

Wake County

301 South McDowell Street Raleigh, NC

Meeting Minutes Board of Commissioners

Monday, August 20, 2018

2:00 PM

Wake County Justice Center

Meeting Called to Order: Chair Jessica Holmes

Present: 6 - Chair Jessica Holmes, Vice-Chair Sig Hutchinson,

Commissioner John D. Burns, Commissioner Greg Ford,

Commissioner Erv Portman, and Commissioner James West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Matt Calabria

Others Present: David Ellis, County Manager; Scott Warren, County Attorney; Bill Greeves, Chief Information and Innovation Officer; Denise Hogan, Clerk to the Board; Yvonne Gilyard, Deputy Clerk to the Board; Johnna Rogers, Chief Operating Officer; Chris Dillon, Assistant County Manager; Denise Foreman, Assistant County Manager; Ben Canada, Assistant to the County Manager.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Commissioner James West

Commissioner Burns acknowledged that today is the Eid al-Adha "Festival of Sacrifice." He said it is the second of two islamic holidays.

Items of Business

1. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Hutchinson, to approve the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 6, 2018

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 6, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

3. Retiree Recognition

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Item Summary 8.20.2018.docx</u>

Kent Daeke Bio.docx
Paula Lindsey Bio. .docx

Mr. David Ellis, County Manager, shared information about retirees Mr. Kent Daeke, 30 years of service, Environmental Services; and Ms. Paula Lindsey, 26 years of service, Human Services.

He presented them with plaques commensurate to their service with Wake County.

This agenda item was accepted.

4. Resolution Recognizing the Triangle Volleyball Club as the 2018 S.T.R.I.V.E.

Organization of the Year

Attachments: Triangle Volleyball Club Item Summary.docx

Resolution recognizing the Triangle Villeyball club.pdf

Commissioner Ford said that the Volleyball Club has led youth in their athletics for years.

Ms. Sherry Fadool, Executive Director, Triangle Volleyball Club, said that is is an honor to receive the resolution.

Commissioner Ford read aloud the Resolution.

Ms. Fadool introduced the following staff that were attending with her.

Ms. Mary Ann Enzweiler, Secretary and Board of Trustee Member.

Ms. Colby Rosser, Assistant Director.

Ms. Jenna Hinton, Assistant Director. Ms. Fadool also said that Ms. Hinton was recently named American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Coach of the Year.

Commissioner Ford moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution and recognize the Triangle Volleyball Club as the 2018 S.T.R.I.V.E. Organization of the Year. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

Consent Agenda

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

5. Award Construction Contract for Community Service Center Renovation Project - Phase I

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Agenda Item.docx</u>

Bid Tabulation.pdf

Budget Summary.pdf

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners award a construction contract in the amount of \$2,238,667 to Riggs Harrod Builders, Inc. of Durham N.C and authorize the County Manager to execute this contract for the Community Service Center Renovation Project - Phase I. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

6. Deed of Trust and Note Assignment to Habitat for Humanity of Wake County

Attachments: Item Summary

Assignment of Note and Deed of Trust

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Approve the execution of the assignment of a Deed of Trust and Note to Habitat for Humanity of Wake County for a loan on property located at 1117 Thelonious Drive in Raleigh, NC, and;
- 2. Authorize the Chair to execute required document subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

 The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns, Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

7. <u>First Amendment and Lease Extension and Memorandum of Lease with the Town of Apex for Eva Perry Regional Library</u>

Attachments: Agenda Item.docx

First Amendment and Lease Extension.pdf

Memorandum of Lease.pdf

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Approve the First Amendment and Lease Extension and Memorandum of Lease with the Town of Apex; and
- 2. Authorize the Chairman and/or the County Manager to execute such documents (along with any supporting documentation), subject to the terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

 The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns, Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

8. <u>Acceptance of Federal Aviation Administration Grant Offer to Raleigh-Durham Airport</u>
Authority

Attachments: Consent and Regular - FAA Grant 50 8-20-18 Item Summary.docx

RDU AIP-50 Grant Letter.pdf
RDU AIP-50 Grant Agreement.pdf

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners accept the Federal Aviation Administration Grant Offer of \$12,583,007 to the Raleigh-Durham Airport Authority for Taxiway B Reconstruction (FAA Grant #3-37-0056-050-2018). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

