

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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117 DICK STREET, 1ST FLOOR, ROOM 118
AGENDA SESSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

This meeting was conducted as a remote meeting under the N. C. Governor's State of Emergency Declaration. In compliance with the N. C. General Assembly's S.L. 2020-3, SB 704, this remote meeting was simultaneously streamed online with live audio and video, and was available to the public and media live via the Cumberland County website (co.cumberland.nc.us), Youtube page (youtube.com/user/CumberlandCountyNC/videos) and on Fayetteville Cumberland Education Channel (FCE-TV) Spectrum Cable Channel 5.

PRESENT: Commissioner Marshall Faircloth, Chairman
Commissioner Glenn Adams, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Michael Boose (attended by video conference)
Commissioner Jeannette Council
Commissioner Charles Evans
Commissioner Larry Lancaster
Amy Cannon, County Manager
Duane Holder, Deputy County Manager
Tracy Jackson, Assistant County Manager
Sally Shutt, Assistant County Manager
Vicki Evans, Finance Director
Ivonne Mendez, Finance Accounting Supervisor
Deborah Shaw, Senior Budget Management Analyst
Andrew Jakubiak, Budget Analyst
Rawls Howard, Planning and Inspections Director
Trey Smith, Comprehensive Planning Manager
Dee Taylor, Community Development Director
Candice H. White, Clerk to the Board
Kellie Beam, Deputy Clerk

ABSENT: Commissioner Jimmy Keefe

Chairman Faircloth called the meeting to order.

Chairman Faircloth recognized Commissioners Adams, Council, Evans and Lancaster as being physically present and Commissioner Boose as attending by video conference. Chairman Faircloth stated Commissioner Keefe was unable to attend.

Amy Cannon, County Manager, requested the addition to the agenda of Item 4.E. Submission of an Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program Grant Application (Round 3); Item 4.F. Contract with Freese and Nichols, Inc. and Associated Budget Amendment #200250 for the NORCRESS Water and Sewer District; and Item 7.A. Closed Session for Attorney Client Matter(s) Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3).

Chairman Faircloth asked the Board to consider adding to the agenda under Item 6. discussion about a resolution against racial injustice for forward to the June 15, 2020 regular meeting for adoption.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to approve the agenda with the additions as requested.

SECOND: Commissioner Lancaster

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of May 14, 2020 Agenda Session Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Lancaster moved to approve the May 14, 2020 Agenda Session regular meeting minutes.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

3. PRESENTATIONS

A. Stedman Area Land Use Plan

BACKGROUND

As part of the Joint Planning Board's ongoing efforts to develop detailed land use plans for the entire County and the member municipalities, the Staff along with residents in the area, have developed a land use plan for the Stedman area of Cumberland County. The Joint Planning Board approved the proposed plan with a unanimous vote on December 17, 2019, and the Town of Stedman approved the proposed plan with a unanimous vote on February 13, 2020. A public hearing will be held at the August 17, 2020 Board of Commissioners meeting.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

No action needed.

Rawls Howard, Planning and Inspections Director, presented the background information recorded above. Mr. Howard stated currently the county has about thirteen comprehensive plans that have not been updated in the better part of twenty years. Mr. Howard stated good planning best practices are to update these plans every five years and he has tasked staff accordingly so the plans can be vetted by the community and brought before the Board of Commissioners for adoption.

Trey Smith, Comprehensive Planning Manager, stated the Joint Planning Board approved the proposed plan with a unanimous vote on December 17, 2019 and the Town of Stedman approved the proposed plan with a unanimous vote on February 13, 2020. Mr. Smith provided the following presentation of the Stedman Area Land Use Plan beginning with a map of the Stedman plan area and the Town of Stedman. Mr. Smith stated the Stedman area plan boundary is:

