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The Gaston County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met in Regular Session at 6:54 pm on April 22, 2025, immediately following its Rescheduled Work Session, in The Harley B. Gaston, Jr. Public Forum, Gaston County Courthouse.

Chairman Chad Brown presided with Commissioners Cathy Cloninger, Vice-Chair; Jim Bailey, Bob Hovis and Scott Shehan in attendance.

Commissioners Allen R. Fraley and Tom Keigher were not in attendance.

Others present included Matthew Rhoten, County Manager; David Goldberg, County Attorney; and Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the Board.

Upon request of Chairman Brown, Commissioner Hovis led those assembled in the Invocation and Commissioner Cloninger led in the Pledge of Allegiance during the preceding Work Session.

Chairman Brown announced the Public Hearings as advertised, explained the procedures to be used, and called for the motion to enter into Public Hearing.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Cloninger, the BOC unanimously entered into Public Hearing.

CONTINUED FROM 3/25/2025 REGULAR MEETING: Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Cloninger - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: Conditional District REZ-24-09-20-00192, Century Communities Southeast, LLC (Applicant); Property Parcels: 169881, 169933, 169880, 169883, 169934, 169945, 169884, 169878, 169879, Located on Dallas Stanley Hwy. between Evans Lake Rd. and Kiser Dairy Rd., Dallas, NC, Rezone from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay to the CD/(RS-8) Conditional Zoning District with (US) Overlay

Chairman Brown introduced Mrs. Jamie Kanburoglu, Director of Planning and Zoning – Building & Development Services, for comments.

Mrs. Kanburoglu recapped as follows: the subject conditional rezoning request from Century Communities was continued during the March meeting and includes nine (9) parcels located between Evans Lake Rd., Dallas Stanley Hwy., and Kiser Dairy; the initial site plan shows a residential development consisting of 138 single-family lots; questions were raised at last month's meeting about the proposed lot size, existing ponds on site, and architectural requirements; staff met with the Applicant's team to review possible options.

Chairman Brown called for questions from the BOC.

Chairman Brown recalled that the BOC had asked for a 10,000SF minimum lot size but has since determined that it would need to be 15.000SF.

Mr. Brice Dimitruck (Century Communities) asked if the BOC would consider continuing the request until June to allow time to review what a 15,000SF community would look like.

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Chairman Brown referred to a handout that was provided to the Board prior to the meeting, and noted it referenced 8,000SF – the BOC's instructions at the last meeting specified a minimum of 10,000SF.

Mr. Dimitruck responded that they are still evaluating 10,000SF option and are also looking at an option of 8,000SF as a compromise.

Chairman Brown noted there were additional proposed conditions and highlighted a few of them: a 15,000SF lot size; no slab on grade construction; no vinyl siding; minimum 2-car garages - side load. He expressed his frustration that the BOC received the Applicant's handout prior to the start of the meeting.

Mr. Brian Sciba, Assistant County Manager, interjected and requested a brief pause to speak with the Applicant about a potential solution.

Chairman Brown granted Mr. Sciba's request and moved to the next public hearing.

Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Hovis - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: Conditional District REZ-25-01-03-00204, Jay Oliver (Applicant); Property Parcel: 154004, Located at 4914 Linwood Rd. in Kings Mountain, NC, Rezone from the (C-1) Light Commercial Zoning District with the (US) Urban Standards Overlay to the (CD/C-1) Conditional Zoning District with the (US) Urban Standards Overlay

Chairman Brown introduced Mrs. Jamie Kanburoglu, Director of Planning and Zoning – Building & Development Services, for comments.

Mrs. Kanburoglu advised subject conditional district request from Jay Oliver (Applicant) is for parcel 154004, the site of Crowders Spring Day Camp (4914 Linwood Rd. in Kings Mountain, NC); the property is owned by Now Outreach, Inc.; the existing conference retreat/event center uses will remain that were established in 2020 via a zoning permit for a camp and retreat center; this request is for the addition of specific building types and to limit the allowed uses on the property.

She reviewed orthophoto, zoning and adjacent property owners' maps and advised the site is located in the southwest portion of County between Kings Mountain and City of Gastonia; the 2023 orthophoto map depicts the existing conditions of the site; a large buffer is in place; internal roads and access paths are already established; several buildings are already on site; all required zoning and building permits have been obtained by the property owner.

The Applicant approached staff when he came across park model cabins (classified as recreational vehicles or RVs) that could be used on the site. Since the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) restricts RVs to camping and recreational vehicles park use, which is only allowed via a Special Use Permit, staff recommended that the property owner utilize the conditional rezoning process to add this use to the property.

The zoning map shows that the area lies outside the Gastonia city limits and includes a mix of residential, commercial, and industrial zones in the surrounding vicinity. The adjacent property owners' map and list denote the residents notified of the Public Information Meetings and the Public

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Hearing; notices were mailed out, and a sign was placed on the property per NCGS. Staff have not received any calls about the request; no residents attended the Public Information Meetings.

The site is served via a private well and City sewer services; Linwood Rd. and Misty Ln. are municipal streets; all roads within the site are private roads.

Staff sent the project to the Technical Review Committee and was advised that GEMS does not have any issues if the cabins are marked and identified; Police and Natural Resources had no issues or comments.

The GCLMPO (Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization) provided a letter stating there are no funded projects in the immediate vicinity on the STIP (State Transportation Improvement Plan), MTP (2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan) or the CTP (Comprehensive Transportation Plan); the CTP shows recommended pedestrian bicycle improvements along Linwood (Rd.) and multiuse facilities along Crowders Creek which are unfunded projects.

The Building Inspections Plan Reviewer shared that the building code only restricts park model RVs from being permanent buildings.

Building Inspections will inspect water, sewer, electrical, and site accessibility; the structures, classified as RVs, are not subject to building codes; the proposed structures will be allowed if the rezoning request is approved.

The site is located in *Area 5: Scenic Gaston/Southwest Gaston* of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP); key issues for citizens includes preservation of open space, road improvements and better connectivity to other areas of County, more transportation alternatives, preservation of agricultural and maintaining the rural "feel" of the area and steering development towards existing infrastructure and the areas immediately surrounding towns and cities.

The future land use designation is *Rural*; she presented a slide showing an exterior rendering of the proposed park model cabins.

The Applicant held two Public Information Meetings on March 27th and 28th that were advertised as required by the UDO; one Planning Board member attended the second meeting to gain more information on the March cases; no neighbors or residents attended the meetings.

A copy of the Site Plan was provided in the BOC's Agenda packets; minor changes were made to the existing plan that was on file for overall approval of the site; she referenced a slide depicting what the inside of the park model cabins could look like; new uses and structures will still need to obtain zoning and building permits as the Applicant has done so far; the Site Plan designates some tree-safe areas.

The main request of the application is the ability to use park model cabins instead of site-built cabins; through this process, the Applicant is also requesting to restrict allowed uses of property to the following uses: a summer camp and retreat center, sporting facility, amusement park, camping and RV park, church, miniature golf, paint ball, laser tag facility, small house community and special events facility. This (Section 8.4.29) is the only UDO section that applies to the current use.

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Because new uses are being requested, a condition of approval is that all supplemental regulations for uses be followed; the Applicant is not asking for relief, but to narrow the allowed uses and ensure that park model cabins are allowed on the site.

She advised that the staff-recommended conditions were included in the BOC Agenda packets and read them for the record as follows:

- All current and future uses shall meet the supplemental regulations outlined in the Unified Development Ordinance
 at the time of permitting unless otherwise approved through this request.
- The following uses shall be considered "uses by right" so long as all supplemental regulations are met at the
 time of permitting: Conference, retreat and event centers, summer camp retreat center, sporting facility,
 amusement park, camping and recreational vehicle park, church, miniature golf, paintball, laser tag facility,
 small house community, special events facility
- Park model cabins shall be approved structure types on site and may be placed in the designated areas shown on the site plan as approved for the purpose of this rezoning.
- Areas designated as "tree save" areas on the site plan shall not be developed. A 100' natural buffer from all
 property lines shall be maintained at a minimum at all times, unless already existing and developed at the time of
 this request.

Staff recommends approval of the request as it would keep the existing use the same and allow for accessory uses in the future; also allows property owner to utilize different and more affordable building types; the use meets the goals of the CLUP as it preserves existing natural resources and provides opportunities for collaboration and recreation within the community.

