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The Gaston County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met in Rescheduled Session on December 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., in The Harley B. Gaston, Jr. Public Forum, Gaston County Courthouse.

Chairman Tracy L. Philbeck presided with Commissioners Chad Brown, Vice-Chairman; Jack B. Brown, Allen R. Fraley, Bob Hovis, Tom Keigher and Ronnie Worley in attendance.

Others present included Dr. Kim S. Eagle, County Manager; Charles L. Moore, County Attorney; and Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the Board.

Upon request of Chairman Philbeck, Commissioner Hovis led those assembled in the Invocation and Commissioner Worley led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing - Zoning Map Change: Z19-16 Stuart & Lisa LaFrancis (Applicant); Property Parcel: 154069, Located at 109 Womble Dr., Bessemer City, NC, Rezone from the (I-2) General Industrial Zoning District with (CH) Corridor Highway and (US) Urban Standards Overlays to the (C-1) Light Commercial Zoning District with (CH) Corridor Highway and (US) Urban Standards Overlays

Chairman Philbeck announced the Public Hearings as advertised; explained procedures to be used; called for the motion to enter into Public Hearings.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Chad Brown, the BOC unanimously entered into Public Hearings.

With a quorum of the Planning Board in attendance, Chairman Philbeck recognized Mr. David Williams, Director of Planning & Development Services, for comments.

Mr. Williams advised subject request is to rezone parcel 154069 located at 109 Womble Dr., Bessemer City, NC from the General Industrial (I-2) zoning district with Corridor Highway (CH) and Urban Standards (US) Overlay Districts to the Light Commercial (C-1) zoning district with CH and US overlay districts; the Applicants/Property Owners are Stuart & Lisa LaFrancis; 1.02 acres is being requested for rezoning; the current use is vacant and unoccupied commercial structure.

Mr. Williams reviewed aerial, zoning and adjacent property owners maps depicting the property's location in the western part of County (between I-85 and Hwy. 74); commercial buildings towards front of property; undeveloped property to the rear; Industrial, R-1 and Commercial 3 zoning; property owners notified of public hearing and list of the property parcels.

He advised that he provided the BOC with the front elevation of the commercial building.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Chad Brown and seconded by Commissioner Worley, the BOC unanimously accepted the front elevation of the commercial building into the record.

Mr. Williams advised the property is located within the Gateway Center's designation planning Area 5: Scenic Gaston/Southwest Gaston; based on the goals and objectives in the zoning district pattern in the overall vicinity, it is staff's opinion the request is consistent with the

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Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Comp Plan); the request was advertised and notices were mailed out per County policy; staff received a few calls for information.

Chairman Philbeck called for citizen comment.

Mr. Stuart LaFrancis, 204 E. Texas Ave., Bessemer City, NC advised their intent is to make the property their primary residence and to add an office in the future as their small business grows.

Chairman Philbeck called for questions from the Planning Board and BOC; hearing none, moved to the next item of business.

Public Hearing - Zoning Text Amendment: (ZTA19-06) Gaston County Planning Board (Applicant); To Consider Proposed Text Amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO): Chapter 5 (Permit and Modification Procedures): Section 5.16.5(A), 5.16.6; Chapter 7 (Uses and Building Lot Standards): Section 7.6.5(A), 7.6.6(A), 7.6.7(B); Chapter 9 (General Provisions): Section 9.13(A)(1), 9.13(A)(3)

Chairman Philbeck recognized Mr. Williams for comments.

Mr. Williams advised the proposed text amendments reflect minor modifications to the Conditional Use District submittal process, and minor modifications of uses in the Overlay District and outdoor lighting provisions; the proposed changes involve Chapters 5, 7 and 9 are highlighted and italicized in yellow; have prepared a power point presentation depicting the changes.

Chairman Philbeck called for citizen comment and for questions from the Planning Board and BOC; hearing none, excused the Planning Board to Courtroom 2029 for deliberations.

Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Jack Brown - EDC - To Authorize Gaston County to Complete an Application for a One North Carolina Grant and to Enter into an Economic Development Agreement (EDA) to Provide a Standard Level Two Incentive Grant - Project CATAMOUNT

Chairman Philbeck introduced Ms. Leslie Campbell, EDC Project Administrator, for comments.

Ms. Campbell advised Project Catamount is looking to locate a manufacturing facility in the Gastonia Technology Park (GTP), invest approximately \$21M and employ 59 new employees with an average wage of \$59,000.

Chairman Philbeck called for citizen comment and for questions from the BOC; hearing none, called for a motion to approve the Resolution.

**2019-321 Commissioner Jack Brown – EDC – To Authorize Gaston County to Complete an Application for a One North Carolina Grant and to Enter into an Economic**

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**Development Agreement (EDA) to Provide a Standard Level Two Incentive Grant – Project Catamount**

On motion introduced by Commissioner Chad Brown and seconded by Commissioner Jack Brown, the BOC unanimously approved **2019-321** as follows:

WHEREAS, Project CATAMOUNT is considering a total investment of \$20.6 million in new construction and machinery and equipment (M&E) to establish an advanced manufacturing and technical facility in the Gastonia Technology Park with the expectation to complete this investment on or before December 31, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Company intends to create at least fifty-nine (59) new jobs, within five years of establishing operations, expecting to pay an average annual wage of \$59,661 with the current average annual wage for Gaston County being \$39,852; and,

WHEREAS, this investment consists of not less than nine million seven hundred and sixty thousand dollars (\$9.76 Million) in real property investment and ten million eight hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$10.885 Million) in personal property (M&E) investment; 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; and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County developed the Gastonia Technology Park (GTP) to provide global advanced manufacturing companies with a high quality industrial park location; 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,

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is offering a One North Carolina Fund Discretionary Grant of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) which requires a local match of 50% one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) being sourced from the local investment grants from Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, the County's One North Carolina Grant Fund application and Standard Level Two Incentive Grant will be incorporated into a detailed Economic Development Agreement (EDA), between Project CATAMOUNT, the County and the City of Gastonia, 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:

Authorizes the Chairman of the Gaston County Board of Commissioners to execute any documents necessary to make application for a One North Carolina Grant. The Board further authorizes the Chairman to execute an Economic Development Agreement for a Standard Level Two Incentive Grant for Project CATAMOUNT.

Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Jack Brown - EDC - To Authorize a Standard Level One Grant and to Convey 6.6+/- Acres in the Apple Creek Business Park - Project DUO

Chairman Philbeck recognized Mr. Donny Hicks, EDC Director, for comments.

Mr. Hicks presented a site plan for Project DUO; advised the company currently has a facility in Gaston County; the company and a joint venture partner from Italy will combine their companies into one facility that will operate both of their operations; the 30,000SF building will be expandable to 50,000SF; they are looking to buy 6.6 acres at the Apple Creek Business Park on the Dallas-Cherryville side of the property and opposite the side of the road from Project Raven; this will complete phase one of the Apple Creek Business Park; the County must deliver the site by August 2020 per its development plans for Apple Creek; the company has agreed to pay

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\$65,000/acre, performed a two-year search, looked at Gaston and Lincoln counties, decided on Apple Creek and waited on the County to finish the development; they originally asked the County to modify the covenants to only allow certain uses on the site adjacent to them; having this project built will ensure the uses of the project are compatible with Project Raven; the incentive plan is the same plan they would normally get but staff is putting that in the Resolution.

Chairman Philbeck called for citizen comments and for questions from the BOC; hearing none, called for a motion to approve the Resolution.

**2019-322 Commissioner Jack Brown - EDC - To Authorize a Standard Level One Incentive Grant and to Convey 6.6+/- Acres in the Apple Creek Business Park for Project Duo**

On motion introduced by Commissioner Worley and seconded by Commissioner Hovis, the BOC unanimously approved **2019-322** as follows:

WHEREAS, Project DUO is considering an investment of \$3,000,000 to construct an advanced manufacturing operation in Gaston County, including the installation of machinery and equipment and the establishment of a North American corporate office. It will be a joint venture of two companies coming together under one roof. The first company will retain nineteen (19) jobs with an average wage of \$50,000, and create five (5) new jobs with an average wage of \$60,000. The second company will retain two (2) employees with an average salary of \$40,000, and create three (3) new jobs with an average wage of \$75,000. The 2019 average annual wage in Gaston County is \$39,852; and,

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute §158-7.1 authorizes a County to undertake an economic development project by providing land conveyance for the location of industry in order to increase the local tax base and provide quality jobs; and,

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the best interests of the County to convey the 6.6+/- acres of property in the Apple Creek Business Park at a total of \$429,000 or \$65,000 price per acre for 6.6+/- acres, which is dependent upon the final survey of the site, for the proposed investment of \$3,000,000 which will retain 21 jobs and create 8 new jobs expecting to pay an average annual wage higher than the County's average; and,

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners has conducted a properly advertised public hearing to provide an Economic Development Agreement for the Standard Level One Incentive Grant and to convey the 6.6+/- acres of property in the Apple Creek Business Park at a total of \$429,000 or \$65,000 price per acre for 6.6+/- acres, which is dependent upon the final survey.

