used to rank and select the respondents.

An example of the response for Construction Management services for the Levine Public Safety Training Facility: The vendor asserted they will partner with an African American owned construction management firm headquartered in Columbia, SC with an office in Charlotte. The vendor also presented their HUB participation program with a stated minimum goal of 30% for this project.

The College’s Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Policy and Procedures:

Policy: <https://www.cpcc.edu/about-central-piedmont/policies-and-procedures/policies/college-operations/208-historically-underutilized-business-hub-utilization>

“The College will work in “good faith” to meet or exceed state-established goals for minority business participation in procurement and construction processes. The good faith effort shall include compliance with North Carolina General Statutes 143-48 and 143-128.2, .3, and .4 in purchasing, contracting, and building projects, respectively, so far as practicable. This includes the use of historically underutilized business certified vendors in the procurement of goods and services, and the active pursuit, participation, and utilization of minority contractors and sub-contractors in College construction projects.”

Procedures: <https://www.cpcc.edu/about-central-piedmont/policies-and-procedures/procedures/college-operations/historically-underutilized-business-hub-utilization>

“A. To implement College policy, the College has adopted a ‘Plan for Participation by Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB) Procedures in the Procurement and Contracting of Goods and Services.”

College administrators will report annually to the Board on progress in meeting the goals of this Plan in its good faith efforts to comply with this policy.

B. The Vice President for Finance and Facilities Operations is responsible for the implementation of the Historically Underutilized Businesses Plan but may delegate responsibility for day-to-day management and reporting of accomplishments to appropriate College personnel.

C. Good faith efforts established by the College include:

- Proactively reaching out to and contacting minority businesses that are Historically

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Underutilized Business certified to encourage their participation in college procurement and bidding processes;

- o Providing training opportunities for Historically Underutilized Business vendors in college procurement opportunities;
- o Negotiating joint venture and partnership arrangements with minority businesses in order to increase opportunities for minority participation;
- o Utilizing the State’s Historically Underutilized Business Office in identifying and utilizing opportunities to attract minority business vendors; and,
- o Hosting seminars on Central Piedmont campuses to familiarize College personnel with Historically Underutilized Business vendor opportunities.”

• **Are those goals for that information publicly accessible?**

- o Procurement information for prospective and current vendors posted to our website: <https://www.cpcc.edu/about-central-piedmont/administrative-offices/procurement>
- o Our associated policy and procedure are also posted on our website (linked above)

2. Griffin: Provide demographics for work-based learning and apprenticeship students.

Response: WBL – Work-based Learning - Work-based learning allows students to earn credit and gain experience by working with an employer in a position directly related to their field of study.

APP – Apprenticeships - Apprenticeships combine coursework with paid, on-the-job training at one company over one to four years.

	WBL	%	APP	%
N	789	100.00%	136	100.00%
Ethnicity				
Non-White	422	53.48%	48	27.94%
White	298	37.77%	90	66.18%
Unknown	69	8.75%	8	5.88%
Gender				
Male	464	58.81%	115	84.56%
Female	323	40.94%	21	15.44%
Unknown	2	0.25%	0	0.00%
Age Range				
29 or less	629	79.73%	110	80.89%
30+	160	20.02%	27	19.11%
Unknown	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Pell Eligible				
Yes	251	31.81%	60	44.12%
No	538	68.19%	76	55.88%

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- **How are those two programs marketed? How does the college recruit more companies to partner with the college?**

The college launched the Better Skills, Better Jobs, Better Future marketing campaign in April, aimed at adult learners. Central Piedmont is sharing job-training programs and college information with adults across Mecklenburg County to prepare them for the growing number of job openings. Interested adults are encouraged to visit [Central Piedmont's Better Skills Better Jobs website](#) to learn more and to sign up to connect directly with the college. We want more adults to acquire the skills, credentials, and degrees they need for a better job, a bigger paycheck, and a brighter future for themselves and their families.

The [Better Skills. Better Jobs. Better Future.](#) campaign also includes direct outreach to adults who previously earned some college credits but left without Central Piedmont a degree or certification; special community events and earned media promotions; paid digital marketing and advertising, and customized materials designed to quickly help more adult learners reconnect and re-enroll.

- 3. Leake:** What is the oldest building on campus and what is the building's condition?

Response: Central High, which is in "Good condition" - rated "good" as part of the Long-Range Facilities Master Plan (site & facilities assessment process)

- 4. Leake:** What supports are offered for male students, particularly men of color?

Response:

- Umentoring Networks – Designed to provide comprehensive activities that promote personal development, academic improvement, and other social and educational advancement needs.
- Peer mentoring – Designed to help guide new and returning students through unique challenges from academic concerns to balancing school and other priorities.
- There are also specialized programs for veterans and international students, as well as resources for those who need counseling or assistance with basic needs.

County Related

- 5. Altman:** How much will be carried forward for HOMES program grants, and is the City going to participate in FY2025?

Response: The FY2024 budget included \$13.8 million for the HOMES program, including \$12,142,857 for HOMES program grants (\$8,500,000 from the County and \$3,642,857 from the City of Charlotte) During FY2024, the \$1,496,553 for grants were distributed for the County and \$693,459 for grants to City residents. This leaves up to \$7,003,447 to be carried forward for County grants, and up to \$2,949,398 for City grants. This is a total of \$9,952,845 to potentially be carried forward. The final carry-forward amount will be determined in partnership with the City.

The City is expected to participate in the program in FY2025.

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Dunlap: How much will be available in FY2025 for Equity Investments, including the funding for Child Development Accounts?

Response: The FY2025 budget will include up-to \$4,555,235 of carried forward funds for Equity Investments, as well as \$3M of reoccurring funds for child development savings accounts.

6. Griffin & Powell: Reports from Arts & Science Council:

- Would like a list of African-American creatives that are receiving funding through the Arts & Science Council currently, to serve as a baseline for comparison after the transition to the Foundation for the Carolinas.
- Would like a report on the investments made by the Arts & Science Council in the 6 towns.

Response: Reports on the Arts & Science Council funding were sent to the Board on May 29th.

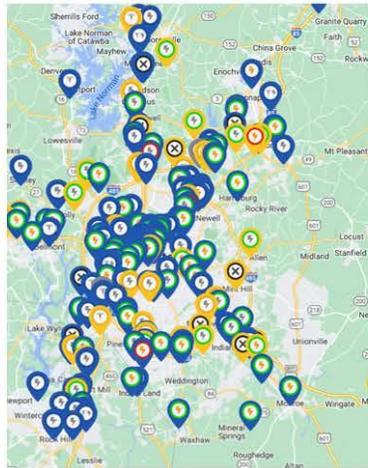
7. Jerrell: Can the grant award for the HOMES program be increased, or can we increase the income threshold?

Response: This can be discussed by the Board at future Public Policy Meeting.

8. Meier: I have the below questions regarding electric vehicles and charging stations:

- Do we keep track of the electric charging stations and their use?
 - **Response:** Yes, County-installed Electric Vehicle (EV) charging stations are activated/deactivated through a cell phone app by County employees charging an EV, and the system maintains a record of all charging stations usage. This data can be pulled as needed.
- Have we been seeing more of a demand for them and how do we know what that demand is?
 - **Response:** The charging stations installed at County facilities are only for the use of County EVs. The demand for these charging stations is growing as more EVs are purchased every year. The County doesn't have any information regarding demand for public EV charging stations at retail locations.
- Is there a side of town that has more in demand than others?
 - **Response:** Most of the County EV fleet and chargers are located at the Valerie C. Woodard Center, where the EVs are parked and charged overnight, so that is the location of most of the County EV charging demand. Regarding public demand for EV charging, the existing retail infrastructure of EV chargers within Mecklenburg County (shown on map below), appears to indicate the demand is high along the highways and comparatively less on the east side of the County.

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- Do we know the projected savings, both monetary and environmentally, of our electric fleet?
 - **Response:** The cost of ownership for County EVs (including the purchase of the vehicle, maintenance and charging costs) is difficult to calculate at this point as the County has owned EVs for only a short period of time. We understand that the Board of County Commissioners' primary goal is to achieve net-zero carbon by 2035 in accordance with the Environmental Leadership Policy and Action Plan. In that vein, once the County fully electrifies our fleet, we will see an estimated 12% reduction in net carbon toward the County's carbon footprint.

9. Powell: Would like details on the new onsite medical provider, including what is driving the increase in cost from the prior contract.

Response: The on-site medical contract with Wellpath was \$11,174,334. However, the contract included significant penalties for vacancies. These penalties grew over time as the provider struggled to fill positions to work in the jail and the budget required to cover the service (offset by penalties) in FY2024 was only \$10,330,766.

When Wellpath terminated the contract with the County, the Sheriff's Office solicited bids for the service, which was awarded to VitalCore. The new contract with VitalCore for onsite medical services is \$11,804,513. Staffing penalties are waived in the agreement through September, and it is unknown if the new provider will have vacancies that result in penalties beyond September. The Sheriff's Office identified department funds cover the penalties previously assessed to Wellpath, bringing the base budget for onsite medical care to \$11,174,334. The Manager's Recommended Budget includes an additional \$630,179 for the increased cost of the contract with VitalCore.

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10. Powell: Does the proposed FY25 budget decrease funding from last year for Adult Daycare?