The Planning Board unanimously recommended approval at their March 31st meeting; found it to be reasonable, in the public interest, and consistent with the goals of the CLUP. She noted the request is for the Board to receive the information and recommendations provided during the hearing and consider the following options: approve, approve with modifications, or deny the request.

Chairman Brown called for comments from the Applicant and for citizen comment; hearing none, called for questions from the BOC.

Commissioner Bailey asked about the limits on RV parking.

Mrs. Kanburoglu advised that the cabins seen on the slides are classified as RVs; the site plan depicts a specific number of spots, and they would not be able to do more than that. She added that she doesn't think the intent is for traditional RVs, but RVs are allowed as it is currently written, and added that the BOC has the option of modifying the conditions.

Commissioner Bailey advised he would like that to be considered.

Chairman Brown responded that it would not be a problem.

Commissioner Hovis asked if there was anything in the current regulations or the conditions that would limit how long an individual can stay in the rental units.

Mrs. Kanburoglu responded that the conditions, as currently written, do not include that; there are some regulations in the UDO and possibly building codes that regulate how long these can be on site or used.

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Chairman Brown suggested "ten days and no traditional RVs on the property". He stated that he visited the property; it is a ministry project and has nothing to do with long-term stays; it is basically for recreational activities for youth during the summer.

Chairman Brown called for any other BOC restrictions; none were heard.

Mrs. Kanburoglu interjected to ask if the Applicant agreed to the conditions.

Mr. Oliver (Applicant) advised that most of their stays are from June to August for four nights and five days; they host retreats throughout the year with church groups, sororities, non-profits, foster camps, etc.. He stated he is acceptable to the 10 days as being applicable to the "stay" and not the RVs themselves – as they will not be moved in and out.

Chairman Brown clarified the condition is for "staying days".

Chairman Brown recapped that the Planning Board unanimously recommended approval as conditioned.

With no further questions and hearing no objection from the Board, the public hearing was closed, and Chairman Brown called for a motion to approve the request with the modified conditions.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Shehan, the BOC unanimously approved **2025-097**, upon consideration of the map change application, public hearing comment, and recommendation from the Planning Board and Planning staff, finds:

- 1) The map change request is consistent with the County's approved Comprehensive Land Use Plan as it meets goals 6 and 7 of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan by:
 - a. Encouraging community events
 - b. Supporting natural resource initiatives that seek to invest in the County's unique assets
 - c. Emphasizing already established recreational amenities and encouraging new amenities
 - d. Conserving the natural environment
 - e. Identifying areas for ecotourism and recreational facilities

The Commission considers this action to be reasonable and in the public interest, based on: Planning Board recommendation and compatibility with existing land uses in the immediate area. Therefore, the map change request for property parcel: 154004, is hereby approved as modified with the conditions as set forth in Exhibit A to be rezoned to the (CD/C-1) Conditional Zoning District with the (US) Urban Standards Overlay, effective with the passage of this Ordinance.

2) The County Manager is authorized to make necessary notifications in this matter to appropriate parties.

Exhibit A Conditions of Approval REZ-25-01-03-00204

- All current and future uses shall meet all supplemental regulations outlined in the Unified Development
 Ordinance at the time of permitting unless otherwise approved through this request.
- b. The following uses shall be considered "uses by right" so long as all supplemental regulations are met at the time of permitting: Conference, retreat, and event center, summer camp, sporting facility, amusement park, camping and recreational vehicle park, church, miniature golf, paintball, laser tag facility, small house community, special events facility.
- c. Park model cabins shall be approved structure types for the site and may be placed in the designated areas shown on the site plan that was approved for the purpose of this rezoning.

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- d. Areas designated as "tree save" areas on the site plan shall not be developed. A 100' natural buffer from the property lines shall be maintained at a minimum at all times, unless already existing and developed at the time of the request.
- e. All cabins may be used for temporary occupancy on the subject property for no more than ten (10) cumulative days at a time. No cabins shall be used as a permanent or long-term dwelling. The property owner or operator shall maintain records of occupancy dates and make them available to the Planning and Zoning staff upon request.
- f. Traditional recreational vehicles, including but not limited to motorhomes, fifth wheels, camper vans, travel trailers, pop-ups, toy haulers, and destination trailers, shall not be placed, stored, or occupied on the subject property.

Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Shehan - Building & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: Conditional District REZ-25-01-17-00206, Christopher S. Long (Applicant); Property Parcel: 146345, Located at 105 Southside Church Rd., Gastonia, NC, Rezone from the (C-3) General Commercial Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay & (CH) Corridor Highway Overlay to the (CD/R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning Conditional District with (US) Urban Standards Overlay & (CH) Corridor Highway Overlay

Chairman Brown introduced Ms. Jaime Lisi, Planner I – Building & Development Services, for comments.

Ms. Lisi advised subject conditional rezoning request is for parcel 146345 on Southside Church Rd.; the Applicant/Property Owner is Christopher Long; the request is to rezone from the (C-3) General Commercial Zoning District with (US) Urban Standards & (CH) Corridor Highway Overlays to the (CD/R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning Conditional District with (US) Urban Standards & (CH) Corridor Highway Overlays; the property is located southwest of Gastonia off Hwy. 321.

She reviewed orthophoto, zoning and adjacent property owners' maps and advised the *orthophoto* depicts the .41 acre parcel is vacant and surrounded by industrial, commercial and residential uses (the residential uses are existing non-conforming); *zoning map* depicts the area is zoned C-3 with US/CH Overlays and sections of Gastonia's zoning jurisdiction; *adjacent property owners' map and list* depicts those notified of the Public Hearing; notices were mailed and a sign was placed on the site on April 9th per NCGS.

The proposed Site Plan depicts one residential structure on the lot. She displayed a table depicting the (R-2) Zoning District, which requires a 30,000SF lot minimum, and the requested relief for the existing lot, which is 17,860SF.

The site will be served via a private septic system (via Two Rivers Water or a well); the parcel is located on Southside Church Rd., which is a public right-of-way.

The Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) reviewed the project on March 21st and identified no funded transportation improvement projects in the immediate vicinity; the TRC (Technical Review Committee) reviewed the project on March 21st and had no comments.

The Applicant advertised and held two public information meetings as required by the UDO, on March 27 & 28, 12:00-2:00 pm, at the Gaston County Administration Building. No residents attended either meeting.

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Staff has provided a list of recommended conditions for approval, which she read for the record as follows:

- Minimum lot size of 17,860 SF
- Any uses allowed in the (R-2) Single-Family Moderate Zoning District would be permitted in accordance with standards and regulations as adopted in the Gaston County Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)
- Accessory structures are permitted in accordance with Section 9.9 of the UDO
- Minor modifications are permitted in accordance with Section 5.15 of the UDO.

Ms. Lisi advised that the application, as presented, is not consistent with the goals and future land use designation found in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP). However, staff are still supportive of this request due to the existing residential structures in the immediate vicinity. The Planning Board heard the request at its March 31st meeting and recommended approval via a unanimous vote (8-0) based on: it is a reasonable request and in the public interest, and although inconsistent with the goals of the CLUP, the proposed residential use aligns with the existing structures and uses on this street.

Chairman Brown called for comments from the Applicant, for citizen comment, and for questions from the BOC; hearing none, declared the Public Hearing closed.

Chairman Brown recapped the Planning Board unanimously recommended approval and called for a motion to approve.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the BOC unanimously approved **2025-098**, upon consideration of the map change application, public hearing comment, and recommendation from the Planning Board and Planning staff, finds:

 Although inconsistent with the goals of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan, the proposed residential use aligns with the existing structures and uses on the street. The future land use designation that was placed on the area was non consistent with the existing structures and uses that were in place well before zoning regulations were established in the County.

The Commission considers this action to be reasonable and in the public interest, based on: Planning Board recommendation and compatibility with existing land uses in the immediate area. Therefore, the map change request for property parcel: 146345, is hereby approved as conditioned {Exhibit A}, effective with the passage of this Ordinance to be rezoned to the (CD/R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning Conditional District with (US) Urban Standards and (CH) Corridor Highway Overlays.

2) The County Manager is authorized to make necessary notifications in this matter to appropriate parties.

