

Meeting Minutes
August 6, 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 5:00 p.m. and in Formal Session in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center at 6:13 p.m. on August 6, 2025.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chair Mark Jerrell, Vice-Chair Leigh Altman
and Commissioners George Dunlap, Arthur Griffin,
Vilma D. Leake, Laura J. Meier, Elaine Powell,
Susan Rodriguez-McDowell, Yvette Townsend-Ingram
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 Jerrell, after which the matters below 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:

- 24-0409** Commissioner Leake
- 24-0418** Commissioner Leake
- 24-0419** Commissioner Leake
- 24-0425** Commissioner Leake
- 24-0428** Commissioner Leake

STAFF BRIEFINGS - None

CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Griffin, seconded by Commissioner Powell, and unanimously carried, to go into Closed Session for the following purpose(s): Discuss Land Acquisition, Consult with Attorney, and Discuss Personnel Matter

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The Board went into Closed Session at 5:15 p.m. and came back into Open Session 6:04 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 Meier, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; after which, the matters below were addressed.

The chair recognized all the elected officials in the chamber.

CLOSED SESSION – LAND ACQUISITION

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Powell, and unanimously carried to authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary for the acquisition of tax parcel 023-031-05 (+/- 21.3 acres) from James G. Galloway Jr., and Scottie Galloway Neil (as heirs of James G. Galloway) for a purchase price of two million one hundred thousand dollars (\$2,100,000) for expansion of the Latte Nature Preserve.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION –

**25-0449 PROCLAMATION - CHARLOTTE BLACK PRIDE WEEK & CHARLOTTE PRIDE WEEK
(CHAIR JERRELL)**

Background: Mecklenburg County is home to a vibrant and diverse community, among which are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) citizens and residents. With Charlotte's first Pride events finally held in 1981 and the ensuing decades inspiring the creation of Charlotte Pride in 2000; and Charlotte Black Pride was founded in 2005 with the mission to promote LGBTQ pride primarily for, but not limited to, members of the Black community while building social awareness, embracing spirituality and celebrating the diversity that exists within our community. Each July, Black members of the LGBTQ community and their allies gather to celebrate the history, culture, achievements, aspirations, and dreams during Charlotte Black Pride Week and this year held their annual celebration "Black and Bold". Community members joined together July 12 to July 19, and celebrated the history, culture, community, and triumphs of Black LGBTQ people across our region. This August, Charlotte Pride will celebrate the 25th anniversary of its founding and the 44th anniversary of the first Pride events in Mecklenburg County; and the Charlotte Pride Festival and Parade is the largest LGBTQ community event in the American Southeast, second only to Atlanta, and the largest annual parade in Mecklenburg County, contributing millions of dollars in economic impact each year.

Commissioner Altman read the proclamation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Altman, seconded by Commissioner Leake, and unanimously carried to adopt a proclamation proclaiming July 12 - 19, 2025 as Charlotte Black Pride Week and August 8 - 17, 2025 as Charlotte Pride Week.

Charlotte Black Pride communications coordinator Caroline Bedenbaugh accepted the proclamation and gave remarks.



25-0408 PROCLAMATION - CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH (CHAIR JERRELL)

Background/justification: Mecklenburg County has operated child support services since July 2010 when the staff and customers of the program were entrusted to the county by the state of North Carolina. Former president Bill Clinton first proclaimed august as national child support awareness month in 1995 to demonstrate the importance of child support as a sustainable means of financial support and wellbeing for many of our nation's children.

In Mecklenburg County, there are approximately 53,892 children and custodial parents who receive more than \$50 million in child support annually through the efforts of this county's child support professionals, which provide food, housing, and clothing to these families.

Commissioner Meier read the proclamation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Meier, seconded by Commissioner Griffin, and unanimously carried to adopt a Proclamation declaring August 2025 as Child Support Awareness Month in Mecklenburg County

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Fonda Clifton, Division Director for Child Support Services, accepted the proclamation and gave remarks.



25-0436 WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY 2025 (CHAIR JERRELL)

Background: August 26, 2025, is the 105th anniversary of U.S. Women winning the right to vote. This year's Women's Equality Day celebration will take place on Saturday, August 16, 2025, and will feature inclusive programming to recognize progress, acknowledge ongoing challenges, and inspire community engagement in pursuit of gender equity.

Commissioner Townsend-Ingram read the proclamation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Townsend-Ingram, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap, and unanimously carried to Adopt a proclamation designating August 26, 2025, as Women's Equality Day.

Denawa Denise, Chair of the Women's Advisory Board, accepted the proclamation and gave remarks.

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PUBLIC ART MOMENT – N/A

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

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

- 1. Nia Brown – spoke as a group for the Co-Parenting
 - Kendra Rutledge
 - Marilyn Smith
 - Niyla Brown
 - Daijaha Hobbs
- 2. Denesha Degraffenreid
- 3. Apryl Lewis
 - Levonte Cuspert

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- Shannon Steele
- Ursula Baker
- Nikki Stewart
- 4. Jessica Saxton
- 5. Tanawah Downing

APPOINTMENTS

25-0401 APPOINTMENTS- BUILDING DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Meier, and unanimously carried to reappoint Jon Phillips and Jesse Sossamon for (2) three-year terms expiring July 31, 2028.

Motion was made by Commissioner Meier, seconded by Commissioner Powell, and unanimously carried to appoint Michael Difabion to fill one (1) three-year term expiring July 31, 2028, national association of remodeling industry (NARI) slot.

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Meier, and unanimously carried to appoint Robin (Rob) McClintock to fill one (1) three-year term expiring July 31, 2028, charlotte plumbing, heating and cooling contractors assoc. (PHC) slot.

25-0443 APPOINTMENTS- MECKLENBURG EMS JOINT AGENCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, Seconded by Commissioner Griffin and unanimously carried to appoint Michael Slisz, senior vice president and chief clinical officer, Novant health, charlotte region, to the Mecklenburg EMS joint agency board of commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Saad Ehtisham, expiring December 31, 2025, as the Novant representative.

25-0402 APPOINTMENTS- HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Nomination to fill one (1) three-year term expiring July 31, 2028, on the historic landmarks commission were as follows:

Destiny Crawford nominated by Commissioners Griffin and Leake

Jason Tapp nominated by Commissioners Powell and Rodriguez-McDowe4ll

The appointment will be brought back at the next regular Board meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

25-0442 PUBLIC HEARING - PROJECTS FOR ADVANCING VEHICLE-INFRASTRUCTURE ENHANCEMENTS (P.A.V.E.) ACT

The Board received comments from the public regarding the P.A.V.E. Act.

Background: Residents can speak on the referendum after which Board members will vote on whether to place it on the ballot. If approved, the funding stream produced by the 1-cent sales tax will be spent on Mecklenburg County transportation projects, such as roads, rail, and buses.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Altman, seconded by Commissioner Meier and carried unanimously to open the public hearing and receive comments from the public regarding the P.A.V.E. Act.

The speakers for the hearing were as follows:

First	Last	Group	Favor
Cassidy	Hooper	Yes	Y
Robert	Callendar	Yes	Y
Marlon	Stover	Yes	Y
Joey	Esquivel	Yes	Y
Braxton	Winston	No	N
Jennifer	Roberts	No	N
John	Autry	No	N
Clayton	Sealy	No	Y
James	Hair	No	Y
Gerry	Kingsley	No	Y
Bill	Staton	No	Y
Carol	Hardison	No	Y
Melvin	Watt	No	Y
Malcolm	Graham	No	Y
Eric	Zaverl	No	Y
Lawrence	Shaheen	No	Y
David	Longo	No	Y
Rusty	Knox	No	Y
Robert	McCutcheon	No	Y
JG	Lockhart	No	N
Mary	Belk	No	Y
Charisma	Southerland	No	Y
Mayor Woody	Washam	No	Y
Edmund	Driggs	No	Y
Charles	DeLoach	No	Y
James	Lee	No	Y
Allen	Dargins	No	Y

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Shobita	Suresh	No	Y
Brad	Simmons	No	Y
Tonya	Jameson	No	Y
Sherri	Chisholm	No	Y
Tony	Long	No	Y
Nichel	Dunlap-Thompson	No	Y
Mark	Tofano	No	Y
Greg	Jarrell	No	N
Kieth	Cockrell	No	Y
Rev. Dr. Janet	Garner-Mullins	No	N
Juan Contreras	Juarez	No	Y
Rep. Becky	Carney	No	Y
David	Howard	No	Y
Doug	Hicks	No	Y
Amantha	Barbee	No	Y
Samuel	Spencer	No	Y
Jim	Fetchero	No	Y
Marc	Moore	No	Y
Bentzion	Groner	No	Y
Mayor Christy	Clark	No	Y
Taiwo	Jaiyeoba	No	Y
Martin	Wheeler	No	Y
Rep. Aisha	Dew	No	Y
Michael	Foess	No	Y
Bryan Morales	Casiano	No	Y
James	Shuback	No	N
Stephen	Duraski	No	Y
Wyatt	Dixon	No	Y
Jimmy	Cabrera	No	-

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Leon	Threatt	No	-
Brian	Sisson	no	N

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Griffin and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS – NONE

MANAGER’S REPORT

25-0413 RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DIRECTOR TO PLACE AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025, BALLOT.

The Board acted to adopt a resolution directing the Mecklenburg County board of elections director to place an advisory referendum on the November 4, 2025, ballot on the question of whether to levy an additional one-cent sales and use tax as authorized by "the pave act" for transportation purposes in Mecklenburg County.

H.B. 948 aka "the P.A.V.E. Act," attached hereto as exhibit b, amended article 43 of chapter 105 to authorize Mecklenburg County, among other things, to levy an additional sales and use tax outlining the use criteria to be used for roadway systems and public transportation systems. The purpose of this resolution is to direct the Mecklenburg County board of elections director to place an advisory referendum on the November 4, 2025, ballot on the question of whether to levy an additional one-cent sales and use tax as authorized by “the pave act for transportation purposes in Mecklenburg County.

Article 43 of chapter 105 of the North Carolina general statutes, a copy of which is attached hereto as exhibit a, outlines the laws that relate to local governments sales and use taxes for the purpose of public transportation funding, which includes definitions, adoption procedures, distribution requirements, etc.

Motion was made by Commissioner Altman, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap to adopt a resolution directing the Mecklenburg County board of elections director to place an advisory referendum on the November 4, 2025, ballot on the question of whether to levy an additional one-Percent sales and use tax as authorized by "the pave act" for transportation purposes in Mecklenburg County.

Comments

Commissioner Townsend-Ingram thanked the speakers who attended the meeting. She said people needed the opportunity to vote and she was optimistic that it could improve turnout during the upcoming municipal election. She said the Board did not take their decision lightly.