Response: In-home aid and adult daycare are part of the Maintaining Independence program, housed in the Adult Services division of Child, Family and Adult Services. These initiatives are funded with a mix of County and State/Federal dollars. Total funding for Maintaining Independence in FY2024 was \$7.9M, with recommended funding in FY2025 totaling \$8.3M, a \$432K increase (5.5%). The department has the flexibility to use these funds where there is the greatest need. For example, adult daycare is projected to be underspent by \$402K in FY2024. The department anticipates reallocating a portion of the underspending in adult daycare to support an increased demand for the in-home aid program.

11. Powell: Has the funding for land acquisition in the CIP been committed, and if so where?

Response: There is \$11,408,249 in the CIP for land acquisition in the CIP for FY2025. When added to the \$35,000,000 of funding recommended in the FY2025 Budget, there will be a total of \$46,408,249 for land acquisition. The funding has not yet been committed.

12. Powell: I would like more details about the \$4.5M of Code Enforcement Fund Balance Recommended in the Budget for Electric Vehicles.

Response: There is \$1,637,000 included in the budget to replace 36 code enforcement internal combustion vehicles with electric vehicles as part of the Environmental Leadership Action Plan. In addition, there is \$2,877,572 from fees to complete projects that began in prior years.



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BOCC

Straw Vote

Workbook

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FY2025 BOCC Budget Strawvote Workbook

Summary Page

Categories	FY2025 Recommended		FY2025 Adopted		
	Recommended (Total)	Recommended (County)	BOCC Adjustments (County)	Final BOCC (Total)	Final BOCC (County)
Education					
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Funding					
CMS - OPERATIONAL FUNDING	643,315,849	637,865,849		643,315,849	637,865,849
CMS - CAPITAL MAINTENANCE	32,960,000	22,960,000		32,960,000	22,960,000
CMS Operating Total:	676,275,849	660,825,849		676,275,849	660,825,849
Central Piedmont Community College					
CPCC - OPERATIONAL FUNDING	47,320,867	47,320,867		47,320,867	47,320,867
CPCC - CAPITAL MAINTENANCE	6,825,000	3,752,000		6,825,000	3,752,000
CPCC Operating Total:	54,145,867	51,072,867		54,145,867	51,072,867
Education Total	730,421,716	711,898,716		730,421,716	711,898,716
Debt Service Total	471,644,075	315,932,747		471,644,075	315,932,747
CSG Total	2,013,060	2,013,060		2,013,060	2,013,060
County Services Total	1,289,579,682	795,208,143		1,289,579,682	795,208,143
Grand Total	2,493,658,533	1,825,052,666		2,493,658,533	1,825,052,666

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CMS Funding

CMS Operating Funding

FY2024 Adopted: \$596,915,849					
Ref. #	Requested Purpose	Recom. Ongoing	Recom. One-Time	BOCC County \$ Adjustments	Final BOCC County \$
	Salaries & Benefits Increase				
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase to match state salaries & health insurance rate for locally funded positions (4.5% for certified staff, Administrators, and non-certified staff) Increase in supplement budget an average of 5% Year 1 increase to bring staff to \$20/hr. minimum (includes \$4M in one-time bonuses) 	31,400,000			31,400,000
	Maintenance and Utilities				
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (15) new positions for Ballantyne Ridge Highschool & Elon Park Elementary Contracted Services and Utilities for new schools Increase in utilities system-wide 	4,500,000			4,500,000
	Technology				
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced cyber security \$4M for student devices 	2,500,000	4,000,000		2,500,000
4	Charter Enrollment	4,000,000			4,000,000
	Sub-Total	42,400,000	4,000,000		42,400,000

CMS Capital Maintenance

FY2024 Adopted: \$22,960,000					
		Recom. Ongoing	Recom. One-Time	BOCC County \$ Adjustments	Final BOCC County \$
5	\$10M additional funding for Capital Maintenance		10,000,000		

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FY2025 BOCC Budget Strawvote Workbook
Fund Balance Appropriations

Fund Balance Allocation					
Ref. #	Agency	Description	FY2025 Recommended	BOCC Adjustment	FY2025 Final
1	Non-Departmental	Land Acquisition in ELAP, excluding \$11.4M in CIP	35,000,000		35,000,000
2	Non-Departmental	Capital Reserve	13,715,182		13,715,182
3	Non-Departmental	Home for All (Affordable Housing Fund)	12,150,000		12,150,000
4	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Additional Capital Maintenance for CMS	10,000,000		10,000,000
5	Non-Departmental	Tech Reserve	9,340,348		9,340,348
6	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	CMS Staff Bonuses	4,000,000		4,000,000
7	Non-Departmental	Support to the capital campaign to provide new space for Arts+ Studio 345	3,000,000		3,000,000
8	Non-Departmental	Critical Home Repair (Affordable Housing Fund)	2,575,000		2,575,000
9	Central Piedmont	Additional Capital Maintenance for CPCC	3,073,000		3,073,000
10	Non-Departmental	Funding for the purchase of 25 internal combustion vehicles and 20 electric vehicles	2,595,600		2,595,600
11	MEDIC	Funding for the replacement of 12 ambulances and 2 supervisory vehicles	1,510,000		1,510,000
12	Sheriff's Office	In-patient medical costs for residents at the Mecklenburg County Jail	1,400,000		1,400,000
13	Manager's Office	Farmland preservation	2,000,000		2,000,000
14	County Assessor	Annual contribution to reval reserve to fund FY2027 property revaluation	1,000,000		1,000,000
15	Charlotte Mecklenburg Library	Increase print and digital collections at library branches	1,000,000		1,000,000
16	Community Resources	Continuing MeckSuccess Pilot	844,315		844,315
17	Child, Family, & Adult Services	Funding for In-Home Aid services	356,000		356,000
18	Sheriff's Office	Ameresco energy savings contract final 7 months	330,527		330,527
19	Board of Elections	Additional funding for 2024 Presidential Election	300,000		300,000
20	Public Health	Support to the capital campaign to construct the new Charlotte is Home Center	250,000		250,000

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Fund Balance Appropriations

Fund Balance Allocation					
Ref. #	Agency	Description	FY2025 Recommended	BOCC Adjustment	FY2025 Final
21	Park & Recreation	Funding to purchase vehicles for new staff at Ezell Park, South Park Region, and Greenways	247,004		247,004
22	Medical Examiner	Funding to bridge to new Director	200,000		200,000
23	Criminal Justice Services	Funding for the scanning and storage of court documents	144,393		144,393
24	Human Resources	Employee Background Checks	100,000		100,000
25	Child, Family, & Adult Services	Interpreter and Translation Service Increase	100,000		100,000
26	Human Resources	Enterprise Learning Curriculum update	85,000		85,000
27	Asset & Facility Management	Radio Console for Security Operations Center	42,500		42,500
General Fund & Debt Service Sub-Total			\$105,358,869	\$0	\$105,358,869
Code Enforcement Fund Balance					
49	LUESA	Code Enforcement appropriated fund balance	4,514,572		4,514,572

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Community Service Grants

Community Service Grants		
Ref. #	Organization - Program	FY2025 Recommended
1	Metrolina Association for the Blind: Vision Rehabilitation Services	340,000
2	Out Teach: Outdoor Learning Labs	300,000
3	RAO Community Health: Bright Beginnings - Doulas Care	241,924
4	Teen Health Connection: Community-Based Prevention Programs	104,000
5	Memory & Movement Charlotte: Service Expansion	100,000
6	Carolina Youth Coalition: Torch Fellows Program	100,000
7	Lake Norman Community Health Clinic: OurSmiles Dental Collaborative	100,000
8	Mind Body Baby NC: Community Doula Program	81,300
9	GenOne: College Advising and Persistence Services	55,000
10	MeckEd: Career Pathways	50,000
11	Present Age Ministries: Trafficking Victims in Hospitals	35,000
12	Achieving Success On Purpose, Inc.: The B.R.I.C.K. program ¹	150,000
13	Charlotte Speech and Hearing Center: Better Hearing & Speech ¹	145,000
14	Heart Math Tutoring, Inc: School Support ¹	91,100
15	Monarch: Youth Crisis Center ¹	50,000
16	HopeWay Veterans: HopeWay Veterans Program ¹	35,000
17	Jewish Family Services of Greater Charlotte: Senior Wellness Program ¹	34,736
CSG Recommended Total		\$2,013,060

BOCC Adjustments	FY2025 Final
	340,000
	300,000
	241,924
	104,000
	100,000
	100,000
	100,000
	81,300
	55,000
	50,000
	35,000
	150,000
	145,000
	91,100
	50,000
	35,000
	34,736
\$0	\$2,013,060