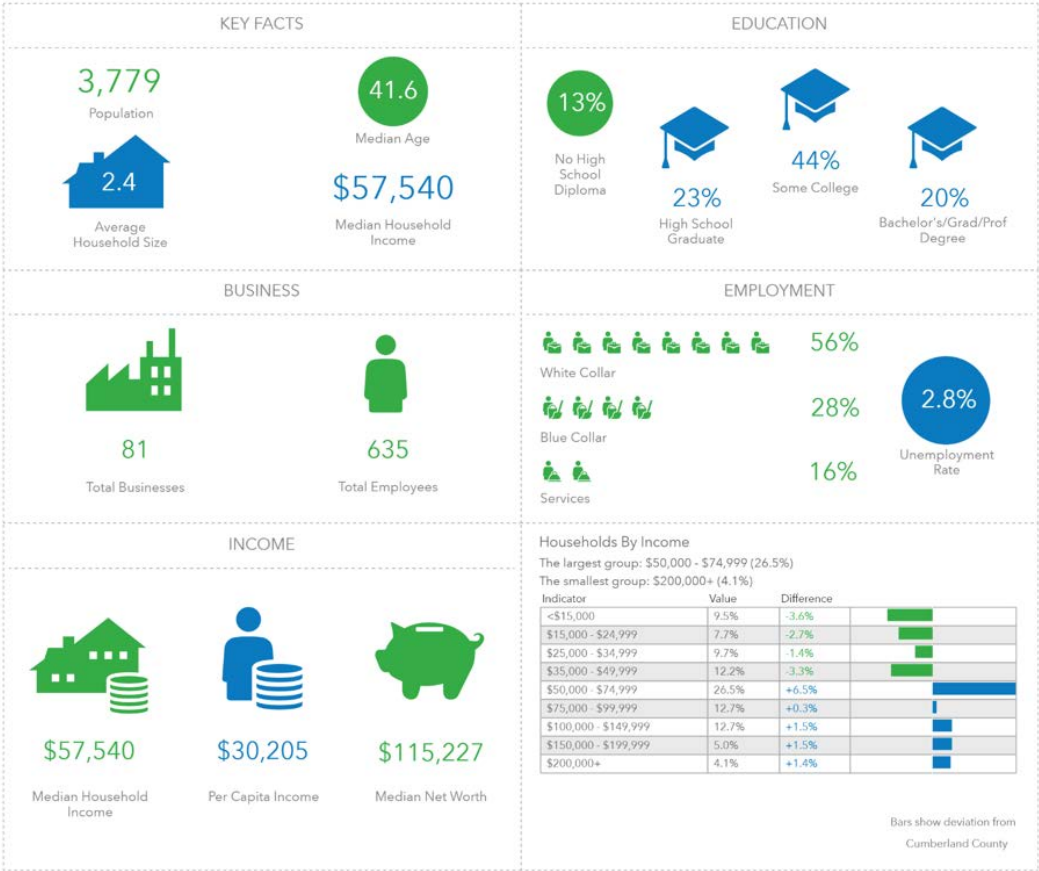
- Generally located in eastern portion of Cumberland County along North Carolina Highway 24
- Approximately 5 miles east of I-95
- Consists of approximately 20,000 acres (31 square miles)

Mr. Smith highlighted the planning process:

- 1,719 notices mailed to owners within plan area
- First informational meeting held February 28, 2019; 52 citizens attended, approximately five meetings were held
- Rough draft presented to Stedman area Citizen's Committee on September 19, 2019

Mr. Smith stated the Stedman Area Land Use Plan is an update to the Stedman Area Detailed Land Use Plan that was adopted March 15, 1999. Mr. Smith displayed a map and provided highlights of the previously Detailed Land Use Plan.

Mr. Smith reviewed existing demographics in the Stedman Area Plan:



Mr. Smith displayed a map and provided highlights of the existing land use:

- Information is based on County tax records
- Large portion of study area classified as vacant, may be used for agriculture
- Majority of other parcels classified as single family and manufactured homes

Mr. Smith displayed a map and provided highlights of the current zoning:

- Majority of study area outside of town currently zoned Agricultural
- Parcels within town limit mostly zoned Residential
- Some Heavy Industrial, Planned Commercial and Heavy Commercial

Mr. Smith stated water and sewer are provided within the town limits through the Town’s water system and most of the study area outside of the Town is served by well and septic.

Mr. Smith displayed a map of farms and agriculture:

- About 9,500 farm/agriculture acres are in Present-Use Taxation Program
- Approximately 48% of plan area is made up of farms/agriculture in present use program
- A few parcels are within the Voluntary Agricultural District

Mr. Smith stated as it relates to transportation, NC 24 is NCDOT’s most recently completed project in the study area since the Stedman Area Detailed Land Use Plan adopted March 15, 1999. Mr. Smith stated NCDOT has indicated no new driveway permits or road connections will be approved along NC 24 which was factored into the future land use map.

Mr. Smith stated new to the plan is a 2017 retail market and industry analysis that provides a snapshot of retail opportunities or losses. Mr. Smith stated the analysis showed considerable demand for building and construction materials, lawn and garden supplies, clothing and shoes, electronics, sporting goods, office supplies and food and beverage.

Mr. Smith provided highlights of a color-coded map of future land uses for the Stedman area and pointed out that unlike the plan adopted March 15, 1999, this plan calls for a lot more commercial development along NC 24. Mr. Smith stated per conversations with NCDOT, access would be via secondary roads. Mr. Smith also provided highlights of the Land Use-to-Zoning Crosswalk Table (County) below and stated it can assist and simplify the process of determining whether rezoning requests are consistent with the plan.