Commissioner Powell said in December of 2020, Charlotte leadership introduced to the Board a project called “Charlotte Move” that seemed so City-centric that it felt offensive to North Mecklenburg. She said, for all the years they paid the half cent, they got no return, but the PAVE act did guarantee a return. She said all the elected leaders in North Mecklenburg agreed and asked for community support in putting it on the ballot.

Commissioner Powell said it was important for the Board to hear all voices. She said there were people with significant sway listening and speaking who she felt needed to listen to what the

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concerns were. She said she had a lot of respect for people who spoke in opposition, but she had a mountain of respect for Reverend Doctor Garner Mullens. She said she was a truth teller and wanted them to look at everything through an equity lens. She said eminent domain and displacement were real concerns. She quoted Reverend Doctor Garner Mullens "When progress uplifts, it does not uproot" and asked how they could do that and do it better. She said it was important to her and they needed to have those voices at the same time but not squash them.

Commissioner Dunlap said, during his time as Chair to the Board, a reason he respected them as colleagues was, they always believed in giving the public a voice. He said there were concerns about the PAVE act, of which many were legitimate but there was also some misinformation or attempts to muddy the waters.

Commissioner Dunlap said he hoped that some people moved past the idea that only one political party could make a good bill. He said out of 148 people in the legislature who voted, only 8 said no. He said, in his opinion, that was bipartisan, and in today's climate, if they could get anything bipartisan, that was a good thing.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell said she believed people of good faith could have different perspectives on the issue. She said she was voting against including the referendum on the ballot, but it was not a decision she came to lightly. She said she had mixed feelings because she believed in investing in the future and in transit, but she did not think it was the right plan for their community.

Community Rodriguez-McDowell said she did her due diligence in gathering the necessary information involving the referendum and determined it was not a good fit. She said the marketing of it disregarded any possible cons and when the Mayor of Matthews requested other formulas to be studied, he was met with a brick wall. She said the idea that 40% of the money would go towards roads was not something she could stand behind. She people couldn't trust a "Pass now, amend it later" plan.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell said the Town Managers and Mayors did not want to give a monetary injection into their budgets, of which was understandable, but that was not a part of the original plan. She said the plan perpetuated economic inequality.

Commissioner Rodriguez McDowell displayed a drawn diagram, stating that the shift in the funding model forced the costs onto the backs of the people. She said it was part of a larger pattern they were seeing at their State and Federal level and her constituents were not okay with it. She the President just passed a bill to continue tax breaks for corporations and billionaires while shifting the cost burden to local taxpayers in order to maintain essential services.

Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell said, in the meantime, the North Carolina General Assembly had stated a plan for getting their corporate tax rate to zero by 2030. She said theirs was already the lowest in the entire country. She said they shifted the burden of roads onto local government while the NCDOT was massively underfunded. She said the plan, with the 40% for roads, had the local government subsidizing them with their tax dollars.

Commissioner Meier said she was thankful for all the people who came to speak as well as for the emails received. She said it was a simple solution because she felt it was a vote for democracy and she believed in people having the right to vote.

Commissioner Leake thanked the community for their attendance. She said she was thinking of the taxation and its effect on the senior citizens. She said the bus was convenient and safe. She said the traffic was terrible.

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Commissioner Leake said they had an opportunity to do something that others said they could not. She said her people could not afford the bill and asked how they could afford their bills and groceries if they were taxed more.

Commissioner Griffin said it was democracy at its best. He said three years ago he spoke with all seven mayors and he found that there were that commonalities in all the towns with regard to affordable housing. He said the transportation piece was similar. He said he would like to put it on the ballot because out of the 7 leaders in 7 bodies, 6 of them came before the Board and asked the Board to give their citizens and residents the chance to vote. He said the concerns were genuine and he was concerned about some inequities that existed but had to be sensitive to those concerns raised by many of the speakers.

Vice Chair Altman said she was inspired by those who attended the hearing. She said she believed that the referendum could do great for the community. She said she wanted to speak to those who did not support it. She said they were critical to the process because they would help them find the cracks and weak spots so they could be addressed with fidelity.

Chair Jerrell thanked those in attendance for their participation and for sharing their voices. He said he respected the fight and position of the town managers and mayors.

Motion was made by Commissioner Altman, seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and carried 8-1, with Commissioners Altman, Dunlap, Griffin, Jerrell, Meier, Townsend-Ingram, Powell, and Leake voting yes and Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell voting no to place an advisory referendum on the November 4, 2025, ballot on the question of whether to levy an additional one-Percent sales and use tax as authorized by "the pave act" for transportation purposes in Mecklenburg County.

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Mecklenburg County, NC
Ordinance Book 54
Document 74

**MECKLENBURG COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE
MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DIRECTOR TO PLACE
ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025 BALLOT AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM ON
THE QUESTION OF WHETHER TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL ONE CENT
SALES AND USE TAX AS AUTHORIZED BY "THE PAVE ACT" FOR
TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY.**

WHEREAS, Article 43 of Chapter 105 of the North Carolina General Statutes, as amended by The PAVE Act, allows the Board of County Commissioners of Mecklenburg County to institute a one percent (1%) sales and use tax subject to certain conditions, including, among other things, approval by a majority of those voting in an advisory referendum for the levy; and

WHEREAS, in order to levy the local sales and use tax, the County of Mecklenburg must conduct an advisory referendum in accordance with the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 163A-1592; and

WHEREAS, if approved by the voters the one cent local sales and use tax would be used as outlined in the PAVE Act; and

WHEREAS, on July 30, 2025, the Board voted on the language to be included on the November 4, 2025 ballot referendum and scheduled a public hearing for August 6, 2025.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners shall, and hereby does, direct the Mecklenburg County Board of Elections Director to place on the November 4, 2025 ballot an advisory referendum on the question of whether to levy an additional one percent (1%) sales and use tax as authorized by the General Statutes and The PAVE Act; and

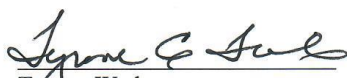
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to G.S. 105-537(c) the question shall appear on the ballot as:

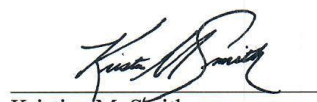
"[] FOR [] AGAINST"

One percent (1%) local sales and use taxes, in addition to the current local sales and use taxes, to be used only for roadway systems and public transportation systems.

APPROVED the 6th day of August, 2025

Approved as to Form:


Tyrone Wade
County Attorney


Kristine M. Smith
Clerk to the Board



Resolution recorded in full in ordinance Book 54, Document #74.

The Board took a five-minute recess.

DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTORS' MONTHLY REPORTS – NONE

STAFF REPORTS & REQUESTS - NONE

25-0447 UPDATE ON THE ONE BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL ACT

The board received as information a presentation on the one big, beautiful bill act and the implications for Medicaid and the supplemental nutrition assistance program (snap).

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Background: On July 4, 2025, President Trump signed into law the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA), federal legislation with significant implications for Mecklenburg County’s Health and Human Services programs. The legislation creates considerable risks for core safety net services, particularly Medicaid and SNAP.

This presentation will provide:

- *A brief overview of OBBBA.*
- *An outline of the major policy changes affecting Medicaid and SNAP, including effective dates.*
- *Projections of the budgetary impact to Mecklenburg County and estimates of the number of county residents who may lose benefits.*

The presentation will conclude with recommended next steps, including convening partners to coordinate a community response, monitoring data on program enrollment and utilization, and advancing advocacy efforts to mitigate negative impacts where possible.

Robert Nesbit, Mecklenburg County Chief of Staff for Consolidated Human Affairs, gave the presentation.

One Big Beautiful Bill Act Update

August 6, 2025
Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners

Robert Nesbit, Chief of Staff
Consolidated Human Services Agency



Agenda

- **One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA): Brief Overview**
- **Implications for Mecklenburg County**
 - Medicaid
 - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
 - Timeline
- **Next Steps**



One Big Beautiful Bill Act Overview

On July 4, President Trump signed the Senate version of H.R. 1, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act

- Permanently extends lower tax rates from the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and creates other tax benefits

The Congressional Budget Office anticipates the bill will increase the federal deficit by approximately \$3.4 trillion over 10 years

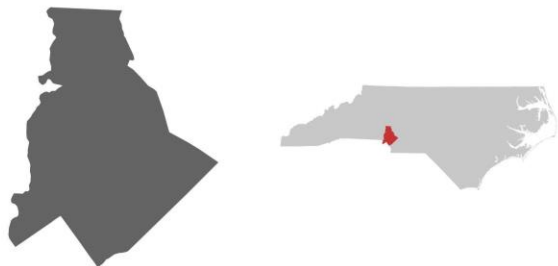
Reduces federal spending on Medicaid and SNAP by approximately \$1.2 trillion

- Projected to cause a loss of health insurance and food resources for millions of people nationwide



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Implications for Mecklenburg County's Medicaid and SNAP Programs



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Medicaid and SNAP Overview

Medicaid: Provides health insurance coverage for individuals and families with low income and people living with disabilities

SNAP: Provides financial assistance for food to households with limited income and resources

Mecklenburg County has the largest number of Medicaid and SNAP recipients in NC

- Approximately 416,000 residents receiving Medicaid and 137,000 residents receiving SNAP*

The programs are funded jointly by the federal and state governments

- Certain administrative costs are pushed to NC counties, but counties cannot fund the benefit costs
- Policy is established primarily at the federal level

* Latest Available Data



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Medicaid Policy Changes Under OBBBA

Current Policy	OBBBA* Policy Change	Effective Date	Potential Local Impact
Refugees, asylees, and other lawfully present immigrants may be eligible for coverage	Removes eligibility for many humanitarian statuses aside from certain Cuban and Haitian nationals	10/01/2026	<u>TBD</u>
No work requirement	Work requirement: 80 hours monthly for recipients ages 19 to 64	01/01/2027	<u>Up to 31,000</u> residents may lose Medicaid benefits
Annual eligibility reviews	6-month eligibility reviews for Medicaid Expansion population	01/01/2027	Increased workload for DCR staff; benefit delays for residents
States can tax hospitals and other healthcare providers up to 6% (a key Medicaid funding source)	No new provider taxes allowed; existing taxes lowered to 3.5% by 2032	10/01/2027	<u>Up to 80,000</u> residents at risk of losing benefits if NC can't sustain funding for Medicaid Expansion

*OBBBA: One Big Beautiful Bill Act



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SNAP Policy Changes Under OBBBA