9. Authorize and Accept Grants for CCBI Crime Lab

<u>Attachments:</u> Wake Co Commissoner Agenda ItemBD.docx

Resolution FY19 \$410,000 GHSP.pdf

GHSP 2019 1.pdf

GHSP Grant Terms.pdf

Budget Memo - FY 2019 Grants Fund.xlsx

Budget Memo - FY 2019 County Capital Fund - Criminal Justice.xlsx

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford that the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Approve the NC Governor's Local Governmental Resolution and Agreement Conditions; and
- 2. Accept NC Governor Highway Safety Program (GHSP) Grant awards totaling \$466,046; and
- 3. Appropriate \$410,000 in funding for the purchase of a Liquid Chromatography Mass Spectrometer in the Criminal Justice Element of the County Capital Fund as part of the NC Governor Highway Safety Program (GHSP) Grant awards; and
- 4. Appropriate \$168,138 in FY 2019 personnel funding and associated supply & equipment costs for two Forensic Chemist positions in the Grants and Donations Fund.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

10. FY 2019 Tip Fee Waiver at the South Wake Landfill and East Wake Transfer Station for the Wake County Big Sweep

<u>Attachments:</u> BOC landfill waiver Wake County Big Sweep 2018_2019.docx

2018 FALL BIG SWEEP wake co PRELIMINARY.pdf

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners waive the tipping fee to "zero charge" at the South Wake Landfill and East Wake Transfer Station for waste collected by Wake County Big Sweep and all participating partners during Fall 2018, Spring and Summer 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

11. <u>Settlement of 2017-2018 Property Tax Collections by the Revenue Director, Charge of 2018-2019 Tax Collections to the Revenue Director</u>

Attachments: Annual Settlement Agenda Item 2017-2018

Revenue Director's Annual Settlement Report for Personal Property

Revenue Director's Annual Settlement Report for Real Property

Annual Settlement Collections Summary

Special District Collection Report

County Tax Collection Report

County Billing Summary Report (LE5)

Fire District Billing Summary Report (LE5)

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners accept and approve the settlement of the Revenue Director and credit him for taxes collected for the preceding year, credit him with releases duly allowed by the governing body for the preceding fiscal year, and charge him with collecting taxes for the current fiscal year. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

Regular Agenda

12. Wake County Public School System Capital Program Reallocations and Appropriations

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Item Summary Board of Education Fall Funding Request.docx</u>

WCPSS Presentation 8-20-18.pdf

BOC Resolution.docx

Board of Education Resolution.pdf

Mr. Joe Desormeaux, Assistant Superintendent for Facilities, Wake County Public School System, shared the appropriation and reallocation information. He said WCPSS is on track with their seven-year plan.

Chair Holmes asked for the location of Wiley Elementary. Mr. Desormeaux said the location is in downtown Raleigh and is the oldest campus.

Commissioner Burns asked for clarification on the appropriation for East Wake Middle School. Mr. Desormeaux said that is a planned project and it is for a new school to be built on the same property as the old one. He said this will allow students to stay in their current building and save money on the swing space cost. Once the new school is completed, the old school will be torn down and the area will be used as an outdoor program area.

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Hutchinson, that the Board of Commissioners approve the following requests for reallocations and appropriations in the Seven Year Capital Improvement Program:

- 1. Reallocate a total of \$7,800,000 in program contingency to the Wiley Elementary Renovation
- 2. Reallocate a total of \$300,000 to Program Management
- 3. Appropriate a total of \$177,320,324 for construction at Parkside Elementary, North Ridge Elementary, Wiley Elementary, East Wake Middle, design funding for M-14 Middle School and ongoing program needs including technology devices, facility assessments, property

acquisition, Space Needs Analysis and Prioritization Projects (SNAP) and program management. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

Wake Technical Community College FY 2019 Capital Plan Appropriation and 2012
Wake Tech Building Program Reallocation Request

Attachments: 8.20.2018 WTCC Agenda Item.docx

2018 WTCC Capital Plan - 08-20-18.pdf BOC Resolution WTCC 8.20.2018 .docx

Appropriation Summary 2012 Bldg Program 10.03.16.pdf

Dr. Stephen Scott, President, Wake Technical Community College, thanked the Board of Commissioner for their support through his years as President of Wake Technical Community College. He said the Board of Commissioners has had a vision for Wake Tech and provided the resources to move WakeTech forward, including Workforce Development. He said the success of Wake Tech could not have happened without the support of the Board of Commissioners. He said the success has resulted in students obtaining higher paying jobs.