¹ First time CSG recipient

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County Services

County Services		FY2025 Recommended	
Ref. #	Department & Service	FY2025 Recom. Total	FY2025 Recom. (County)
Ref. # Asset and Facility Management			
1	CORPORATE FLEET MANAGEMENT (AFM)	1,031,255	1,031,255
2	COURIER SERVICES (AFM)	362,342	362,342
3	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGEMENT (AFM)	901,490	901,490
4	FACILITY MANAGEMENT (AFM)	29,727,611	28,970,173
5	FACILITY SECURITY (AFM)	14,830,739	14,788,239
6	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT (AFM)	32,700	32,700
Total		46,886,137	46,086,199
Ref. # Audit			
9	AUDIT (AUD)	2,514,667	2,514,667
Total		2,514,667	2,514,667
Ref. # Child, Family, & Adult Services			
12	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (CFA)	5,503,003	3,368,581
13	ADULT SERVICES (CFA)	7,021,715	5,291,446
14	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (CFA)	14,843,381	14,353,241
15	CHILDCARE SERVICES (CFA)	15,748,246	13,224,222
16	CHILDREN'S SERVICES (CFA)	61,487,805	38,567,440
17	COMMUNITY SOCIAL WORK (CFA)	3,664,590	1,921,716
18	FACILITIES MANAGEMENT (CFA)	1,990,265	1,663,324
19	FRAUD (CFA)	1,143,311	(16,473)
20	LEGAL SERVICES (CFA)	2,070,552	1,829,025
21	MAINTAINING INDEPENDENCE SERVICES (CFA)	8,333,343	4,238,891
22	MECKLENBURG TRANSPORT (CFA)	7,147,321	4,561,408
23	MECK PRE-K (CFA)	25,712,070	25,712,070
24	MEDICAID TRANSPORTATION (CFA)	250,000	
25	MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA (CSG)	165,000	165,000
26	QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (CFA)	2,924,578	2,110,831
27	RETIREE MEDICAL INSURANCE (CFA)	3,620,797	2,502,936
28	SENIOR CITIZENS NUTRITION PROGRAM (CFA)	5,211,863	3,655,211
Total		166,837,840	123,148,869

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BOCC Adjustments (County)	FY2025 Final Total	FY2025 Final (County)
	1,031,255	1,031,255
	362,342	362,342
	901,490	901,490
	29,727,611	28,970,173
	14,830,739	14,788,239
	32,700	32,700
	46,886,137	46,086,199
	2,514,667	2,514,667
	2,514,667	2,514,667
	5,503,003	3,368,581
	7,021,715	5,291,446
	14,843,381	14,353,241
	15,748,246	13,224,222
	61,487,805	38,567,440
	3,664,590	1,921,716
	1,990,265	1,663,324
	1,143,311	(16,473)
	2,070,552	1,829,025
	8,333,343	4,238,891
	7,147,321	4,561,408
	25,712,070	25,712,070
	250,000	
	165,000	165,000
	2,924,578	2,110,831
	3,620,797	2,502,936
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Ref. # Commissioners						
31	COMMISSIONERS (COM)	794,252	794,252		794,252	794,252
Total		794,252	794,252		794,252	794,252
Ref. # Community Resources						
36	CHILD SUPPORT COURT SERVICES (DCR)	776,496	264,902		776,496	264,902
37	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (DCR)	635,135	212,153		635,135	212,153
38	CHILD SPRT ENFORCEMENT CUSTOMER SPRT & CASE MGT (DCR)	10,231,043	1,915,319		10,231,043	1,915,319
39	COMMUNITY CULINARY SCHOOL (DCR)	140,000	140,000		140,000	140,000
40	CRC OPERATIONS (DCR)	3,568,463	2,810,321		3,568,463	2,810,321
41	GENERAL ASSISTANCE (DCR)	6,165,249	5,174,327		6,165,249	5,174,327
42	HOMES PROGRAM (DCR)	1,710,462	1,200,462		1,710,462	1,200,462
43	LATIN AMERICAN COALITION (DCR)	50,000	50,000		50,000	50,000
44	MECK SUCCESS (DCR)	1,697,521	575,921		1,697,521	575,921
46	MEDICAID RELATED PAYMENTS (DCR)	3,646,544	3,646,544		3,646,544	3,646,544
47	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (DCR)	59,515,569	15,292,666		59,515,569	15,292,666
45	RECORD & MAIL SERVICES (CFA)	1,059,466	704,610		1,059,466	704,610
48	SENIOR ADMINISTRATION (DCR)	1,250,621	1,250,621		1,250,621	1,250,621
49	TIME OUT YOUTH (CSG)	30,000	30,000		30,000	30,000
50	UNIFIED WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (DCR)	2,591,895	2,429,689		2,591,895	2,429,689
51	URBAN LEAGUE OF CENTRAL CAROLINAS - JOB TRAINING (DCR)	50,000	50,000		50,000	50,000
52	WORK FIRST EMPLOYMENT SERVICE (DCR)	3,528,140	3,378,140		3,528,140	3,378,140
52	YOUNG BLACK LEADERSHIP ALLIANCE (CSG)	150,000	150,000		150,000	150,000
Total		96,796,604	39,275,675		96,796,604	39,275,675

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Ref. # Community Support Services						
54	100 BLACK MEN OF CHARLOTTE - MENTORING (CSG)	20,000	20,000		20,000	20,000
55	ADA JENKINS FAMILIES AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT (CSG)	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000
56	ADULT SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT CONTINUUM (CSS)	2,507,140	2,367,140		2,507,140	2,367,140
57	BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS (CSG)	50,000	50,000		50,000	50,000
58	BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS MENTOR 2.0 (CSG)	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000
59	CHARLOTTE BRIDGE HOME (CSG)	200,000	200,000		200,000	200,000
60	COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS (CSG)	900,000	900,000		900,000	900,000
61	COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (CSS)	1,280,089	1,280,089		1,280,089	1,280,089
62	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PERPETRATOR SERVICES (CSS)	839,086	759,086		839,086	759,086
63	DV ADULT VICTIM SERVICES (CSS)	3,977,586	3,971,186		3,977,586	3,971,186
64	DV CHILDREN SERVICES (CSS)	1,065,289	1,065,289		1,065,289	1,065,289
65	HOMELESS RESOURCE SERVICES (CSS)	7,032,630	7,032,630		7,032,630	7,032,630
66	HOMELESS HOUSING SERVICES MOORE PLACE (CSS)	1,291,210	1,291,210		1,291,210	1,291,210
67	SHELTER PLUS CARE SERVICES (CSS)	144,484	144,484		144,484	144,484
68	SUPPORTIVE HOUSING (CSS)	3,568,703	3,568,703		3,568,703	3,568,703
69	VETERAN SERVICES (CSS)	1,755,139	1,755,139		1,755,139	1,755,139
Total		24,681,356	24,454,956		24,681,356	24,454,956
Ref. # County Assessor's Office						
72	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (CAO)	2,272,292	2,272,292		2,272,292	2,272,292
73	BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY AUDIT (CAO)	1,900,902	1,900,902		1,900,902	1,900,902
74	INFORMATION SYSTEM (CAO)	3,013,319	2,013,319		3,013,319	2,013,319
75	PROPERTY ASSESSMENT SERVICES (CAO)	3,508,605	3,508,605		3,508,605	3,508,605
76	REAL PROPERTY VALUATION (CAO)	6,185,095	6,185,095		6,185,095	6,185,095
77	SENIOR ADMINISTRATION (CAO)	730,102	730,102		730,102	730,102
Total		17,610,315	16,610,315		17,610,315	16,610,315
Ref. # County Attorney's Office						
80	COUNTY ATTORNEY (ATY)	3,855,198	3,855,198		3,855,198	3,855,198
Total		3,855,198	3,855,198		3,855,198	3,855,198

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Ref. # Criminal Justice Services						
83	CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT (CJS)	629,241	569,241		629,241	569,241
84	COURT CHILD CARE (CJS)	275,000	275,000		275,000	275,000
85	CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (CJS)	814,172	814,172		814,172	814,172
86	DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE (CJS)	4,151,782	4,151,782		4,151,782	4,151,782
87	DRUG TREATMENT COURT (CJS)	2,639,020	2,639,020		2,639,020	2,639,020
88	FORENSIC EVALUATIONS (CJS)	1,378,254	1,363,254		1,378,254	1,363,254
89	PRETRIAL SERVICES (CJS)	2,370,164	2,370,164		2,370,164	2,370,164
90	PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE (CJS)	1,980,229	1,835,836		1,980,229	1,835,836
91	REENTRY SERVICES (CJS)	1,163,041	1,163,041		1,163,041	1,163,041
92	RESEARCH AND PLANNING (CJS)	522,101	522,101		522,101	522,101
93	THE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY TRANSITIONS - LIFEWORKS! (CSG)	175,000	175,000		175,000	175,000
94	TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE (CJS)	1,546,862	1,546,862		1,546,862	1,546,862
95	YOUTH ADVOCATE PROGRAMS (CSG)	472,000	472,000		472,000	472,000
Total		18,116,866	17,897,473		17,644,866	17,425,473
Ref. # Economic Development						
98	ACC FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP (OED)	275,000	275,000		275,000	275,000
99	BUSINESS INVESTMENT GRANTS (OED)	2,699,730	2,699,730		2,699,730	2,699,730
100	CHARLOTTE REGIONAL BUSINESS ALLIANCE (OED)	168,342	168,342		168,342	168,342
101	DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS (OED)	4,087,905	4,087,905		4,087,905	4,087,905
102	DUKE'S MAYO BOWL (OED)	275,000	275,000		275,000	275,000
103	DUKE'S MAYO CLASSIC (OED)	300,000	300,000		300,000	300,000
104	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (OED)	1,490,892	1,490,892		1,490,892	1,490,892
105	MWSBE (OED)	1,190,725	1,190,725		1,190,725	1,190,725
106	PROSPERA NORTH CAROLINA (CSG)	75,000	75,000		75,000	75,000
Economic Development - Arts & Culture Investments						
107	Arts+ - STUDIO 345 (CSG)	3,430,000	430,000		3,430,000	430,000
108	ASC - OPERATIONS & ARTIST SUPPORT (OED)	7,442,500	7,442,500		7,442,500	7,442,500
109	ASC - CULTURE BLOCKS (OED)	1,592,500	1,592,500		1,592,500	1,592,500
110	CHARLOTTE SHOUT (OED)	500,000	500,000		500,000	500,000
111	SILOAM SCHOOL (OED)	15,000	15,000		15,000	15,000
Total		23,542,594	20,542,594		23,542,594	20,542,594