Current Policy	OBBBA* Policy Change	Effective Date	Potential Local Impact
Refugees, asylees and other lawfully present immigrants may receive benefits	Removes eligibility for many humanitarian statuses aside from certain Cuban and Haitian nationals	07/04/2025 (pending State guidance)	<u>TBD</u>
Work requirements for SNAP recipients ages 18-54 without children	Expands work requirements to include recipients ages 55 to 64; parents of kids ages 14 and up	07/04/2025 (pending State guidance)	<u>Up to 17,000</u> residents may lose SNAP benefits
Administrative costs split 50/50 between federal and state/county governments	Increases administrative cost share to 75% for states (pushed to counties)	10/01/2026	<u>Estimated +\$7.5M</u> in annual cost
Food benefit costs paid entirely by federal government	Implements food benefit cost sharing for states based on their SNAP payment error rates	10/01/2027	<u>Estimated +\$46M</u> in annual cost; <u>Places NC SNAP program in jeopardy; 137,000 local residents affected</u>

*OBBBA: One Big Beautiful Bill Act



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Policy Effective Date Snapshot



- SNAP Work Requirement
- SNAP Immigrant Eligibility

*Pending State Guidance



- Medicaid Immigrant Eligibility
- SNAP Administrative Cost Share



- Medicaid Work Requirements
- 6-Month Eligibility Reviews for Medicaid Expansion Population



- Healthcare Provider Tax Cap Begins to Decrease
- SNAP Food Benefit Cost Share



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Summary

- Up to 31,000 County residents may lose Medicaid benefits under work requirements
 - This number could be as high as 80,000 residents if Medicaid Expansion is terminated
- Up to 17,000 County residents may lose SNAP benefits under work requirements
 - This number could be as high as 137,000 residents if NC chooses to withdraw from the SNAP program
- Expanded work requirements and recertifications will lead to increased workload for DCR staff and processing challenges for Medicaid and SNAP cases
- An estimated additional annual expense of +\$53M for the County due to SNAP funding changes
- Changes to administrative requirements and program funding structure could impact County staffing
- Additional economic impacts to businesses, non-profits, and healthcare providers are expected with coverage losses



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Next Steps

- Maintain engagement with NCDHHS and State associations regarding policy interpretation and implementation
- Convene local partners on September 10 (across healthcare and food sectors) to assess and plan for broader community impacts
- Develop clear communication strategy for staff and community regarding changes and impact
- Monitor data on program enrollment and utilization
- Partner with associations to further advocate for policy changes or delays to minimize impact on community



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Comments

Commissioner Dunlap asked what the additional costs to the County entailed and requested clarification. *Mr. Nesbit said the expenses were both related to the SNAP program. He said the \$53 million was with both expenses combined. He said the first policy would include the administrative cost share resulting in an increase of roughly \$7.5 and the food benefit cost share had a projected financial impact to the state of roughly \$260+ million. He said Mecklenburg’s share of that \$260 million would be about \$46 million.*

Commissioner Dunlap asked what impact it would have on their community partners and their ability to partner with them. *Mr. Nesbit there were a few ways it could play out. County Manager Bryant said the goal of the meeting planned for September 10th, was to educate about the impact it would have on their community partners as well as themselves.*

Commissioner Griffin said WIC, food stamps, Medicaid, and possibly work first programs put about \$1.5 billion into the economy and with those programs being hit, the economy in the County would see a significant impact as well. He said Medicaid and SNAP were contractual programs and asked if they were following the conversations between the Feds and the State or were they just

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waiting on the State in terms of having an impact on what the State decided or agreed to. He said the County did not own anything and the County was just an agent for the State in terms of administering the program. He said increasing the application requirements would be a cost to the County, even if there were no cuts to the programs. He said they had to have some anticipations.

Commissioner Griffin said, on a national basis, the private sector greatly benefited from those programs, and he would hope the private sector was advocating for those programs. *County Manager Bryant said it effected all counties in North Carolina and if the worst-case scenario occurred, he would have to come to the Board with very tough decisions to make.*

Commissioner Townsend-Ingram asked if the error rate was a statewide rate and asked clarification. *Mr. Nesbit said that was not set in stone and the Department Of Health And Humans Services was presenting options to the General Assembly. He said one option was to find a way to cover that \$400+ million in additional expenses and the other option would be to withdraw from the SNAP program entirely.*

Commissioner Leake asked how information was being disseminated to the public. *County Manager Bryant said they were working with their communications department to develop a communication strategy, however, they wanted to communicate at a point in time when they had sufficient information.*

Commissioner Powell said her biggest concern was the impact on seniors, especially those in long-term care facilities. She requested they get information on how many of those effected were seniors as well as any impact on seniors in long-term facilities in North Carolina.

Commissioner Altman said it was an enormous story and it needed to be on the cover of the media the following day.

Commissioner Meier asked if Mr. Nesbit was in touch with the human services and education board. *Mr. Nesbit said they had been in touch with NACo, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, the State, and the DHS Department Director's Association.*

Chair Jerrell said they were taking a proactive posture on the situation.

25-0445 MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPOINTMENT POLICY CHANGE

The Board approved amending to the current appointment policy to include requiring interviews for appointments to Lake Norman Marine Commission

Background: It has been recommended by a board member that appointments to the reconstituted Lake Norman Marine Commission (LNMC) be made only after candidates have been interviewed by an ad-hoc committee of the Board of Commissioners. If the Board adopts this recommendation, it is necessary for the current appointment policy to be amended. The recommendation is to amend "Section 2.D Nomination Process" to include the requirement of the Board's interview process for the Lake Norman Marine Commission.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Meier, and unanimously carried to approve amending to the current appointment policy to include requiring interviews for appointments to Lake Norman Marine Commission.

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25-0404 SELECTION OF 2025 NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (NCACC) ANNUAL CONFERENCE VOTING DELEGATE

In order to participate in the annual election of officers and policy adoption decisions, the Board must officially select someone to serve as the County's voting delegate during the annual business session on August 23rd.

Motion was made by Commissioner Altman, seconded by Commissioner Griffin and unanimously carried, to appoint Chair Jerrell as a voting delegate for the 2025 North Carolina association of County Commissioners (NCACC) 118th annual conference to be held in Pitt County August 21-23, 2025.

Motion was made by Commissioner Meier, seconded by Commissioner Altman and unanimously carried, to appoint Commissioner Leake as an alternate voting delegate for the 2025 North Carolina association of County Commissioners (NCACC) 118th annual conference to be held in Pitt County August 21-23, 2025.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

25-0403 ABANDON A PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ON CATAWBA AVENUE

Adopt a resolution requesting the board of transportation to abandon a portion of the right-of-way and maintenance for Catawba avenue.

Background: A property owner has petitioned the board of county commissioners to request the North Carolina board of transportation to abandon a portion of the right-of-way and maintenance of Catawba avenue (+/- 2.126 acres) to construct street improvements as part of the hoke master plan approved by the town of Davidson. The town will accept maintenance of the right-of-way when abandoned by the North Carolina board of transportation. This portion of Catawba avenue is located in the northeast portion of the county and connects from its intersection with Ambleside village lane to approximately 250' east of the intersection with Sewell alley, adjacent to the corporate limits of the town of Davidson. Attached is a vicinity map showing the location. This portion of Catawba avenue is currently located in the incorporated area of the town of Davidson but was formerly located in the unincorporated area of Mecklenburg County and maintained by the NCDOT. The property owner petitioned the town of Davidson board of commissioners seeking annexation by the town pursuant to general statute 160a-31 and the town issued an order extending the town limits to include this portion of Catawba avenue on January 28, 2025. Attached is a copy of the town of Davidson annexation order.

The provisions of general statute section 136-63 allow a property owner to petition the board of county commissioners to request the board of transportation to abandon any road in the secondary system when the best interest of the people of the county will be served by the abandonment. General statute section 160a-31 allows a property owner to petition a town for extension of the corporate limits of the town to include the property. The property owner adjacent to this portion of Catawba avenue petitioned the town of Davidson and the town agreed to extend the corporate limits to include the property. When the property owner requested the annexation, the owner requested that the board of county commissioners petition the board of transportation to abandon the right-of-way. Based upon the annexation by the town of Davidson, it is in the best interest of the people of Mecklenburg County for the board of transportation to abandon the right-of-way and maintenance of this portion of Catawba avenue.

**MECKLENBURG COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION TO
ABANDON A PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND MAINTENANCE OF
CATAWBA AVENUE**

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 136-63 specifies that a county may on its own or on a petition of a group of citizens request the Board of Transportation to change or abandon any road in the secondary system when the best interest of the people of the county will be served thereby; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 160A-31, a property owner in the Town of Davidson has petitioned the Town to extend the town limits to include a portion Catawba Avenue for street improvements required by the Town’s Hoke Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2025, the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners approved the petition and extended the incorporated limits of the town to include a portion of Catawba Avenue; and

WHEREAS, by the annexation petition of the property owner there is a request that the Board of County Commissioners request the Board of Transportation to abandon a portion of the right-of-way and maintenance of Catawba Avenue; and

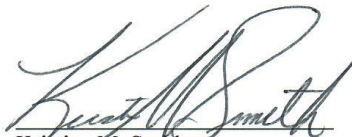
WHEREAS, by virtue of the Town of Davidson annexation order, it is in the best interest of the people of Mecklenburg County for the Board of Transportation to abandon a portion of the right-of-way and maintenance of Catawba Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners does hereby request that the Board of Transportation abandon a portion of the right-of-way and maintenance of Catawba Avenue as shown on the survey

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attached to the annexation order approved by the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners.

ADOPTED THE 6th DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.