Dr. Scott said the RTP first campus had 1,166 students the first week of opening, which is 11.6 percent higher than anticipated. He said the expansion is necessary due to the expansion of I-540. He said that more students are being served online than ever before.

Dr. Scott shared photos of all the WakeTech campuses.

Vice-Chair Hutchinson pointed out that the Northern Wake Campus has been named the Dr. Stephen C. Scott Northern Wake Campus.

Dr. Scott shared photos and information about the Advance Industries Building and Parking Deck, Facilitates Operations Complex, Power Mechanics Renovation/Ready Hall Addition. He shared information about the RTP Building 2. He shared information about the Perry Health Sciences miscellaneous renovations. He shared information about the campus wide repair and renovations, campus wide infrastructure upgrades, and IT infrastructure upgrades.

Chair Holmes asked Dr. Scott to introduce those who accompanied him to the meeting. They are:

Mr. Wendell Goodwin, Vice-President for Facilities

Mr. Jerry Guerrier, Director, Design and Construction

Mr. Ryan Schwiebert, Vice-President, Information Technology Services.

Vice-Chair Hutchinson indicated that Dr. Scott will be greatly missed.

Chair Holmes said that she looks up to Dr. Scott and that upcoming projects will fall into the "What would Dr. Scott do category."

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, that the Board of Commissioners adopt the attached resolution for the following action:

- 1. Appropriate a total of \$74,919,000 to fund the construction of RTP Classroom Building 2, the construction of Facilities Management and Warehouse Building located at the Southern Wake Campus, and the design of the Advanced Industries Building at the Southern Wake Campus; campus-wide renovations, repairs & alterations; campus-wide infrastructure upgrades; information technology infrastructure improvements; and renovations to the Power Mechanics Building at the Southern Wake Campus and at various Perry Health Science Campus buildings.
- 2. Reallocate savings of \$2,293,435.67 from completed projects in the 2012 Building Program to fund ongoing projects also within the 2012 Building Programs The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,
Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and
Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

Public Comments: Comments from the public will be received at 2:30 p.m. for 30 minutes. A signup sheet for those who wish to speak during the public comments section of the meeting is located in the back of the Boardroom.

Ms. Christine Kelly, 201 Grigsby Avenue, Holly Springs, NC, asked for help with the concern about the odor at the nearby landfill.

Chair Holmes said that staff will follow up with citizens to address the matter.

14. Public Hearing and Consideration of Business Development Grant Agreement for Arch Capital Services

Attachments: Final Item Summary Aug 20 2018 Business Dev Grant.docx

ArchCapitalGrantAgreementV4FINAL.docx

WakeCountyEconomicDevelopmentPolicy5-16.docx

Mr. Chris Dillon, Assistant County Manager, said that Arch Capital Services would be moving into the Dillon building in Raleigh. He shared the background, board goal, and fiscal impact information. He said this project will create 365 new jobs in the County by 2020.

Commissioner Burns said this will be a rebate of taxes that the company will pay.

Mr. Dillon said the company must pay their taxes and meet all criteria in order to receive 35 percent of their taxes back in the form of a grant.

Commissioner Burns said the company must complete the hiring, invest the money, and pay their taxes in order to receive this grant.

Chair Holmes opened the public hearing.

Ms. Nathannette Mayo, 6601 Kit Creek Road, Morrisville, asked if the company can afford to pay an average salary of \$100,000, why do they need a tax rebate?

Chair Holmes said a staff person would follow up with her about her question.

Chair Holmes closed the public hearing.

Mr. Dillon said that staff recommends approval.

Commissioner Burns said that policies have been reviewed to ensure tax payer money is not being wasted. He said the revised policies allow staff to target jobs that are important to Wake County. He said this company fits the criteria and he looks forward to voting for the project. He reiterated that if the company does not hold up to any of their promises, they will not receive the tax rebate.