Exhibit A Conditions of Approval REZ-25-01-17-00206

- Any uses allowed in the (R-2) Single Family Moderate Zoning District would be permitted in accordance with standards and regulations as adopted in the Gaston County Unified Development Ordinance (UDO).
- 2. Accessory Structures are permitted in accordance with Section 9.9 of the UDO.
- 3. Minor modifications are permitted in accordance with Section 5.15 of the UDO.

Chairman Brown directed the County Attorney to provide the Consistency Statements for this request and the preceding request to the Clerk for the record.

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Public Hearing RE: Commissioner Bailey - Building & Development Services - To Approve Amendment to the Carolina Thread Trail Master Plan and Maps for Gaston County Communities, to Add the Stowe Connector Trail

Chairman Brown introduced Mrs. Peyton Wiggins, Planner II – Building & Development Services, for comments.

Chairman Brown briefly departed the meeting at 7:19 pm.

Mrs. Wiggins advised that the subject request is to amend the Carolina Thread Trail Master Plan to include the one-mile Stowe Connector Trail that sits on Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden (BSBG) properties; the Applicant is the Carolina Thread Trail (CTT).

The CTT staff approached the Planning staff about this amendment; shared that DSBG has been undergoing strategic changes to maximize the property as a multi-age destination for the greater Charlotte region (including planning and implementing several new trails on the property); the proposed trail begins at the Poston end trail intersection off of the Duke Kimbrell Trail and travels to DSBG's main parking area; DSBG intends to rename this as the Stowe Connector Trail.

The CTT Executive Committee approved the amendment on February 19th; it also went before the Belmont City Council since the property falls within their city limits; the Council adopted a Resolution on March 17th in support of the amendment; it went before the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board on March 17th; the Board issued a letter of support for the amendment; the Resolution and letter of support are available in BOC's packets.

The Planning Board heard the request at its March 31st meeting and recommended approval by a unanimous vote (8-0); Mr. Ashton Lamb with CTT and Tracy Smith with DSBG are present to answer any questions.

Vice-Chairman Cloninger called for citizen comment and for questions from the BOC; hearing none, declared the Public Hearing closed.

Chairman Brown returned at 7:19 pm and called for a motion to approve.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Shehan and seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the BOC unanimously approved **2025-099** as follows:

- WHEREAS, on February 26, 2009, the Gaston County Parks and Recreation Commission and on February 26, 2009, the Gaston County Planning Board, voted to recommend adoption/approval of the "Carolina Thread Trail Plan for Gaston County Communities" to the Gaston County Board of Commissioners; and,
- WHEREAS, a Resolution to support the Carolina Thread Trail was approved by the Board of County Commissioners on March 26, 2009; and,
- WHEREAS, the Carolina Thread Trail has submitted a map amendment to include the addition of the Stowe Connector Trail within the Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden; and,
- WHEREAS, the City of Belmont offers written support of same; and,

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- WHEREAS, the Gaston County Planning Board voted to recommend adoption/approval of the Carolina Thread Trail Master Plan and Maps Amendment at their regularly scheduled meeting on March 31, 2025; and
- WHEREAS, the Gaston County Parks & Recreation Advisory Board voted to recommend adoption/approval of the Carolina Thread Trail Master Plan and Maps Amendment at their regularly scheduled meeting on March 17, 2025; and,
- WHEREAS, public hearing comments are on file in the Commission Clerk's Office as part of the minutes of the meeting.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners adopts the Carolina Thread Trail Master Plan and Maps Amendment; a submittal to include the addition of the Stowe Connector Trail that is intended to provide better connectivity and outdoor recreation opportunities for Gaston County residents and visitors.



PUBLIC HEARING RESUMED:

REZ-24-09-20-00192 - Century Community Southeast, LLC's Conditional District Rezoning

Chairman Brown introduced the Applicant, Mr. Brice Dimitruck for comments.

Mr. Dimitruck requested a continuance until the June meeting.

Chairman Brown called for a motion to continue the meeting until June; no motion was heard and the continuance was therefore denied.

Mr. Dimitruck requested the withdrawal of the application at this time.

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Chairman Brown responded, "thank you, sir", and no objection was heard from the BOC.

<u>Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Keigher - EDC - To Approve a Resolution Authorizing Gaston County to Participate in the Commercial Property Assessed Capital Expenditure (C-PACE) Program</u>

Chairman Brown introduced Mr. Donny Hicks, Economic Development Commission (EDC) Director, for comments.

Mr. Hicks advised the EDC was approached by the City of Gastonia and was asked to carry this program forward; 30+ states in the United States have taken advantage of this program that allows commercial property owners to install energy efficiency in some way (i.e., savings in water, electricity, green energy, better lighting, etc.); it is a funding program that would allow them to get lower interest rate financing for longer terms; the County has no financial responsibility in this at all but has to authorize the program for others to use; the Governor signed this into law a couple of months ago; Mecklenburg County is working on it; the County Attorney is acting as counsel for them to help them figure it out; basically the BOC will be authorizing the municipalities to go work with developers on this program.

Chairman Brown called for citizen comment, for questions from the BOC and for additional comments; hearing none, declared the Public Hearing closed and called for a motion to approve.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Shehan, the BOC unanimously approved **2025-100** as follows:

- WHEREAS, as required by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160A-239.14(a)(1), the County of Gaston, North Carolina (the "County") previously adopted Resolution No. 2025-076 (the "Resolution of Intent"), declaring the intent of the County to participate in the Commercial Property Assessed Capital Expenditure (C-PACE Program) established under Article 10B of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended (the "C-PACE Act"); and,
- WHEREAS, as required by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160A-239.14(b), on April 22, 2025, the County held a public hearing on its intent to participate in the C-PACE Program; and,
- WHEREAS, as required by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 160A-239.14(a)(2), the County now desires to adopt a Resolution to join the C-PACE Program.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Gaston, North Carolina as follows:
 - Section 1. The County hereby joins the C-PACE Program and declares that its participation in the C-PACE Program shall be subject to and consistent with the provisions of the C-PACE Act, the terms of the C-PACE Program as established by the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina as the Statewide Administrator of the C-PACE Program, and the Resolution of Intent.
 - Section 2. Nothing in this Resolution shall be interpreted as authorizing the County to pledge, offer, or encumber its full faith and credit, and the County shall not pledge, offer, or encumber its full faith and credit in connection with any CPACE Financing.
 - <u>Section 3.</u> Should any provision or provisions of this Resolution be declared invalid or unenforceable in any respect by final decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity or unenforceability of any such provisions shall not affect the remaining provisions of such Resolution.

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Section 4. All Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict hereby repealed.	nerewith are, to the extent of such confl	ic
Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect upon its add	option.	
ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of April, 20	025.	

I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners SYCERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete conners of the County at a regular meeting duly called and he	py of a resolution adopted by the Board	
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Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Keigher - EDC - To Approve a Gaston County Level Four Incentive Grant Pursuant to N.C.Gen.Stat. 158-7.1 and To Authorize Gaston County to Enter Into an Economic Development Agreement (EDA) with Project Nexus

Chairman Brown introduced Mr. Donny Hicks, Economic Development Commission (EDC) Executive Director, for comments.

Mr. Hicks stated the EDC is requesting a Level Four Grant for the project; the County is a finalist but has not been selected. Project Nexus has committed to the State via its submittals to create 701 jobs at an average salary of about \$52k; anticipated investment of \$268M (that number is actually larger); total investment will be about \$435M; \$100M of that will be to buy the existing facilities; that would leave about \$265M in personal equipment and \$60M-\$70M in modifications of the building if they do not buy; the County's net taxable would be \$100M or less, based on the investment; anticipate a decision will be made by June to try to be operational the first quarter of 2027.

Chairman Brown called for citizen comment, for questions from the BOC and for additional comments; hearing none; declared the Public Hearing closed.