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Cumberland County Land Use Map Classifications	Residential						Office	Commercial		
	CD	A1/A1A	R40/R40A	R30/R30A	R20/R20A	RR	O&I(P)	C1(P)	C2(P)	C(P)
Open Space										
Agriculture										
Rural Density Residential										
Suburban Density Residential										
Office & Institutional										
Commercial										
		Rezoning is likely appropriate								
		Rezoning <u>may</u> be appropriate, but only if compatible with the neighborhood and surrounding uses. Conditional Zoning may be advisable.								

Mr. Smith stated there are four categories of recommendations and eleven total recommendations. Mr. Smith presented the following:

Land Use

- RECOMMENDATION 1: Protect rural character, working agriculture, and water quality
- RECOMMENDATION 2: Facilitate quality, attractive, well designed commercial development with supporting infrastructure that will help to create a sense of place, supports the needs of the community, and enhances economic opportunity for area residents
- RECOMMENDATION 3: Update the Town of Stedman’s Zoning Ordinance

Transportation

- RECOMMENDATION 4: The Complete Streets policy should be followed when considering new or the enhancement of existing development (as per NCDOT) to ensure the same rights and safe access for all users of streets, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit riders of all ages and abilities.
- RECOMMENDATION 5: Support possible future Rails to Trails project

Public Services

- RECOMMENDATION 6: Encourage new development & redevelopment in areas well served by water and sewer infrastructure and/or town services
- RECOMMENDATION 7: Maintain and improve the efficiency of public services
- RECOMMENDATION 8: Create and implement a stormwater ordinance

Open Space and Conservation

- RECOMMENDATION 9: Make open space and conservation a priority
- RECOMMENDATION 10: Create a network of connected useable open space
- RECOMMENDATION 11: Encourage useable open space in residential developments

Commissioner Adams asked that recreation such as walking trails be included under the category of Open Space and Conservation. Ms. Cannon stated at this time, no action is being requested and a public hearing on the Stedman Area Land Use Plan will be held at the August 17, 2020 Board of Commissioners’ meeting.

- B. Design of Robins Meadow Hurricane Matthew CDBG-DR Project and Agreement for Bidding and Construction Services

BACKGROUND

On October 1, 2019, a professional services agreement was approved between Cumberland County and The Wooten Company for an amount not to exceed \$111,700 for the firm to provide architectural and engineering services for the new construction of the Robin's Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing project. Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds were used to secure services with The Wooten Company. The original proposal submitted by The Wooten Company included options for an additional cost of \$31,000 to provide Bidding and Construction Administration services. At that time, Cumberland County Community Development (CCCD) did not include these additional services in the original agreement because these services were expected to be provided by another consultant.

Since that time, due to delays caused by late receipt of the official award letter from the State and the COVID-19 pandemic, The Wooten Company has been unable to complete the Construction

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Documents Phase of the original agreement (\$59,573), which expired as March 31, 2020. Additionally, CCCD had to unexpectedly terminate the contract with the other consultant who was to provide the Bidding and Construction Administration services phases of the project. CCCD seeks to enter into a new agreement with The Wooten Company, for the Construction Documents, Bidding and Construction Administration phases of the project with an amount not to exceed \$90,573. CDBG-DR funds for the services are currently available.

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSEDACTION

The Community Development Director recommends that the following item be placed on the June 15, 2019 Board of Commissioners agenda as a consent item:

Approve contracting with The Wooten Company for the Construction Documents, Bidding, and Construction Administration phases of the Robin's Meadow CDBG-DR Project in the amount not to exceed \$90,573. The agreement has been reviewed and approved by the County Attorney.

Dee Taylor, Community Development Director, stated the Robin's Meadow CDBG-DR Project consisted of twelve townhouse units and in December 2019, a subrecipient agreement was executed between the State and Cumberland County in the amount of \$2,222,000 for this project. Ms. Taylor stated Community Development put out an RFQ for architecture and engineering services for the project; the RFQ was posted twice for a period of one month each time and the RFQ was distributed to ten architecture and engineering firms with only one response being received each time. Ms. Taylor stated the sole respondent was The Wooten Company. Ms. Taylor then presented the background information recorded above and stated the proposal was broken down into three phases: 1) schematic design phase, which the firm has completed; 2) developmental design phase, which the firm has completed; and 3) construction document phase, which is yet to come.

Commissioner Adams stated he reviewed the materials, did not see anything about local participation and asked whether the county had a policy for local participation. Ms. Cannon stated the county does not have a written policy as it relates to construction, although local participation is encouraged. Vicki Evans, Finance Director, stated the county's purchasing policy contains language that encourages county departments to seek services and goods from local businesses for items less than \$30,000. Ms. Evans stated this relates to statutory limits for formal and informal bids.

Russell Pearlman, Project Architect with The Wooten Company, provided information about his background and experience, and presented a brief overview of the Robin's Meadow supportive housing project to include a vicinity/location map and site plan, preliminary drawings, project schedule and the design development opinion of cost. Questions and discussion followed about whether the community center should be included as part of the project or whether its footprint should be used for additional housing units. Mr. Pearlman stated The Wooten Company's bidding process will include the solicitation of minority and local participants.