Commissioner West said he is proud there is an initiative for lower tiered jobs for those that are interested in Wake County.

Chair Holmes said she is impressed with Wake County's Economic Development Policy. She said unlike the perception, the policy is a sound decision that falls within the guideline for the Board of Commissioners.

Chair Holmes said the board is always open for feedback.

Commissioner Ford moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Hutchinson, that the Board of Commissioners hold a public hearing and approve a Business Development Grant Agreement with Arch Capital Services Inc., subject to the terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye:

6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,
 Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and
 Commissioner West

Absent:

Commissioner Calabria

15. Public Hearing to Proposed Town of Morrisville Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) Reguest of 96 Acres

Attachments: BOC ETJ summary.docx

Morrisville ETJ Extension Presentation 8-20-18.pdf

Morrisville ETJ staff report.doc Morrisville ETJ request map.pdf Future land use 8 by 11.pdf

Morrisville ETJ utilities mapA.pdf
Morrisville ETJ utilities map B.pdf
WC-morrisville Resolution.docx
Planning Board July minutes .pdf
Morrisville reso requesting ETJ.pdf

Ms. Terry Nolan, Planner III, shared a map of the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). Ms. Nolan shared a map and the ETJ Extension for the two parcels, which totals 96 acres. Ms. Nolan said area A is adjacent to the Kitts Creek neighborhood and area B, which is vacant, is adjacent to the Breckenridge neighborhood.

Ms. Nolan said the purpose of an ETJ is to provide municipalities control over development in areas expected to be within their jurisdiction in the near future.

Ms. Nolan shared the seven criterion for the ETJ Extension.

- Criterion 1- Classification as Urban Services Area
- Criterion 2- Commitment to Comprehensive Planning
- Criterion 3- Adoption of Special Regulations
- Criterion 4- Municipal Water and Sewer Service
- Criterion 5- Evidence of Feasibility for Urban Density
- Criterion 6- Annexation within Ten Years

Criterion 7- Existing ETJ

She shared photo shots of the municipal water and sewer service.

Ms. Nolan shared staff findings. She said the request is in accordance with North Carolina State Law 160A - 360 Article 19. She said the request complies with Wake County Lane Use Plans seven criteria for ETJ extensions.

Commissioner West asked about the implications and objectives of the urban density and farm land being in the short-term urban service area. He asked about the value to the community where the farm is located.

Ms. Nolan said that farm use is protected in the State of North Carolina and there are no plans to acquire the farm. She said that the Town of Morrisville would provide zoning information.

Commissioner West asked about the motives for the parcel to be located in the ETJ. He said he is concerned about the loss of farmland and asked if that was taken into consideration.

Ms. Nolan said the reason for the change is to regulate the use. She said Wake County does not have an agricultural zoning district, therefore, the farmland is protected by state law. She said the ETJ extension will not affect the owners' ability to continue to operate their farm.

Ms. Courtney Tanner, Planning Director, Town of Morrisville, said that the land use plan is being updated. She said many parcels are being sold and the town needs to ensure that the new parcels comply with their regulations. She said rezoning can occur on the property and there is no objection for the owner to continue to farm on the site.

Ms. Tanner said the annexation plan is voluntary for the parcel and there is no objection by the town for connection to water and sewer.

Chair Holmes asked when was the last time that staff had communication with the family. Ms. Tanner said the family was notified before the process began and were notified of the process for the public hearing.

Chair Holmes confirmed the farm can continue to be farmed with no interference from the Town of Morrisville. Ms. Tanner confirmed that this is correct.

Commissioner Portman asked if there was any opposition at the town public hearing.

Ms. Tanner said there was a group of citizens that are interested in a public school on site B.

Chair Holmes opened the public hearing.

Ms. Esther Dunnegan, 6608 Kit Creek Rd. Morrisville, NC said the petition includes a tract bound by I-540 known as area A as it is proposed. She said the address of the land in question is 6601 Kit Creek Road, Morrisville. She said that her family has been on the property since the 1800s. She said the zoning allows for farming and pine trees are grown on the property. She said that it is the last African American farm in the area and the family is not interested in selling the property. She said in the early 1990s, the Shiloh property was acquired and the new owners promised sewer services to the property. Her sister, who lives at the 6601 Kit Creek property, has not received the services that were promised. She said the acquisition does not fit within the needs of the family. She asked the Board of Commissioners to delay the acquisition of area A until the Land Use Plan is completed. Ms. Dunnegan asked for the plan to be delayed until sewer is delivered to her sister's property.

