

**Item Title:** Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Town of Morrisville for a Joint Use Master Plan and Feasibility Study Associated with Wake County Convenience Center #3 and Morrisville Public Works Facility

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

- 1. Authorizes the County Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Morrisville for a Joint Use Master Plan and Feasibility Study associated with Convenience Center #3 and Morrisville Public Works Facility subject to conditions acceptable to the County Attorney;**
- 2. Accepts the amount of \$20,000.00 from the Town of Morrisville for their share of the Joint Use Master Plan and Feasibility Study; and**
- 3. Appropriates the \$20,000.00 received from the Town of Morrisville into the Solid Waste Enterprise Capital Projects fund to be used for the Joint Use Master Plan and Feasibility Study.**

**Item Summary:**

Wake County initiated the creation of Convenience Centers in the 1980's to offer disposal services to all Wake County residents living in the unincorporated areas of the County. There are currently 11 Convenience Center sites throughout Wake County. Due to the County's population growth and city limits expansions, staff determined a need to reinvestigate the population demands and functionality of the convenience centers. In April of 2014, a County Convenience Center Master Plan was presented to the Wake County Board of Commissioners at a Work Session. The purpose of the Master Plan was to evaluate each existing site and provide a long range comprehensive convenience center plan to assist in providing necessary waste disposal and recycling services. The Convenience Center Master Plan recommended the expansion of Convenience Center #3 located at 266 Aviation Parkway in Morrisville. Due to the future NCDOT Aviation Parkway widening project and a restriction by the watershed easement associated with the Crabtree Creek Site#23 flood control structure at the rear of the County property, the expansion of Convenience Center #3 on the existing site cannot be accomplished.

The Town of Morrisville prepared a Public Works Master Plan and Needs Study in 2014; however, a number of significant changes have occurred since that time, such as NCDOT's proposed widening of Aviation Parkway. This widening will result in the need to demolish the existing Public Works Facility located at 414 Aviation Parkway. The Town's property at 414 Aviation Parkway is 13+ acres and is large enough to construct a new Public Works Facility on the existing Public Works site. The Town Public Works property is contiguous to the Wake County Convenience Center #3 property and is adjacent to Cedar Fork District Park, which the Town of Morrisville leases from the

County and operates as a Park. The location of these properties and their relation to one another is shown on the attached aerial map.

The Town and Wake County desire to jointly coordinate their master planning efforts to expand/relocate their respective facilities, potentially on a co-located site, owned by the Town. Wake County staff has worked closely with the Town to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to proceed with a Joint Use Master Plan and Feasibility Study. The draft MOU outlines the cost sharing and responsibilities of both parties. Wake County Environmental Services Department Solid Waste Management Division has budgeted \$50,000.00 for the County's share of the cost. The Town has budgeted \$20,000.00 for their cost of the Joint Master Plan. Wake County will manage the contract for the Master Plan. The joint Master Plan will review up to four alternative designs. One of the alternatives will include the Convenience Center and Public Works developing their sites independently of each other.

Morrisville Town Council unanimously approved this MOU on September 12, 2017. Staff requests that the Board authorizes the County Manager to execute this MOU, recommends that the Board accepts \$20,000.00 from the Town of Morrisville for their share of the Joint Use Master Plan and Feasibility Study, and appropriates the \$20,000.00 received from Morrisville into the Solid Waste Enterprise Capital Project fund.

**Attachments:**

1. Aerial Map
2. Memorandum of Understanding