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to forward the Design of Robins Meadow Hurricane Matthew CDBG-DR Project and Agreement for Bidding and Construction Services in the amount not to exceed \$90,573 to the June 15, 2019 Board of Commissioners' meeting as a consent agenda item.

SECOND: Commissioner Evans

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

C. Update by North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency on Hurricane Matthew and Florence Funding

BACKGROUND

At the Board's last Agenda Session Meeting on May 14, 2020, it was suggested to ask a representative from the North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency (NCORR) provide an update on Hurricane Matthew and Florence funding. Laura Hogshead, Chief Operating Officer was contacted and has agreed to provide a presentation to the Board of Commissioners on this subject.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

If there is consensus, move the requested deobligation of CDBG-DR funds (see attached letter) as a consent agenda item to the June 15, 2020 Board of Commissioners' meeting.

Tracy Jackson, Assistant County Manager, presented the background information recorded above and recognized Laura Hogshead, NCORR Chief Operating Officer, who attended remotely and provided the following presentation on Hurricane Matthew and Florence funding.

Ms. Hogshead stated when NCORR was created, the office only knew it would receive Hurricane Matthews HUD Disaster Recovery Funds; however, the office later received Mitigation Grant funds and now anticipates receiving Hurricane Florence funds. Ms. Hogshead provided the following overview of NCORR:

- Primary mission: manage Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) and Community Development Block Grant - Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds. North Carolina had not received CDBG-DR funds since 2003.
- In one year, NCORR has gone from 0 staff members to 71 “core” staff members (NCORR staff and contracted subject matter experts), recruiting experts from across the country from LA, TX, and NY. In addition, NCORR also has over 200 contractors for delivery of programs.
- NCORR’s focus is on expediting Matthew recovery with CDBG-DR grants. NCORR is learning best practices from other States and becoming a national leader in long-term recovery.
- NCORR currently only has approval to use \$236.5 million in CDBG-DR funds and has just gotten access to \$168 million in CDBG-MIT funds. NCORR does not yet have access to \$542.6 million in Florence funds, but we are preparing to implement Hurricane Florence recovery in the coming days.

Ms. Hogshead provided the following walk-through of CDBG-DR and CDBG-MIT funds:

- Total expected CDBG-DR and CDBG-MIT Grants: \$947,240,000

Hurricane Matthew

Total Grant: \$236,529,000

Committed as of 6/10/22 \$185,000,000

Hurricane Florence

Total Grant: \$542,644,000

Action Plan Approved by HUD

Mitigation Grant

Total Grant: \$168,067,000

Grant approved by HUD on 6/10/20

- CDBG-DR funds are the “funding of last resort,” intended to address the Unmet Need, and CDBG-MIT funds are designed to mitigate risk in future disasters.
- Currently spending: \$236.5 million for Hurricane Matthew recovery – 80% must be spent in Cumberland, Robeson, Edgecombe, Wayne, Bladen and Columbus
- Awaiting HUD Grant: \$542.6 million for Hurricane Florence recovery – 80% must be spent in Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Craven, Duplin, Jones, New Hanover, Onslow, Pender, Robeson, Scotland, Cumberland, Bladen and Pamlico
- Just awarded from HUD: \$168 million for Hurricane Matthew mitigation – 50% must be spent in identified Matthew and Florence “Most Impacted and Distressed” Counties

Ms. Hogshead stated Cumberland County is a “most impacted and distressed county” for both Hurricanes Matthew and Florence and 80% of funds must be spent within the HUD-defined most distressed and impacted counties which are Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Craven,

Cumberland, Duplin, Edgecombe, Jones, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, Robeson, Scotland and Wayne.

Commissioner Adams asked whether there was a formula to determine the distribution of funds so Cumberland County will know how much it will receive. Ms. Hogshead stated in the beginning, Emergency Management split up the funding and signed an award letter with Cumberland County for \$23 million of the \$236 million. Ms. Hogshead stated a lot has changed since then but what has not changed is that the funds will still be sent to Cumberland County. Ms. Hogshead stated the fairest way is to accept applications as they come in, serve people as they are eligible and spend the money on a “first come, first serve” basis. Ms. Hogshead stated the State will be sure it is hitting the 80% mark, but there are no hard and fast allocations of the funding. Commissioner Adams asked whether this meant Cumberland County could receive more than \$23 million. Ms. Hogshead stated it is the obligation of NCORR to meet the definition for HUD and should Cumberland County have 10,000 eligible applicants, then that is where the money will be applied. Ms. Hogshead stated because the needs are different for every county, this is why there was a move to a state-centric model instead of farming out the money county by county. Ms. Hogshead stated NCORR will spent far more than \$23 million in Cumberland County.