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

The Chairman of the Gaston County Board of Commissioners is authorized to:

1. Execute any documents necessary to complete the County's incentive proposal to convey approximately 6.6+/- acres in the Apple Creek Business Park and to execute an Economic Development Agreement for a Standard Level One Incentive Grant for Project DUO.

Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Jack Brown - EDC - To Approve a Resolution to Convey Approximately 6.2 +/- Acres in the Gastonia Technology Park - Project SIBO

Chairman Philbeck recognized Ms. Campbell for comments.

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Ms. Campbell advised Project SIBO is looking to purchase 6.2 acres in the GTP beside Lanxess, invest \$10M and hire 50 new employees; the average salary will be around \$40,000; they are looking to pay \$32,258/acre for a total price of \$200,000.

Chairman Philbeck called for citizen comment; hearing none, called for questions from the BOC.

Commissioner Hovis asked if this was the property that appeared to be hard to develop because of the topography.

Ms. Campbell responded "correct", the water line is kind of low in the back; it was not an original site in the Park's plan.

Hearing no further questions, Chairman Philbeck called for a motion to approve the Resolution.

**2019-323 Commissioner Jack Brown - EDC - To Approve a Resolution to Convey Approximately 6.2+/- Acres in the Gastonia Technology Park - Project SIBO**

On motion introduced by Commissioner Chad Brown and seconded by Commissioner Jack Brown, the BOC unanimously approved **2019-323** as follows:

WHEREAS, Project SIBO is considering an investment of \$10,000,000 to construct an advanced manufacturing operation in Gaston County, including the installation of machinery and equipment and the establishment of a North American corporate office and the creation of at least FIFTY (50) new jobs expecting to pay an average annual wage of at least \$40,000, which is about the 2019 average annual wage of \$39,852 in Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute §158-7.1 authorizes a County to undertake an economic development project by providing land conveyance for the location of industry in order to increase the local tax base and provide quality jobs; and,

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the best interests of the County to convey the 6.2+/- acres of property in the Gastonia Technology Park at a total of \$200,000 or \$32,258 price per acre for 6.2+/- acres, which is dependent upon the final survey of the site, for the proposed investment of \$10,000,000 which will create at least 50 new jobs expecting to pay an average annual wage of at least \$40,000; and,

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners has conducted a properly advertised public hearing to convey the 6.2+/- acres of property in the Gastonia Technology Park at a total of \$200,000 or \$32,258 price per acre for 6.2+/- acres, which is dependent upon the final survey.

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

The Chairman of the Gaston County Board of Commissioners is authorized to:

1. Execute any documents necessary to convey approximately 6.2+/- acres in the Gastonia Technology Park for Project SIBO.

Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Fraley - County Attorney/EDC - To Authorize the Purchase of Approximately 93 Acres in the Cherryville Township from the Beam Trust and M'Shel Bowen for \$6,000 per Acre, Subject to Survey - Beam Industrial Park

Chairman Philbeck recognized Mr. Hicks for comments.

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Mr. Hicks advised this project was initiated several years ago, via a study funded by the BOC; staff studied about 650 acres on NC-150 East (eastern side of Cherryville headed towards Lincoln County); conducted an extensive study of land on both sides of the road and narrowed down what it would take to develop a business park; staff came up with a 90-acre site that had been partially developed in Cherryville and continued to study this site for a number of years; staff worked with the Family's Trust, M'shel Bowen and Michael Beam; some Cherryville representatives are present and may speak about the project also; staff has done the land planning (depicted on the screen) and thinks this is the most realistic opportunity to develop the property; if BOC approves, staff will come back in January with a separate package to fund the due diligence on the site to conduct Phase One environmental work and to mitigate some stream classification for the Corps of Engineers on two small isolated wetland properties (.002 acres) located in different locations; that work is ready to go but staff wanted the BOC's permission to buy first and come back with a second package for its due diligence in January.

Chairman Philbeck called for citizen comment; hearing none, called for questions from the BOC.

Commissioner Fraley welcomed the Cherryville officials (Mayor H.L. Beam; Chief and City Manager Jeff Cash; Richard Randall – Cherryville Chamber of Commerce; Larry Summers, EDC Board) in attendance tonight; advised this action will put the County and Cherryville one step closer to the completion of a project that has been in the works for many years.

Commissioner Keigher asked how much overall acreage it would take to deal with the wetland properties.

Mr. Hicks advised that the isolated wetlands do not drain into a body of water and that a depression in the ground holds water that has soil characteristics, hydric soils or plant material that are indicative of a wetland; our intent is to get a 404 permit from the Corps of Engineers and to ask them to remove the wetlands without compensatory mitigation (they are fully in the development envelope and not something they could work around); that would be part of our due diligence; had some preliminary work done in that area and a consultant believes they are isolated wetlands; the County has a right, as part of its contract, to do the 12 months due diligence period prior to closing; if this cannot be completed in 12 months staff can extend it another six months and bring it back to the BOC to determine mitigation costs or say it has been done; this is authorization to do it but the due diligence must be completed.

The County Attorney advised the Counsel for the trust has asked the County to pay the rollback tax burden on the property; it was estimated at approximately \$10,000 but will not know for sure until the survey is done to establish the true tax numbers; advised their Counsel that he did not think the BOC would object to that added clause, which is part of the contract before the BOC.

Commissioner Fraley advised the reason for the request is because the agricultural property is moving back into the industrial district.

The County Attorney advised any time you change ownership there will be a rollback unless the new owner can qualify; a tax bill will be generated to collect or claws back some of the deferred taxes.



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Chairman Philbeck thanked the Cherryville officials for being in attendance; advised it is a great opportunity; Commissioner Fraley has always advocated for an industrial park in Cherryville and he has put in a lot of hard work to make this happen; it is a good day for the Cherryville Township; he noted his appreciation for the hard work that Commissioner Fraley did to make this happen.

With discussion coming to an end, Chairman Philbeck called for a motion to approve the Resolution.

**2019-324 Commissioner Fraley - County Attorney/EDC - To Authorize the Purchase of Approximately 93 Acres in the Cherryville Township from the Beam Trust and M'Shel Bowen for \$6,000 per Acre, Subject to Survey - Beam Industrial Park**

On motion introduced by Commissioner Fraley and seconded by Commissioner Chad Brown, the BOC unanimously approved **2019-324** per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	010-99-9900-0000-490000	[\$575,000]
Transfers to CIP	010-98-9800-0000-580040	\$575,000
Transfers from General Fund	040-98-9800-0000-480010	[\$575,000]
Land: Beam Property Acquisition	040-07-4920-4920-540004-Beam	\$575,000

Chairman Philbeck called for a motion to close the Public Hearings.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Chad Brown and seconded by Commissioner Worley, the BOC unanimously closed the Public Hearings.

**Agenda Revision/Approval**

- REVISED/ *Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Jack Brown - EDC - To Authorize Gaston County to Complete an Application for a One North Carolina Grant and to Enter into an Economic Development Agreement (EDA) to Provide a Standard Level Two Incentive Grant - Project CATAMOUNT, II., A.*
- DELETED/ *Public Hearing - RE: Commissioner Philbeck - County Attorney/EDC - To Authorize an Economic Development Grant Pursuant to N.C. General Statutes §158-7.1, of up to \$300,000 for Eligible Expenses for Site Improvements to the Riverwest Business Park in Belmont, II., E.*
- REVISED/ *Commissioner Chad Brown - Budget/Purchasing - To Approve the Bid Award for Purchase of \$1,099,728 for Vehicles, and the Expenditure of \$180,688 for Equipment, Decals, Tag/Tax and Title Fees (Totaling \$1,280,416); and, to Approve the Reallocation and Transfer of Funds for One Full Size Truck from the Planning & Development Services Budget to the Building Services Fund (\$6,321 General Fund Transfer), V., B.*
- REVISED/ *Commissioner Philbeck - County Attorney - To Authorize the Conveyance of a Non-Warranty Deed to Lamar W. Stroupe, V., E.*
- REVISED/ *Commissioner Worley - Finance - To Award Bid for Financing up to \$1,099,728 for Rolling Stock and Equipment to Bank of America Capital Corp. and to Approve the Attached Budget Change Request (to appropriate funds) and Resolution Approving Financing Terms, V., H.*
- REVISED/ *Commissioner Philbeck - Sheriff's Office - To Appropriate \$583,017 of Fund Balance and Approve 15 Additional Full Time Positions and the Purchase of 1 Vehicle for the Sheriff's Office as a Result of the Additional Infill Capacity, VII., B.*

On motion introduced by Commissioner Hovis and seconded by Commissioner Worley, the BOC unanimously approved the Agenda of December 10, 2019 with changes noted above.

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**Citizen Recognition**

Ms. Susan Jacobs, 3417 Driftwood Dr., Gastonia, NC voiced concerns about the City (Gastonia) allowing a private developer to install a sewer line along Beatty Rd. without contacting the residents nor adhering to the 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment regarding due process; she also noted she was present in 1980 when Countywide water and sewer was voted down; cited statement from the DOT Right of Encroachment document. She accused the City of Gastonia of breaking State law.