Chairman Brown called for a motion to approve.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Shehan, the BOC unanimously approved **2025-101** as follows:

WHEREAS, Project NEXUS is considering a total investment of \$268,000,000 to establish a manufacturing facility in Gaston County. Project NEXUS plans to invest over \$56 million to customize and upfit an existing building in either Kings Mountain or Gastonia and purchase over \$212 million in machinery and equipment. Project NEXUS anticipates creating 701 new jobs with an average annual salary exceeding \$52,000 per year in Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute §158-7.1 authorizes a County to undertake an economic development project by providing grants for the location of industry; should any grants and incentives be offered by the State of North Carolina and a local match be required, the Local Investment Grant will be used as the match and no additional funds will be obligated by the County; and,

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- WHEREAS, Gaston County developed an economic grant policy to provide global advanced manufacturing companies and distribution facilities with incentives to attract high quality industries and jobs; and,
- WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Company's capital investment in and at the Property and its operations thereat will generate significant ad valorem tax, sales tax and other revenues to the County and will qualify for a Level Four Incentive Grant; and,
- WHEREAS, the County will prepare a detailed Economic Development Agreement (EDA), between Project NEXUS, the County, and chosen municipality, so as to induce the company to provide good job opportunities and capital investment which will enhance the County's ability to attract additional business and industry.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners approves a Level Four Incentive Grant and authorizes the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or the County Manager to execute any documents necessary to complete an Economic Development Agreement for Project NEXUS.

Chairman Brown announced the Public Hearings were concluded.

Agenda Revision/Approval

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Shehan, the BOC unanimously approved the Agenda of April 22, 2025.

Approval of Minutes

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the BOC unanimously approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2025.

Citizen Recognition

Ms. Rose Planer, Cramerton and Ms. Gina Robinson, Gastonia, spoke in support of Hope United Support Network funding; the following individuals spoke in support of funding for the libraries and keeping all library branches open: Ms. Kristine Robinson, Gastonia; Ms. Emily Thomasson, Gastonia; Ms. Amanda Memrick, Belmont; Miss Amelia Memrick (mentioned collecting 23 signatures on a petition, however, it was not submitted for the record); Ms. Elizabeth Martin, Gastonia.

Chairman Brown clarified that the Belmont and Mount Holly libraries are not currently slated for closure. He explained that the discussion stemmed from their close proximity to one another and emphasized that the Board has no formal proposal to consider at this time, as the County Manager has not yet presented a budget.

At the conclusion of public comment, Chairman Brown addressed the remarks regarding internet access, stating that the County is actively exploring ways to expand access to internet services, learning labs, e-books, book delivery, and other resources to enhance community engagement and educational opportunities. He emphasized that there has never been any discussion about closing all libraries.

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Consent Agenda

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Shehan, the BOC unanimously approved the Consent Agenda as follows:

- 2025-102 Commissioner Cloninger BOC Commendation To Recognize the 75th Season of the Little Theater of Gastonia
- 2025-103 Board of Commissioners BOC Proclamation To Proclaim the Week of April 20-26, 2025 as *Volunteer Week* in Gaston County
- 2025-104 Commissioner Brown Building & Development Services To Amend the Current Gaston County Fee Schedule to Adjust Building and Development Services Fees as follows:

Gaston County FY 2025 Recommended Fee Schedule	Details	,	FY24 Amended	,	FY25 Adopted	A	FY25 nended	Change
Board of Adjustment and Historic Preservation Commission								
Variance/Special Exceptions/Certificates of Appropriateness/ Appeals		\$	600.00	\$	700.00	\$	700.00	
Special Use Permit	Plus \$5.00 per Acre	5	1,050.00	\$	1,050.00	\$	1,050.00	
Legal Advertisement		\$	175.00	\$	200.00	\$	200.00	
Mailings to adjoining property owners	Per mailing	\$	2.00	\$	3.00	\$	3.00	
Recording Fee	2	\$	26.00	\$	26.00	\$	26.00	
Sign Fee		\$	151	\$	15.00	\$	15.00	

2025-105 Commissioner Keigher - Cooperative Extension - To Accept and Appropriate Extension Program and Workshop Fees (\$8,400) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Fee Based Prog:Food/Supplies	1000-CES-000-00000-000000-000000-07-430011-15226	[8,400]
Prog Supp: Fee Based Prog	1000-CES-000-00000-000000-000000-07-520002-15226	8,400

2025-106 Commissioner Keigher - Cooperative Extension - To Accept and Appropriate Additional State Grant Funds for \$2,300 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
State Grant Rev-NC AgVentures	1000-CES-000-00000-AgVntr-0000000-0000-07-410001-G0146	[2,300]
Furn/Equip<\$5K-NC AgVenturesGr	1000-CES-000-00000-AgVntr-0000000-0000-07-520020-G0146	2,300

2025-107 Commissioner Keigher - Cooperative Extension - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Funds for Highland Youth Garden Entrepreneur Incubator Program (\$8,340) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Coop Extn Programs	1000-CES-000-00000-HghGrd-0000000-0000-07-430011-	[8,340]
Program Supplies	1000-CES-000-00000-HghGrd-0000000-0000-07-520002-	5,520
Other Services	1000-CES-000-00000-HghGrd-0000000-0000-07-530015-	1,620
Food and Provisions	1000-CES-000-00000-HghGrd-0000000-0000-07-520005-	1,200

2025-108 Commissioner Brown - County Attorney - To Approve a Resolution Adopting Visitor Rules for the Gaston County Administration Building as follows:

WHEREAS,	Gaston County is the owner of the Administration Building located at 128 West Main Avenue,
	Gastonia North Carolina: and

WHEREAS, the Administration Building is the main office building for the Gaston County government, where County employees perform the daily functions of County business and provide services to citizens;

WHEREAS, providing a safe, efficient, welcoming environment for employees and visitors is a compelling governmental interest and priority of the Board of Commissioners.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that:

- 1. The attached Gaston County Administration Building Visitor Rules (Exhibit A) are adopted.
- 2. The Rules are effective immediately upon passage.

Exhibit A

Gaston County Administration Building Visitor Rules

I. Purpose

The Gaston County Administration Building is the main office building for the Gaston County government. Its primary function is to serve as a workplace for County employees, as well as provide a safe and welcoming environment for all constituents to access important government services. These rules are intended to provide a safe, efficient, and welcoming environment for all visitors.

II. Rules

The following conduct is prohibited within the interior spaces of Gaston County Administration Building:

- 1. Possessing any weapons, except as specifically permitted by law.
- Smoking, chewing tobacco, use of e-cigarettes or vaping devices, or carrying any lighted or smoldering pipe, cigar, or cigarette.
- Disruptive, harassing, or unsafe behavior, including conduct which interferes with county employees or county officials in the performance of their duties, or interferes with the proper use of the Administration Building by others.
- 4. Abusive behavior, including use or display or obscene language, gestures, or graphics.
- Blocking entrances, exits, fire exits, access areas or otherwise interfering with the provision of services or the use of City property.
- 6. Entering or remaining in nonpublic areas without authorization. Areas inside the Administration Building, including offices, hallways, stairways, and elevators are open to the public only to the extent necessary to attend to county business, or attending a county authorized function, event, or activity to which the person is an invitee, or attending a duly noticed public meeting. Otherwise, such areas are deemed nonpublic areas.
- 7. Disrupting county business, events, or other county sponsored or authorized activities.
- Leaving unattended packages, backpacks, luggage, or other personal items. Any such items may be secured by county staff.
- 9. Laying down or sleeping in chairs, benches, or the like.
- 10. Using restrooms for changing clothes, washing clothes, or bathing.
- 11. Posting or affixing to county property without permission from the County Manager or their designee, any signs, leaflets, posters, flyers, pamphlets, brochures, and written, pictorial or graphic material of any kind.
- 12. Tampering with or unauthorized use of building or facility systems or devices, including electrical, plumbing, locks, doors, or cameras.
- 13. Remaining in a county building after posted hours of operation or after the conclusion of an authorized "after hours" public meeting or event.
- 14. Creating loud noises, yelling, speaking loudly, singing, disruptive clapping, shouting, playing instruments, blowing horns or using sound amplification equipment inside the Administration Building or its grounds that impairs or interferes with business operations.
- 15. Carrying or displaying placards, signs, flags, or similar items that exceed 8.5" x 11" or have rigid construction, sharp edges, or handsticks.
- 16. Leaving children unattended.
- 17. Any act which could result in substantial risk of harm to persons or property.
- 18. Engaging in any conduct prohibited by federal, state, or local law.

III. Viewpoint Neutrality

Insofar as these rules affect protected speech, they are only intended to establish reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions in accordance with state and federal law. These rules shall not be construed or applied so as to discriminate against a visitor based on the substantive content of their speech.