Ms. Hogsheads displayed a map of North Carolina with dots indicating the location of the various award types outlined in the table below. Ms. Hogshead stated NCORR has awarded 1,368 Housing Assistance Grants to date.

MHU Replacement	\$ 42,123,552
Reconstruction	\$ 40,536,227
Rehabilitation	\$ 4,211,547
Reimbursement	\$ 466,667
Reimbursement/Rehabilitation	\$ 6,865,970
Elevation Only	\$ 305,825
Total	\$ 94,509,788

Ms. Hogshead stated construction is underway across the State with 646 homes in construction phases or completed with NCORR elevating homes out harm’s way. Ms. Hogshead provided the following visual.

Overall Breakdown	Applications	Total
1 - Contractor Awarded	11	\$526,234
2 - In Construction	286	\$22,490,883
3 - Construction Complete	349	\$19,551,531
Grand Total	646	\$42,568,648

Ms. Hogshead reviewed Cumberland County funding commitments to date and stated NCORR only has Hurricane Matthew funding so more money will be committed in Cumberland County. Ms. Hogshead stated NCORR has not yet taken in applications for Hurricane Florence funding.

- Numbers are for the entire County, including Fayetteville
- Homeowner Awards - \$7,013,961
- Infrastructure - \$6,300,000 (including Robin’s Meadow project)
- Multifamily Housing Construction - \$9,821,518
- Small Business Loans - \$600,000
- Delivery Costs - \$279,671
- **TOTAL for Matthew so far - \$24,015,150**
- **Original SRA commitment for Matthew - \$23,260,000**

Commissioner Adams asked whether Hurricane Matthew funding was still available. Ms. Hogsheads stated about \$50 million in Hurricane Matthew is yet to be committed. Commissioner Adams asked whether NCORR planned to deplete all of the Hurricane Matthew funding before

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taking applications for Hurricane Florence funding. Ms. Hogsheads stated NCORR will start taking applications for Florence funding because some people were only impacted by Hurricane Florence. Ms. Hogshead stated it is anticipated that applications for Florence funding will open up in the next few days.

Chairman Faircloth asked whether action was requested. Ms. Cannon stated the item that led to this presentation was the letter from the State deobligating the prior funds authorized under CDBG-DR. Tracy Jackson, Assistant County Manager, stated Budget Ordinance Amendment 200122 in the amount of \$20199,473 is to recognize the deobligation of CDBG-DR funds.

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to forward the deobligation of CDBG-DR funds and associated Budget Ordinance Amendment 200122 in the amount of \$20199,473 to recognize the deobligation of CDBG-DR funds to the June 15, 2020 Board of Commissioners' meeting as a consent agenda item.

SECOND: Commissioner Evans

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

4. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS

A. Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Submission of a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan for Shaw Heights

BACKGROUND

On May 4, 2020, the Board of Commissioners approved the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan for Shaw Heights neighborhood along with the 2020 – 2024 Consolidated Plan, 2020 Annual Action Plan, and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. These plans will be reviewed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Part of the process in the submission of the NRSA plan, requires the Participating Jurisdiction to sign a Resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

The Community Development Director recommend that the proposed action be placed on the June 15, 2020 Board of Commissioners consent agenda:

Approve and Adopt the Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Submission of a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan for Shaw Heights.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREA (NRSA) PLAN FOR SHAW HEIGHTS

WHEREAS, Cumberland County is a Federal Entitlement under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program known as the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and

WHEREAS, under the CDBG Program Guidelines found in 24 CFR 91.215 (e) (2) and CPD Notice 16-16, a Federal Entitlement may designate an area that meets the HUD criteria as a Neighborhood Revitalization Area (NRSA); and

WHEREAS, the Cumberland County Community Development Department undertook a study of the Shaw Heights Neighborhood and determined that it met the criteria for designation as a NRSA; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Department prepared a NRSA Plan for the revitalization of Shaw Heights and held a virtual public hearing on the NRSA Plan on May 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, there were no objections nor opposition to the NRSA Plan as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that We, the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners approve and adopt the NRSA Plan for the Shaw Heights Neighborhood, and authorize the Cumberland County Community Development Department to file the said NRSA Plan with the U.S. Department of HUD, as part of the FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan for Cumberland County.

Ms. Taylor referenced the background information, recommendation/proposed action and resolution recorded above.

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved forward the Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Submission of a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan for Shaw Heights to the June 15, 2020 Board of Commissioners' meeting as a consent agenda item.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

B. Amendments to the 2019 Annual Action Plan and Request to Hold a Public Hearing Scheduled for June 15, 2020

BACKGROUND

The 2019 Annual Action Plan (for the period July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020) was approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in August 2019. The 2019 Annual Action Plan allocated the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) funds and other competitive funding awarded in accordance to the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan.