Kristine M. Smith
Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Tyrone Wade
County Attorney

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**ORDINANCE 2025-02
TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON TO
INCLUDE A PORTION OF CATAWBA AVENUE/STATE ROAD 2197**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has been petitioned under NCGS§160A-31 to annex the area described below; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has by resolution directed the Town Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of the petition; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has certified the sufficiency of the petition and a public hearing on the question of this annexation was held during the Board of Commissioners Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 28, 2025 after due notice in the Charlotte Observer on Thursday, January 16, 2025.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds that the petition meets the requirements of NCGS§160A-31.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson, North Carolina that:

Section. 1. By virtue of the authority granted by NCGS§ 160A-31, the following described territory is hereby annexed and made part of the Town of Davidson as of January 28, 2025:

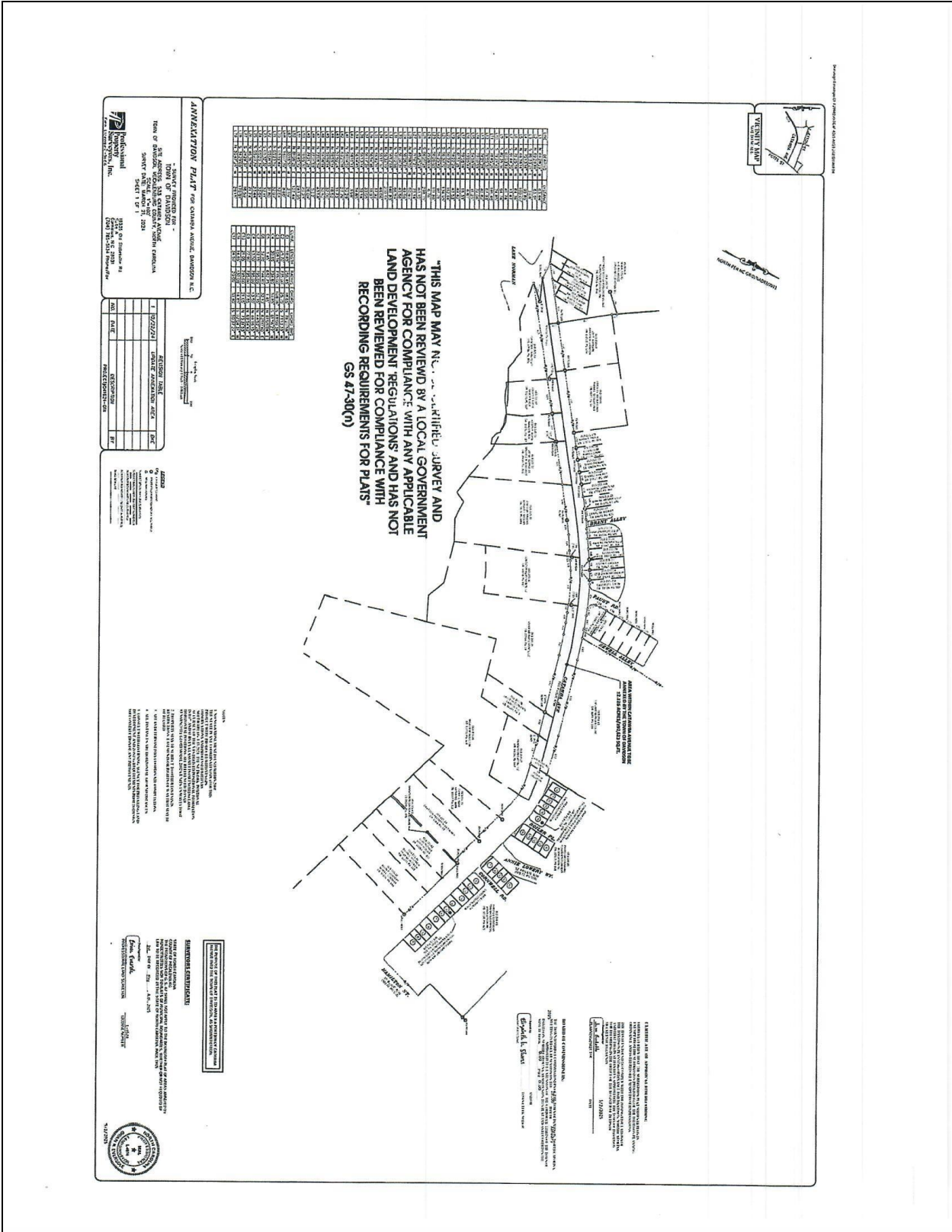
(See page 2 Annexation Plat)

Adopted this 28th day of January 2025.

ATTEST
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Elizabeth K. Shores, Town Clerk

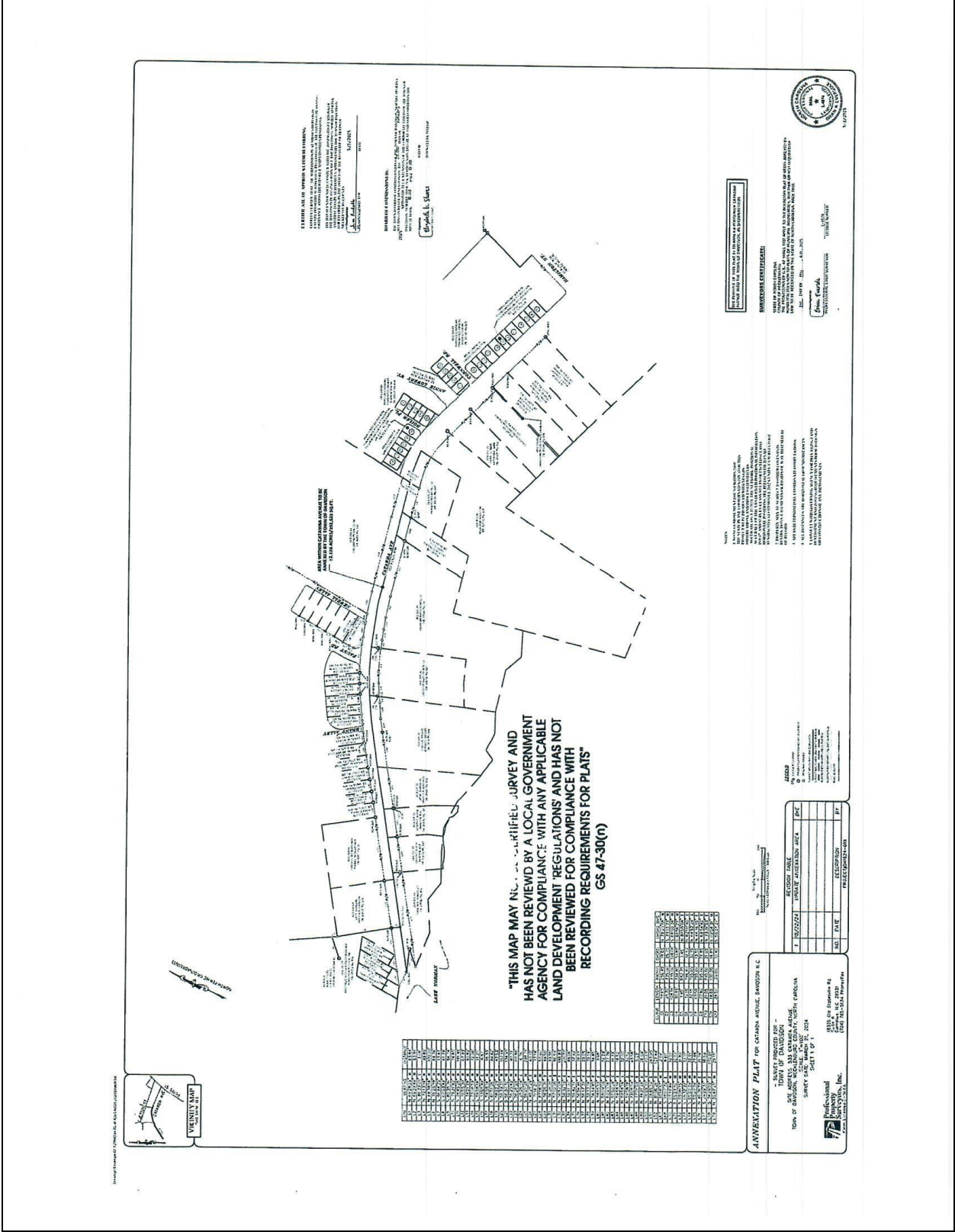
Rusty Knox, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Kevin M. Bringewatt, Town Attorney





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Resolution recorded in full in ordinance Book 54, Document #71

25-0407 MINUTES

Approve the following meeting minutes:

- April 1, 2025, Closed Session
- May 6, 2025, Closed Session
- June 3, 2025, Regular Meeting
- June 17, 2025, Closed Session
- June 17, 2025, Regular Meeting
- June 26, 2025, Board of County Commissioners and Fire Chiefs’ Discussion

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July 1, 2025, Regular Meeting

25-0417 BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR FY26 STEELE CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DISTRICT FUNDING

Amend the FY 2025-2026 budget ordinance to appropriate \$238,113.31 of Charlotte ETJ fire district (9021) fund balance for the Steele Creek station #3 construction project.

LUESA is requesting fund balance to cover final payments due to cost increases for the construction of the Steele Creek Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) fire station #3. This funding will be added to the FY26 capital allocation for the Steele Creek VFD. The cost increases are primarily due to inflation and minor design changes for the new fire station, which was completed in FY25.

The amount requested for additional funding is \$238,113.31, sourced from the fire tax fund and will cover all pending invoices for increased costs.

25-0420 BUDGET AMENDMENT - SHERIFF'S OFFICE - SPECIAL REVENUE FUND REVENUE AND EXPENSE INCREASE

Recognize, receive, and appropriate \$12,298.16 from seized assets to the Sheriff's Office special revenue fund (8521).

Background: funds are generated from seized assets and will allow the Sheriff's Office to enter into contracts and expend money in accordance with the special revenue fund ordinance. The Sheriff's Office received \$12,298.16 from three (3) separate distributions for seized assets as part of the equitable sharing program:

*Case 23-699781: \$824.85
Case 22-685046: \$7,312.50
Case 22-694853m: \$4,160.81*

25-0421 TAX REFUNDS

Approve refunds in the amount of \$4,138.37 for registered motor vehicles as statutorily required to be paid as requested by the County Assessor; and

Approve refunds in the amount of \$440,493.79 as statutorily required to be paid as requested by the County Assessor.

Background: This Board action is necessary to approve registered motor vehicle tax refunds resulting from clerical errors, value changes and appeals processed in the statewide vehicle tax system.

This Board action is necessary to approve tax refunds resulting from clerical errors, audits and other amendments, including revaluation appeals. There is accrued interest of \$154.45 to be added to refunds of \$1,763.07. There is no accrued interest to be added to the refunds of \$438,576.27. The total refunds with interest added is \$440,493.79.

25-0422 VEHICLE RESERVE AUCTION PROCEEDS

Appropriate auction proceeds held in the Vehicle Reserve Fund in the amount of \$623,390.

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Background: Auction proceeds of \$623,390 were received in FY2025 from the sale of surplus vehicles. This action is needed to appropriate these funds for the FY2026 fleet replacement program.

25-0423 CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK SELECTION - FORMER CIVIL COURTS BUILDING RENOVATION AND ASSOCIATED PROJECTS

Authorize the County Manager to negotiate terms and conditions, including fees to execute a contract with the selected firm, LeChase Construction Services, LLC, for Construction Manager at Risk services for the former civil courts building renovation and associated projects and in the event negotiations with the selected firm are unsuccessful, approve negotiations and contract execution with the alternate firm.