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Ref. # Elections						
114	DISTRICT & PRECINCT (ELE)	672,339	144,757		672,339	144,757
115	EARLY & ABSENTEE VOTING (ELE)	1,284,266	879,106		1,284,266	879,106
116	PRIMARY & GENERAL ELECTIONS (ELE)	3,206,318	2,175,131		3,206,318	2,175,131
117	VOTER EDUCATION OUTREACH (ELE)	1,416,611	509,058		1,416,611	509,058
118	VOTER REGISTRATION & MAINTENANCE (ELE)	1,409,711	734,901		1,409,711	734,901
Total		7,989,245	4,442,953		7,989,245	4,442,953
Ref. # Emergency Medical Services - Medic						
121	EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)	22,450,687	22,450,687		22,450,687	22,450,687
Total		22,450,687	22,450,687		22,450,687	22,450,687
Ref. # Financial Services						
124	CHARLOTTE AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM (FIN)	84,864,444			84,864,444	
125	DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL SERVICES (FIN)	7,053,041	7,053,041		7,053,041	7,053,041
126	FINANCIAL SERVICES (FIN)	8,120,032	8,120,032		8,120,032	8,120,032
127	PROCUREMENT (FIN)	2,429,271	2,429,271		2,429,271	2,429,271
Total		102,466,788	17,602,344		102,466,788	17,602,344
Ref. # Historic Landmarks Commission						
130	CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG HISTORIC PRESERVATION (HLC)	665,113	409,113		665,113	409,113
Total		665,113	409,113		665,113	409,113

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Ref. # Health Department						
133	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (HLT)	2,015,867	912,623		2,015,867	912,623
134	ADULT MENTAL HEALTH CONTINUUM (HLT)	432,591	410,751		432,591	410,751
135	BETHESDA HEALTH CENTER (CSG)	360,000	360,000		360,000	360,000
136	CARE RING NURSE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP (CSG)	250,000	250,000		250,000	250,000
137	CHARLOTTE COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC-HOMELESS (CSG)	425,000	425,000		425,000	425,000
138	CHILD DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY POLICING (HLT)	2,785,409	2,785,409		2,785,409	2,785,409
139	CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES (HLT)	11,256,485	6,910,809		11,256,485	6,910,809
140	COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (HLT)	8,875,988	6,182,206		8,875,988	6,182,206
141	CW WILLIAMS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER (CSG)	390,000	390,000		390,000	390,000
142	FOOD & FACILITIES SANITATION (HLT)	7,808,707	7,334,484		7,808,707	7,334,484
143	GROUND WATER QUALITY (HLT)	1,866,005	1,565,854		1,866,005	1,565,854
144	HEALTH CASE MANAGEMENT (HLT)	8,706,578	1,776,801		8,706,578	1,776,801
145	HEALTH PLANNING (HLT)	7,002,768	5,329,331		7,002,768	5,329,331
146	HEALTH PROMOTION (HLT)	3,358,512	2,835,261		3,358,512	2,835,261
147	LAKE NORMAN COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC (CSG)	325,000	325,000		325,000	325,000
148	MEDASSIST OF MECKLENBURG (CSG)	600,000	600,000		600,000	600,000
149	PATIENT SERVICES (HLT)	3,892,615	3,891,615		3,892,615	3,891,615
150	PEST MANAGEMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (HLT)	1,582,368	880,535		1,582,368	880,535
151	PHYSICIANS REACH OUT (CSG)	250,000	250,000		250,000	250,000
152	PUBLIC HEALTH CLINICS (HLT)	15,770,928	8,358,374		15,770,928	8,358,374
153	RAIN, INC - HIV EARLY INTERVENTION (CSG)	72,555	72,555		72,555	72,555
154	SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES (HLT)	22,555,747	22,498,747		22,555,747	22,498,747
155	SENIOR ADMINISTRATION (HLT)	2,320,925	2,320,925		2,320,925	2,320,925
156	SHELTER HEALTH SERVICES (CSG)	69,000	69,000		69,000	69,000
157	WOMEN, INFANTS, CHILDREN (HLT)	5,890,679	819,470		5,890,679	819,470
Total		108,863,727	77,554,750		108,863,727	77,554,750
Ref. # Human Resources Management						
160	EMPLOYEE LEARNING SERVICE (HRS)	1,762,744	1,677,744		1,762,744	1,677,744
161	HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (HRS)	10,269,127	10,169,127		10,269,127	10,169,127
Total		12,031,871	11,846,871		12,031,871	11,846,871

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Ref. # Information Systems Technology						
164	IT OPERATION AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (IST)	8,737,493	8,737,493		8,737,493	8,737,493
165	IT QUALITY SERVICES (IST)	3,129,147	3,129,147		3,129,147	3,129,147
166	IT SECURITY SERVICES (IST)	5,126,580	5,126,580		5,126,580	5,126,580
167	IT TECHNICAL SERVICES (IST)	3,645,198	3,645,198		3,645,198	3,645,198
168	SERVICE DEVELOPMENT (IST)	8,782,704	8,782,704		8,782,704	8,782,704
169	SERVICE STRATEGY & PLANNING (IST)	9,271,938	9,271,938		9,271,938	9,271,938
170	TELEPHONE AND NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE (IST)	5,957,211	5,957,211		5,957,211	5,957,211
171	TECHNICAL SERVICES MANAGEMENT & DELIVERY (IST)	3,887,065	3,887,065		3,887,065	3,887,065
Total		48,537,336	48,537,336		48,537,336	48,537,336
Ref. # Joint City-County Operations						
174	311 CALL CENTER (JCC)	1,569,826	1,569,826		1,569,826	1,569,826
175	FIRE SERVICE DISTRICT (JCC)	16,087,300			16,087,300	
176	LESF (JCC)	22,498,291	460,000		22,498,291	460,000
Total		40,155,417	2,029,826		40,155,417	2,029,826
Ref. # Library						
179	ADMINISTRATION & FISCAL MANAGEMENT (LIB)	1,995,210	1,995,210		1,995,210	1,995,210
180	IMAGINON (LIB)	2,382,251	2,382,251		2,382,251	2,382,251
181	IT RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (LIB)	1,448,212	1,448,212		1,448,212	1,448,212
182	PUBLIC INFORMATION (LIB)	675,378	675,378		675,378	675,378
183	PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES (LIB)	41,364,791	40,364,791		41,364,791	40,364,791
Total		47,865,842	46,865,842		47,865,842	46,865,842

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Ref. # Land Use and Environmental Services Agency						
186	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (LUE)	1,317,620			1,317,620	
187	AIR QUALITY (LUE)	2,037,833	167,251		2,037,833	167,251
188	CODE ENFORCEMENT (LUE)	49,081,338			49,081,338	
189	FIRE MARSHAL (LUE)	1,416,211	106,354		1,416,211	106,354
190	FISCAL ADMINISTRATION (LUE)	982,563			982,563	
191	GIS APPLICATIONS (LUE)	1,889,478	1,669,478		1,889,478	1,669,478
192	LAND DEVELOPMENT (LUE)	2,871,178	190,265		2,871,178	190,265
193	LAND RECORDS (LUE)	2,055,400	1,905,400		2,055,400	1,905,400
194	MAPPING AND PROJECT SERVICES (LUE)	1,468,414	1,349,140		1,468,414	1,349,140
195	SENIOR ADMINISTRATION (LUE)	474,935			474,935	
196	SOLID WASTE SERVICES (LUE)	49,406,554			49,406,554	
197	STORM WATER DATABASE MAINTENANCE(LUE)	857,557			857,557	
198	SURFACE WATER QUALITY AND FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION (LUE)	30,653,653			30,653,653	
Total		144,512,734	5,387,888		144,512,734	5,387,888
Ref. # Manager's Office						
201	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (MGR)	4,559,523	2,559,523		4,559,523	2,559,523
202	BUSINESS PROCESS MANAGEMENT (MGR)	1,971,062	1,971,062		1,971,062	1,971,062
203	CLERK'S OFFICE (MGR)	708,226	708,226		708,226	708,226
204	COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICES (PRK)	716,484	707,071		716,484	707,071
205	ENTERPRISE PROJECT MANAGEMENT (MGR)	1,776,007	1,776,007		1,776,007	1,776,007
206	MANAGEMENT & BUDGET SERVICES (MGR)	1,529,026	1,529,026		1,529,026	1,529,026
207	EQUITY & INCLUSION (MGR)	3,986,311	3,986,311		3,986,311	3,986,311
208	STRATEGY & PLANNING (MGR)	1,232,284	1,232,284		1,232,284	1,232,284
209	SENIOR ADMINISTRATION (MGR)	2,326,593	2,326,593		2,326,593	2,326,593
Total		18,805,516	16,796,103		18,805,516	16,796,103
Ref. # Medical Examiner						
212	MEDICAL EXAMINER (MED)	4,077,186	1,637,811		4,077,186	1,637,811
Total		4,077,186	1,637,811		4,077,186	1,637,811

