<u>Item Title:</u> Accept and Appropriate a \$10,000 Emergency Management Tier II Grant

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners accepts and appropriates the North Carolina Department of Public Safety Emergency Management Tier II Grant in the amount of \$10,000 and authorizes the County Manager to sign the Memorandum of Agreement.

Item Summary:

The Wake County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) has identified the need to evaluate the development of sensitive land uses in close proximity to existing hazardous chemical facilities. This grant award would fund a consultant to evaluate the risk of existing chemical facilities containing Extremely Hazardous Substances (EHSs), in order to identify needed emergency preparedness planning requirements, as well as facilities in areas facing potential future development.

Established as a Goal by the Board of Commissioners, this project is part of a larger collaborative effort (the Goal) between Emergency Management, Wake County's Planning Directors and other Stakeholders. The project proposal has strong support from the County's Planning Directors, the LEPC and representative stakeholders.

The consultant's work products will include a Risk Assessment and a GIS overlay identifying "Development Review Areas" for use by Planning Agencies and the Land Use Review Committee. The products will be available to all planning jurisdictions in Wake County as another tool for evaluation and determination of land use.

Wake County Division of Emergency Management will provide the grant administration, management and procurement activities associated with this grant. No matching funds are required for this grant.

Attachments:

- 1. Emergency Management Tier II Grant Memorandum of Agreement
- 2. Budget Memo