Chairman Philbeck advised the County is not involved in the subject water/sewer project; asked if she lived in an ETJ (extra-territorial jurisdiction) area.

Commissioner Keigher explained the ETJ area.

Ms. Jacobs stated she was addressing State laws and a City must have one-eighth of that property line touching a piece of land to take it in.

Commissioner Jack Brown advised he discussed the Beatty Rd. issue with County's local Senate and House Legislators last week; they say it is the State's problem; the State says it is the City's problem; the State authorized the City to install the sewer line right-of-way which the City did; the State is looking back into this issue and getting with City to get the problem corrected.

Chairman Philbeck advised he can have the County Manager contact her; the BOC does not have any authority to do anything but will be glad to get a State or City representative to help her.

Ms. Jacobs advised she spoke with NC Representative Dana Bumgardner who confirmed she was correct; she is not going to back down and the City will not cross her property that is not legally in the City yet; she has been threatened with imminent domain and being put into jail.

Chairman Philbeck advised it would be interesting to see if she lives within an ETJ.

Mrs. Laurel Morris, 2348 Villa Oaks Ct., Gastonia, NC and the Library Director, invited everyone to visit the Library December 16<sup>th</sup> through January 25<sup>th</sup> to see the original sketches and artwork drawings of a noted illustrator, Maurice Sendak, who wrote the famous book, "*Where the Wild Things Are*" among other books; advised the Library is the only place in NC to see the exhibit that has been traveling all over the country and world; you can visit the Library's website for ticketing information or drop by the Library.

**Consent Agenda**

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

**2019-325 Commissioner Philbeck - BOC - To Update the Provisions of the Gaston County Investment Grant Program to Extend the Small Business Investment Grant Program Through Calendar Year 2020 as follows:**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that the Gaston County Investment Grant Program as adopted by Resolution No. 2006-065, dated February 9, 2006, is hereby



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amended to approve the one-year extension of the Gaston County Small Business Investment Grant for the 2020 calendar year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Small Business Investment Grant program shall sunset on December 31, 2020, and shall apply to investments made during the 2020 calendar year.

**2019-326 Commissioner Chad Brown - Budget/Purchasing - To Approve the Bid Award for Purchase of \$1,099,728 for Vehicles, and the Expenditure of \$180,688 for Equipment, Decals, Tag/Tax and Title Fees (Totaling \$1,280,416); and, to Approve the Reallocation and Transfer of Funds for One Full Size Truck from the Planning & Development Services Budget to the Building Services Fund (\$6,321 General Fund Transfer) as follows:**

Replacement Vehicles were approved with the adoption of the FY 19/20 Budget Ordinance. Funds for one (1) full size truck needs to be transferred from the General Fund to the Building Services Fund due to the transition of the Land Use Division and associated staff.

Police and Sheriff Dodge Chargers: Due to an early manufacturer cut off, the BOC approved Board Action 2019-299 at its Regular Meeting of 10/22/2019, and the Police and Sheriff Chargers were ordered per NC Sheriff's contract 19-05-0911R. However, after accepting the order, Dodge cancelled 4,000 Charger orders across the country including the County's order. This affects the Police and Sheriff. There are no other pursuit sedan options, so the attached pricing reflects NC Sheriff's Contract pricing for Ford Interceptor Utility vehicles.

DHHS-Social Services Vehicles: (2) Hybrid Midsize Sedans and (2) 7-Passenger Minivans – a formal bid was conducted per Uniform Guidance (UG) requirements since these vehicles will involve federal reimbursement.

Legal ad was posted in The Gazette on 10/18/19, posted on the County's website, posted on the HUB site as an affirmative step to solicit quotes from M/WBE dealers, and Bid Requests were sent to 23 potential bidders. One addendum was issued.

Bids were received on 11/1/19 from six (6) bidders. The low cost bids from Fleet Vehicle Source in Covina, California, did not meet the engine specifications per Fleet. Therefore, award is recommended to next low bidder whose bid meets specifications and is considered responsive:

Fred Anderson Toyota, Raleigh NC	Toyota Prius LE	\$23,692 each
Ilderton, Highpoint NC	Chrysler Voyager	\$23,901 each

Balance of Vehicles: Police, A/C/E, Sheriff, Public Works (Print Shop, Administration, Facilities), Building Services, and Natural Resources are quoted per State Contract or NC Sheriff's Contract as allowed by G.S.143-129(e)(3) for Group Purchasing Programs thus leveraging the cost benefits of state-wide bidding.

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Chart for Finance Package - Vehicles 2020 Version  
for BA including Contract #'s

Revised 12/5/2019

	Unit Cost	Quantity	Extended	Vendor / Model	Rounded	Vehicles Loan Package	Total TTT	Total Equip/Decal	Total Extended
<b>Spec #1</b>									
Police Interceptor Utility AWD - <b>County Police</b>	\$ 39,450.90			Asheville Ford / Interceptor SUV		\$ 473,410.80	\$ 14,274.32	\$ 92,400.00	\$ 580,085.12
Console / computer stand	inc below			NCSA contract 19-05-0911R					
Emergency Lights & equipment	\$ 7,200.00								
Decals	\$ 500.00								
Tag, tax and title	\$ 1,189.53								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 48,340.43</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>\$ 580,085.12</b>		<b>\$ 580,086.00</b>				
<b>Spec #2</b>									
3/4 Ton 4x4 Crew Cab Truck - <b>County Police</b>	\$ 35,431.89			Asheville Ford / F250		\$ 35,431.89	\$ 1,068.96	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 41,700.85
Console / computer stand	\$ 700.00			NCSA contract 19-05-0911R					
Emergency Lights & equipment	\$ 4,000.00								
Decals	\$ 500.00								
Tag, tax and title	\$ 1,068.96								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 41,700.85</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 41,700.85</b>		<b>\$ 41,701.00</b>				
<b>Spec #3</b>									
3/4 Ton 4x2 Extended Cab & Chassis - <b>ACE</b>	\$ 28,163.40			Asheville Ford / F250		\$ 48,338.40	\$ 850.90	\$ 2,450.00	\$ 51,639.30
SWAB animal box (new)	\$ 18,625.00			NCSA contract 19-05-0911R		Inc Box+freight			
Transport cost from SWAB to dealer	\$ 1,550.00								
Console / computer stand	\$ 700.00								
Emergency Lights & equipment	\$ 1,000.00								
Decals	\$ 750.00								
Tag, tax and title	\$ 850.90								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 51,639.30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 51,639.30</b>		<b>\$ 51,640.00</b>				
<b>Spec #4</b>									
Revised Police Interceptor Utility AWD - <b>Sheriff's Office</b>	\$ 39,450.90			Asheville Ford / Interceptor SUV		\$ 157,803.60	\$ 4,758.11	\$ 30,800.00	\$ 193,361.71
Console / computer stand	inc below			NCSA contract 19-05-0911R					
Emergency Lights & equipment	\$ 7,200.00								
Decals	\$ 500.00								
Tag, tax and title	\$ 1,189.53								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 48,340.43</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>\$ 193,361.71</b>		<b>\$ 193,362.00</b>				
<b>Spec #5</b>									
Full Size Van - <b>Sheriff's Office</b> (re-using existing Van Cell)	\$ 31,644.70			Piedmont Truck/Ford Transit 350		\$ 31,644.70	\$ 955.34	\$ 5,950.00	\$ 38,550.04
Console / computer stand	\$ 700.00			NCSA contract 19-05-0911R					
Emergency Lights & equipment	\$ 4,500.00								
Decals	\$ 750.00								
Tag, tax and title	\$ 955.34								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 38,550.04</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 38,550.04</b>		<b>\$ 38,551.00</b>				
<b>Spec #6</b>									
Full Size 15-Passenger Van - <b>Sheriff's Office</b>	\$ 33,276.10			Piedmont Truck/Ford Transit 350		\$ 33,276.10	\$ 1,004.28	\$ 5,950.00	\$ 40,230.38
Console / Computer Stand	\$ 700.00			NCSA contract 19-05-0911R					
Emergency Lights and Equipment	\$ 4,500.00								
Decals	\$ 750.00								
Tag, tax and title	\$ 1,004.28								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 40,230.38</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 40,230.38</b>		<b>\$ 40,231.00</b>				
<b>Spec #7</b>									
Mid-size Hybrid Sedan - <b>Public Works - Print Shop</b>	\$ 24,133.85			Cooper Ford / Ford Fusion		\$ 24,133.85	\$ 730.02	\$ 30.00	\$ 24,893.87
Decals	\$ 30.00			NCSA contract 20-06-0911					
Tag, tax and title	\$ 730.02								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 24,893.87</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 24,893.87</b>		<b>\$ 24,894.00</b>				
<b>Spec #8</b>									
4x4 SUV - <b>Public Works - Administration</b>	\$ 29,593.47			Asheville Ford / Explorer		\$ 29,593.47	\$ 893.80	\$ 30.00	\$ 30,517.27
Decals	\$ 30.00			NCSA contract 19-05-0911R					
Tag, tax and title	\$ 893.80								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 30,517.27</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 30,517.27</b>		<b>\$ 30,518.00</b>				
<b>Spec #9</b>									
Full Size Van - <b>Public Works - Facilities</b>	\$ 34,847.00			Piedmont Truck/Ford Transit 350		\$ 34,847.00	\$ 1,051.41	\$ 5,030.00	\$ 40,928.41
Bin package on both sides floor to ceiling/security screens	\$ 5,000.00			State contract 070A					
Decals	\$ 30.00								
Tag, tax and title	\$ 1,051.41								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 40,928.41</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 40,928.41</b>		<b>\$ 40,929.00</b>				
<b>Spec #10</b>									
Full Size Extended Cab 4x4 Truck - <b>Building Services</b>	\$ 27,122.00			Modern Chevy/Silverado 1500		\$ 81,366.00	\$ 2,458.98	\$ 90.00	\$ 83,914.98
Decals	\$ 30.00			NCSA contract 19-05-0911					
Tag, tax and title	\$ 819.66								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 27,971.66</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>\$ 83,914.98</b>		<b>\$ 83,915.00</b>				
<b>Spec #11</b>									
Crossover SUV - <b>Natural Resources</b>	\$ 25,102.00			Capital Chevrolet / Traverse		\$ 25,102.00	\$ 759.06	\$ 30.00	\$ 25,891.06
Decals	\$ 30.00			NCSA contract 19-05-0911					
Tag, tax and title	\$ 759.06								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 25,891.06</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 25,891.06</b>		<b>\$ 25,892.00</b>				
<b>Spec #12</b>									
4x4 SUV - <b>Natural Resources</b>	\$ 29,593.47			Asheville Ford / Explorer		\$ 29,593.47	\$ 893.80	\$ 30.00	\$ 30,517.27
Decals	\$ 30.00			NCSA contract 19-05-0911R					
Tag, tax and title	\$ 893.80								
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 30,517.27</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 30,517.27</b>		<b>\$ 30,518.00</b>				