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Ref. # Non-Departmental						
215	ABC PROFIT DISTRIBUTION (NDP)	991,049	991,049		991,049	991,049
216	ACCOUNTING (FIN)	7,228,140	7,228,140		7,228,140	7,228,140
217	AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUNDING (NDP)	21,204,420	6,479,420		21,204,420	6,479,420
218	ASSOCIATION DUES (NDP)	299,158	299,158		299,158	299,158
219	CAPITAL RESERVE (NDP)	13,715,182			13,715,182	
220	CENTRALINA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (NDP)	304,564	304,564		304,564	304,564
221	FEE COLLECTION FOR STATE FUND (NDP)	17,355,538			17,355,538	
222	LAKE NORMAN MARINE COMMISSION (NDP)	37,000	37,000		37,000	37,000
223	LAKE WYLIE MARINE COMMISSION (NDP)	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000
224	LAW ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL SEPARATION (NDP)	2,793,559	2,793,559		2,793,559	2,793,559
225	TECHNOLOGY RESERVE (NDP)	9,340,348			9,340,348	
226	READ CHARLOTTE (NDP)	100,000	100,000		100,000	100,000
227	REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE STATE FUND (NDP)	120,000			120,000	
228	RETIREE MEDICAL INSURANCE (NDP)	12,161,378	12,161,378		12,161,378	12,161,378
229	REVENUES (NDP)		(1,545,572)			(1,545,572)
230	ROAD TO HIRE (NDP)	884,036	884,036		884,036	884,036
231	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (NDP)	250,000	250,000		250,000	250,000
232	VEHICLE RESERVE (NDP)	4,105,600			4,105,600	
233	UNITEDWAY - UNITE CHARLOTTE (NDP)	3,212,500	3,212,500		3,212,500	3,212,500
Total		94,127,472	33,220,232		94,127,472	33,220,232

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County Services		FY2025 Recommended		FY2025 Adopted		
Ref. #	Department & Service	FY2025 Recom. Total	FY2025 Recom. (County)	BOCC Adjustments (County)	FY2025 Final Total	FY2025 Final (County)
Ref. # Park and Recreation						
236	ATHLETIC SERVICES (PRK)	2,087,496	233,981		2,087,496	233,981
237	FISCAL ADMINISTRATION (PRK)	1,751,845	1,751,845		1,751,845	1,751,845
238	LEVINE SENIOR CENTERS (CSG)	102,000	102,000		102,000	102,000
239	NATURE PRESERVES & NATURAL RESOURCES (PRK)	8,396,660	7,757,594		8,396,660	7,757,594
240	PARK FACILITY PLANNING SERVICE (PRK)	1,313,812	1,313,812		1,313,812	1,313,812
241	PARK OPERATIONS (PRK)	19,620,510	16,623,810		19,620,510	16,623,810
242	PARK REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE (PRK)	10,929,151	9,859,541		10,929,151	9,859,541
243	POOLS (PRK)	13,326,609	6,788,806		13,326,609	6,788,806
244	RECREATION PROGRAMMING (PRK)	10,943,693	8,912,254		10,943,693	8,912,254
245	SENIOR ADMINISTRATION (PRK)	1,740,794	1,740,794		1,740,794	1,740,794
246	THERAPEUTIC RECREATION (PRK)	1,082,176	940,147		1,082,176	940,147
247	VOLUNTEER COORDINATION (PRK)	418,079	418,079		418,079	418,079
Total		71,712,825	56,442,663		71,712,825	56,442,663
Ref. # Public Information Department						
250	PUBLIC INFORMATION (PID)	3,889,346	3,889,346		3,889,346	3,889,346
251	WEB SERVICES (PID)	1,759,319	1,759,319		1,759,319	1,759,319
Total		5,648,665	5,648,665		5,648,665	5,648,665
Ref. # Register of Deeds						
254	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (REG)	248,138	248,138		248,138	248,138
255	FISCAL ADMINISTRATION (REG)	228,776	228,776		228,776	228,776
256	REAL PROPERTY RECORDINGS & DOCUMENTATION (REG)	1,446,752	1,139,408		1,446,752	1,139,408
257	RECORDS RESEARCH & ASSISTANCE (REG)	789,826	601,034		789,826	601,034
258	SENIOR ADMINISTRATION (REG)	479,400	479,400		479,400	479,400
259	VITAL & MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS (REG)	665,578	665,578		665,578	665,578
Total		3,858,470	3,362,334		3,858,470	3,362,334

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County Services		FY2025 Recommended		FY2025 Adopted		
Ref. #	Department & Service	FY2025 Recom. Total	FY2025 Recom. (County)	BOCC Adjustments (County)	FY2025 Final Total	FY2025 Final (County)
Ref. # Sheriff's Office						
262	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (SHF)	413,850	413,850		413,850	413,850
263	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT (SHF)	23,304	23,304		23,304	23,304
264	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (SHF)	1,195,245	1,195,245		1,195,245	1,195,245
265	COURT SECURITY (SHF)	8,918,110	8,918,110		8,918,110	8,918,110
266	DETENTION SERVICES (SHF)	87,888,118	87,467,193		87,888,118	87,467,193
267	DV ENFORCEMENT & EDUCATION (SHF)	1,048,737	1,048,737		1,048,737	1,048,737
268	FACILITY MANAGEMENT (SHF)	8,718,790	8,388,263		8,718,790	8,388,263
269	FIELD OPERATIONS (SHF)	13,090,888	10,342,837		13,090,888	10,342,837
270	FISCAL ADMINISTRATION (SHF)	1,869,438	1,869,438		1,869,438	1,869,438
271	INMATE FINANCE & SUPPORT (SHF)	2,935,285	2,935,285		2,935,285	2,935,285
272	INMATE LIBRARY SERVICE (SHF)	108,781	108,781		108,781	108,781
273	HUMAN RESOURCES (SHF)	2,028,340	2,028,340		2,028,340	2,028,340
274	IT RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (SHF)	2,726,394	2,726,394		2,726,394	2,726,394
275	JUVENILE JUSTICE (SHF)	2,215,983	2,215,983		2,215,983	2,215,983
276	LEGAL SERVICES (SHF)	664,778	664,778		664,778	664,778
277	OFFSITE INMATE MEDICAL CARE	3,400,000	2,000,000		3,400,000	2,000,000
278	PUBLIC INFORMATION (SHF)	256,566	256,566		256,566	256,566
279	REGISTRATION DIVISION (SHF)	1,841,506	1,841,506		1,841,506	1,841,506
280	REHABILITATION SERVICES (SHF)	2,709,780	2,709,780		2,709,780	2,709,780
281	RESEARCH & PLANNING (SHF)	213,505	213,505		213,505	213,505
282	SENIOR ADMINISTRATION (SHF)	945,123	915,123		945,123	915,123
283	TRAINING DIVISION - MANDATED (SHF)	3,675,211	3,675,211		3,675,211	3,675,211
284	TRAINING DIVISION - NONMANDATED (SHF)	228,650	228,650		228,650	228,650
Total		147,116,382	142,186,879		147,116,382	142,186,879
Ref. # Tax Collection						
287	ATTORNEY (TAX)	74,440	30,834		74,440	30,834
288	BUSINESS TAX COLLECTIONS (TAX)	1,798,968	(1,317,974)		1,798,968	(1,317,974)
289	PROPERTY TAX COLLECTIONS (TAX)	4,908,853	4,616,472		4,908,853	4,616,472
290	TAX ADMINISTRATION (TAX)	276,316	276,316		276,316	276,316
Total		7,058,577	3,605,648		7,058,577	3,605,648

Capital Improvement Plan

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2024-2029 Capital Improvement Plan - Summary

Projected Cost by Start Year

Dept	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	24-29
AFM	666,527,389	184,358,048	5,298,737	4,296,267	0	23,429,615	883,910,056
CPC	27,313,935	80,004,399	0	0	0	19,045,195	126,363,529
LIB	62,918,051	53,673,293	3,245,000	26,906,670	4,000,000	37,763,319	188,506,334
PRK	66,828,127	142,932,803	112,523,355	63,072,862	85,984,001	60,023,086	531,364,233
County Total	823,587,502	460,968,543	121,067,092	94,275,799	89,984,001	140,261,215	1,730,144,152

Project Count

Dept	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	24-29
AFM	6	11	1	1	0	1	20
CPC	1	3	0	0	0	4	8
LIB	2	2	1	2	1	2	10
PRK	10	11	8	6	5	11	51
Total	19	27	10	9	6	18	89

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2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan - Requested Revisions

Ref #	Project Year	Dept	Project	Original Cost	New Cost	Net change
1	2024	AFM	East - Community Resource Center	222,985,577	151,292,425	(\$71,693,152)
2	2025	AFM	David Taylor Drive - Lease Upfit		866,543	866,543
3	2025	AFM	Kuralt - Renovation		76,187,187	76,187,187
4	2025	AFM	New Lease Upfit Kuralt Staff Temporary Relocation		3,409,539	3,409,539
5	2025	AFM	VCW - Suite 1800 Upfit		918,992	918,992
6	2025	AFM	7th & Tryon Re-development Project Design and Site work		16,516,730	16,516,730
7	2025	AFM	7th and College Parking Structure		21,170,882	21,170,882
8	2025	AFM	ELAP On-Site Solar		417,381	417,381
9	2025	AFM	ELAP Deep Energy Retrofit		2,463,622	2,463,622
10	2025	AFM	ELAP Vehicle Charging Stations		1,120,167	1,120,167
						\$51,377,891
11	2027	LIB	Nations Ford Community Library	\$21,906,130	\$23,506,670	\$1,600,540
12	2024	LIB	Sugar Creek Community Library (relocation/expansion)	20,222,484	20,918,051	695,567
13	2025	LIB	West Boulevard Community Library (relocation/expansion)	21,603,142	22,327,770	724,628
14	2025	LIB	ImaginOn Library Renovation	29,922,587	31,345,523	1,422,936
						\$4,443,672
15	2025	PRK	McDowell Creek Grway - Gilead Rd to Beatties Ford Rd/Pamela St	\$19,085,860	\$18,386,700	(\$699,160)
16	2025	PRK	Land Acquisition	\$11,408,249	\$46,408,249	\$35,000,000
						\$34,300,840
Total						\$90,122,403

