

Business Investment Program Grant Public Hearing

Ernst & Young US, LLP

Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners

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About the Company



- Ernst & Young US, LLP [EY-US] is a subsidiary of EY, an international professional services firm headquartered in London, England and is one of the "Big Four" accounting firms. Key services include:
 - Assurance
 - Tax advisory
 - Consulting
 - Financial Advisory
 - Legal
- EY has over 231,000 employees in 700 offices in 150 countries
- EY-US has 71,000 employees, including 872 employees in its Uptown Charlotte location



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About the Company



- EY is establishing a limited global network of innovation centers [WaveSpaces] that will provide cross discipline intelligence and experience, to focus on helping clients meet disruptive technologies head on:
 - Artificial intelligence
 - Robotics Process Automation
 - Blockchain
 - Data analytics
 - Digital Customer Experience
- The 15 existing WaveSpaces serve large geographic regions and generate significant client travel
- The proposed WaveSpace center will be the fifth in the US



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Competitive Options

Georgia

Total - \$9,375,000

New York

Total - \$3,500,000

The company considered two other sites:

- New WaveSpace: Atlanta, Georgia
 - \$9,375,000 expansion of existing
 Quality Jobs Program grant
- **Expanded WaveSpace:** New York, New York
 - \$3,500,000 Excelsior Program refundable state jobs tax credit



Ernst & Young US, LLP BIP Guidelines

5 year / 50%					
Gross County Tax Revenue	\$292,347				
Business Investment Grant	(\$146,173)				
Net Revenue to County	\$146,173				
Grant Recovery % at 5 years	100%				
Grant Recovery % at 10 years	268%				
Grant Recovery Period (years)	5				

Staff recommended a five year, 50% Business Investment Grant:

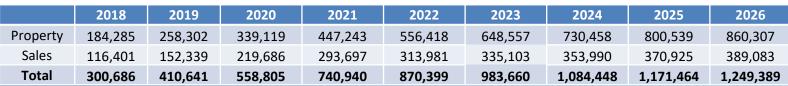
- Project is eligible for a 2 year term bonus as an expansion of existing business
- Commissioners indicated their intent to approve the BIP on August 2 by a unanimous vote of 8 – 0 (one commissioner was absent)



Ernst & Young US, LLP Total Estimated Tax Revenue

> EY-US is expected to induce \$313,981 in annual sales tax by the end of the five year term

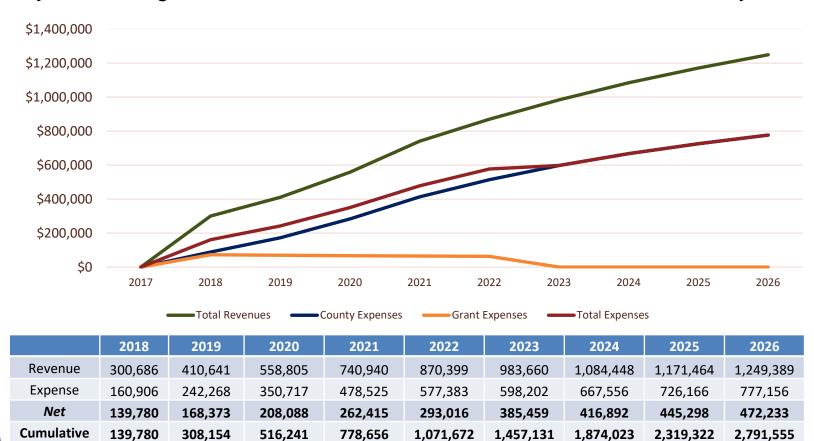






EY-US Estimated Fiscal Impacts

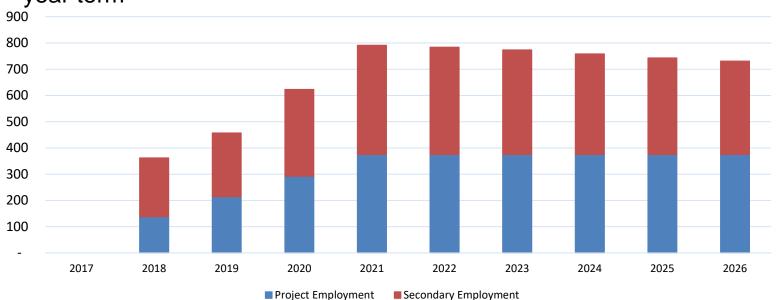
➤ EY-US is expected to net the County \$293,016 in revenue in the final year of the grant term for a cumulative net of \$1,071,672 over five years





EY-US | **Employment Impact**

> EY-US is expected to induce an additional 409 jobs by the end of the five year term



	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Project	138	214	292	375	375	375	375	375	375
Secondary	224	243	331	416	409	399	384	368	356
Total	362	457	623	791	784	774	759	743	731



Ernst & Young US, LLP Partner Incentives

Total Incentive Offer					
Partner	Amount				
County	\$146,173				
City of Charlotte	\$154,409				
North Carolina	\$3,200,000				
Total	\$3,500,582				

- The City of Charlotte will hold a public session vote on May 14, 2018 for a 90% BIP Grant of \$154,409
- The State of North Carolina has approved:
 - \$3,200,000 Job Development
 Investment Grant



Board Action

 Adopt a resolution approving a Business Investment Program grant to Ernst & Young US, LLP for a total estimated amount of \$146,173 and authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute the contract