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Spec DSS-01									
Mid-Size Hybrid Sedan - DHHS Social Services	\$ 23,692.00			Fred Anderson/Toyota Prius LE	\$ 47,384.00	\$ 1,433.52	\$ 60.00	\$ 48,877.52	
Decals	\$ 30.00			Bid per Uniform Guidance					
Tag, tax and title	\$ 716.76								
Total	\$ 24,438.76	2	\$ 48,877.52		\$ 48,878.00				
Spec DSS-02									
Minivan 7-passenger - DHHS Social Services	\$ 23,901.00			Ilderton/Chrysler Voyager	\$ 47,802.00	\$ 1,446.06	\$ 60.00	\$ 49,308.06	
Decals	\$ 30.00			Bid per Uniform Guidance					
Tag, tax and title	\$ 723.03								
Total	\$ 24,654.03	2	\$ 49,308.06		\$ 49,309.00				
TOTAL - Vehicles, Equipment, Decals, Tag, Tax & Title		32	\$ 1,280,415.85		\$ 1,280,424.00	\$ 1,099,727.28	\$ 32,578.57	\$ 148,110.00	\$ 1,280,415.85

Tag/Tax/Title figured as Vehicle cost x .03 (road use tax) plus \$6.00 each

## and per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Vehicles: 2020 LP Financing	010-02-4910-4910-540003-20007	(\$50)
Vehicle Princ: 20 LP Financing	010-09-4910-4910-550001-20007	(\$5,597)
Vehicle Int: 20 LP Financing	010-09-4910-4910-550002-20007	(\$674)
Vehicles: 2020 LP Financing	012-02-4350-4351-540003-20007	\$50
Vehicle Princ: 20 LP Financing	012-09-4350-4351-550001-20007	\$5,597
Vehicle Int: 20 LP Financing	012-09-4350-4351-550002-20007	\$674
Transfers from General Fund	012-98-9800-0000-480010-	(\$6,321)
Transfer to Building Inspections	010-98-9800-0000-580012-	\$6,321

**2019-327 Commissioner Worley - Budget/Purchasing - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Grant Funds Awarded by the Governor's Crime Commission for The Lighthouse: A Children's Advocacy Center (\$247,889) per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
CAC GCC Grant	020-05-5585-0000-425123-20554	(247,889)
Salaries	020-05-5585-0000-510001-	155,585
FICA	020-05-5585-0000-510100-	14,297
Retirement	020-05-5585-0000-510101-	15,084
Hospitalization	020-05-5585-0000-510103-	37,510
CAC GCC travel	020-05-5585-0000-520011-20554	8,999
CAC GCC Professional Services	020-05-5585-0000-530010-20554	13,440
CAC GCC Office Supplies	020-05-5585-0000-520001-20554	2,974

**2019-328 Commissioner Worley - Budget/Purchasing - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Grant Funds for a Governor's Crime Commission (GCC) Grant for Translation Services for Children Who Witness Family Violence (\$117,600) per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
2019 GCC Translation Grant	020-05-4790-0000-420000-20555	(\$117,600)
Training: 19 Translation Grant	020-05-4790-0000-520011-20555	\$20,000
Prof Svcs: 19 Translation Grants	020-05-4790-0000-530010-20555	\$91,000
Salaries	020-05-4790-0000-510001-	\$6,600

**2019-329 Commissioner Philbeck - County Attorney - To Authorize the Conveyance of a Non-Warranty Deed to Lamar W. Stroupe**

**2019-330 Commissioner Philbeck - County Manager - To Accept Departmental Budget Change Requests as Information as follows:**

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EFF DATE	DEPT	ACCOUNT	DR/CR	AMOUNT
11/06/2019	Bldg Insp	012-02-4350-4351-540001-	D	\$225
11/06/2019		012-02-4350-4911-540001-	C	\$225
11/06/2019	T&T	010-07-4920-4920-520013-	C	\$10,000
11/06/2019		010-07-4920-4920-520015-	D	\$10,000
11/07/2019	Fire Marshal	010-02-4330-4340-520012-	D	\$500
11/07/2019		010-02-4330-4340-520001-	C	\$500
11/08/2019	Manager	010-01-4120-0000-530015-	C	\$10,000
11/08/2019		010-01-4120-0000-520005-	D	\$4,000
11/08/2019		010-01-4120-0000-520001-	D	\$3,000
11/08/2019		010-01-4120-0000-520011-	D	\$3,000
11/18/2019	T&T	022-07-4921-0000-530028-	D	\$895
11/18/2019		022-07-4921-0000-520014-	C	\$895
11/18/2019	Public Works	010-01-4265-4260-540002-	C	\$20,000
11/18/2019		010-01-4265-4260-540001-	D	\$20,000
11/19/2019	Sheriff	010-02-4315-4315-520005-	D	\$5,500
11/19/2019		010-02-4315-4315-530010-	C	\$5,500
11/20/2019	DSS	020-05-4790-0000-560000-18040	C	\$1,266
11/20/2019		020-05-4790-0000-530023-PubSf	D	\$1,266
11/20/2019	Public Works	060-08-4721-0000-540002-18080	C	\$5,819
11/20/2019		060-08-4721-0000-540002-18123	C	\$10,546
11/20/2019		060-08-4720-0000-540002-20034	D	\$16,365
11/20/2019	T&T	022-07-4921-0000-520014-	C	\$3,400
11/20/2019		022-07-4921-0000-530010-	D	\$3,400

**2019-331 Commissioner Chad Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - To Approve a Fund Balance Appropriation for the Carry Forward of Office of Justice Programs Grant Funds from FY19 to FY20 (\$175,822) per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriation	020-99-9900-0000-490000-	(\$175,822)
OJP Counseling Center-Salaries	020-05-5491-0000-510001-	\$112,996
OJP Counseling Center-FICA	020-05-5491-0000-510100-	\$8,698
OJP Counseling Center-Retirement	020-05-5491-0000-510101-	\$9,198
OJP Counseling Center-Hospitalization	020-05-5491-0000-510103-	\$36,750
OJP Counseling Center-Unemployment Ins	020-05-5491-0000-510104-	\$781
OJP Counseling Center-Travel	020-05-5491-0000-520011-	\$2,998
OJP Counseling Center-Office Supplies	020-05-5491-0000-520001-	\$310
OJP Counseling Center-Program Supplies	020-05-5491-0000-520002-	\$3,101
OJP Counseling Center-Printing	020-05-5491-0000-520013-	\$990

**2019-332 Commissioner Worley - Finance - To Award Bid for Financing up to \$1,099,728 for Rolling Stock and Equipment to Bank of America Capital Corp. and to Approve the Attached Budget Change Request (to appropriate funds) and Resolution Approving Financing Terms per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Installment Purchase Agreement	010-01-8300-0000-416002-	(1,099,728)
County Police Motor Vehicles	010-02-4310-4310-540003-20007	508,843
Animal Care Motor Vehicles	010-02-4380-0000-540003-20007	48,338
Sheriff Office Motor Vehicles	010-02-4315-4315-540003-20007	222,725
Print Shop Motor Vehicles	010-01-4265-4230-540003-20007	24,134
Public Works Admin Motor Vehicles	010-01-4265-4265-540003-20007	29,593
Facilities Management Motor Vehicles	010-01-4265-4260-540003-20007	34,847
Building Services Motor Vehicles	012-02-4350-0000-540003-20007	81,366
Natural Resources Motor Vehicles	010-07-4960-0000-540003-20007	54,696
Social Services Motor Vehicles	020-05-4790-0000-540003-20007	95,186