On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT), Public Law 116-136, was signed, providing \$5 billion for CDBG to rapidly respond to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and the economic and housing impacts caused by COVID-19. Due to this crisis, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the allocations of CARES Act funding for CDBG grantees. Cumberland County will receive \$509,194 of the supplemental CDBG funding (CDBG- CV). In addition, the CARES Act allows CDBG grantees flexibility to amend its plans to be able to use CDBG-CV funds for the Program Year 2019.

It is recommended by HUD that grantees amend their most recent annual action plan under the new provisions by adding the CDBG-CV allocation in their plans as an available resource for the year. Grantees are required to identify the proposed use of the funds and how the funds will be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

Therefore, Cumberland County Community Development is proposing to amend the 2019 Annual Action Plan to include the CDBG-CV funds in the amount of \$509,194 to be used for an economic development project – Small Business Resiliency Program and administrative costs. HUD has suspended the 15% cap for public services to allow grantees to expand on this activity in order to meet the needs related to COVID-19.

The Citizen Participation Plan is being amended to include changes made to the public review and comment period and distribution sites. As part of the citizen participation process, public review and comment period is required. The public review and comment period will be from June 5, 2020 through June 15, 2020. The proposed amendments will be made available for public review and comment on the County's Community Development website and throughout other locations to include the County's Community Development office.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Staff recommends the Board of Commissioners forward this item to the June 15, 2020 meeting and hold a public hearing to allow for public comment.

Ms. Taylor referenced the background information and recommendation/proposed action recorded above.

MOTION: Commissioner Adams moved to schedule a public hearing and forward the Amendments to the 2019 Annual Action Plan to the June 15, 2020 meeting.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

C. FY21 Community Transportation Bid Proposals

BACKGROUND

An evaluation committee consisting of five members of the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB), met Thursday, May 28, 2020 to review Cumberland County Community Transportation program provider proposals, of which two were received. The Transportation Advisory Board then met on Thursday, June 4, 2020 to review and approve the recommendations from the evaluation committee for the following proposals:

- Section 5310 Transportation (5310)
- Employment Transportation (EMPL)
- Rural General Public Transportation (RGP)
- Area Agency on Aging Medical Transportation (AAA Medical)
- Area Agency on Aging General Transportation (AAA Gen)
- Elderly and Disabled Medical Transportation (EDTAP)

The proposals were rated on proposal response, qualifications and experience, references, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) efforts, and value for cost.

After review, B&W Transportation was recommended for the following contracts:

- 5310 - \$24.00 per unit (split contract)
- EMPL - \$24.00 per unit
- RGP - \$24.00 per unit (split contract)
- AAA Gen - \$16.75 per unit
- AAA Medical - \$24.00 per unit (split contract)

After review, FAMIKS Transportation was recommended for the following contracts:

- AAA Medical - \$25.50 per unit (split contract)
- EDTAP - \$25.50 per unit
- RGP - \$25.50 per unit (split contract)
- 5310 - \$25.50 per unit (split contract)

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These two companies were the only transportation providers that submitted proposals. Each was rated by the evaluation committee using the requirements such as qualifications and experience, references, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) efforts, and value for cost.

These two companies are the same providers used for the last several years, and the Community Transportation Program has received excellent service from both.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Staff recommends this item be forwarded as a Consent Agenda Item to the full Board of Commissioners at their June 15, 2020 Regular Meeting.

Joel Strickland, FAMPO Executive Director, presented the background information recorded above. Mr. Strickland stated upon further discussion with FAMIKS Transportation, they agreed to reduce their rate to \$24.50 rather than \$25.50 reflected in the background information.

MOTION: Commissioner Council moved to forward the FY21 Community Transportation Bid Proposals to the June 15, 2020 meeting as a consent agenda item.

SECOND: Commissioner Evans

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

D. Submission of an Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program Grant Application

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this application is for the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to provide technical and financial assistance to Cumberland County which will serve as the sponsor for Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program Event #5038 (Hurricane Florence) for implementation of recovery measures, that, if left undone, pose a risk to life and/or property. The measures will consist of hazardous debris removal and streambank stabilization associated with identified projects included with this memo. A qualified consultant will be obtained to administer and manage the projects on behalf of the County.

Below is a table showing the proposed sources of funding and project costs (estimated to be a total of \$1,461,689 in federal and state funding):

	Federal Funds for Construction	Federal Funds for Technical Assistance and Administration	NC USDA-SWC Funds
Round 1 EWP	\$748,583	\$120,000	\$289,528
Round 2 EWP	114,600	22,920	45,840
Non EWP			120,219
Total	\$863,183	\$142,920	\$455,586

The Soil and Water Conservation Board has expressed interest in pursuing these grant funds and is expected to approve the projects at its June 12, 2020 Board Meeting.