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2029 Capital Improvement Plan - Requests

Ref #	Dept	Project	Project Description	Escalated Cost	Recommended
13	AFM	Mecklenburg County Courthouse - 7th Floor Partial Courtroom Upfit	The 7th floor of the Mecklenburg County Courthouse was "shelled" for future expansion. This project is for the Partial Upfit of 7th Floor to provide additional courtrooms. Approximately 30,000 square feet will be upfit.	\$23,429,615	Yes
14	CPC	Levine I	Levine I Renovation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Student Engagement • Centralize Student Services • Create a Central Piedmont Hub (Distance Learning and General Education Hub) 	10,230,738	Yes
15	CPC	Cato I	Renovate for Student Services and Academics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Services and Lobby Renovation • Central Piedmont Hub (Distance Learning Hub) • Science Lab Lecture Space • Existing Science Lab renovation • Nurse Assistant Training Program 	6,132,611	Yes
16	CPC	Claytor	Create a Central Piedmont Hub (Distance Learning and General Education) and expand Student Services	1,570,977	Yes
17	CPC	Harper IV	Renovate for Student Services and Academics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a Central Piedmont Hub (Distance Learning and General Education Hub) • Student Services Expansion (Room 220) 	1,110,869	Yes
18	LIB	Prosperity Village Community Library	Acquisition of +/- 2 acres of land and complete design, construction, and occupancy of a new 20,000 sf Community library. Project to include site work, hardscape, landscaping, hard costs, soft costs (incl. FF&E).	29,861,401	Yes
19	LIB	Independence Regional Library renovation	Renovations to the existing 18,700 sf regional location include paint throughout; new carpet; carpet cleaning in public areas; new computer room area/room; redesign of millwork at service points; new ceilings in some areas; new furniture where needed. Installation of new S-2 system including cameras, intrusion alarm, duress alarm and card access. Exterior landscaping; re-topping parking lot.	7,901,919	Yes
20	PRK	McDowell Creek Gway - Catawba Ave (Smithville Park) to Westmoreland Rd	This new segment of McDowell Creek Greenway will add approximately 1.6 miles of greenway trail from Catawba Avenue at Smithville Park to Westmoreland Road at JV Washam Elementary. The project also includes a 0.7-mile urban trail along Westmoreland Road and a restoration project for Upper McDowell Creek. The project scope will include paved greenway trails, access trails, crossing structures (bridges, swale bridges, culverts), boardwalks, and other related site improvements. This project is currently funded for design through the Town of Cornelius.	14,149,445	Yes
21	PRK	Irwin Creek Greenway- Clanton Road to Crestridge Drive	This new segment of Irwin Creek Greenway will add approximately 0.9 miles of greenway trail from Clanton Road to Crestridge Drive, while also connecting to Amay James Park at Lester Street. The project scope will include paved greenway trails, access trails, crossing structures (bridges, swale bridges, culverts), boardwalks, and other related site improvements.	10,173,675	Yes

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Ref #	Dept	Project	Project Description	Escalated Cost	Recommended
22	PRK	Irwin Creek Gway- Crestridge Drive to Yorkmont Road	This new segment of Irwin Creek Greenway will add approximately 1 mile of greenway trail from Crestridge Drive to the currently funded Sugar Creek Greenway Trail at Yorkmont Road. The project scope will include paved greenway trails, access trails, crossing structures (bridges, swale bridges, culverts), boardwalks, and other related site improvements.	8,658,168	Yes
23	PRK	Springfield Park	This project will improve and expand recreation amenities at Campbell Creek Park, an existing 20-acre park in east Charlotte. The project scope will include improving existing park amenities (playground, play meadow, horseshoe pits, trails, park shelter) and adding new park amenities to be determined through community engagement.	6,718,522	Yes
24	PRK	Campbell Creek Park	This project will improve and expand recreation amenities at Campbell Creek Park, an existing 20-acre park in east Charlotte. The project scope will include improving existing park amenities (playground, play meadow, horseshoe pits, trails, park shelter) and adding new park amenities to be determined through community engagement.	5,001,243	Yes
25	PRK	Derita Park	This project will improve and expand recreation amenities at Derita Park, an existing 23.6-acre park in northeast Charlotte. The project scope will include improving existing park amenities (basketball court, playground, picnic area, park shelter) and adding new park amenities to be determined through community engagement.	4,690,228	Yes
26	PRK	Sugar Creek Greenway- Mounting Rock Road to Arrowood Road- Design Only	This new segment of Sugar Creek Greenway will add approximately 1.7 miles of greenway trail from Mounting Rock Road to Arrowood Road. The project scope will include paved greenway trails, access trails, crossing structures (bridges, swale bridges, culverts), boardwalks, and other related site improvements.	4,121,093	Yes
27	PRK	Julian Underwood Park	This project will address erosion issues and improve and expand recreation amenities at Julian Underwood Park, an existing 13.4-acre park in east Charlotte. The project scope will include improving existing park amenities (playground, park shelter) and adding new park amenities to be determined through community engagement.	2,865,859	Yes
28	PRK	Yorkmont Park	This project will improve and expand recreation amenities at Yorkmont Park, an existing 2.8-acre park in southwest Charlotte. The project scope will include adding park new amenities to be determined through community engagement. The project may also include a trail connection to Springfield Park.	2,545,174	Yes
29	PRK	Wayfinding	This funding will be used to develop new wayfinding signage and/or replace outdated wayfinding signage at multiple County facilities. Funding will be divided between existing greenway trails (Briar Creek, Cane Creek Tributary, Four Mile Creek Greenway, McAlpine/McMullen Creeks, Six Mile Creek, Stewart Creek, and Taggart Creek), recreation centers (Southview, Martin Luther King, Jr., Ivory/Baker, Tom Sykes, Berewick, Methodist Home, Tuckaseegee, Bette Rae Thomas, Winget, Marion Diehl, Amay James, Elon), and nature preserves (Reedy Creek, McDowell, Big Rock, Rozzelles Ferry).	832,233	Yes
30	PRK	Little Sugar Creek Greenway - Parkwood Underpass	This project will raise the existing trail grade of Little Sugar Creek Greenway underneath Parkwood Avenue to address ponding issues related to the elevation of the water flow from Little Sugar Creek. The scope of this project may include replacement of paved greenway trail, associated structures within the stream, and removal of sediment from the stream channel.	267,446	Yes

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Ref #	Dept	Project	Project Description	Escalated Cost	Recommended
31	AFM	Sheriff's Office Jail North Field Ops, Training Academy, & Firing Range	This project consolidates operational and training functions in one facility to improve efficiency. MCSO needs to increase training capacity to train more recruits and train existing employees. This project also repurposes the Detention Center North property to better suit the current and future needs	94,564,537	No
32	CPC	Harper V	New Building to Support Large Vehicle EV Technologies	141,399,285	No
33	CPC	Van Every Culinary Arts	Expand the Culinary Arts Facility	23,991,137	No
34	CPC	Hall Building	Renovate for Administration	21,860,217	No
35	CPC	Giles	Facade and Instructional Space Modernization	12,121,450	No
36	CPC	Campus Arrival Sequence	Improve Vehicular Access and Pedestrian Connections to Building Entrances, Safety Improvements for Public Safety Training Facility Crossing	10,139,962	No
37	CPC	Overcash	Renovate Former Food Service Space for Baking and Pastry Arts Program	7,540,956	No
38	CPC	Campus-wide	Exterior Interventions to Improve Wayfinding and Support Increased Student Engagement Interior Improvements to Support Student Engagement	5,822,473	No
39	CPC	Belk Health Careers	Create Business Incubator Space and Instructional Space for New Academic Programs	5,528,820	No
40	CPC	Lake Loop	Exterior Improvements to support Wayfinding	4,523,438	No
41	CPC	Belk Criminal Justice	Renovation for Fitness Center and Multi-purpose Classroom	3,570,412	No
42	CPC	Harris I + II Courtyard	Exterior Improvements to Support Increased Student Engagement	3,276,184	No
43	CPC	Worrell	Renovate for Early College	2,778,054	No
44	CPC	Citizen Center	Demolish Building (when vacant); Re-purpose Site	2,142,321	No
45	CPC	Levine III	Transform Vacant Space into Community Conference Hub	2,113,678	No
46	CPC	Transportation Building	Renovation to Support EV Technology Program Expansion	1,899,954	No
47	CPC	Campus-wide	Interior Improvements to Support Student Engagement	1,402,884	No
48	CPC	Campus Core	Exterior Improvements to Support Increased Student Engagement	1,402,884	No
49	CPC	Campus Improvements	Exterior Improvements to Clarify Campus Zones and Support Increased Student Engagement	1,182,117	No
50	CPC	Campus Core	Exterior Improvements to Improve Building Access and Support Increased Student Engagement	1,008,333	No
51	CPC	Campus-wide	Interior Improvements to Support Student Engagement	712,098	No
52	CPC	Campus-wide	Interior Improvements to Support Student Engagement	712,098	No
53	CPC	Harris II	Create an Emergency Operations Center (2nd Floor of Harris II) and Balcony Repairs	391,719	No
54	PRK	Sugar Creek Greenway- Mounting Rock Road to Arrowood Road- Construction after Design	This new segment of Sugar Creek Greenway will add approximately 1.7 miles of greenway trail from Mounting Rock Road to Arrowood Road. The project scope will include paved greenway trails, access trails, crossing structures (bridges, swale bridges, culverts), boardwalks, and other related site improvements.	15,000,000	No

Straw Vote:

Commissioner Griffin made a motion to consider eliminating the half-cent property tax and taking revenue out of fund balance.