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**2019-333 Commissioner Keigher - Finance - To Accept as Information the Attached Property Tax Refunds Less than \$100. These Tax Refunds Should Be Recorded in the Board's Minutes (NCVTS Refunds - \$7,775.64) as follows:**

Gaston County, North Carolina - Listing of Property Tax Refunds Less Than \$100.00 for Vehicles  
To be Reported at the December 10, 2019 Board Meeting

TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT	TAXPAYER NAME	AMOUNT
<b>HB20 Refunds</b>			
None to Report			
<b>NCVTS Refunds</b>			
AB Carter	79.62	James, Angela Shook	69.32
Adams, William Jason	35.29	James, Tony Randall	42.82
Allen, James Wayne	77.93	JKL Commercial Cleaning Services Inc.	77.80
Allen, James Wayne	38.47	Kennedy, Cecily Nicole	83.77
Armstrong, Robert Clark	61.88	Kiser, Jeffrey Scott	30.83
Balko, Alexander Paul	4.57	Knowles, Joseph Lamont	5.46
Barber, Danny	26.46	Laye, Grover Scott	33.97
Beall, Carolyn Cowdy	47.23	Lopez, Ingrid Maricela	90.72
Bennett, Haleigh Jordan	79.28	Lore, Michael Robert	43.49
Black, Michael David	23.53	Love, James Franklin III	46.20
Black, Paul Douglas	71.98	Mase, Susan Elaine	16.17
Blackwood, Edward Woodston Jr.	55.82	Mayne, Kimberly Flowers	9.90
Blakley, Matthew	9.95	McClure, Jacqueline Michele	86.22
Brayboy, Barbara Ann	11.61	McRae, Anthony Leon	55.44
Brooks, Jessica Rae	78.65	Mellette, Kenneth Brian	72.29
Brown, Lloyd Randolph	6.73	Mellette, Kenneth Brian	63.42
Brown, Margaret Ramsey	21.21	Mellette, Kenneth Brian	96.20
Calouche, Samir Ibrahim	2.66	Milam, Roger Clyde	7.04
Carpenter, Beverly Brittain	75.45	Murillo, Mario Alberto	32.68
Carroll, William Joe	10.74	Oneill, Edward Joseph	32.32
Carter, Jennifer Leigh	12.43	Parada, Medrano Carlos Ismael	16.67
Chiraini, Christine Lorraine	40.44	Patterson, Maquesha Latineice	36.43
Cloninger, Tommy Melvin	26.37	Phoenix Counseling Center	83.79
Collins, Marie McGill	18.69	Preslar, Michael Ray	5.79
Craig, Leon	22.22	Proctor, Teresa Gail	58.74
Crisco, Brad Frank Jr.	8.84	Raval, Vatsalkumar Vishnuprasad	40.65
Dixon, Edward Donald	1.26	Rice, Eric James	14.92
Doss, Justin Matthew	47.00	Roberts, Robert Gene	24.38
Ed Wallace Construction, Inc.	49.72	Schneider, Edwin Joseph	13.08
Ed Wallace Construction, Inc.	91.82	Schneider, Edwin Joseph	28.35
Ed Wallace Construction, Inc.	51.82	Seagle, Travis Dean	66.68
Edel, Donald Gregory Jr.	5.60	Silva Hernandez, Sergio Enrique	13.35
Eldridge, Gordon Larie	99.57	Smith, Marcus Allen	16.66
England, Joe Huie	54.91	Smith, Nathan Scott	46.13
Ferguson, Crissy Darlene	22.61	Spencer, Linda Lamkin	10.54
Foster, Drew Todd	64.00	Stafford, Sabrina Lynn	1.74
Ginyard, Willie Williams Jr.	30.29	Stinson, Hugh Danies	32.64
Godfrey, Cheryl Anne	87.82	Thacker, Eric, Christopher	50.11
Green, Paige Hallman	31.18	Thomas, Melissa Lee Ann	88.86
Guo, Zhi Qing	13.13	Thompson, Cristal Sherrill	24.50
Haynes, Tommy Joe	34.81	Thompson, Toni Tenpenny	4.47
Hensley, Arnold Tyrone	32.26	Tracey, Michael Allen	54.29
Hernandez, Dominguez Neftali	37.06	Walker, Kathryn Cooper	41.68
Herrin, William Dana	27.19	Wang, Ming Zhen	27.34
Hood, Douglas Sterling	10.15	Wang, Ming Zhen	62.06
Humphries, Linda Kandounas	97.40	Weaver, Mary Jones	64.36
Hutchins, Joyce Beam	1.67	Wiegand, Robert William	79.70
Industrial Fabricators	26.94	<b>Total NCVTS Refunds (September 2019)</b>	<b>\$ 3,870.23</b>
Adamson, Rebecca Ann	7.84	Huddle, Beverly Cecelia	62.45
All, Elizabeth Stroupe	87.34	Hug, Marlies Ursula	49.37

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Allison, Jennifer Dee	38.02	Huggins, Carolyn Travis	65.44
Alnoush, Mohammad Khamees Issa	22.91	Icenhour, Arlene Lynch	4.67
Alzagari, Ibrahim Mahmoud	52.25	Jackson, Shawana Darna	90.81
Alzaghari, Omar Mohammad	81.05	Jaynes, Angelia Baxter	8.87
AWB Services Inc.	23.20	Jones, Nora Overby	37.00
Baker, Janet Anderson	8.67	Joye, Tammy Lynn	40.81
Baker, Janet Anderson	34.69	Kaylor, Robert Nixon	77.13
Bauer, Stephen Michael	37.65	Laws, Judy Arnette	8.57
Bean, Dennis Edward	35.99	Madcat Enterprises Inc.	67.83
Beaver, Cindy Diane	39.62	Manning, Stacy Ann	16.85
Belt, Steve Russell	19.02	Mason, Dequilia Nicole	21.73
Bower Traust Construction LLC	7.71	McCombs, Jerome Dupree	40.32
Bower Traust Construction LLC	15.92	McDonald, Barbara Maltba	47.45
Boyd, Daniel Marcus V	46.41	McInerney, William Joseph	81.30
Brown, Marriette Angela	86.10	McInerney, William Joseph	53.87
Buchanan, Tyler Dawson	27.09	McMillan, Huey Alexander	65.53
Buffa, Randy Guy	37.43	McSwain, Tony Effard	84.78
Calhoun, Stephanie Shawn	83.95	McSwain, Tony Effard	61.84
Cauthen, Katie Louann	80.01	Meeks, Cynthia Laverene	86.65
Coletta Rentals Inc.	35.76	Moore, Stephen Vincent	5.91
Crisp, Angela Hawkins	70.45	Morrow, John Benjamin	69.81
Currence, Darrell Maurice Jr.	96.77	Mull, Roberta Ann	42.10
Deets, Nancy Halverstadt	49.58	Orlando Munoz, Juan Jose	32.67
Eller, Phillip Brooks	29.12	Overcash, Gloria Currie	36.29
Farmer, Robin Hampton	95.09	Poole, Harold Scott	25.81
Farrar, Joe Mason	36.12	Prichard, Rachel Lynn	19.78
Foster, William Gary	18.56	Putnam, Kevin Dean	47.75
Gibson, Ruby Brooks	93.09	Revis, Kristi Dixon	33.92
Graham, Troy William	34.94	Rodriguez Echeverria, Ernesto Leopoldo	45.49
Gravley, Kristian Emil	93.23	Ross, Gregory Clark	41.15
Grose, Elizabeth Houser	45.09	Shelton, Randal Franklin	99.45
Gullate, Stephen Jr.	44.60	Smith, Carolyn Joyce	41.41
Hannah, Mandy Lynn	36.17	Southard, Bernice Burgeme	10.69
Hannah, Matthew Scott	62.90	Sturgis, Frederick Darrell Jr.	45.07
Harley, Alexandrew Joseph	22.57	Valdez, Ramiero	72.10
Helms, James Everett	47.51	Watson, James Steve	18.15
Holbrook, Daniel Scott	44.47	Weaver, Robert Scott	32.62
Holland, Susan Tanner	97.23	Wolfe, John William	45.01
Horne, Tammy Sisk	81.96	Woods, Drema Scott	9.37
Horsley, Andrew Britt	13.98	Woods, Stephen Joseph	35.53
		<b>Total NCVTS Refunds (October 2019)</b>	<b>\$ 3,905.41</b>
		<b>TOTAL VEHICLE TAX REFUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 7,775.64</b>

**2019-334 Commissioner Worley - Library - To Accept and Appropriate \$227,155 from the North Carolina State Library for the Gaston County Public Library per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
State Aid: Public Library	010-04-6110-6112-425071	(227,155)
FY20 State Aid to Libraries	010-04-6110-6112-560000-20553	227,155