Attached to this memo is a list of proposed projects with estimated costs, and the application for the funding. State funding is expected to cover the applicant match.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Staff requests that the Application submission for Round 1 and Round 2 of the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program be moved forward as a Consent Agenda Item for the Board of Commissioners' regular meeting on June 15, 2020.

E. Submission of an Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program Grant Application (Round 3)

Late on Friday, June 5, the Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District learned of a 3rd round of EWP funding for which it is qualified. Below is a list of projects researched and approved by the Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) which are eligible for funding.

- 391: Pennystone Dr. (Debris Removal/Bank Stabilization) (NC PE Sealed Design) \$60,000.00
- 392: Myrover-Reese (Hazardous Debris Removal/Sediment Removal) \$60,000.00
- 393: Bainbridge Rd. (Hazardous Debris Removal) \$60,000.00

The purpose of this application is for the NRCS to provide technical and financial assistance to Cumberland County which will serve as the sponsor for Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program Event #5038 (Hurricane Florence) for implementation of recovery measures, that, if left undone, pose a risk to life and/or property. The measures will consist of hazardous debris removal and streambank stabilization associated with identified projects included with this memo. A qualified consultant will be obtained to administer and manage the projects on behalf of the County.

Below is a table showing the proposed sources of funding and project costs (estimated to be a total of \$207,000 in federal and state funding):

	Federal Funds for Construction	Federal Funds for Technical Assistance and Administration	NC USDA-SWC Funds
Round 3 EWP	\$135,000	\$27,000	\$45,000
Total	\$135,000	\$27,000	\$45,000

The Soil and Water Conservation Board has expressed interest in pursuing these grant funds and is expected to approve the projects at its June 12, 2020 Board Meeting.

The application for the Round 3 funding has been provided. The North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Service has offered to cover the \$45,000 local match associated with the grant.

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED ACTION

Staff requests that the Application submission for Round 3 of the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program be moved forward as a Consent Agenda Item for the Board of Commissioners' regular meeting on June 15, 2020.

Ms. Cannon introduced Mitch Miller, Cumberland County Soil and Water District Soil Technician, and stated Items 4.D. and 4.E. will be taken together because late Friday after the agenda was uploaded, the Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District learned of a 3rd round of EWP funding from Hurricane Florence. Ms. Cannon stated the application for Round 3 has to be submitted prior to June 30, 2020 or the county will not be eligible. Mr. Miller presented the background information and recommendation/proposed action as recorded above for Items 4.D. and 4.E. Mr. Miller stated the total amount of funding from all sources will be \$2,206,319, which will enable Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District to complete the projects and hire an outside consultant to help manage the projects.

In response to a question from Commissioner Adams, Mr. Miller stated at the January 2020 annual meeting of the Division of Soil & Water, the director mentioned there was the potential with state legislators for an ongoing stream debris removal program. Mr. Miller stated he thought it would be a good thing for Cumberland County.

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MOTION: Commissioner Council moved to forward the application submission for Rounds 1, 2 and 3 of the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program to the June 15, 2020 Board of Commissioners' meeting as a consent agenda item.

SECOND: Commissioner Lancaster

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

F. Contract for Freese and Nichols, Inc., and Associated Budget Amendment #200250 for the NORCRESS Water and Sewer District

BACKGROUND

The Public Utilities Division solicited Statements of Qualifications from qualified individuals or firms to provide engineering services to conduct a comprehensive sewer evaluation and prepare a sanitary sewer capital improvement plan. Seven firms responded. The Public Utilities Division, Engineering Division, and staff from Public Works Commission (PWC) reviewed the documents and scored them separately. Our scores were then summarized with Freese and Nichols having the highest score of the seven firms. Staff discussed the final scope of services and negotiated a fee of \$104,500 with Freese and Nichols.

The budget amendment also includes funds in the amount of \$25,000 that are needed to pay additional operation and maintenance invoices from PWC. The NORCRESS sewer system continues to experience operational issues due to a long, low force main which has gas binding and sludge accumulation creating inefficiencies with the lift station pumps. The top priority of the above-mentioned scope of services with Freese and Nichols is to find the best course of action to prevent these issues and restore the sewer system operation to original design standards.

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED ACTION

The Public Utilities Division and County Management recommend that the following proposed actions below be placed on the June 15, 2020 Board of Commissioners agenda and the NORCRESS Governing Board agenda as consent items:

1. Approve Contract Agreement with Freese and Nichols in the amount of \$104,500.
2. Approve Budget Ordinance Amendment #200250 in the amount of \$129,500 for the Contract Agreement with Freese and Nichols and the additional funds to cover additional operations and maintenance expenses.

Mr. Jackson presented the background information and recommendation/proposed action recorded above.

