

**Item Title:** Conveyance of Multiple Permanent and Temporary Easements on Wake County Properties to be Granted to The City of Raleigh for The Wake BRT: New Bern Avenue Project.

**Specific Action Requested:**  
**That the Board of Commissioners:**

- 1. Approves the conveyance of a permanent sidewalk easement, a permanent electric utility easement, a permanent slope, cuts and fill easement, a temporary construction easement and a temporary construction easement for driveway repair and reconstruction to The City of Raleigh on the Wake County properties described herein; and**
- 2. Authorizes the Chairman to execute the deeds of easement (along with any other supporting documentation), subject to the terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.**
- 3. Appropriates \$3,000 of funding from the City of Raleigh in the County Buildings element of County Capital CIP for landscaping.**

**Item Summary:**

**Purpose:** The Board of Commissioners must approve all property and easement conveyances by the County. NC General Statute 160A-274 authorizes the Board of Commissioners to convey any interest in real property to other governmental agencies.

**Background:** With funding through the Wake Transit Plan, the City of Raleigh has been planning its first Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line along New Bern Avenue. The City is preparing to start the construction phase. The City requests that Wake County convey multiple permanent and temporary easements to The City of Raleigh in order to construct the necessary improvements for the Wake BRT: New Bern Avenue Project. The impacted Wake County parcels are located at 1313 New Bern Avenue (Richard B Harrison Library) and 10 Sunnybrook Road (Health & Human Services Sunnybrook Center).

**Board Goal:** This action supports routine County operations.

**Fiscal Impact:** A \$3,000 landscaping allowance will be provided to the County, of which \$2,500 will be allocated to 10 Sunnybrook Road and \$500 allocated to 1313 New Bern Avenue.

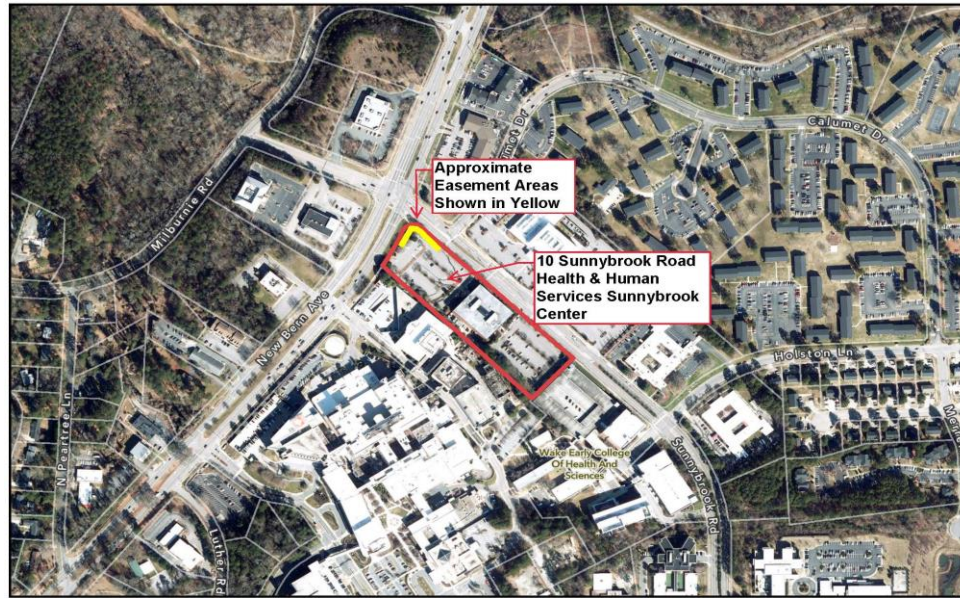
**Additional Information:**

In July of 2022 the City of Raleigh contacted the County to request dedication of easements on two Wake County properties along the New Bern Avenue Corridor for the

Wake BRT: New Bern Avenue Project. This project will connect downtown Raleigh to WakeMed and New Hope Road via a BRT mass transit line. BRT (Bus Rapid Transit) is a high-capacity bus-based transit system that delivers fast and efficient service that may include dedicated lanes, busways, traffic signal priority, off-board fare collection, elevated platforms and enhanced stations. In addition to the BRT, this project will also improve pedestrian safety at major intersections, improve connectivity of sidewalks and bike trails as well as provide enhanced lighting within the corridor to create a safer environment.

Proposed Easement Summary Table		
Easement Type	1313 New Bern Avenue (Richard B. Harrison Library)	10 Sunnybrook Road (Wake County Public Health Center)
Permanent Sidewalk Easement	502 sq ft	
Permanent Electric Utility Easement		744 sq ft
Permanent Slope, Cuts and Fill Easement		1,312 sq ft
Temporary Construction Easement	941 sq ft	956 sq ft
Temporary Construction Easement for Driveway Repair and Reconstruction		1,280 sq ft





The proposed project plans have been reviewed by County staff from Facilities Design & Construction, General Services Administration, Library Administration and Health and Human Services. Staff has concluded these conveyances will have no impact on the future use of these properties. Staff recommends approval of these conveyances subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

**Attachments:**

1. Property Maps (1313 New Bern Avenue & 10 Sunnybrook Road)
2. Easement Request Letters (1313 New Bern Avenue & 10 Sunnybrook Road)
3. Signed & Sealed Easement Exhibits (1313 New Bern Avenue & 10 Sunnybrook Road)
4. Construction Plans (1313 New Bern Avenue & 10 Sunnybrook Road)
5. Deeds of Easement (1313 New Bern Avenue & 10 Sunnybrook Road)
6. CIP Budget Memo