Background: The Former Civil Courts Building, originally constructed in 1976 and located at 800 East 4th Street, needs a complete renovation. A Construction Manager at Risk (CM@Risk) firm is needed to provide services for both the pre-construction and construction phases. The project scope includes interior and exterior renovations, as well as replacements of all mechanical, plumbing, and electrical systems. The newly renovated building will house court support agencies including Juvenile Justice, NC Department of Adult Correction - Division of Community Supervision, Business Court, and the Industrial Commission. Associated projects in the scope of work include the relocations of agencies within the occupied building during the renovation and/or for the upfit of temporary lease space to house building occupants at another site during the building renovation, if needed.

25-0424 BUDGET AMENDMENT - HEALTH DEPARTMENT (REVENUE INCREASE/DECREASE)

Amend the 2025-2026 annual budget ordinance to recognize, receive and appropriate an increase of federal funds in the amount of \$197,000 from the NC department of health and human services (NC DHHS) - division of public health (DPH) to the general fund (0001) within the public health department.

Amend the 2025-2026 annual budget ordinance to recognize, receive and appropriate a decrease of other funds in the amount of \$75,000 from the general fund (0001) within the public health department.

Background: NC DHHS awards federal and state funds to the Department to support public health programs. The Department received notification that funding has been increased by \$197,000 for the WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program.

Mecklenburg County Public Health Pharmacy has had a decrease in revenue in the amount of \$75,000. The Pharmacy is eligible to participate in the Gilead Preferred Pharmacy program. The Gilead Preferred Pharmacy program provides HIV medications to pharmacies/providers to treat uninsured individuals who are not able to afford HIV medications. The program allows for pharmacies/providers to receive reimbursement for the purchase of those medications. The reduction in other revenue is due to a change in the Gilead Preferred Pharmacy program reimbursement criteria.

25-0427 CATAWBA-WATEREE HABITAT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FUND GRANTS

Approve submission of a grant application up to \$65,500 from Catawba Wateree habitat enhancement program

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If awarded, recognize, receive, and appropriate the award amount to the general grants fund (g001) for park and recreation for the duration of the grant to fund rehabilitation of an eroded trail at Latta nature preserve

Adopt the required grant project ordinance for the grant in the general grant fund (g001)

Background: The habitat enhancement program (HEP) is a cooperative initiative by Duke Energy, the North Carolina wildlife resources commission, and the South Carolina department of natural resources. The HEP was developed during the re-licensing of the Catawba Wateree hydro project to provide an effective means of allowing continued private recreational access while providing meaningful habitat creation, enhancement, and protection activities for fish and wildlife adjacent to the Catawba Wateree river and its reservoirs. As part of the habitat management strategy, a "habitat enhancement fund" has been set up to provide for habitat enhancement activities. This fund is supported through fees charged to property owners who want to build private piers and residential marina owners wishing to build multiple slip piers in Catawba Wateree hydro project reservoirs, and from contributions by Duke Energy. These funds are awarded to successful applicants through a competitive proposal process.

The department will be submitting one grant application. The application would fund the rehabilitation of an eroded trail reach at Latta nature preserve with an innovative material that mimics a natural surface and will stabilize the trail. The trail rehabilitation grant amount is \$65,500

GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County is applying and/or has been awarded a grant from the (Catawba-Wataree Habitat Enhancement Program). The grant has been made available to Mecklenburg County under the (Catawba-Wataree Habitat Enhancement Program) up to the amount of \$65,500, and

WHEREAS, the grant funds must be used to (Fund the rehabilitation of an eroded trail reach at Latta Nature Preserve)

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:

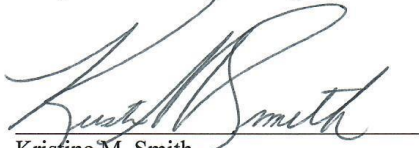
- Section 1. The project described in the (Catawba-Wataree Habitat Enhancement Program) grant application is hereby authorized to be undertaken for the duration of the grant.
- Section 2. The County Manager is authorized to execute the grant agreement and other documents that are required or appropriate for the County to receive the (Catawba-Wataree Habitat Enhancement Program) and to undertake the project. The County Manager is directed to take steps necessary to ensure compliance with all spending and reporting requirements (Catawba-Wataree Habitat Enhancement Program).
- Section 3. The following revenues are anticipated for Mecklenburg County in the (G001) to complete this project:

**Catawba-Wataree Habitat Enhancement Program
up to \$65,500**

- Section 4. The following \$65,500 is appropriated in the (G001) to complete this project:

\$65,500 (application/award amount)

Adopted this 6th day of August, 2025


Kristine M. Smith
Clerk to the Board



Ordinance recorded in full in ordinance book 54, document #76.

**25-0434 FFY2025-2029 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND FFY2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
APPROVAL**

Approve the FFY2025-2029 consolidated plan (conplan) and FFY2025 annual action plan (AAP) for community development block grant (CDBG) funds

Recognize, receive, and appropriate \$1,022,878 from the us department of housing and urban development (HUD) to complete projects within specified categories outlined in the county’s FY 2025 annual action plan.

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Adopt a grant project ordinance for the community development block grant (CDBG) in the general grants fund (GRNT).

Background: Mecklenburg County, being a designated entitlement jurisdiction, receives an annual allocation of community development block grant (CDBG) funding from housing urban development (HUD) to assist in the development of viable communities by supporting programs and projects that provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing that is both affordable and sustainable, provide public service activities, and expand economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons.

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GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County is applying and/or has been awarded a grant from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The grant has been made available to Mecklenburg County under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program up to the amount of \$1,022,878; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds must be used to assist in the development of viable communities by supporting programs and projects that provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing that is both affordable and sustainable, provide public service activities, and expand economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons.

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 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 appropriated for the County to receive the CDBG grant and to undertake the included project. The County Manager is directed to take steps necessary to ensure compliance with all spending and reporting requirements from HUD.

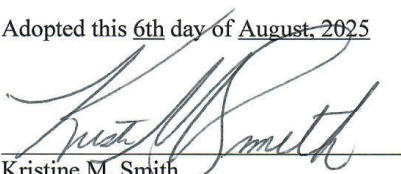
Section 3. The following revenues are anticipated for Mecklenburg County in the GRNT fund to complete this project:

CDBG	\$1,022,878
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Section 4. The following expenses are appropriated for Mecklenburg County in the GRNT fund to complete this project:

CDBG	\$1,022,878
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Adopted this 6th day of August, 2025



Kristine M. Smith
Clerk to the Board



Ordinance recorded in full in ordinance Book 54, Document #70

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25-0435 ORDER OF COLLECTION - 2025 AD VALOREM TAXES

Authorize the tax collector to collect 2025 ad valorem taxes.

Background: Requirement of North Carolina General Statute (NCGS) 105-321(b) which states: "Before delivering the tax receipts to the tax collector in any year, the board of county commissioners or municipal governing body shall adopt and enter in its minutes an order directing the tax collector to collect the taxes charged in the tax records and receipts. A copy of this order shall be delivered to the tax collector at the time the tax receipts are delivered to him, but the failure to do so, shall not affect the tax collector's rights and duties to employ the means of collecting taxes provided by this subchapter. The order of collection shall have the force and effect of a judgment and execution against the taxpayers' real and personal property."

24-0441 NATIONAL OPIOIDS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH EIGHT ADDITIONAL PHARMACEUTICALS

Adopt Resolution authorizing the County Manager or County Attorney to execute all documents necessary for participation in National Opioids Settlement Agreement with Eight Additional Pharmaceuticals

Background: Mecklenburg County, along with several counties and municipalities in North Carolina, joined thousands of local governments across the country to file lawsuits against opioids manufactures and pharmaceutical distribution companies and chain drug stores. Proposed settlements have been reached with eight additional pharmaceutical and small manufacturer companies. To participate in the National Opioids Settlement Agreement, it is necessary to sign a participation agreement.

**RESOLUTION OF THE MECKLENBURG BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT WITH EIGHT ADDITIONAL PHARMACEUTICALS**

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County, along with several counties and municipalities in North Carolina, joined with thousands of local governments across the country to file lawsuits against opioid manufacturers and pharmaceutical distribution companies and chain drug stores to hold these companies accountable for their misconduct; and

WHEREAS, proposed settlements have been reached with the following pharmaceuticals and small manufacturer companies: **Alvogen, Inc.; Amneal Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Apotex Inc.; Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA Inc.; Indivior Inc.; Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc.; Sun Pharmaceutical Industries, Inc.; and Zydus Pharmaceuticals (USA), Inc.;** and

WHEREAS, these settlements will collectively add approximately \$1.1 billion additional dollars in cash and opioid-related pharmaceutical products to be distributed among state and local governments across the country; and

WHEREAS, six of the nine settlements will be paid in the first year, with the remaining three (Amneal, Indivior, and Mylan) being paid over a period of between two to ten years, with three settlements including the overdose-reversal medications such as Naloxone, Eight of the settlements also contain injunctive relief concerning the opioid marketing and suspicious monitoring programs that will be overseen by the States; and

WHEREAS, this settlement opportunity will follow the same allocation formula used in prior national opioid settlements to ensure equitable distribution to states and local governments; and

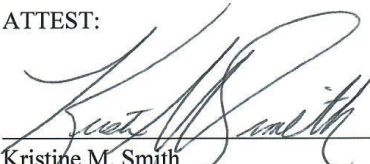
WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County has the opportunity to join this settlement group by signing a single Participation Agreement that must be submitted on or before September 30, 2025.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Mecklenburg County does hereby authorize participation in the national opioid settlement agreement and authorizes the County Manager or County Attorney to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the same and provide such documents to the Implementation Administrator.

Adopted this the 6th day of August 2025.


Mark D. Jerrell, Chair
Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Kristine M. Smith
Clerk to the Board (SEAL)



Resolution recorded in full in ordinance Book 54, Document #77.

THIS CONCLUDED ITEMS APPROVED BY CONSENT

25-0439 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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25-0406 REQUEST TO RENAME COUNTY FACILITY

The Board received an application submitted by LUESA director, Ebenezer S. Gujjarlapudi to rename the LUESA Suttle avenue facility located at 2145 Suttle Ave to the "Russell S. Rozzelle Office Building.

Motion was made by Commissioner Altman, seconded by Commissioner Powell and unanimously carried to Schedule a public hearing on September 3, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. to receive public comment on the proposed re-naming.