County Manager Dena Diorio informed that the child development accounts were not legal, and there was \$3 million that would no longer be used for that purpose so there was the option of reducing the budget by the \$3 million to offset a portion of the sales tax.

Adrian Cox made the adjustment, and the property tax rate was one-tenth of a penny.

County Manager Dena Diorio reported that \$11.7 million would need to be taken from the fund balance to eliminate the property tax increase.

Motion was made by Commissioner Griffin, seconded by Commissioner Leake, to consider eliminating the half-cent property tax and replacing that revenue with \$11.7 million out of fund balance.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked how it would affect, Gear Up Ramp Up, the other programs that were talked about previously. *County Manager Dena Diorio reported that the other programs would still be funded.*

Vice-Chair Jerrell asked if where there were other items that met the same criteria so that other options could be considered. *County Manager Dena Diorio stated that there were no other items that could be cut at the current point.*

Chair Dunlap stated that there was still a recurring allocation for the equity investment, but the allocation for the new child development accounts program was cut. Adrian Cox explained that there were no line items for each of the equity investments.

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Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked what the total was for the Gear Up Ramp Up. Deputy County Manager Derrick Ramos said for the equity investments, they were carrying forward in the budget about \$4.5 million that was separate from the recurring \$3 million for CDA's. He said within that budget of money, they were able to fund the two pilot programs that they briefed the committee on, which was about \$1 million in total funding for the pilots. He said there was some additional funding available, but the intent was to present the consultant's final recommendations for equity, once the Board fully had final recommendations that would give it more opportunity to consider how to invest the additional one-time dollars that were carried forward.

Commissioner Meier asked if the motion could be tabled and come back to it as she said felt premature before they went through the whole budget.

Commissioner Griffin withdrew his motion, and it was not voted on.

Commissioner Meier made a motion to adopt the CMS budget as proposed.

Chair Dunlap asked if there were any recommendations for the fund balance allocations.

Adrian Cox reported that the fund balance was \$44.18 million over the minimum threshold. If the property tax were eliminated, \$14,721,756 would be taken from the fund balance.

Commissioner Altman requested funding for Foster Village Charlotte in the amount of \$25,000, which would fund welcome packs for 50 children.

County Manager Dena Diorio stated that it was an ongoing need and asked if a request for the respective department was made. She also stated that the request was outside of the normal funding process and raised concerns that other organizations would also go outside of the normal process in the future.

Commissioner Altman stated that they did not think they put in a request because she reached out to them.

Commissioner Meier asked if Foster Village Charlotte was denied a Community Service Grant. Commissioner Altman reported that she provided all the information that she had. Mr. Cox said he did not believe they applied for one.

Motion passed 6-3 with Commissioners Altman, Dunlap, Jerrell Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Griffin, and Leake voting no to approve \$25,000 to fund 50 welcome packs for 50 children for Foster Village Charlotte.

Commissioner Altman requested funding of \$2 million for the Katie Blessing Center Foundation, a youth behavioral Health center. She said the State pledged \$17.5 million, Alliance Health pledged an undisclosed amount, and the City of Charlotte recommended \$2.5 million that would be voted on soon.

County Manager Dena Diorio stated that her concern was that Mecklenburg County children would always having a spot, and recommended that the County's money to go in last, and that they must be able to demonstrate that they could raise the balance before the County put its money in.

Chair Dunlap asked for the motion to be amended to incorporate the contingencies from County Manager Dena Diorio.

Commissioner Meier asked to be recused from voting since she sits on the board of the Katie Blessing Center Foundation.

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Motion to recuse Commissioner Meier was carried unanimously.

Motion made by Commissioner Altman and approved to fund the Katie Blessing Center \$2 million with the contingencies laid out by County Manager Dena Diorio. The motion 6-2 with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes, and Griffin and Leake voting no.

Commissioner Powell requested \$3 million from the fund balance to go toward deferred maintenance for Parks and Recreation. The motion carried 5-4 with Commissioners Altman Jerrell, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, and Leake voting no.

Commissioner Powell requested \$5 million from Fund Balance to land acquisition for the Environmental Leadership Action Plan.

Chair Dunlap asked if a plan was adopted that was fully funded. County Manager Dena Diorio stated that there was \$46.4 million for land acquisition as it currently stood.

Chair Dunlap asked about the Environmental Action Plan. County Manager Dena Diorio said they had not determined what fully funded looked like and there was no policy determining that.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked if Commissioner Powell would consider \$3.6 million. Commissioner Powell stated she would not unless the current motion failed.

The motion failed with 4-5 with Commissioners Altman, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, Leake voting no.

Commissioner Powell requested \$3.6 million from Fund Balance to land acquisition for the Environmental Leadership Action Plan. The motion passed 6-3 with Commissioners Altman, Dunlap, Jerrell, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes, and Commissioners Cotham, Griffin and Leake voting no.

Commissioner Powell requested \$300,000 for programming through Parks and Recreation for seniors, youth, and special needs individuals. County Manager Dena Diorio reported that it was not a one-time expense. Commissioner Powell stated she would save her request for later.

Commissioner Jerrell requested \$25,000 for QC Family Tree for a rent-subsidy program. He said they were denied a Community Service Grant. County Manager Dena Diorio asked for the item to be funded through the affordable housing fund because it would not be a one-time expense. Commissioner Jerrell agreed.

Commissioner Jerrell requested \$33,000 for the St. Lloyd Presbyterian Cemetery Project to preserve the sites and use them for historical documentation and education purposes.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked why they could not get the funds from the Historic Landmarks Commission.

Deputy County Manager Leslie Johnson said how the Historic Landmarks Commission program and budget was structured, they had a revolving loan fund and they have money towards projects in that regard but have not historically had funding separate and apart just for allocating to help someone preserve their site independently. She said she did not believe that project came to the Historic Landmark Commission to be considered, even though they didn't have a budget to subsidize or support those types of projects.

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Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked if the item was time-sensitive and if they could go to the Historic Landmarks Commission.

Commissioner Jerrell stated it was not time-sensitive, and he stated he could put the item in restricted contingency until it was brought to the Historic Landmarks Commission.

Commissioner Leake asked if family members were contributing to the landmark. Commissioner Jerrell said they had contributed sweat equity at both sites.

Commissioner Cotham voiced her support for the request.

Commissioner Griffin raised concerns that there were several abandoned cemeteries that needed support and asked the other cemeteries to be kept in mind. He stated he did support the current request.

Motion carried unanimously to take \$33,000 unrestricted from the fund balance for the St. Lloyd Presbyterian Cemetery Project (signage, historical documentation, and markers in disrepair).

Commissioner Jerrell requested \$10,000 to sponsor the HBCU Classic Battle of Bands, which would be held in the fall at Memorial Stadium. He said the County has been coordinating and collaborating with the City who would also be contributing money.

Commissioner Powell asked if Charlotte Shout would share it. County Manager Dena Diorio stated that the events would not be held at the same time.

Leslie Johnson stated that it was an economic opportunity for the community because even though it was a one-day event, people came for the weekend so there were hotel accommodations and sales tax as well because of the spending over that weekend.

Motion carried unanimously to take \$10,000 from the fund balance to sponsor the HBCU Classic Battle of Bands.

Commissioner Jerrell requested \$10,000 for an at-risk youth summit focused on Black men hosted by Project Bolt. He said it was a black mail community summit and the proposed venue was the BOplex on Independence Boulevard. He said the funds would be used to secure the venue, bring in speakers and provide additional resources for the summit.

Commissioner Cotham asked if it could be put in contingency to ensure that there were definite plans.

Commissioner Jerrell said he would be willing to put the money into contingency.

Commissioners Meier and Leake voiced their support for the request.

Commissioner Altman suggested not putting the item in restricted contingency.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked if it was an inaugural event. Vice Chair Jerrell stated it would be an inaugural event, but similar events were held in the past. He said it would have a pretty large reach.

Motion carried 8-1 with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, and Powell voting yes and Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell voting no to take \$10,000 from the fund balance for the at-risk youth summit focused on Black men hosted by Project Bolt.

Commissioner Jerrell requested \$1.5 million for the development team Boundary Street Advisors to

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continue their construction project of a grocer called Spangler's that would be placed on Statesville Avenue in Kohler, which was identified as a food desert. He said they did not go through a Community Service Grant project. He said the project had commitments and the total construction costs were \$3.5 million. He said the location had been secured and was ready to build but there was a deficit of \$1.5 million.