Chair Holmes closed the public hearing.

Ms. Tanner said that she was unsure of the status of the sewer being installed and she would like to meet with Ms. Dunnegan about her concern.

Chair Holmes asked for additional information to come forward to the board before a decision is made.

Mr. David Ellis, County Manager, asked that the item be tabled until September 17, 2018 Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

Chair Holmes said the expectation is that the town will engage with the family before September 17.

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford to table this item until the September 17th meeting. The motion carried by the following vote..

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

16. Public Hearing on a Request for Disinterment, Relocation, and Reinterment of Approximately Eight (8) Graves Located at 2100 Production Drive to the Town of Apex

Cemetery (Petition GR-01-18)

Attachments: GR-01-18 Item Summary.docx

Grave Removal Petition Presentation 8-20-18.pdf

GR-01-18 Town of Apex Cover Letter Petition and Archaeological

Report.pdf

Mr. Keith Lankford, Planner III, shared the purpose of the grave removal. He said there are approximately eight graves on the site. He shared a map of the cemetery location. He shared a map of the archaeologist survey and cemetery photographs.

He shared the history of the existing site cemetery.

- There are 5 definitive graves-none have inscribed tombstones, 3 have fieldstone markers, and 2 have unreadable temporary funeral home plaques.
- There are also 3 probable graves indicated by loose soil (i.e.possible grave shafts).
- Deeds for the property did not reference a cemetery.
- The petitioner was unable to conduct any genealogical research due to the lack of inscribed tombstones.
- No records, or historical significance, were found, and no opposition to this petition has been received.

Mr. Lankford shared the grave removal process.

- Under NCGS, the remains are required to be reinterred in a suitable cemetery.
- Work shall be performed by a licensed funeral director.
- Wake County Environmental Services staff will observe the disinterment.
- The petitioner (or funeral director) must record the Removal of Graves Certificate at the Register of Deeds Office after completing the reinterment.

He shared the information about the compliance with NCGS.

- Legal notices appeared in the News and Observer newspaper on July 14th, 21st, 28th, and August 3rd, 2018.
- The remains will be reinterred in the Town of Apex Cemetery at 207
 West Moore Street, where they will receive perpetual care.

- Planning staff posted the required notification signs at the property on August 8th, 2018 (and ran 2 N&O legal ads).
- No opposition has been received.

He shared a map of the current site and the relocation of the site.

Mr. Lankford shared the staff findings.

Commissioner Ford asked if there were efforts to contact funeral directors about the links to who the markers belong.

Mr. Lankford said the markings were difficult to identify.

Chair Holmes opened the public hearing.

Ms. Joanna Helms, Economic Director, Town of Apex, said she was available if there were questions.

Chair Holmes closed the public hearing.

Chair Holmes applauded staff for reporting that the new resting place for the unknown graves would receive perpetual care.

Vice-Chair Hutchinson moved, seconded by Commissioner Burns, that the Board of Commissioners approve the disinterment, relocation, and reinterment of approximately eight (8) graves from a 121.3-acre property located at 2100 Production Drive to the Town of Apex Cemetery. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Portman, and Commissioner West

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Ford

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

Manager's Report

17. <u>Wake County Transit Update</u>

<u>Attachments:</u> Managers Report 8-20-18 Item Summary.docx

August 2018 BOC Wake Transit Presentation FINAL.pdf

Ms. Nicole Kreiser, Assistant County Manager, provided an update on the Wake County Transit plan. She said the Transit plan has no fiscal impact on the general fund because it is funded by the 1/2 cent tax that was on the referendum in November, 2016. She shared the background for the presentation, the extended process to develop the transit plan, objectives

and initiatives, and chart of information for ridership. She shared a chart of the new bus services for 2018-2019.

She shared additional FY 2019 Transit Investments.