Background: An application for the renaming has been submitted by Ebenezer Gujjarlapudi, LUESA Director in honor of the long-time dedicated and accomplished employee who passed away unexpectedly on May 13, 2025, before he was able to retire from County employment. With over 45 years of service in local government as the Water Quality Program Manager for Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services, Russell "Rusty" Rozzelle spent his career dedicated to the mission of preserving and restoring our local surface water resources. His career included many significant achievements that set the foundation for water resource management on a local, regional, and state level. Rusty's passion for water quality and collaboration enabled Mecklenburg County, the Towns of Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill and Pineville, Central Piedmont Community College and Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System to obtain the first joint National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit in the State of NC, which provided for efficient government and consistent water quality protection throughout the County. Rusty ensured the ultimate protection of local lakes and streams through the development, adoption, and implementation of multiple protective ordinances for Mecklenburg County, the City of Charlotte, and the Towns of Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill and Pineville. Beginning in 1993, he developed the Water Supply Watershed Buffers to help protect the public water supplies of Lake Norman, Mountain Island Lake, and Lake Wylie. In 1999 and 2000, the Surface Water Improvement and Management (SWIM) Buffer Ordinance was adopted to help protect our water quality by filtering out pollutants in stormwater runoff. Rusty worked with the Town of Huntersville in the adoption (2003) of a Low-Impact-Development (LID) Ordinance which has been a significant measure to balance water quality impacts from the tremendous amount of development that has occurred within this community. In 2008, he played a pivotal role in navigating a group of stakeholders to agree on common goals for Mecklenburg County and reaching consensus to adopt a Post-Construction Stormwater Ordinance which is aimed at managing stormwater runoff after construction is complete to improve water quality and protect our stream systems. This effort involved weekly after-hours meetings that lasted 18 months. Included in the post-construction ordinances were provisions that provided protection of the Carolina heel splitter, which is a federally endangered species of freshwater mussel. Rusty was a champion in improving and protecting surface waters for all residents of Mecklenburg County as well as throughout the State of NC and the southeast. Rusty had an eloquent way of using history (starting in the late 1700's when his family operated Rozzelle's Ferry, one of the first ferries across the Catawba River), story-telling, and environmental science to educate people on the importance of preserving waters of the State and was often called upon to give talks and presentations to elected officials, historical societies, and environmental groups throughout NC. Pursuant to the County's facility naming policy, the Board will need to set a public hearing to receive public comment before approving the request.

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

**25-0414 JOINT RESOLUTION BY THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS TO RECONSTITUTE THE LAKE NORMAN MARINE
COMMISSION**

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Motion was made by Commissioner Powell, seconded by Commissioner Leake, and unanimously carried to adopt a Joint Resolution by the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners to Reconstitute the Lake Norman Marine Commission Pursuant to Article 6B of Chapter 77 of North Carolina General Statutes.

Chair Jerrell stated Commissioner Powell would chair the board and applications for the commission would begin the following day. He said they would be appointing an ad hoc committee for the LNMC interviews.

Background: The purpose of this resolution is to approve for the Board of Commissioners to Reconstitute the Lake Norman Marine Commission Pursuant to Article 6B of Chapter 77 of North Carolina General Statutes. Upon the Executive Director of the Wildlife Resources certifying that three (3) or more eligible local governments have adopted substantially identical resolutions, the Commission shall be reconstituted and begin operation pursuant to Article 6B

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**JOINT RESOLUTION BY THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO
RECONSTITUTE THE LAKE NORMAN MARINE COMMISSION ("COMMISSION")
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 6B OF CHAPTER 77 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL
STATUTES**

WHEREAS, Lake Norman, a major regional body of water and economic, recreational, and environmental resource, lies partially within the jurisdictional boundaries of Catawba County, Iredell County, Lincoln County and Mecklenburg County in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly enacted Chapter 1089 of the 1969 Session Laws (the "Act"), to authorize the Counties of Catawba, Iredell, Lincoln and Mecklenburg to adopt joint resolutions to establish "The Lake Norman Marine Commission;" and

WHEREAS, Catawba County previously adopted a "Joint Resolution Regarding Lake Norman Territorial Jurisdiction" (No. 2015-05) dated the 6th day of April 2015 which established the authority for the enforcement of laws over all of Lake Norman, and its shoreline to any and all law enforcement officers having jurisdiction over any part of Lake Norman or its shoreline, and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Iredell, Mecklenburg and Lincoln Counties adopted the same Joint Resolution as Catawba ; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Norman Marine Commission operated continuously since its establishment, until pursuant to the Act, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners withdrew its joint resolution, which effectively dissolved the Commission, effective, June 30, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly, through Article 6B of Chapter 77 of the General Statutes (Session Law 2025-67), has authorized the reconstitution of the Lake Norman Marine Commission (the "Commission") to oversee all matters of public recreation, including but not limited to, boating and water safety, aquatic vegetation control, and shoreline protection; and

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County is an eligible participating local government pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 77-89.1(a); and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. § 77-89.2 requires that three (3) or more eligible local governments adopt substantially identical joint resolutions to formally reconstitute the Commission to ensure the coordinated governance applicable to Lake Norman and its shoreline area; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. § 77-89.10 provides that upon a joint resolution, all law enforcement officers with territorial jurisdiction as to any part of Lake Norman or its shoreline area, within the limitations of their subject matter jurisdiction, shall have the authority of peace officers in enforcing the laws over all of Lake Norman and its shoreline, including any applicable ordinances or regulations adopted by local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners finds it in the best interest of Mecklenburg County to participate in this joint effort to promote coordinated governance, resource protection, and responsible public use of Lake Norman; and

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WHEREAS, similar joint resolutions are being adopted by Catawba, Iredell, and Lincoln Counties to reconstitute the Commission.

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

Section 1. Participation in Reconstitution

Mecklenburg County hereby joins in this joint resolution to reconstitute the Lake Norman Marine Commission pursuant to Article 6B of Chapter 77 of the North Carolina General Statutes. Upon the Executive Director of the Wildlife Resources Commission certifying that three (3) or more eligible local governments have adopted substantially identical resolutions, the Commission shall be reconstituted and begin operating pursuant to Article 6B.

Section 2. Appointment of Commissioners

In accordance with N.C.G.S. § 77-89.3, Mecklenburg County shall appoint two (2) members to the Commission, who:

- Shall be a full-time resident of Mecklenburg County for at least nine (9) months each year;
- Shall serve a five (5)-year term, unless otherwise specified to stagger initial terms;
- Shall meet the ethical requirements and conflict-of-interest standards of N.C.G.S. § 77-89.3(f); and
- May be removed for cause under N.C.G.S. § 143B-13.

Section 3. Financial Contribution

Mecklenburg County shall contribute annually its equal share of financial support to the Commission, as required by N.C.G.S. § 77-89.6(f), or as otherwise agreed by the participating local governments under N.C.G.S. § 77-89.6(e). Contributions may be made from tax or non-tax sources.

Section 4. Filing and Certification

A certified copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the Executive Director of the Wildlife Resources Commission. Upon receipt of substantially identical resolutions from at least two (2) other eligible local governments, the Executive Director shall certify the joint resolution in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 77-89.7.

Copies of this Resolution shall also be filed with:

- The Secretary of State;
- The Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality;
- The Secretary of the Department of Commerce;
- The Clerk of Superior Court of Mecklenburg County;
- The clerk to the board of each of the participating local governments;
- The General Manager of Water Strategy for the federal licensee of the Catawba-Wataree Hydro Project (FERC No. 2232); and
- A news outlet serving the four-county Lake Norman region.

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Section 5. Enforcement

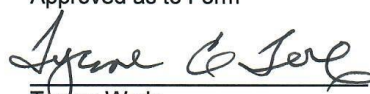
All law enforcement officers with territorial jurisdiction as to any part of Lake Norman or its shoreline area shall, within the limitations of their subject matter jurisdiction, continue to have the authority of peace officers in enforcing the laws over all of Lake Norman and its shoreline area pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 77-89.10 and as previously adopted by Catawba County Joint Resolution No. 2015-05 and No. 2025-18.

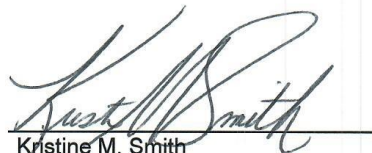
Section 6. Effective Date

This Resolution shall become effective upon the Executive Director's certification under N.C.G.S. § 77-89.7 that substantially identical resolutions have been adopted by at least three (3) eligible local governments. The Commission shall be reconstituted, and its initial appointments become effective seven (7) calendar days following such certification, as provided in Section 5.4 of Session Law 2025-67.

Adopted this 6th day of August, 2025.


Mark D. Jerrell, Chair
Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners

Approved as to Form

Tyrone Wade
County Attorney


Kristine M. Smith
Clerk to the Board



Resolution recorded in full in ordinance Book 54, Document #75.

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

25-0409 HOMES Interlocal Agreement

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Griffin and unanimously carried, to adopt a Resolution Approving fiscal year 2025-2026 Helping Out Mecklenburg's Homeowners with Economic Support (HOMES) Interlocal Agreements between Mecklenburg County and Town of Davidson and amend the fiscal year 2025-2026 annual budget ordinance to recognize, receive, and appropriate an increase in revenue and expenses in the amount of \$60,757 to the general fund (0001) in the Department of Community Resources for the HOMES Program

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Background: The Department of Community Resources (DCR) manages the HOMES Program that provides economic support to residents with low to moderate income in retaining their homes. The fiscal year 2025-2026 DCR HOMES Program includes a partnership with the Town of Davidson. The interlocal agreement puts in place the terms that Mecklenburg County and Town of Davidson agreed. Town of Davidson will transfer \$15,000 to Mecklenburg County for use in the FY26 HOMES Program in addition to the \$6,975 remaining for a total of \$21,975. The City of Charlotte donated \$34,125 and the County has \$4,657 of HOMES tax adjustments for a total of \$60,757 included on the request.

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**RESOLUTION OF THE MECKLENBURG BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT WITH EIGHT ADDITIONAL PHARMACEUTICALS**

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County, along with several counties and municipalities in North Carolina, joined with thousands of local governments across the country to file lawsuits against opioid manufacturers and pharmaceutical distribution companies and chain drug stores to hold these companies accountable for their misconduct; and

WHEREAS, proposed settlements have been reached with the following pharmaceuticals and small manufacturer companies: **Alvogen, Inc.; Amneal Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Apotex Inc.; Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA Inc.; Indivior Inc.; Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc.; Sun Pharmaceutical Industries, Inc.; and Zydus Pharmaceuticals (USA), Inc.;** and

WHEREAS, these settlements will collectively add approximately \$1.1 billion additional dollars in cash and opioid-related pharmaceutical products to be distributed among state and local governments across the country; and

WHEREAS, six of the nine settlements will be paid in the first year, with the remaining three (Amneal, Indivior, and Mylan) being paid over a period of between two to ten years, with three settlements including the overdose-reversal medications such as Naloxone, Eight of the settlements also contain injunctive relief concerning the opioid marketing and suspicious monitoring programs that will be overseen by the States; and

WHEREAS, this settlement opportunity will follow the same allocation formula used in prior national opioid settlements to ensure equitable distribution to states and local governments; and

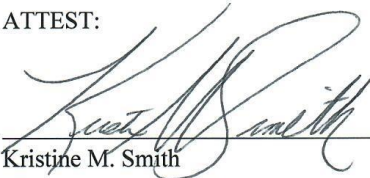
WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County has the opportunity to join this settlement group by signing a single Participation Agreement that must be submitted on or before September 30, 2025.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Mecklenburg County does hereby authorize participation in the national opioid settlement agreement and authorizes the County Manager or County Attorney to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the same and provide such documents to the Implementation Administrator.