IV. Applicability

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This policy applies to the Gaston County Administration Building (128 W. Main Avenue, Gastonia). Notice of these rules must be posted at each public entrance. A copy of these rules must be available upon request.

V. Enforcement

The County Manager (or the County Manager's designees) is responsible for implementing and enforcing this policy. If a person violates these rules, the County Manager may revoke or reasonably condition such person's permission to enter or remain in the Administration Building for a specified, reasonable period of time.

2025-109 Commissioner Brown - County Manager - To Approve the Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement Services Between Gaston County and the Town of McAdenville, adding Two Full-Time Positions (\$255,000 Annual Reimbursement for Services from McAdenville) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Policing Services Reimburse men	1000-GPD-000-00000-McAdnv-0000000-0000-02-430044-	(231,534.00)
Salaries	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-510001-	125,240.00
FICA	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-510100-	9,580.00
Retirement	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-000-02-510101-	20,164.00
401-K Contribution	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-510102-	6,262.00
Health Insurance	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-000-02-510103-	25,000.00
Uniforms	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-0000-02-520006-	8,000.00
Employee Training	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-0000000-000-02-520011-	3,000.00
Furn/Equip<\$5K	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-000000-02-520020-	34,288.00
Policing Services Reimbursemen	4000-GPD-000-00000-McAdnv-0000000-0000-02-430044-	(23,466.00)
Transfer to Debt Service	4000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxTo-0000000-0000-98-583000-	23,466.00
Transfers from CIF	3000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxFr-0000000-0000-98-484000-	(23,466.00)
Principal Pymts-FY26Vehcl&Equi	3000-000-000-00000-InstFn-VLP2026-0000-09-550001-P2601	20,342.00
Interest Pymts-FY26Vehcl&Equi	3000-000-000-00000-I nstFn-VLP2026-0000-09-550101-P2601	3,124.00

2025-110 Commissioner Brown - County Manager - To Approve the Interlocal Agreement Creating Consortium for Participating in HUD "HOME" Program

2025-111 Commissioner Hovis - County Manager - To Accept Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information as follows:

ENTRY DATE	DEPT NAME	ACCOUNT	DR/CR	AMOUNT
03/03/2025	Public Works	4005-PWK-192-00000-CourtF-0000000-0000-01-540016-G0054	C	206,294
03/03/2025	Public Works	4005-PWK-192-00000-CourtF-0000000-0000-01-540005-P2406	D	206,294
03/03/2025	Attorney	1000-ATY-000-00000-000000-000000-01-520015-	D	350
03/03/2025	Attorney	1000-ATY-000-00000-000000-000000-01-520007-	C	350
03/03/2025	Attorney	1000-ATY-000-00000-000000-000000-01-520007-	C	2,000
03/03/2025	Attorney	1000-ATY-000-00000-000000-000000-1-520007-	D	2,000
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03/04/2025	Police Dept	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-000000-02-530027-G0045	D	17,000
03/04/2025	Police Dept	1000-GPD-000-00000-000000-000000-02-530053-G0045	С	17,000
03/04/2025	Dept. of Soc. Svces.	1000-DSS-271-00000-FostCr-FCBBHSF-0000-05-560008-	С	124,299
03/04/2025	Dept. of Soc. Svces.	1000-DSS-271-00000-FostCr-Partner-0000-05-560008-L0016	D	124,299
03/05/2025	Information Technology	1000-ITS-000-00000-000000-000000-01-520007-	С	137
03/05/2025	Information Technology	1000-ITS-000-00000-000000-000000-01-530020-	D	137
03/05/2025	Non-Departmental	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-000000-02-530015-G0089	С	57,528
03/05/2025	Non-Departmental	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-000000-02-530010-G0089	D	57,528
03/07/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-000-00000-EmpRec-0000000-0000-05-530017-	С	500
03/07/2025	Grants	1000-GRT-000-00000-EmpRec-0000000-0000-01-530017-	D	500
03/11/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-293-00000-000000-000000-0000-05-520001-	С	2,000
03/11/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-293-00000-000000-000000-0000-05-520015-	D	2,000

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03/12/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-0000000-000-08-530015-	С	750
03/12/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-000000-0000-08-520015-	D	750
03/13/2025	Non-Departmental	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-000000-02-530013-G0089	С	47,428
03/13/2025	Non-Departmental	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-000000-02-520002-G0089	С	700
03/13/2025	Non-Departmental	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-000000-02-520005-G0089	D	2,000
03/13/2025	Non-Departmental	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-000000-02-530015-G0089	D	46,128
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-00000-ThrdHp-0000000-0000-05-520019-	С	45,987
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-00000-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	D	15,329
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	D	15,329
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29103-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	D	15,329
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-530013-	С	16,000
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-520002-	D	4,000
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-520005-	D	5,000
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-520007-	D	4,000
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-530010-	D	2,000
03/13/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-530015-	D	1,000
03/14/2025	Public Works	4005-PWK-192-00000-CourtF-0000000-0000-01-540005-P2406	С	38,422
03/14/2025	Public Works	4005-PWK-192-00000-CourtF-0000000-0000-01-540016-P2406	D	38,422
03/17/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-292-00000-SrGame-0000000-0000-04-520002-	С	245
03/17/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-292-00000-SrGame-0000000-0000-04-530028-	D	245
03/17/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-000000-0000-08-530023-	С	25,000
03/17/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-000000-0000-08-530021-	С	25,000
03/17/2025	Solid Waste	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-000000-0000-08-530000-	D	50,000
03/18/2025	Public Works	1000-PWK-192-00000-000000-000000-0000-01-530023-18084	С	650
03/18/2025	Public Works	1000-PWK-192-00000-000000-000000-0000-01-530030-	D	650
03/19/2025	Emerg Mgt & Fire Svcs	4005-EMG-000-00000-FireEd-0000000-0000-02-540002-	D	17,141
03/19/2025	Emerg Mgt & Fire Svcs	4005-EMG-000-00000-Annual-PayAsGo-0000-02-540002-	С	17,141
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-510100-GSMST	D	143
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-510101-GSMST	D	1,070
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-520002-GSMST	D	1,025
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-510103-GSMST	С	78
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-510104-GSMST	С	57
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-510105-GSMST	С	134
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-520001-GSMST	С	440
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-520010-GSMST	С	487
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-520011-GSMST	С	2,917
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-520012-GSMST	С	45
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-520013-GSMST	С	287
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-530002-GSMST	С	1,455
03/20/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-SmrtSt-0000000-0000-05-510001-GSMST	D	3,662
03/20/2025	Parks and Rec	1000-PRK-360-00000-000000-000000-000-01-520011-	С	1,000
03/20/2025	Parks and Rec	1000-PRK-360-00000-000000-000000-01-530010-	D	1,000
03/21/2025	Non-Departmental	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-000000-02-530015-G0089	С	2,670
03/21/2025	Non-Departmental	1000-NDP-000-00000-000000-000000-02-530010-G0089	D	2,670
03/21/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-00000-ThrdHp-0000000-0000-05-520019-	С	13,500
03/21/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-00000-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	D	13,500
03/21/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-00000-Hope4H-0000000-0000-05-520019-	С	26,000
03/21/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29103-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	D	26,000
03/21/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29103-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	С	50,000
03/21/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	D	50,000
03/24/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-270-00000-WIOA00-0000000-0000-05-520011-	С	1,000
03/24/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-270-00000-WIOA00-WIODWkr-0000-05-520011-	D	1,000
03/25/2025	Sheriff	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-02-520020-G0061	С	4,399
03/25/2025	Sheriff	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-02-520007-G0061	С	1,338
03/25/2025	Sheriff	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-02-510002-G0061	D	5,737
03/25/2025	Health	1000-HLT-254-00000-000000-000000-05-510101-G0096	D	2,000
03/25/2025	Health	1000-HLT-254-00000-000000-000000-05-510102-G0096	С	2,000