**2019-335 Commissioner Chad Brown - Parks and Recreation - To Accept and Appropriate the Senior Center General Purpose Grant from Centralina Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging (Grant Funds - \$10,574) per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Senior Center General Purpose	010-04-6130-0000-425086	(\$10,574)
Special Programs	010-04-6130-0000-560000-20001	(3,525)
Senior Center General Purpose Grant	010-04-6130-0000-560000-20501	\$14,099



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- 2019-336 Commissioner Chad Brown - Police Department - To Accept and Appropriate \$20,000 of Donations, Approve the Allocation of \$110,000 of Federal Asset Forfeiture Program and State Controlled Substance Abuse Tax Fund Balance, and to Approve Axon Enterprise Inc., as a Sole Source Vendor for the Purchase of Body-Worn Cameras. No Additional County Funds Appropriated per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	025-99-9900-0000-490000	[ 80,000 ]
Drug Asset Forfeiture - Treasury	025-02-4310-4310-530043-10002	80,000
Fund Balance Appropriated	026-99-9900-0000-490000	[ 30,000 ]
Controlled Substance Abuse Tax	026-02-4310-4310-530045-50112	30,000
Donations	010-02-4310-4310-415001	[20,000 ]
Miscellaneous Supplies	010-02-4310-4310-520007	20,000

- 2019-337 Commissioner Worley - Police Department - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Expansion Funds Through the North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Adult Corrections and Juvenile Justice in the Amount of \$83,861 to Fund Diversion Programs for Court Involved Youth per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Community Outreach	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20504	\$7,367
Juvenile Mediation	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20507	\$9,600
Juvenile Restitution	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20508	\$3,950
Kids At Work	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20509	\$22,863
PORT	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20510	\$16,247
Psychological Testing	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20511	\$6,000
Strengthening Families	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20512	\$6,577
Teen Court	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20513	\$9,732
Triple P Positive Parenting Program	010-05-5830-0000-560010-20514	\$1,525
JCPC Revenue Account	010-05-5830-0000-425103	(\$83,861)

- 2019-338 Commissioner Chad Brown - Public Works - To Award a Construction Contract to Fairwood Construction for Mt. Holly Library ADA Renovations at a Cost Not to Exceed \$364,413.00 and Authorize the County Manager to Execute Any Necessary Contract Documents**

- 2019-339 Commissioner Chad Brown - Public Works - To Award a Construction Contract for Poston Park ADA Trail Site Modifications to T.C. Strickland, Inc. at a Cost Not to Exceed \$621,000, and Authorize the County Manager to Execute Any Necessary Contract Documents**

- 2019-340 Commissioner Worley - Sheriff's Office - To Appropriate \$25,265 for the Gaston County Sheriff's Office from the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) per Budget Change Request:**

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
State Criminal Alien Assistance Program	010-02-4315-0000-425080	{25,265}
2018 SCAAP GRANT	010-02-4315-4315-560000-20549	25,265

- 2019-341 Commissioner Fraley - Tax Collections - Pursuant to G.S. 105-381, the Tax Collector Requests that the Listed Tax Refunds be Made. (Real Estate - \$53,608.57; Vehicles and ETC - \$1,001.18; VTS Refunds - \$8,004.04; Grand Total - \$62,613.79) as follows:**

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TAXPAYER NAME	OWNER NAME	AMOUNT
<b>OCTOBER 2019 REAL ESTATE</b>		
Abee, Joan N		\$158.26
ACE Family Homes LLC		\$1,508.51
Alan G Carpenter PA		\$189.64
Ashe, Joanne J		\$336.23
Ashe, Joanne J		\$212.02
Barnes, Russell Haynes		\$302.70
Barrett Brown Inc		\$218.22
Bates, Willard K		\$540.00
Bumgardner, Jeffery		\$152.84
Clark, Cynthia		\$113.00
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Cloninger & Neisler Attorney		\$235.25
Crenshaw, Ernest L		\$540.00
Darnell, Sherry		\$706.78
Doster, John T		\$604.00
Drew, Tammy R		\$104.00
DSO Victory Properties LLC		\$991.20
DSO Victory Properties LLC		\$326.00
Dumas, Cassie		\$140.60
Equity National Title		\$814.61
First Federal Savings Bank		\$1,013.88
First National Bank		\$2,612.10
Flower, Phillip		\$940.03
Fortner Investments		\$6,799.18
Green, Sally		\$110.16
Hamrick, Jennifer E		\$116.15
Hance & Hance Pa		\$181.10
Harry Marsh Law		\$413.46
Heavner, Amelia		\$3,276.00
Houston, Herbert C		\$1,053.00
James, Tony		\$2,064.00
Lail, John F Jr		\$262.07
Magnuson, Michael		\$3,354.51
Medlin, James D		\$826.92
Mercer, Jack A		\$162.48
Mercer, Jack A		\$200.00
Mercer, Jack A		\$200.00
Morrow & Britton Plc		\$600.00
Mortgage Connect		\$313.77
Nutt, Somer		\$100.00
R & D Delivery Co Inc		\$3,886.18
Sherrill, Lynn & Smith, Michelle		\$572.32
Shytie, Billy		\$2,336.00
Silk Abstract Compan		\$371.01
Solidifi Title & Clo		\$1,140.55
Stiles, Ruby		\$864.00
Stowe, John B		\$185.00
Taylor, George L		\$408.00
The Sumner Group		\$715.18
Thomasson, Larry Reeves		\$468.00
Walker, Melvin Glenn JR		\$100.28
Weiss, Kelly		\$3,841.05
Wilson, Loretta		\$290.00
Woody, Doris		\$110.63
Wright, Teresa		\$600.00
Wright, Valeria E		\$566.19
Wyatt, David R		\$304.89
Xiaochuan, Wu		\$328.62
Young, Anthony Leon		\$3,615.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$53,608.57</b>

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Leach, Julie Ann	\$162.97
Jackson, Shimah	\$184.00
Ward, Michael	\$499.07
Williams, Tiffany M	\$155.14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,001.18</b>

**OCTOBER VTS REFUNDS**

Afrasiabi, Mohammad Hadi	\$299.78
Bauer, Stephen Michael	\$254.71
Benfield, Joshua David	\$215.58
Burke, Larry Brandon	\$169.44
Clinkscates, Dylan Lee	\$174.58
Crisp, Larry Blaine	\$175.82
Crowe, Danny Blair	\$150.33
Endicott, Johnny Mack	\$123.72
Frawley, Elizabeth Marie	\$192.36
Gillespie, Matthew Lee	\$265.32
Godfrey, John L	\$142.88
Gutkowski, Robert Patrick	\$135.76
Hamilton, Gary William	\$110.53
Henriksen, John Phillip	\$290.74
Hornes Towing LLC	\$265.50
Hovis, Dustin Blake	\$227.89
Hurd, Eric Michael	\$110.04
James, Gary Bernard	\$125.73
Johnson, Jason Michael	\$169.05
Kramer, Kenneth	\$114.89
Lanier, Jimmy Ray	\$407.72
Lincoln County Tax Department	\$162.19
Lincoln County Tax Department	\$137.66
London, Steven Eugene	\$254.26
Maney, Robert Brice	\$185.19
Miller, Caroline Pinkston	\$287.85
Moody, David Franklin	\$262.43
Morel, Benjamin Martin	\$385.14
Powell, Wanda Dyer	\$145.57
Putnam, Elizabeth Rose Ann	\$212.10
Reavis, Lanny Roger	\$266.93
Reynolds, Gary Wayne	\$434.88
Rimer, Joe Lee	\$168.38
Ross, Cheryl Beth	\$126.90
Slawter, Susan Bumgarner	\$249.60
Smith, Linda Louise	\$177.14
St Laurent, Connley Bryant	\$123.83
Thomas, Ricky Jay	\$168.03
Wilson, James Edward	\$133.59
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,004.04</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$62,613.79</b>

**Zoning Matters from Public Hearings**

**2019-342 Commissioner Hovis - Planning & Development Services - Zoning Map Change: Z19-16 Stuart & Lisa LaFrancis (Applicant); Property Parcel: 154069, Located at 109 Womble Dr., Bessemer City, NC, Rezone from the (I-2) General Industrial Zoning District with (CH) Corridor Highway and (US) Urban Standards Overlays to the (C-1) Light Commercial Zoning District with (CH) Corridor Highway and (US) Urban Standards Overlays**

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The County Attorney read the following consistency statement for the record: *The property is in a future land use designation of a Gateway Center. Gateway Centers are specific places in the County that capture the attention of people entering the County and are located along major transportation routes. The rezoning from I-2 to C-1 with Urban Standards and Corridor Highway Overlays are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan because the property is being zoned to a more restrictive classification, reducing the potential of an unsightly industrial building in this sensitive area. The overlays will also help ensure that any improvements are aesthetically pleasing;* advised that the Planning Board recommended approval by a unanimous vote.

Chairman Philbeck called for a motion to approve.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Chad Brown and seconded by Commissioner Worley, the BOC unanimously approved **2019-342** after consideration of the map change application, public hearing comment and Planning Board recommendation:

- 1) The map change request is consistent with the County's approved Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The property is in a future land use designation of a Gateway Center. Gateway Centers are specific places in the County that capture the attention of people entering the County and are located along major transportation routes. The rezoning from I-2 to C-1 with Urban Standards and Corridor Highway Overlays are consistent with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan because the property is being zoned to a more restrictive classification, reducing the potential of an unsightly industrial building in this sensitive area. The Overlays will also help ensure that any improvements are aesthetically pleasing.