Adopted this the 6th day of August 2025.


Mark D. Jerrell, Chair
Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Kristine M. Smith
Clerk to the Board (SEAL)



Resolution recorded in full in ordinance book 54, document #77.

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EXHIBIT 1

INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND TOWN OF DAVIDSON

This **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT** (the "Agreement") is made and entered into by and between Mecklenburg County (referred to herein as "County"), a political subdivision of the State of North Carolina and the Town of Davidson (referred to herein as "Town") a municipal corporation organized under the law of the State of North Carolina each a "Party," (or collectively the "Parties"), to be effective July 1, 2025.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Town and the County have the authority pursuant to General Statute § 153A-445(a)(1) and Article 20 of Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes to enter into Agreements and Partnerships with each other for the exercise of any governmental function which either has been granted the authority to exercise and to enter into Interlocal cooperation agreements to specify the details of these undertakings; and

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County recognizes that homeownership is the single most important investment that many residents make in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners established a taxpayer assistance program ("HOMES") in 2022 to assist qualifying low to moderate income residents within Mecklenburg County to retain their primary residence (their home) by reducing the increased financial burden as a result of escalating real estate property values and resulting in property tax increases; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Davidson established the Town Tax Assistance Program (DTAP) in 2023 for qualifying low to moderate income residents who wish to continue living in their homes as they face tax increases resulting from the real property reappraisals and wants to partner with Mecklenburg County to expand the program; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is to set forth the terms and conditions under which Mecklenburg County and Town of Davidson will partner to administer a program to assist qualifying low to moderate income residents of the County and Town who are at risk of losing residential housing due to increased real property taxes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority under Article 20 of Chapter 160A of North Carolina General Statutes related to Interlocal Cooperation and North Carolina General Statutes §153A-445, the Parties desire to enter into this Interlocal Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners and Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners have approved the initiatives contained in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants of the parties as set forth herein, the County and Town agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

- 1. **PURPOSE.**
The purpose of this partnership agreement is to combine County and Town efforts to have greater efficiency of scale to assist a greater number of low to moderate income residents within the County and Town with maintaining their primary residence in a rising real estate economic environment which outpaces income growth and increases the possibility of loss of home ownership.

- 2. **DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT.**
 - 2.1. The term of the agreement shall be from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, with program funding beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.
 - 2.2. The parties may renew this Agreement for additional annual terms providing the extension is in writing and approved by the County and Town.
 - 2.3. In order to provide prompt and efficient services, all parties agree to maintain open communication with the other and be available during regular business hours.

- 3. **DUTIES OF THE TOWN**
 - 3.1 Town agrees:
 - 3.1.1 To allow residual funds of \$6,975.00 (six thousand nine hundred seventy-five) dollars ("Town's Funds") be used by Mecklenburg County Finance for FY2026 HOMES Program. The residual funds are remaining after the reconciliation of the FY2025 transfer of \$17,200.00 (seventeen thousand two hundred) dollars minus \$9,738.00 (nine thousand seven hundred thirty-eight) grant awards minus \$487.00 (four hundred eighty-seven) operating for a total of remaining \$6,975.00 (six thousand nine hundred seventy-five) dollars.
 - 3.1.2 To transfer \$15,000.00 (fifteen thousand) dollars ("Town Funds") to Mecklenburg County finance as soon as practicable after July 1, 2025, or when funding becomes available in the FY2026 budget. Total amount of funding for FY2026 is \$21,975.00 (twenty-one thousand nine hundred seventy-five) dollars.
 - 3.1.3 To use the Town tax rate of twenty-six point six zero cents (Town's FY2025 approved property tax rate) with corresponding median household value of \$573,700.00 (five hundred seventy-three thousand seven hundred) dollars in the formula to calculate the HOMES grant amount for a maximum Town grant amount of \$534.00 (five hundred thirty-four) dollars.
 - 3.1.4 That the use of funds for the HOMES program will be split by paying \$1,123.00 (one thousand one hundred twenty-three) dollars to Mecklenburg County by the Town for administering the program.
 - 3.1.5 That eligibility criteria will be based upon the County's HOMES eligibility criteria.
 - 3.1.6 The joint program will be managed by Mecklenburg County Department of Community Resources.
 - 3.1.7 Promote the HOMES program through their standard communication channels, platforms, and public information distributions.

- 4. **DUTIES OF THE COUNTY**
 - 4.1 County agrees:
 - 4.1.1 Department of Community Resources will manage the HOMES program.
 - 4.1.2 Funding at \$20,852.00 for grants and \$1,123.00 administrative fee for Town, consistent with the attached Exhibit A estimates.
 - 4.1.3 To apply the same eligibility criteria to County and Town funds.
 - 4.1.4 To only use Town funds for the HOMES program and no other purpose.
 - 4.1.5 To provide the Town with a final accounting and program status report by June 30, 2026.

- 5. **AMENDMENT.**

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- a. The County Manager and Town Manager or their designees, are authorized to amend any components of this agreement without further authorization of the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners or Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners.
 - b. Except as provided herein, this Agreement may not be modified or amended except by a subsequent written agreement authorized and signed by all parties.
6. **TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT.**
- a. This Agreement may be terminated upon mutual consent of the parties, or by any court of competent jurisdiction upon the finding that there has been such a substantial breach of this Agreement by the non-complaining party so as to entitle the complaining party to be relieved of its obligations under this Agreement.
 - b. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time without cause by giving thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. As soon as practicable after receipt of a written notice of termination without cause, the County shall submit a statement to the Town showing in detail the allocation of funds administered under the program through the date of termination.
 - c. **TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT BY EITHER PARTY.** By giving written notice to the other party, either party may terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of one or more of the following events:
 - i. The other party violates or fails to perform any covenant, provision, obligation, term or condition contained in this Agreement, provided that, unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, such failure or violation shall not be cause for termination if both of the following conditions are satisfied: (i) such default is reasonably susceptible to cure; and (ii) the other party cures such default within thirty (30) days of receipt of written notice of default from the non-defaulting party; or
 - ii. The other party attempts to assign, terminate or cancel this Agreement contrary to the terms hereof.

Any notice of default shall identify this Section of this Agreement and shall state the party's intent to terminate this Agreement if the default is not cured within the specified period.
 - d. **COUNTY AUTHORITY TO TERMINATE.** The following persons are authorized, consistent with this Agreement, to terminate this Agreement on behalf of the County: (a) the County Manager, or any designee of the County Manager.
 - e. **TOWN AUTHORITY TO TERMINATE.** The following persons are authorized, consistent with this Agreement, to terminate this Agreement on behalf of Town: (a) the Town Manager, or any designee of the Town Manager.
 - f. **OBLIGATIONS UPON EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION.** Upon expiration or termination of this Agreement, the County shall comply with all applicable terms and conditions contained herein. In addition, within thirty (30) days of the termination by either party, the County shall return all Town funds that have not been utilized by the HOMES program to the Town.
7. **ENFORCEMENT OF AGREEMENT.** The parties agree that the remedy of specific performance would be an appropriate remedy, among others, for the enforcement of this Agreement.
8. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties with the respect to its subject matter, and there are no other representations, understandings, or agreements between the parties with respect to such subject matter. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, negotiations, representations, and proposals, written or oral.
9. **NOTICES.** Any notices, requests or other communications required by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given if hand-delivered or mailed first class mail, postage prepaid, certified mail, return receipt requested and addressed:

County	Town
County Manager	Town of Davidson
Mecklenburg County	James Justice Town Manager
CMGC	251 South Street

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600 E. Fourth Street 11 th Floor	P.O. Box 579
Charlotte, NC 28202	Davidson, NC 28036

10. MISCELLANEOUS
- 10.1

This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 10.2.

All paragraph headings are inserted for convenience only.
- 10.3.

This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Town without prior written consent of the County.
- 10.4

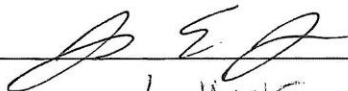
This Agreement replaces and supersedes all prior oral or written agreements between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall not be amended except by written agreement signed by the parties hereto.

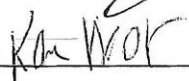
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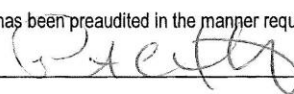
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and in acknowledgement that the parties hereto have read and understood each and every provision hereof, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed.

TOWN OF DAVIDSON

Town Manager: 

Approved as to form by Town Attorney: 

This instrument has been preaudited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

Finance Officer: 

MECKLENBURG COUNTY

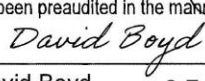
County Manager: 

Michael Bryant 8-6-2025

Approved as to form by County Attorney: 

Tyrone Wade 8-6-2025

This instrument has been preaudited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

Finance Officer: 

David Boyd 8-7-2025

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Exhibit A: FY2026 HOMES PROGRAM FUNDING			
FY2026 HOMES Program			
FY26 HOMES Funding Break-out	Mecklenburg County	Davidson	Combined
Grants	4,222,294	20,852	4,243,146
Totals	4,222,294	20,852	4,243,146
Administration-On-going Funding			
Full-Time County Staff	719,286		719,286
Casual Labor	320,714		320,714
Marketing (includes City Donation)	50,972		50,972
Operations (tech, phone, supplies, training)	25,000	1,123	26,123
Sub-Total	1,115,972	1,123	1,117,095
Total	5,338,266	21,975	5,360,241
• County Grant Max: \$650 • Estimated Average County Grant: \$514 • Davidson Grant Max: \$534 • Estimated Average Davidson Grant: \$287 • Estimated approved applications to exhaust funding: 8,215 • Total estimated applications: 12,638 (eligible applicants will be diverted to the Homestead Exemption or other programs) • Administration staff includes: Social Services Program Coordinator (2), Accounting I (1), Admin Support Assistant (2), Sr. Management Analyst (1), Tax Reconciliation (1), Supervisor, 11 Casual Labor.			

