



MECKLENBURG COUNTY

Board of County Commissioners

Pulled Consent Agenda Items

BOCC Meeting Date October 7, 2025

4 PULLED CONSENT ITEM(S) AT-A-GLANCE

25-0525	Grant Application North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Aging, RUSH Grant – Commissioner Leake & Commissioner Townsend-Ingram
25-0528	Decline Right of First Refusal Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools Property (Hickory Grove Annex) – Commissioner Dunlap & Commissioner Powell
25-0532	Government District Parking Deck Marathon Health Lease – Commissioner Leake
25-0541	Mecklenburg County ABC Board Travel Policy – Commissioner Leake & Commissioner Dunlap

The following are the responses staff provided regarding items to be pulled from the Consent Agenda. Board members may still pull an item prior to voting on the Consent Agenda.



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AGENDA ITEM: 25-0525	Grant Application North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Aging, RUSH Grant
Commissioner(s)	Commissioner Leake and Commissioner Townsend-Ingram
Reason Pulled	Public Awareness
Question(s)	1. How will the funds be dispensed? 2. Has the \$200,000 already been awarded or are we granting permission to apply? 3. It is restricted to preventing homelessness or rapidly rehousing recent unhoused individuals or families. What agencies or partners will be used to identify these homeless residents or those at risk of homelessness? 4. How will the funds be communicated to the public—dependent upon what specific agency or partner is handling the administration of the grant? 5. Have the beneficiaries of the funds (the at risk or homeless) already been identified by a list or will there be new Mecklenburg County applicants?
Staff Contact	Stacy M. Lowry, Community Support Services Department Director
Staff Response(s)	1. Access to these funds will be through Coordinated Entry. Mecklenburg County Community Support Services manages Coordinated Entry and works to ensure a coordinated, trauma-informed, and person-centered approach to ending homelessness 2. This is for permission to apply and allocate funds if awarded. 3. People will be able to contact Coordinated Entry directly. Mecklenburg County Community Support Services leads Coordinated Entry and works to ensure a coordinated, trauma-informed, and person-centered approach to ending homelessness. Coordinated Entry works closely with other homelessness prevention providers such as Crisis Assistance Ministry or Legal Aid of North Carolina. 4. Communication will be provided through partner agencies included in the homeless/housing eco-system. 5. The funds will be for people who contact Coordinated Entry when the funding is available. There is no list. Coordinated Entry is a standardized community-wide system required by HUD for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness to access housing and support services. The goal is to create a more efficient and equitable system by coordinating providers and ensuring those with the most urgent needs receive help first. Mecklenburg County Community Support Services leads and provides staffing for Coordinated Entry.



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AGENDA ITEM: 25-0528	Decline Right of First Refusal - Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Property (Hickory Grove Annex)
Commissioner(s)	Commissioner Dunlap & Commissioner Powell
Reason Pulled	Pulled for clarity
Question(s)	1. Provide a thorough, detailed explanation. 2. Because the property is not being sold, it should not cost the county if we decided not to sign. However, would signing off now would be premature?
Staff Contact	Jacqueline McNeil, Asset and Facility Management
Staff Response(s)	1. CMS owns a former elementary school location in east Charlotte at 6300 Highland Avenue. CMS has not used the facility for district activities for a number of years and has leased it to Charlotte Bilingual Preschool (CBP) instead for Pre-K and community enrichment activities and programming. CMS and CBP would like to extend the lease for another 10 years. To allow the lease to move forward the County must decline its statutory right of first opportunity in accordance with NC General Statutes. County staff has determined that there is no County need for this property at this time. 2. To move forward with the lease to CBP, CMS is required to provide the County with the first opportunity to lease the building as outlined by NCGS 115-518. NCGS 115-518 also requires the district to follow those disposition requirements in NCGS 160A Article 12. NCGS 160A Article 12 requires that leases longer than 10 years to be treated the same as a "sale of property" thus leading to CMS' requirement to offer the lease to the County first. CMS is also required to follow this same requirement should it ever decided that it does not want to own the property. Therefore, declining the right of first opportunity in this instance will only allow CMS to enter into the lease arrangement with CBP. Should CMS decide to sell the property at a later date, it will need to follow the same requirements of NCGS 115-518 (County's statutory right of first opportunity) and NCGS 160A (the required method of disposition) and offer the County the first opportunity to purchase the property. Ownership interest remains with CMS. If, at the end of the ten year lease, CMS decides to sell the property, the County's right of first refusal on that future sale will still be intact.



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AGENDA ITEM: 25-0532	Government District Parking Deck-Marathon Health Lease
Commissioner(s)	Commissioner Leake
Reason Pulled	For clarification of use
Question(s)	How will this benefit the County?
Staff Contact	Roberta Whitner, Asset & Facility Management
Staff Response(s)	The County will receive \$398,879.25 in revenue over the life of the lease and having a tenant will keep the retail space occupied and activated.

AGENDA ITEM: 25-0541	Mecklenburg County ABC Board Travel Policy
Commissioner(s)	Commissioner Leake and Commissioner Dunlap
Reason Pulled	For clarification for the public
Question(s)	Under what set of circumstances would the ABC board have to pay expenses for an elected official
Staff Contact	Vernetta Purcell-Morrow, COO
Staff Response(s)	Approved travel on official business by members and employees of local boards shall be reimbursed pursuant to G.S. 136-6, unless the local board adopts a travel policy that conforms to the travel policy of the appointing authority and such policy is approved by the appointing authority. The local board shall annually provide the appointing authority's written confirmation of such approval to the Commission and a copy of the travel policy authorized by the appointing authority." Since my time with ABC we have used the travel policy of the County, our appointing authority rather than what is outlined in G.S. 136-6. There should never be a circumstance where this would be the case, unless an elected official sat on our Board and that would be a conflict of interest.