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. Property parcel: 154069, is hereby approved, effective with the passage of this Resolution.

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

**2019-343 Commissioner Philbeck - Planning & Development Services - Zoning Text Amendment: ZTA19-06 Gaston County Planning Board (Applicant); To Consider Proposed Text Amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO): Chapter 5 (Permit and Modification Procedures): Section 5.16.5(A), 5.16.6; Chapter 7 (Uses and Building Lot Standards): Section 7.6.5(A), 7.6.6(A), 7.6.7(B); Chapter 9 (General Provisions): Section 9.13(A)(1), 9.13(A)(3)**

The County Attorney read the following consistency statement for the record: *These text amendments are intended to establish procedures for application submittals of a rezoning for Conditional District as well as clarify what uses are permitted in various overlay districts. These procedures and classifications are intended to allow the goals of the Future Land Use Plan to be realized, and is therefore consistent with such plan.* He advised that the Planning Board recommended approval (by a unanimous vote).

On motion introduced by Commissioner Keigher and seconded by Commissioner Chad Brown, the BOC unanimously approved Resolution **2019-343** as filed with the Clerk to the Board to be set forth in the Gaston County Code of Ordinances and as follows:

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(Chapter 5 – Permit and Modification Procedures)

## 5.16.5 ZONING MAP AMENDMENTS – CONDITIONAL USE DISTRICTS (CD)

## A. APPLICATION

1. Petitioning for a CD zoning district is a voluntary procedure and can be initiated only by the owner(s) of the property(ies) in question or by his/her authorized agent. Every application for the rezoning of property to a CD district shall be accompanied by a site plan, drawn to scale containing all of the information outlined in Section 5.14.2(B) **5.16.6** of this Ordinance. The Administrator shall schedule a meeting with the applicant, prior to any public information meeting (PIM) being advertised and/or held to review the rezoning application and site plan to make sure that it meets, at a minimum, all minimum requirements of this Ordinance.
4. The deadline for submittal shall be forty five (45) working days prior to the public hearing meeting with the Planning Board and Board of Commissioners. **Applications with proposed projects comprised of fifty (50) acres or more shall have a deadline submittal of ninety (90) working days prior to the public hearing meeting with the Planning Board and Board of Commissioners.**

## 5.16.6 PROCEDURES

**A pre-application meeting between the applicant and the Administrator shall be required in order to familiarize the applicant of the procedure for securing approval of a CD zoning district. The Administrator shall accept no CD zoning district application for review without such meeting having first occurred unless the Administrator determines that such meeting would not serve any meaningful purpose and waives the meeting requirement.**

**Procedures for application submittal are as follows:**

- A. **A complete CD zoning district application that is signed by the applicant and which is accompanied by a submittal fee (in accordance with a fee scheduled approved by the Governing Board) shall be filed with the Administrator.**
- B. **The application shall be accompanied by a plan, drawn to scale, that includes or is accompanied by the following:**
  1. **Name, address and phone number of the property owner (or his agent) and the property identification number of the property. (Note: The property owner or his authorized agents are the only two parties who may initiate a request for a CD zoning district application).**
  2. **A boundary survey and vicinity map, showing the property's total acreage, general location in relation to adjoining streets, railroads and/or waterways, date and north arrow. The zoning classification of the property in question and contiguous properties shall also be shown.**
  3. **The name and addresses of all owners, tax parcel numbers and existing land uses(s) of all contiguous properties.**
  4. **Proposed use of all land and structures including the number of residential units proposed, if any, and total square footage of nonresidential development.**
  5. **Location of all proposed structures, their approximate area and exterior dimensions, height, and proposed number of structures.**
  6. **A description of all screening and landscaping required by the UDO and/or proposed by the applicant; the delineation of any wooded, landscaped or grassed areas existing prior to development and proposed to remain on the property once the development is completed.**
  7. **All existing easements, reservations and rights-of-way.**
  8. **Proposed phasing, if any, and approximate completion time for the project.**
  9. **Delineation of areas within the regulatory floodplain as shown on the official Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood hazard boundary maps for Gaston County.**

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10. Traffic, parking and circulation plans, showing the proposed location and arrangement of parking spaces and ingress and egress to adjacent streets.
11. A list, if any, of all additional development conditions or standards that differs from those that would normally apply to that use. Only conditions that exceed the UDO minimum standards can be considered and listed by the applicant, except those minor modifications listed in Table 5.15-1(B).
12. The Administrator reserves the right to waive the depiction of some or all of the information contained in paragraphs 5 through 10 above, when, in his opinion, such information would serve no meaningful purpose for the particular CD zoning district being requested. Notwithstanding, if the Planning Board determines that additional information as set forth in paragraphs 5 through 10 above of this subsection is needed to render a recommendation or decision on the application, they may require the applicant to submit such additional information.

(Chapter 7 – Uses and Building Lot Standards)

## 7.6.5 SH SPECIAL HIGHWAY OVERLAY DISTRICT

## A. Permitted Uses

Uses in the SH district shall be limited to those permitted and conditional uses listed in the underlying general zoning district. In no case, however, shall any of the following principal uses be allowed to take place in any area located in the SH District:

1. Manufactured Goods, Class 2
2. Automobile Body Shop
3. Automobile Repair Shop
4. Automobile Towing and Wrecker Service
5. Camping and Recreational Vehicle Park
6. Building Materials and Lumber Sales
7. Amusement and Sporting Facility (Outdoor)
8. Junkyards/Salvage Yard
9. Flea Market, Outdoors
10. Commercial Vehicle and Truck Storage
11. Outdoor Storage Yard
12. Animal Kennel
13. Auction Facility, Livestock
14. Farmers Market
15. Manufactured Homes (All Classes)

## 7.6.6 CH CORRIDOR HIGHWAY OVERLAY DISTRICT

## A. PERMITTED AND CONDITIONAL USES

Any permitted or conditional use, with the exception of manufactured homes, allowed in the underlying general zoning district, shall be permitted in the CH District. Manufactured homes shall not be allowed in the CH Corridor Highway Overlay District unless allowed elsewhere in this ordinance. Any conditional use in the underlying zoning district shall be permitted in accordance with the regulations outlined in Section 5.11. All such permitted and conditional uses shall also meet all requirements of the CH District. With the exception of manufactured homes (which are not allowed in the CH District), in no instance shall the regulations of this overlay district apply to single and two-family dwellings.

## 7.6.7 GP GARDEN PARKWAY OVERLAY DISTRICT



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## B. Permitted Uses

Uses in the GP district shall be limited to those permitted and conditional uses listed in the underlying general zoning district. In no case, however, shall any of the following principal uses be allowed to take place in any area located in the GP District:

1. Manufactured Goods, Class 2
2. Automobile Body Shop
3. Automobile Repair Shop
4. Automobile Towing and Wrecker Service
5. Camping and Recreational Vehicle Park
6. Building Materials and Lumber Sales
7. Amusement and Sporting Facility (Outdoor)
8. Junkyards/Salvage Yard
9. Flea Market, Outdoors
10. Commercial Vehicle and Truck Storage
11. Outdoor Storage Yard
12. Animal Kennel
13. Auction Facility, Livestock
- ~~14. Farmers Market~~
15. Automobile, Truck, Boat, Manufactured Home and Recreational Vehicle Sales and Rental

(Chapter 9 – General Provisions)

## 9.13 OUTDOOR LIGHTING

This Section provides direction in controlling light spillage and glare so as not to adversely affect motorists, pedestrians, and adjacent pieces of property. This shall not apply to single family dwelling lots, but does apply to single family subdivisions. The following general provisions apply:

## A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Light fixtures (not attached to buildings) must be affixed to a decorative pole, which may be of metal, fiberglass, or concrete. ~~Wooden poles are not permitted.~~
- ~~3. The maximum height of the light source (light bulb), detached from a building, shall be twenty (20) feet.~~

**Non-Consent****2019-344 Commissioner Worley - Sheriff's Office - Appropriation of Additional Funds to House Inmates Out of County for September (Partial) & October 2019 (\$46,790)**

Commissioner Worley introduced the motion to approve and Commissioner Hovis provided the second.

Chairman Philbeck called for discussion.

Commissioner Worley reiterated he hopes the County is getting near to where it can put these monies to better use versus paying Sheriff offices' outside of the County to house inmates.

Sheriff Alan Cloninger reported currently the County does not have any inmates housed out-of-County; the inmate population trend decreases from mid-December to mid-January; the infill will be completed in March.