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03/26/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-MealsWh-0000-05-520002-L0002	С	2,000
03/26/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-MealsWh-0000-05-520005-L0002	С	5,000
03/26/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-MealsWh-0000-05-520015-L0002	С	500
03/26/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-MealsWh-0000-05-520020-L0002	D	7,500
03/26/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-MealsWh-0000-05-530002-21602	С	400
03/26/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-MealsWh-0000-05-520020-21602	D	400
03/26/2025	Dept. of Soc. Svces.	4005-DSS-000-00000-Annual-PayAsGo-0000-05-540005-P2302	С	18,000
03/26/2025	Dept. of Soc. Svces.	4005-DSS-000-00000-Annual-PayAsGo-0000-05-540002-	D	18,000
03/27/2025	Health	1000-HLT-000-00000-000000-0000000-05-520002-AG025	С	25,000
03/27/2025	Health	1000-HLT-000-00000-000000-000000-05-530010-AG025	D	25,000
03/27/2025	Unidentified Department	4010-000-000-00000-GOBANs-Sch2023-0000-03-549999-P2409	С	750,800
03/27/2025	Unidentified Department	4010-000-000-00000-GOBANs-Sch2023-0000-03-540100-P2409	D	750,800
03/28/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-TeenPg-0000000-0000-05-520005-16241	D	1,000
03/28/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-TeenPg-0000000-0000-05-520002-16241	С	1,000
03/28/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-0000000-05-410000-G0109	D	25,896
03/28/2025	Health	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-410000-G0109	С	25,896
03/28/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-00000-Hope4H-0000000-0000-05-520019-	С	24,000
03/28/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29103-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	D	24,000
03/31/2025	Health	1000-HLT-253-00000-FamPln-0000000-0000-05-520002-17255	С	40,000
03/31/2025	Health	1000-HLT-253-00000-FamPln-0000000-0000-05-520020-17255	D	40,000
04/01/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-520007-G0122	С	2,000
04/01/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-530010-G0122	С	300
04/01/2025	Community Svces.	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-520005-G0122	D	2,300

2025-112 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Grant Funds Received from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Passed Through Cabarrus Health Alliance for Year 2 of the REACH Grant (\$70,592) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Office Supplies-REACH Grant	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-520001-G0109	\$300.00
Mileage Reimb-REACH Grant	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-520010-G0109	\$18.00
Employee Training-REACH Grant	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-520011-G0109	\$9,129.00
Dues & Subscriptions-ReachYr2	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-520012-G0109	\$225.00
Printing-REACH Grant	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-520013-G0109	\$540.00
Professional Services-ReachYr2	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-530010-G0109	\$29,882.00
Other Services-REACH Grant	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-530015-G0109	\$29,498.00
Building Rental-ReachYr2	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-530027-G0109	\$1,000.00
FedGrtRev (PT): REACH Grant	1000-HLT-250-00000-000000-Year002-0000-05-410000-G0109	(\$70,592.00)

2025-113 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - To Appropriate McKinsey Opioid Settlement Funds (\$198,324.46) and Accrued Interest Earnings (\$4,302.83) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Opioid Settlement	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-410211-Op002	(198,324.46)
Interest Earnings	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-444001-Op002	(4,302.83)
Program Supplies-Opiod McKinse	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-520002-Op002	24,303.29
Medication-Opioid McKinsey	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-520003-Op002	75,000.00
Food and Provisions-Opioid McK	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-520005-Op002	5,000.00
Employee Training-Opioid McKin	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-520011-Op002	20,000.00
Advertising-Opioid McKinsey	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-520015-Op002	30,000.00
Other Services	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-530015-Op002	30,000.00
Software Rental-Opioid McKinse	1000-HLT-000-00000-McKnsy-0000000-0000-05-530029-Op002	18,324.00

2025-114 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Health Division - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Month of April 2025 as *Public Health Month* in Gaston County

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2025-115 Commissioner Keigher - DHHS - Social Services Division - To Accept and Appropriate Donations Received in Third Quarter of FY25 Totaling \$17,977.40 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Donations: Adult Nutrition Program	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-HmDelMI-0000-05-445004-	(666.64)
Donations: Adult Nutrition	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdtNut-0000000-0000-05-520019-15259	666.64
Donations: Adult DayCare	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdltDC-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(250.00)
Donations: Adult DayCare	1000-CSS-272-00000-AdltDC-0000000-0000-05-520019-	250.00
Donations & Gifts - CAC	1000-CSS-291-29103-000000-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(1,120.00)
Donations: CAC	1000-CSS-291-29103-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	1,120.00
Donations & Gifts-Hope 4 Holidays	1000-CSS-291-00000-Hope4H-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(10,200.00)
Donations: Hope for Holidays	1000-CSS-291-00000-Hope4H-0000000-0000-05-520019-	10,200.00
Donations & Gifts - Shelter	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-0000000-0000-05-445004-	(5,740.76)
Donations: Shelter	1000-CSS-291-29102-Donatn-0000000-0000-05-520019-	5,740.76

- 2025-116 Commissioner Keigher DHHS Social Services Division Proclamation To Proclaim the Month of April 2025 as *Child Abuse Prevention Month* in Gaston County
- 2025-117 Commissioner Hovis Emergency Management and Fire Services To Approve the Transfer of Funds from the General Fund to the General Government Capital Fund, via the Community Investment Fund (\$17,140.58) to Reimburse for the Purchase of Fire Extinguisher Simulator for Fire Education per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Furn/Equip>\$5K	4005-EMG-000-00000-Annual-PayAsGo-0000-02-540002-	17,140.58
Miscellaneous Supplies/Expense	1000-EMG-000-00000-FireEd-0000000-0000-02-520007-	(17,140.58)
Transfer to CIF Fund	1000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxTo-0000000-0000-98-584000-	17,140.58
Transfers from General Fund	4000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxFr-0000000-0000-98-481000-	(17,140.58)
Transfer to Gen Govt Capital	4000-NDP-000-00000-TrfxTo-0000000-0000-98-584005-	17,140.58
Transfer from CIF	4005-NDP-000-00000-TrfxFr-0000000-0000-98-484000-	(17,140.58)

2025-118 Commissioner Hovis - Financial and Management Services - Finance - To Appropriate \$179,500,000 in Bond Proceeds, \$11,112,396.25 in Bond Premium for the General Obligation Bonds for the Schools, and Appropriate \$80,000,000 From the Bond Proceeds in Refunding to Make the Principal Payment on the 2023 Bond Anticipation Notes per Budget Change Request:

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Account Description	Account Number	er			Amount
Debt Financing (Bond) Proceeds	4000-000-000-0	0000-GOB	ond-Sch2025	-0000-03-470001-P2514	(179,500,000.00)
Bond Premium	4000-000-000-0	00000-GOE	ond-Sch2025	i-0000-03-4 70002-P2514	(11,112,396.25)
Transfer to Education Debt Svc	4000-NDP-000-	-00000-Trfx	To-0000000-0T	0000-98-583005-	80,397,450.00
Transfer to Education Capital	4000-NDP-000-	-00000-Trfx	To-0000000-0	0000-98-584010-	110,214,946.25
Transfers from CIF	3005-NDP-000-	-00000-Trfx	Fr-0000000-0	000-98-484000-	(80,397,450.00)
ProfSvcs: GO Bonds Series 2025	3005-000-000-0	00000-GOE	ond-Sch2025	-0000-03-530010-P2514	397,450.00
Principal Payments	3005-000-000-0	00000-GOE	ANs-Sch2023	3-0000-03-550001-P2409	80,000,000.00
Transfers from CIF	4010-NDP-000-	-00000-Trfx	Fr-0000000-0	0000-98-484000-	(110,214,946.25)
EducBond: GO Bonds Series 2025	4010-000-000-0	00000-GOE	ond-Sch2025	-0000-03-540100-P2514	110,000,000.00
Contingency Funds: GOBonds2025	4010-000-000-0	00000-GOF	ond-Sch2025	-0000-03-549999-P2514	214 946 25

2025-119 Commissioner Hovis - Financial and Management Services - Finance - To Accept as Information the March 2025 Property Tax Refunds Less than \$100. These Tax Refunds Should Be Recorded in the Board's Minutes. (Total NCVTS Refunds - \$2,092.19) as follows:

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TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT	TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
MARCH 2025 REFUNDS			
ABERNATHY, SANDRA LACKEY	\$ 22.82	KEISLER, PATRICK ANDREI	\$ 93.10
ANDERSON, ROBERT SAMUEL	\$ 17.54	KENDRICK, PATRICIA LAWING	\$ 29.63
ARMSTRONG, ROBERT CLARK	\$ 82.49	LINEBERGER, ROBERT EDWARD	\$ 28.32
ATKINS, BRIAN WAYNE	\$ 14.96	LOPEZ GONZALEZ, MIGUEL	\$ 29.59
ATWELL, REBECCA DIANNE	\$ 96.20	MCLAUGHLIN, TRACY LEE	\$ 0.99
BIGGERSTAFF, DEBRA KIRBY	\$ 34.64	PAYNE, SHANNON LAMBERT	\$ 95.12
BROWN, ANTHONY GLENN	\$ 7.48	PHILLIPS, JOHN DILLARD	\$ 70.25
BYRD, SHERITTA GUNNING	\$ 59.30	POPE, ODELL CHRIS	\$ 37.11
CAIN, PAMELA BORING	\$ 31.78	PRICE, REBECCA MARIE	\$ 90.32
CANDELARIO, SANTOS ANTONIO	\$ 19.27	RAMSEY, GEORGINA ESCALONA	\$ 50.34
CARR, FRANCES WENTZ	\$ 15.32	RAMSEY, GEORGINA ESCALONA	\$ 40.82
CARR, PHILLIP RONNIE	\$ 17.86	RAMSEY, GEORGINA ESCALONA	\$ 29.57
CELINE MCMANAMON, MARY ELIZABETH	\$ 26.47	REEP, JESSICA NOEL	\$ 32.18
CHADWICK, MICHAEL PAUL	\$ 9.51	SCHUSTER, GERALD FRANKLIN	\$ 7.42
COOKE, BELINDA DENISE	\$ 5.40	STEPPE, KAREN ROPER	\$ 13.20
COSS, WAYNE	\$ 17.37	STONE, JASON BENJAMIN	\$ 72.12
COUTURE, NANCY ANN	\$ 74.40	STONE, SUSAN GREEN	\$ 4.77
DAMERON, MICHAEL SCOTT	\$ 66.10	THOMAS, PATRICIA STREET	\$ 25.43
DAVIS, MARK EUGENE	\$ 9.60	TINKER, MICHAEL KEVIN	\$ 9.24
FORD, EDWARD EARL JR	\$ 48.41	USERY, LORENE BAILEY	\$ 41.75
GOODE, JANET KING	\$ 49.58	USERY, LORENE BAILEY	\$ 41.78
GREENE, ROBERT DANIEL	\$ 2.94	USERY, MICHAEL DEAN	\$ 37.81
GRINDSTAFF, ROBERT CURTIS	\$ 17.03	VEGA, MILDRED	\$ 59.61
HAGER, JEANA OLIPHANT	\$ 52.17	VOORHEES, REBECCA POLLAK	\$ 93.69
HENNESSEE, FORREST CARROLL	\$ 70.46	WASHINGTON, THOMAS MALEEK	\$ 22.45
HURST, MELISSA BELINDA	\$ 13.33	WEBB, CHARLOTTE MARIGOLD	\$ 21.35
JACKSON, ERNEST BERNARD	\$ 16.83	WILSON, ALICE MARIE	\$ 56.20
JACKSON, LORRAINE MICHELLE	\$ 58.77	TOTAL	\$2,092.19

2025-120 Commissioner Hovis - Financial and Management Services - Finance - To Appropriate Interest Earnings on the 2023 Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs) for Gaston County Schools to Spend on Facilities (\$4,155,000) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Educ Bonds: GO BAN Series 2023	4010-000-000-00000-GOBANs-Sch2023-0000-03-540100-P2409	4,155,000.00
Interest Earnings	4010-NDP-000-00000-GO BANs-Sch 2023-0000-03-444001-P2409	(4,155,000.00)

2025-121 Commissioner Brown - Financial and Management Services - Grants (Sheriff's Office) - Administrative Correction - To Correct the Budget Change Request for Resolution #2024-436 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Salaries	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-000-02-510001-	10,608.00
Salaries	1000-SHF-210-00000-000000-000000-0000-02-510001-	(10.608.00)

2025-122 Commissioner Brown - Financial and Management Services - Grants - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Governor's Crime Commission Grant Funds for the Cathy Mabry Cloninger Center - A Domestic Violence Shelter (\$81,952.42 Year 3 Funds - No Match) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
FedGrtRev: GCC 2022 VOCA DV	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-410000-G0053	(\$81,952.42)
Salaries: GCC 2022 VOCA DV	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-510001-G0053	64,923.34
FICA: GCC: 2022 VOCA DV Clonin	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-510100-G0053	4,953.65
Ret: GCC: 2022 VOCA DV Cloning	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-510101-G0053	1,501.68
401K Cont:GCC: 2022 VOCA DV CI	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-510102-G0053	550.87
HealthIns: GCC: 2022 VOCA DV C	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-510103-G0053	9,173.32
Dntl Ins:GCC: 2022 VOCA DV Clo	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-510104-G0053	241.80
Life Ins:GCC: 2022 VOCA DV Clo	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-510105-G0053	107.90
Trnsl Hsng: GCC: 2022 VOCA DV	1000-CSS-291-29102-000000-Year003-0000-05-530053-G0053	499.86

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2025-123 Commissioner Brown - Financial and Management Services - Grants (Sheriff's Office) - Administrative Correction Amending Match Accounts in Resolution #2025-019 per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Salary: Court Advocate	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-02-510001-Advoc	(38,435.23)
Salaries	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-000-02-510001-	38,435.23
FICA: Court Advocate	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-02-510100-Advoc	(2,092.46)
FICA	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-000-02-510100-	2,092.46
Health Ins: Court Advocate	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-02-510103-Advoc	(6,139.00)
Health Insurance	1000-SHF-000-00000-000000-000000-000-02-510103-	6,139.00

2025-124 Commissioner Brown - Financial and Management Services - Grants - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Governor's Crime Commission Grant Funds for The Lighthouse Children's Advocacy Center (\$98,724.17 Year 3 Funds) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
FedGrtRev: GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-291-29103-000000-Year003-0000-05-410000-G0052	(98,724.17)
Salaries: GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-291-29103-000000-Year003-0000-05-510001-G0052	88,152.66
FICA: GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-291-29103-000000-Year003-0000-05-510100-G0052	6,532.55
Retirement: GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-291-29103-000000-Year003-0000-05-510101-G0052	3,553.09
Dental Ins: GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-291-29103-000000-Year003-0000-05-510104-G0052	350.23
Life Ins: GCC 2022 VOCA CAC	1000-CSS-291-29103-000000-Year003-0000-05-510105-G0052	135.64

- **2025-125** Commissioner Cloninger GEMS To Declare Surplus and Sell Two Trailers as follows:
 - 1. SEU 2000 cargo trailer #838 (4U01S1622YA004038) to Town of Dallas, NC.
 - 2. PRU 2008 cargo trailer #849 (4U01S222X6A027110) to North Gaston Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc.
- 2025-126 Commissioner Hovis Office of Capital Improvements (OCI) To Authorize the County Manager, or His Designee, to Execute a Construction Contract with Double R Utilities, Inc for the Chapel Grove Waterline Extension in the Amount of \$3,287,610.85
- 2025-127 Commissioner Cloninger Parks and Recreation To Accept and Appropriate \$19,487 in Senior Games Event Fees and Sponsorships for the 2025 Gaston County Senior Games per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Sponsorships	1000-CSS-292-00000-SRGAME-0000000-0000-04-445005-	(9,250.00)
Event Fees	1000-CSS-292-00000-SRGAME-0000000-0000-04-430021-	(10,237.00)
Senior Games Program Supplies	1000-CSS-292-00000-SRGAME-0000000-0000-04-520002-	19,487.00

- 2025-128 Commissioner Hovis Police Department (Animal Care and Enforcement) Proclamation To Proclaim the Week of April 13-19, 2025 as Animal Care and Enforcement Appreciation Week
- 2025-129 Commissioner Brown Police Department (Communications 911)/Sheriff's Office Proclamation To Proclaim the Week of April 13-19, 2025 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week
- 2025-130 Commissioner Cloninger Public Works To Award a Construction Contract to Advanced One Development, LLC and Authorize the County Manager, or His

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Designee, to Execute the Necessary Contracts for Wellfield Expansion at the Gaston County Landfill (\$784,550) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Other Improv & Cap Outlay	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-0000000-0000-08-540006	(\$730,219.00)
Wellfield Expansion	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-0000000-000-08-540006-18097	\$730,219.00