- Improve 55 bus stops.
- Add more park-and-ride lots and improve existing ones.
- Design the Raleigh Union Station Bus Facility.
- Develop a strategy for new transit technology to enhance the customer experience.
- Staffing to implement transit planning and projects once initial studies are finished in Summer 2018.
- Continue Pre-Planning and Alternatives Refinement for BRT and Commuter Rail

Ms. Kreiser said that in the spring, there was extensive public engagement about the bus phasing. She said the feedback provided public outreach on bus routes and phasing. She said a full schedule of the bus plan can be found at goforwardnc.org/waketransit.

She shared information about what to expect through 2024.

Fiscal Year 2020

- NEW Holly Springs-Apex-Cary express
- •NEW Rolesville service
- •All-day service to Knightdale
- •All-day service to Garner
- •All-day service to Morrisville including Wake Tech RTP

Fiscal Year 2021

- •Upgrades to Cary-Raleigh route with extended service to Apex
- •NEW 15-minute all-day service between downtown Raleigh, NCSU and the State Fairgrounds

Fiscal Year 2022

Longer service hours on RDU International Airport route

Fiscal Year 2023

- •30-minute all-day service Triangle Town Center to Wake Tech Northern Campus
- •NEW all-day hourly service Wake Forest to WakeMed North

NEW weekend service from Knightdale to East Raleigh Transit Center

Fiscal Year 2024

- •Increased frequency to Garner and NEW all-day weekend service
- •15-minute all-day service on two Midtown routes
- •15-minute all-day service between Crabtree Valley Mall and downtown Raleigh
- •New Service on Trinity Road between Cary and Raleigh
- •15-minute all-day service between Crabtree Valley Mall and State Fairgrounds
- New weekend service between Cary-Morrisville-RTP

She shared a chart of the outreach summary for spring 2018. She shared the next steps for bus rapid transit projects.

Ms. Kreiser shared information about the YouthGoPass for ages 13-18 and it's success. She shared a map of pilot schools and bus route locations. She shared the other next steps for the Wake Transit Plan.

Vice-Chair Hutchinson commended Ms. Kreiser's report and said that it speaks toward the transit plan that the voters approved. He said there will be 20 miles of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) in Wake County. He said that Wake County is on track to meet the goals of the transit plan. He said the YouthGoPass will provide freedom for youth.

Commissioner Burns said that the Board of Commissioners have goals for the transit plan in the county. He said the \$1.3 billion is being well spent. He asked what efforts are being made to convince the officials in Washington, D.C. that funding is needed for projects. He said his understanding is that the funding has been approved, but the money has not been released.

Ms. Kreiser said there is conversation at multiple levels to reinforce the need for this money.

Commissioner Burns asked if Senators and Congressional Delegation are aware that the money has not been provided. He asked if there is anything the Board of Commissioners can do to encourage the Federal Government to release the money.

Ms. Kreiser said it is always helpful for the message to be communicated.

Chair Holmes expressed her excitement for the YouthGoPass and the

collaboration with the Wake County School System for programs, sports, and work opportunities for the youth. She said that she is supportive of the affordable housing coordination around transit.

Commissioner West said it is necessary to collaborate with the congressional officials. He said that poverty areas should be considered that benefit everyone in the community.

Committee Reports

18. Growth, Land Use and Environment Committee

Commissioner Burns shared information from the recent GLUE Committee. He said rules of procedure for the Water Partnership were reviewed. He said well permitting procedures were also reviewed.

He said a renewable energy resolution will be discussed at the next meeting.

Chair Holmes congratulated Ms. Emily Lucas in being promoted as the Chief Financial Officer.

Commissioner Burns wished Commissioner Portman a happy birthday.

Closed Session

Mr. Scott Warren, County Attorney, said the motion for Closed Session is pursuant to N. C. G. S. 143-318 11 (a), 3 to consult with the County Attorney in order to preserve the attorney client privilege between the board and its attorney.

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Commissioner Ford, to go into closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

The meeting went into recess and the meeting reconvened. No action was taken by the board.

Adjourn

Commissioner Burns moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Hutchinson, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Holmes, Vice-Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Burns,

Commissioner Ford, Commissioner Portman, and

Commissioner West

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Calabria

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Hogan, NCMCC Clerk to the Board Wake County Board of Commissioners