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Chairman Philbeck called for the vote, and the BOC unanimously approved **2019-344** per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED	010-99-9900-0000-490000	{46,790}
INMATES HOUSED OUT OF COUNTY	010-02-4315-4323-530015-18126	46,790

**2019-345 Commissioner Philbeck - Sheriff's Office - To Appropriate \$583,017 of Fund Balance and Approve 15 Additional Full Time Positions and the Purchase of 1 Vehicle for the Sheriff's Office as a Result of the Additional Infill Capacity**

On motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Worley, the BOC unanimously approved **2019-345** per Budget Change Request:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Fund Balance Appropriated	010-99-9900-0000-490000	[\$583,017]
Sheriff's Office: Salaries	010-02-4315-4315-510001	\$36,693
Sheriff's Office: FICA	010-02-4315-4315-510100	\$2,807
Sheriff's Office: Retirement	010-02-4315-4315-510101	\$3,210
Sheriff's Office: 401K	010-02-4315-4315-510102	\$1,834
Sheriff's Office: Health Insurance	010-02-4315-4315-510103	\$23,000
Sheriff's Office: Furniture/Equipment	010-02-4315-4315-540001	\$7,030
Sheriff's Office: Uniforms	010-02-4315-4315-520006	\$1,260
Sheriff's Office: Training	010-02-4315-4315-520011	\$200
Sheriff's Office: Motor Vehicles	010-02-4315-4315-540003	\$50,000
Jail: Salaries	010-02-4315-4323-510001	\$227,149
Jail: FICA	010-02-4315-4323-510100	\$17,375
Jail: Retirement	010-02-4315-4323-510101	\$15,899
Jail: Health Insurance	010-02-4315-4323-510103	\$149,500
Jail: Furniture/Equipment	010-02-4315-4323-540001	\$37,570
Jail: Uniforms	010-02-4315-4323-520006	\$8,190
Jail: Training	010-02-4315-4323-520011	\$1,300

**Appointments**

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously reappointed to the **Fire Advisory Board**:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Fraley	Commissioner Jack Brown	Mr. Barry Wilson	November 30, 2022
Commissioner Jack Brown	Commissioner Hovis	Mr. Charles L. Moore	November 30, 2020
Commissioner Worley	Commissioner Jack Brown	Mr. Earl Withers, III	November 30, 2020

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously reappointed to the **Family Advisory Board**:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Fraley	Commissioner Jack Brown	Ms. Leigh Spach	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Philbeck	Commissioner Chad Brown	Ms. Angela R. Garlins	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Jack Brown	Commissioner Hovis	Ms. Rhonda Gottfried	December 31, 2022

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously reappointed to the **Economic Development Commission**:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Fraley	Commissioner Jack Brown	Mr. Larry Summer	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Hovis	Commissioner Chad Brown	Mr. Stephen Whitesell	December 31, 2022

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On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously reappointed to the ***SARA Local Planning Committee (LEPC)***:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Jack Brown	Commissioner Hovis	Mr. Kevin Ellis	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Hovis	Commissioner Chad Brown	Mr. John Watts	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Hovis	Commissioner Chad Brown	Captain Myron K. Shelor	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Chad Brown	Commissioner Keigher	Mr. Earl Withers, III	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Keigher	Commissioner Chad Brown	Ms. Samantha Dye	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Philbeck	Commissioner Chad Brown	Mr. Garry Williams	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Philbeck	Commissioner Chad Brown	Ms. Angela Karchmer	December 31, 2022

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously appointed/reappointed to the ***CaroMont Health/Gaston Memorial Hospital Board of Directors***:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Chad Brown	Commissioner Keigher	Mr. Frank A. Stewart	December 31, 2023
Commissioner Keigher	Commissioner Chad Brown	Mr. Joseph (Joe) B. Davis	December 31, 2023
Commissioner Philbeck	Commissioner Chad Brown	Commissioner Bob Hovis	December 31, 2020

On motion introduced by Commissioner Philbeck and seconded by Commissioner Chad Brown, the BOC unanimously appointed Dr. Tammy L. Woody to the ***Community Child Protection Team*** to an unexpired term ending January 31, 2021.

On motions introduced and seconded, the following individuals were unanimously appointed to the ***Equalization and Review Board***:

<u>Motion Introduced</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Commissioner Worley	Commissioner Jack Brown	Mr. Rudy M. Pomeroy, Chairman	December 31, 2021 (Unexpired Term)
Commissioner Worley	Commissioner Jack Brown	Mr. Brian Weyeneth	December 31, 2022
Commissioner Worley	Commissioner Jack Brown	Mr. L. Allen Beatty - Alternate	December 31, 2020 (Unexpired Term)

**Commissioners Committee Reports**

No reports.

**County Attorney's Report**

No report.

**County Manager's Report**

Dr. Kim Eagle, County Manager, presented:

- ***Re - Gaston County Metrics for 2019:*** Dr. Eagle provided the BOC with a printout of the statistics that Mr. Doug Carter, DEC Associates, Inc., shared during his presentation at the BOC's 11/26/2019 Strategic Planning Retreat.
- ***Re – Gaston County, NC Annual Report FY 2019:*** The Board was provided a copy of the report which summarizes the positive work the County has accomplished over the 7/1/18-6/30/19 time period; the report was designed to share with the public as a snapshot into the workings of the County; everything contained therein is more of a positive nature in terms of accomplishments and framing the conversation for the next year.

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- ***Re - Draft Version of Manager's Work Plan - Follow-up to the "Gaston County Economic Development Strategy Milestones" Initiative:*** The Draft Plan was distributed to the BOC. This initiative is currently underway; first page of the draft has a summary of the timeline followed by some detailed, tactical steps she will be taking over the next six months; was given a charge to gather key leaders in the County and to take specific steps to move the County forward; this draft plan coincides with the BOC's conversation at its Retreat about meeting with the Mecklenburg County Board and other elected boards in the County; she urged the BOC to provide feedback as she works to finalize the plan over the next couple of weeks.

Chairman Philbeck asked how the Annual Report would be provided to the public.

The County Manager advised the information will be available on the County's website; staff is having internal conversations about the best way to communicate these and other materials since the County does not have a Public Information Officer (PIO) yet.

Chairman Philbeck advised he did not have an issue with doing a mailer; can work with the PIO on how to do that in the most economical manner.

Dr. Eagle advised the report also contains a summary of financial information; the BOC will receive the audit report at its January meeting.

Commissioner Keigher recommended that staff email the economic development strategy milestones to the committee. He also suggested including a multi-page insert in *The Gaston Gazette*.

Commissioner Chad Brown advised that this is the best piece of information the County has received in a long time.

Chairman Philbeck advised that one of the goals in hiring a PIO is to get the County's message out to the public on a monthly or bi-weekly basis.

Commissioner Keigher suggested that the Board also needs to be regularly briefed of the challenges and shortfalls facing the County.

Dr. Eagle responded staff will look at capturing those challenges and opportunities in a different format. Staff will also explore what mechanisms might exist at the *Gazette* that may be feasible; working toward providing a monthly Dashboard for the BOC.

Commissioner Hovis advised it is not unusual for the *Gazette* to insert a community flyer from municipalities at the first of the year

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Other Matters

Commissioner Bob Hovis:

- **Re: February 11<sup>th</sup> Work Session:** Asked BOC to hold its Work Session in Bessemer City and to forward the Annual Report information to the City Clerk to distribute to its Council/staff prior to the meeting
- **Re: GEMS New Vehicle:** Reported seeing the newest vehicle in GEMS fleet parked in the back of Earl Tindol's Body Shop.

Mr. Mark Lamphiear, GEMS Director, advised the vehicle was there for some engine work and has been there for a week or two; Ford has called their engineers and is still trying to figure out what is wrong with it.

Dr. Eagle advised that staff will distribute the Annual Report to the municipal Managers.

Chairman Philbeck suggested adding the BOC phone numbers and email addresses in the Annual Report so the citizens can contact them if they have questions.

Commissioner Chad Brown advised that Mr. Adam Orr, the new *Gazette* reporter, was present and listening intently to make sure the County gets everything it needs in the *Gazette*.

Commissioner Jack Brown advised that after speaking with the County Manager, it was his understanding that Dodge would not be manufacturing Dodge Chargers anymore and the County is going to go with Ford for law enforcement vehicles.

Dr. Eagle noted Commissioner Brown was correctly referring to an item approved earlier in the meeting on the Consent Agenda. She explained the vehicle financing package was approved by the Board in October, however, Dodge cancelled 20 contracts across the nation because of a supply issue; the County had to regroup and will purchase a smaller amount of vehicles from Ford in order to stay within the budget and still support Public Safety operations because that is the only available vehicle.

Chairman Philbeck asked if the County could purchase the vehicles from a preferred Ford dealership.

Dr. Eagle advised this particular deal was part of another Sheriff's Office state contract and deferred to the County Attorney.

The County Attorney explained that typically you cannot do local preferences, however the County has the option if local dealers can provide the state contract vehicles. He noted the County is bidding and purchasing vehicles other than Public Safety vehicles from local vendors.

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**Adjournment**

Chairman Philbeck advised that the Organizational Meeting would follow after a short recess and called for a motion to adjourn the Rescheduled Meeting.

On motion introduced by Commissioner Chad Brown and seconded by Commissioner Worley, the BOC unanimously adjourned the Rescheduled Meeting of December 10, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

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

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Tracy L. Philbeck, Chairman  
Gaston County Board of Commissioners

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Donna S. Buff  
Clerk to the Board

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