Commissioner Meier asked if it was in contingency.

Commissioner Jerrell stated that it would be in constricted contingency, so a plan would be needed to get the funds.

Commissioner Meier asked if it had to be Spangler's.

Commissioner Jerrell stated it did not have to be, but that was who they secured.

Commissioner Powell asked if there was funding for food insecurity. County Manager Dena Diorio said there was \$6 million funded through ARPA, there was a \$3 Million allocation to food insecurity that the Board made a couple years ago and there was still \$2.3 million there that could be used but if that was used, it didn't leave much money to do other food security initiatives. She recommended using fund balance in restricted contingency.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell made a motion to take the \$1.5 million from the food insecurity funds rather than use fund balance.

County Manager Diorio said if you used that money, it wouldn't go into restricted contingency, so it wouldn't come back to the Board to approve the release of those dollars.

Substitute motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell to take \$1.5 million for the Development Team Boundary Street Advisors to continue their construction project from the food insecurity allocation funded through ARPA and failed 4- 5 with Commissioners Cotham, Leake, Meier, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes, and Commissioners Altman, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, and Powell voting no.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jerrell carried 7-2 with Commissioners Altman, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, and Powell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham and Rodriguez-McDowell voting no to use \$1.5 million from the fund balance in restricted contingency for the Development Team Boundary Street Advisors to continue their construction project.

There were no changes to Community Service Grants.

Chair Dunlap asked if there were any requests for changes in County Services.

Commissioner Altman asked under Economic Development to break out the line item for arts and if it would make things difficult. *County Manager Dena Diorio said it was better to be subject to the contract. She said she didn't think anything was going to happen to the \$1 million set aside for the Towns. She said the County would always be in charge of the money, and there would be no risk that it would be used for something else.*

Chair Dunlap said that the way it was allocated it ensured there will be at least \$1 million.

Commissioner Powell said it was important that the record reflect that to make sure the North would be included. She said the Towns, without looking at the City, represented 62% of the population.

Commissioner Leake spoke about a concern about the library swings that were recently added

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to the outside of a library and causing gathers of people with unwelcomed behavior. Marcellus Turner, Chief Executive Officer/Chief Librarian said it was a joint effort with the City of Charlotte that occurred before his employ, and he would reach out to be part of the meeting being held in the next week.

Commissioner Powell requested adding an additional \$2 million to Park and Recreation's budget for routine maintenance from the \$3 million that came from the child development accounts that would no longer be used for that purpose.

Leslie Johnson stated that the parks were rated, and several of the lower-rated parks needed to be completely refreshed. She said to temporarily address some of the lower-rated parks, maintenance could be done.

Chair Dunlap stated, regarding equity, that there were many other departments not getting their needs met.

Commissioner Meier asked if it was established that some of the funds would go to some of the lower income neighborhoods. Chair Dunlap said there was nothing in writing and Park and Rec didn't have a specific plan to target just those particular areas.

Commissioner Powell said her motion was for \$2 million for routine maintenance to bridge the gap in underserved areas that are often overlooked, and Park and Rec had a prioritization. She said it was part of the direction of the Board to include it in everything they did and was part of her motion.

Commissioner Jerrell asked if it was clear what was trying to be accomplished regarding park equity and using those equity dollars for parks that have been outlined as part of that list previously.

Lee Jones, the Park and Recreation Director, provided some background on identifying high-need areas and meeting with citizens for their input. He explained the difference in capital maintenance, deferred maintenance, and routine maintenance. He stated that there would need to be a delicate balance as to what they would do with the \$2 million.

Leslie Johnson discussed needing to manage the community's expectations. She said because it was routine maintenance it didn't mean it was going to look like a new park.

Lee Jones discussed the differences between capital improvement and routine maintenance.

Substitute motion was made by Commissioner Altman to allocate \$2 million for routine maintenance for parks and greenways in areas that the ELAP identified as areas containing equity gaps.

County Manager Dena Diorio stated that routine maintenance was done equally across the parks.

Commissioner Cotham asked how much money was additionally added during the current meeting for Parks and Recreation. *Adrian Cox said it was \$3 million for park capital maintenance and \$3.6 million for land acquisition.*

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell asked about the difference between deferred maintenance and routine maintenance. Leslie Johnson explained the difference. Lee Jones stated that money was allocated for deferred maintenance and ongoing maintenance.

Commissioner Altman withdrew her substitute motion.

Commissioner Meier asked if the money was needed or if the Commission recommended it. Lee

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Jones stated that more could always be done, and the Parks and Recreation Commission was an advocate for the community. County Manager Dena Diorio added that if there was an urgent need, the department would have asked for the money.

Commissioner Jerrell asked if there was a different bucket of need that would be more appropriate.

Commissioner Powell stated that there was a significant difference in how some parks were maintained due to funding. She stated that there was also a need for deferred capital dollars, but she believed the money would be useful for routine maintenance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and failed 4-5 with Commissioners Altman, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, and Leake voting not to approve an additional \$2 million from the \$3 million equity fund for routine maintenance for Parks and Recreation to bridge a gap in underserved areas.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and failed 4-5 with Commissioners Altman, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, and Leake voting no to approve an additional \$1 million from the \$3 million equity fund for routine maintenance for Parks and Recreation to bridge a gap in underserved areas.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and failed 4-5 with Commissioners Altman, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, and Leake voting no to approve an additional \$500,000 from the \$3 million equity fund for routine maintenance for Parks and Recreation to bridge a gap in underserved areas.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and carried 5-4 with Commissioners Altman, Jerrell, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, and Leake voting no to approve \$300,000 for programming for Parks and Recreation for seniors, youth, individuals with special needs, and for therapeutic purposes.

Adrian Cox stated that there was an increase in the tax rate unless an offset for the \$300,000 was found.

Motion was made by Commissioner Meier, seconded by Commissioner Leake to move the \$3 million of operating expenses out of the Child Development account.

Commissioner Jerrell discussed that there were other ways to look at equity investments beyond CDAs. He stated that there should be a different approach taken than just taking the \$3 million off the table.

Chair Dunlap agreed with Commissioner Jerrell's statements. He said he said on that committee and the hope was that they would continue to look for opportunities to make those kinds of investments so if the money was not available, it was shutting the door on the opportunity.

Commissioner Altman asked if \$2,700,000 could remain in the equity inclusion line for the manager's office to use for future programs.

Chair Dunlap said he was concerned that they were taking away from equity to give to another program that wasn't even requested in the budget.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell said she didn't want to see the extra half cent property tax. She said the commitment was not going away, but it was important to utilize the money that was already there.

Commissioner Meier's Motion to move the \$3 million of operating expenses out of the Child

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Development account failed 4-5 with Commissioners Griffin, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, and Leake voting no.

Powell asked if there was a recommendation of where to take funding from for the \$300,000. County Manager Dena Diorio stated that she did not have a suggestion.

Motion made by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell and passed 8-1 with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes, and Powell voting no to reconsider the vote for programming for Parks and Recreation for seniors, youth, individuals with special needs, and for therapeutic purposes.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and carried 5-4 with Commissioners Altman, Jerrell, Meier, Powell, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, and Leake voting no to approve \$300,000 for programming for Parks and Recreation for seniors, youth, individuals with special needs, and for therapeutic purposes.

Commissioner Jerrell asked if there was a specific organization or entity for the programming.

Commissioner Powell stated it was a recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Chair Dunlap stated that the issue was that the \$300,000 would take the property tax rate over and above the half-cent increase.

Motion was made by Commissioner Altman and passed with 5 in favor to recess for 15 minutes.

A recess was taken at 11:45 am.

Everyone returned from recess at 12:00 pm.

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and failed 2-7 with Commissioners Altman and Powell voting yes and Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, and Rodriguez-McDowell voting not to approve \$300,000 for programming for Parks and Recreation for seniors, youth, individuals with special needs, and for therapeutic purposes.

Adrian Cox reported that the current property tax rate was 48.81 cents.

Motion by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Griffin, regarding the 1.5 cent increase, to take the half-cent out of the fund balance for the increase in property taxes.

Commissioner Meier asked how much had been added to or taken away from fund balance. *Mr. Cox said fund balance would be reduced by \$24.7 million in total.*

Commissioner Meier asked how this would carry forward through the years. Chair Dunlap said they would start next year's budget with a \$14 million deficit. County Manager Diorio stated in order to balance the budget, they would look at the growth revenue, but if they were unable to fund County services and the service the partners provided, it would be likely they would propose another half cent tax increase to close the gap.

County Manager Diorio discussed why it wasn't responsible to use nonrecurring revenue to balance an operating budget.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell said she wanted to remind the Board that there were two years of no baked in CIP anticipated property tax increase FY2026 and FY2027.

The motion was carried 7-2 with Commissioners Cotham, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, Meier, Powell, and

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Rodriguez-McDowell voting yes and Commissioners Altman and Leake voting no, regarding the 1.5 cent increase, to take the half-cent out of the fund balance for the increase in property taxes.

Motion by Commissioner Griffin, seconded by Commissioner Leake, and unanimously carried, to adopt the budget and instruct the attorney to bring back a budget ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Griffin, and unanimously carried, that there being no further business to come before the Board that the meeting be adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Kristine M. Smith, Clerk to the Board

George Dunlap, Chair