Agreement recorded in full in ordinance Book 54, Document #73.

**RESOLUTION OF THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND TOWN OF DAVIDSON**

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Statute § 153A-445(a)(1) and Article 20 of Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes the Town and County have the authority to enter into Agreements and Partnerships with each other for the exercise of any governmental function which either has been granted the authority to exercise and to enter into Interlocal cooperation agreements to specify the details of these undertakings; and

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County recognizes that homeownership is the single most important investment that many residents make in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners established Helping Out Mecklenburg homeowners with Economic Support (“HOMES”) Program in 2022 to assist qualifying low to moderate income residents within Mecklenburg County to retain their primary residence (their home) by reducing the increased financial burden as a result of the escalating real estate property values, resulting in property tax increases; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Davidson established the Davidson Tax Assistance Program (“DTAP”) in 2023 for qualifying low to moderate income residents who wish to continue living in their homes as they face tax increases resulting from the real property reappraisals and desires to partner with Mecklenburg County to expand their program; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is to set forth the terms and conditions under which Mecklenburg County and the Town of Davidson will continue to partner to administer the program in order to assist qualifying low to moderate income residents of the Town and County who are at risk of losing residential housing due to increased real property taxes, resulting directly from increased real property values; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Davidson agrees to utilize \$6,975.00 (six thousand nine hundred seventy-five) dollars (the “Town Funds”) of unused funds, transferred to Mecklenburg County in FY2025, for the FY2026 HOMES Program and to transfer an additional \$15,000.00 (fifteen thousand) dollars as soon as practicable after July 1, 2025 to use in FY2026 for a total amount of funding of \$21,975.00 (twenty-one thousand nine hundred seventy-five) dollars; and

WHEREAS, the use of said funds for the HOMES program will be divided by \$1,123.00 (one thousand one hundred twenty-three) dollars being paid to Mecklenburg County for administering the program and \$20,852.00 (twenty thousand eight hundred fifty-two) dollars for use in grant funds, for homeowners meeting the eligibility criteria based upon the County’s HOMES eligibility criteria; and

WHEREAS, this joint program will be managed by Mecklenburg County staff under the Department of Community Resources; and

WHEREAS, the term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

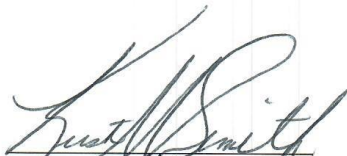
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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the attached interlocal agreement and authorizes the County Manager to execute the Agreement in substantially the form as presented.

Adopted the 6th day of August 2025.

Approved as to Form:


Tyrone Wade
County Attorney


Kristine M. Smith
Clerk to the Board



Agreement recorded in full in ordinance Book 54, Document #72.

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

25-0418 Construction Management @ Risk Contracting Methodology for County Projects

Motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Meier and unanimously carried, to authorize the use of the construction management @ risk (CM@Risk) contracting methodology for the Tuckasegee recreation center as the best construction contracting delivery method for the project.

Background: In 2001, the General Assembly Session Law 2001-496 enacted Senate Bill 914

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(revisions to G.S. 143-128), to provide construction flexibility for public entities by allowing the use, without limitation, of separate prime contracting, single prime contracting, dual bidding, Construction Management at Risk (CM@Risk), and alternative contracting methods authorized by the State Building Commission.

Effective October 1, 2014, the NC Legislature approved revisions to Section 143-128.1, requiring the comparison of the advantages and disadvantages of the CM@Risk method, and a decision by the governing body that the CM@Risk method "is in the best interest of the project" before it can be used by a public entity for a project.

"(e) Construction Management at Risk services may be used by the public entity only after the public entity has concluded that construction management at risk services is in the best interest of the project, and the public entity has compared the advantages and disadvantages of using the construction management at risk method for a given project in lieu of the delivery methods identified in G.S. 143-128(a1) (1) through G.S. 143-128(a1) (3). The public entity may not delegate this determination."

The office of Asset and Facility Management has developed the attached matrix comparing the traditional Design-Bid-Build contracting method to the CM@ Risk method.

With the Construction Management at Risk (CM@Risk) project delivery method, the construction manager assists the County with scheduling, constructability, and budget control prior to construction and the CM@Risk is accountable for delivering the project on-schedule and within budget during construction.

The County has successfully utilized the CM@Risk contract methodology previously on multiple projects involving renovations and new construction, including, the Eastway and Northern Regional Recreation Centers, MEDIC Headquarters, and the Ella B. Scarborough Community Resource Center. These projects were large and complex and were time and budget sensitive.

Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools, Central Piedmont Community College and the City of Charlotte have also successfully utilized the CM@Risk methodology.

Project Description

The scope of the project will involve renovating and/or reconstructing the existing Tuckasegee Recreation Center, an important recreation center constructed in 1974. The recreation center is located within Tuckasegee Park, a 19-acre park located in west Charlotte. The project scope for the recreation center is anticipated to include, but is not limited to an indoor gym, multipurpose and meeting rooms, fitness rooms, locker rooms/restrooms, administrative space, and an outdoor swimming pool. The project scope also involves park renovations that include improving and adding park amenities (shelters, fields, courts, playground, fitness equipment, spray ground, and trails) which is to be determined through community engagement.

For the project, the CM@Risk shall provide services for both the pre-construction and construction phase related to the Recreation Center and Park. Controlling costs will play a major role in the success of the project.

In review of the attached Comparison Matrix, the following advantages make a CM@Risk Contract methodology the best delivery option for the Tuckasegee Recreation Center and in the best interest of the project. Details that pertain to the project are in parenthesis:

- a) Selection of contractor based on qualifications, experience, and team.
(Qualifications based on similar projects of scale or complexity)*
- b) Contractor provides design phase assistance in constructability, budgeting, and scheduling.*

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(Assistance in pre-construction services for this project)

- c) Continuous budget control possible. (Determination of final space program and design phase need budget monitoring throughout the process).*
- d) Prequalification of subcontractors allows Owner and contractor to ensure quality and experience. (This helps mitigate cost overruns and delays and ensures a quality product).*
- e) Subcontracts are competitively bid by pre-qualified contractors. (Lowest price by qualified contractors).*
- f) Better coordination between design team and contractor. (This collaboration allows early pricing, scheduling, and expedited implementation).*
- g) Changes in scope during design can be immediately priced by CM@Risk to determine budget impact. (Better budget data to inform potential design changes prior to construction).*
- h) Should reduce change orders during construction since CM@Risk participated in the design phase. (Minimizes unexpected costs and/or delays).*
- i) Allows early ordering/purchasing of materials/equipment with long lead times (certain materials and equipment still have supply chain issues).*
- j) CM@Risk historically have provided greater MWBE participation for County projects*

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

25-0419 Budget Amendment - Sheriff's Office- Revenue and Expense Increase to General Fund

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Powell and unanimously carried, to recognize, receive and appropriate a contribution of \$10,000 from Elevation Church for the MCSO Resident Programs and Chaplain Services to the Sheriff's Office General Fund (0001).

Background: The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) Adult Programs Division has received intent from Elevation Church to donate \$10,000 in contribution towards the Chaplaincy and the Resident Programs division. Funds will be used towards departmental resources, materials, and equipment needed to further the rehabilitative and the spiritual initiatives at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central (MCDCC).

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

25-0425 Subcontractor Pre-qualifications - Construction Manager @ Risk for Latta Place

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Altman and unanimously carried, to authorize the Subcontractor Pre-qualification procedure provided by Elford, Inc. for the Latta Place project.

Background: The Board of County Commissioners authorized the use of the Construction Manager @ Risk Contract Methodology for this project at the June 4, 2024, BOCC meeting in accordance with G.S. 143-128.1

Revisions to state law 2014-42 (H1043), amends G.S. 143-135.8 by establishing specific procedural requirements for when and how local governments may prequalify construction contractors to bid on construction and repair contracts. These requirements also apply to the prequalification of subcontractors by a Construction Manager at Risk under G.S. 143-128.1(c).

Elford Inc. has provided a prequalification process based on the statutory requirements that meet the following criteria:

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1. *Be uniform, consistent, and transparent in its application to all bidders.*
2. *Allow all bidders who meet the prequalification criteria to be prequalified to bid on the construction or repair work project (in other words, a bidder who meets the prequalification criteria must be allowed to bid on the project).*
3. *The prequalification criteria, which must comply with all the following:*
 - a. *Be rationally related to construction or repair work.*
 - b. *Not require that the bidder has previously been awarded a construction or repair project by the governmental entity.*
 - c. *Permit bidders to submit history or experience with projects of similar size, scope or complexity.*
4. *Clearly state the assessment process for the criteria to be used.*
5. *Establish a process for a bidder to protest to the governmental entity its denial of prequalification. The protest process must be completed prior to the bid opening to allow sufficient time for a bidder whose protest is successful to submit a bid on that project.*
6. *Outline a process by which the basis for denial of prequalification will be communicated in writing, upon request, to a bidder who is denied prequalification.*

The focus of these requirements is to ensure that a prequalification process is conducted transparently, using criteria that relates to the specific project being bid and are applied objectively and fairly to all bidders. The requirements also give bidders an opportunity to learn why they were denied prequalification and can appeal that denial.

Per the County's Business Diversity and Inclusion (BDI) Provisions, the Construction Manager plans to meet or exceed the following County MWBE goals for participation in construction subcontracts:

MBE - 15%

WBE - 8%

Total Goal - 23%

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

25-0428 TAX COLLECTOR'S ANNUAL SETTLEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 (TAX YEAR 2024).

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Powell and unanimously carried, to receive and Enter into the Record the Tax Collector's Settlement

Background: The Tax Collector's Settlement is submitted to the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 105-373(3). The Settlement is to be entered into the records of the Board of County Commissioners as directed by statute.

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

25-0431 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT - EASTLAND PARK

Motion was made by Chair Jerrell, seconded by Commissioner Leake and unanimously carried to award a construction contract to Eagle Wood, inc. In the amount of \$8,530,894.60.

Background: This contract is for the construction of the new Eastland Park, 4.54 acres located within the City of Charlotte's Eastland Redevelopment project, formally known as Eastland Mall. Components of the construction will include grading, storm drainage, site utilities, retaining walls, spray-ground, restroom building, sidewalks, sport courts, pavilion structure, landscape areas, and playground.

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This item was pulled by Chair Jerrell for clarity and/or public awareness.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

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 Altman, seconded by Commissioner Powell, and unanimously carried, that there being no further business to come before the Board that the meeting be adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Kristine M. Smith, Clerk to the Board

Mark Jerrell, Chair