2025-131 Commissioner Cloninger - Public Works - To Award a Construction Contract to Morgan Corporation, T/A and Authorize the County Manager, or His Designee, to Execute the Necessary Contracts for C&D Closure at the Gaston County Landfill (\$6,062,770.00) per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Unit I Closure	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-0000000-0000-08-540006-18096	(\$3,117,533.00)
Unit III Permitting	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-0000000-0000-08-540006-18095	(\$199,448.00)
Landfill Unit II: Permit/Constr	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-0000000-0000-08-540006-20019	(\$3,020,789.00
Other Improv & Cap Outlay - C&D	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-0000000-0000-08-540006-P2513	\$6,062,770.00
Prof. Svcs: Capital Proj - C&D	6000-SWS-380-00000-000000-0000000-0000-08-540016-P2513	275,000

- 2025-132 Commissioner Cloninger Public Works To Approve the Purchase of a Roll Off Truck for the Landfill (\$252,170.00)
- 2025-133 Commissioner Brown Register of Deeds To Approve a Resolution Establishing Policy and Procedures for Closing the Office of the Register of Deeds as follows:

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statutes §153A-94(b) and §161-8 state that the Board of Commissioners may prescribe the office hours, workdays, and holidays observed by the various offices, and may fix the days and hours that the Register of Deeds shall attend the office in person or by deputy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners:

- (a) In general. The hours of operation for the Register of Deeds Office are established pursuant to G.S.161-8 as follows:
 - (1) Normal Business Hours. The Office of the Register of Deeds will be open to the public from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday of each week, excluding County recognized holidays.
 - (2) Regularly Scheduled Staff Development Closures. Office of the Register of Deeds will be closed to the public on the federal holidays of Washington's Birthday (President's Day) and Columbus Day (Indigenous People's Day) for the purpose of conducting staff development exercises.
 - (3) Special Closures. The Register of Deeds may close the Office of the Register of Deeds to public for the purposes of staff development or recognition for up to three hours after providing notice of such closure not less than 14 days prior to the closure. The Register of Deeds must provide such notice to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners and conspicuously place notice of the planned closure at the Office of the Register of Deeds.
 - (4) Emergency Closures. The County Manager may close the Office of the Register of Deeds due to adverse weather conditions or other emergencies in accordance with Section 14 of the Gaston County Personnel Policy, or its successor.
- (b) Effective date. Subsection (a) shall become effective on April 22, 2025.
- 2025-134 Commissioner Bailey Sheriff's Office Retirement Commendation To Award the Service Side Arm and Badge to Retired Assistant Chief Deputy Garry Williams

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2025-135 Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the March 2025 Tax Refunds be Made. (Releases and Refunds - \$1,463.06; Overpayments - \$20,416.95; VTS Refunds - \$1,722.24; Grand Total - \$23,602.25) as follows:

TAXPAYER NAME March 2025 RELEASES AND REFUNDS	AMOUNT
Corelogic	\$1,463.06
TOTAL	\$1,463.06
TOTAL	Ψ1,400.00
March 2025 OVERPAYMENTS	
Amrock, LLC - North Carolina	\$278.04
Carvalho, Michelle Elaine De	\$353.80
Chittamath, Bounmak Souvanna	\$310.77
Corelogic	\$4,431.55
Corelogic	\$130.00
Corelogic	\$541.74
Corelogic	\$409.54
Corelogic	\$279.91
Corelogic	\$700.00
Corelogic	\$436.27
Corelogic	\$581.87
Corelogic	\$110.00
Dillahunt, Brandon	\$2,684.57
Equity Settlement Services, INC.	\$209.36
Green, Maxine	\$226.65
Green, Maxine	\$113.33
Hardwood Creations INC	\$400.72
Hardwood Creations INC	\$296.21
Hughes, James	\$270.96
Invernizzi, Javier	\$1,174.97
Lail, Brett	\$139.85
Lewis, Jackie Tyrell	\$115.26
Lindsay, Hatley	\$638.73
Lyngstad, Janneth E	\$459.17
Lyngstad, Janneth E	\$459.17
McClain, Liza	\$171.73
McNaught & Clements, PLLC	\$143.84
Nettles, Ethel Bowers	\$703.43
Norman, Kelly Jenkins	\$157.67
Padgett, Herbert W	\$500.00
Prochievement West LLC	\$190.21
Rocket Mortgage	\$725.00
Ruccio, William P	\$259.09
Smith, Sheila L	\$300.00
Stott, Hollowell, Windham & Stancil, PLLC	\$192.83
Van Pelt, Beverly P.	\$371.07
Westmoreland, Patricia L	\$145.00
Wren, James Robert Jr	\$682.64
Wren, Patricia A	\$122.00

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(2,272.72)

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TOTAL

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TOTAL	\$20,416.95	
March 2025 VTS REFUNDS		
Cleveland County Tax	\$248.29	
Henson Mechanical Services Inc	\$116.05	
Hibberd, Edward Norman III	\$130.17	
Lincoln County Tax Dept	\$290.41	
Lincoln County Tax Dept	\$394.64	
Lincoln County Tax Dept	\$436.00	
Lincoln County Tax Dept	\$106.68	
TOTAL	\$1,722.24	
GRAND TOTAL	\$23,602.25	
Commissioner Hovis - Veteran Services - To Accept and Appropriate North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Grant for \$2,272.72 per Budget Change Request:		

1000-CSS-293-00000-000000-000000-0000-05-410001-G0018

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Appointments

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None.

Commissioners' Committee Reports

Account Description

StGrtRev: Veterans Services

Office Supp: VeteransServ

Commissioner Bailey expressed his appreciation to the Police Department, Sheriff's Office, and Gastonia Police Department for their visible presence and enforcement efforts in addressing dirt bike activity on main roads. He noted recent incidents and urged those who have dirt bikes to ride responsibly and in appropriate areas. He concluded that he did not want to involve law enforcement but had received over 100 complaints.

Account Number

Commissioner Cloninger reported attendance to *Webb Street School's 3rd Annual Car Show and Fundraiser*; *Get to Know Gaston* (event sponsored by County/City of Gastonia); *Osage Mill Lofts Ribbon Cutting Ceremony*; *Elected Officials Manager's Dinner* sponsored by the Gaston Business Association; *T-Ball Field Dedication for Ann Martin* in Dallas, NC.

Commissioner Hovis shared that his granddaughter volunteered at the Book Fair at the main library, where the line wrapped around the building. He noted the event may not have received as much attention if not for recent public comments and budget discussions, where libraries were among many items reviewed by the BOC. The Board has a fiduciary responsibility to taxpayers to carefully examine budgetary challenges. He emphasized that he has always taken calls from constituents and is willing to explain his observations, decisions, and stands accountable for his actions and votes.

Chairman Brown thanked staff for their hard work on the budget over the past several months, noting the Board of Commissioners has reviewed and discussed 35 departmental budgets across multiple meetings. He commended staff for their continued responsiveness to the Board's questions throughout the process.

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County Manager's Report

No report.

County Attorney's Report

No report.

Other Matters

Commissioner Cloninger presented as follows:

"I am truly sorry that I made a mistake and did not vote against the Dallas-High Shoals Water interconnect project. For weeks, I have struggled with my decision. I am not comfortable with, or in favor of, using eminent domain to obtain personal property. I know that my comments tonight will not change the outcome of this vote, but I wanted to personally express my apologies to those affected."

Commissioner Cloninger introduced a motion, pursuant to Rule 28 of the BOC's Rules and Procedures, to change her vote from Aye to Nay on item VI., V. of the March 25, 2025 Agenda (Commissioner Hovis - Public Works - To Authorize the Filing of Condemnation Proceedings for Acquisition of Easements for the Dallas High Shoals Infrastructure Project).

Chairman Brown explained that Commissioner Cloninger's motion to request a vote change on a previous item requires unanimous approval from members present. He called for the vote, and the motion failed to carry, due to the lack of a unanimous decision (as follows):

Ayes: Commissioners Brown, Cloninger, Bailey

Nays: Commissioners Hovis, Shehan

Adjournment

By unanimous consent, Chairman Brown adjourned the Regular Meeting of April 22, 2025 at 7:59 pm.

(All aforementioned documents are on file with the Clerk to the Board.)

Chad Brown, Chairman	Donna S. Buff	_
Gaston County Board of Commissioners	Clerk to the Board	

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