MOTION: Commissioner Lancaster moved to forward the contract for Freese and Nichols, Inc. and the associated Budget Ordinance Amendment #200250 for the NORCRESS Water and Sewer District to the June 15, 2020 meeting of the Board of Commissioners and NORCRESS Water and Sewer District governing board as consent agenda items.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

5. MONTHLY REPORTS

A. Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Update

BACKGROUND

Cumberland County, in partnership with the North Carolina Office of Recovery & Resiliency (NCORR), is implementing a Community Recovery Infrastructure activity funded through the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program. The attached report is an update on the status of the activity (Robin's Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing) undertaken by Cumberland County. In addition, the report includes an update on activities funded through DRA 17 and HMGP.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

No action is needed. This item is provided for informational purposes only.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAMS UPDATE FOR THE JUNE 11, 2020 BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S AGENDA SESSION

Status as of May 30, 2020:

Milestones/Activities:

- NCORR executed SRA with County December 17, 2019;
- Robins Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing Project/Community Recovery Infrastructure – received project specific award letter January 23, 2020;
- Robins Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing Project/Community Recovery Infrastructure - A/E Services – The Wooten Co. working with staff on the design development phase;
- DRA-17 & HMGP Projects – County completed acquisition 10 properties; Notice to Proceed is dated for May 4, 2020 for the demolition of the properties. Several properties have been demolished.

Current Staffing:

- State POC: John Ebbighausen – Director of Disaster Recovery Programs, NC Office of Recovery & Resiliency (NCORR); Mary Glasscock; Infrastructure Manager (NCORR)
- Cumberland County:
 - o Sylvia McLean, P.T. Community Development (CD) Consultant

B. Financial Report

BACKGROUND

The financial report is included which shows results of the general fund for fiscal year 2020, April year-to- date. Additional detail has been provided on a separate page explaining any percentages that may appear inconsistent with year-to-date budget expectations.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

For information/discussion purposes only.

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County of Cumberland General Fund Revenues						
REVENUES	FY18-19 AUDITED	FY19-20 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY19-20 REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL AS OF April 30, 2020	PERCENT OF BUDGET TO DATE	*
Ad Valorem Taxes						
<u>Current Year</u>	\$ 165,634,524	\$ 165,517,000	\$ 165,517,000	\$ 165,077,063	99.7% (1)	
Prior Years	1,252,112	1,186,000	1,186,000	742,169	62.6%	
Motor Vehicles	19,996,530	19,937,832	19,937,832	15,249,119	76.5% (2)	
Penalties and Interest	699,244	742,000	742,000	582,733	78.5%	
Other	1,057,248	993,000	993,000	837,922	84.4%	
Total Ad Valorem Taxes	188,639,658	188,375,832	188,375,832	182,489,005	96.9%	
Other Taxes						
Sales	45,124,463	43,327,484	43,327,484	26,992,495	62.3% (3)	
Real Estate Transfer	1,351,286	700,000	700,000	1,416,353	202.3%	
Other	990,033	929,726	929,726	409,247	44.0%	
Total Other Taxes	47,465,781	44,957,210	44,957,210	28,818,095	64.1%	
Unrestricted & Restricted Intergovernmental Revenues	59,774,565	62,157,523	64,993,647	41,628,757	64.1% (4)	
Charges for Services	14,213,771	13,255,898	13,710,334	10,127,389	73.9% (5)	
Other Sources (includes Transfers In)	3,880,475	2,668,738	2,810,085	2,752,641	98.0%	
Lease Land CFVMC	3,871,987	3,871,986	3,871,986	4,012,056	103.6% (6)	
Total Other	7,752,461	6,540,724	6,682,071	6,764,697	101.2%	
Total Revenue	\$ 317,846,236	\$ 315,287,187	\$ 318,719,094	\$ 269,827,944	84.7%	
Fund Balance Appropriation		8,667,646	24,761,804	-	0.0%	
Total Funding Sources	\$ 317,846,236	\$ 323,954,833	\$ 343,480,898	\$ 269,827,944	78.6%	

County of Cumberland General Fund Expenditures						
DEPARTMENTS	FY18-19 AUDITED	FY19-20 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY19-20 REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL AS OF April 30, 2020	PERCENT OF BUDGET TO DATE	**
Governing Body	\$ 610,121	\$ 662,458	\$ 662,458	\$ 506,687	76.5%	
Administration	1,448,887	1,837,782	1,837,782	1,295,721	70.5%	
<u>Public Affairs/Education</u>	455,570	847,376	863,546	493,688	57.2% (1)	
Human Resources	893,308	1,169,176	1,169,176	830,818	71.1%	
Print, Mail, and Design	719,586	775,255	775,255	564,677	72.8%	
Court Facilities	121,286	203,470	211,970	104,168	49.1% (2)	
<u>Facilities Maintenance</u>	808,708	1,102,362	1,164,801	767,223	65.9%	
Landscaping & Grounds	622,743	724,187	724,187	526,524	72.7%	
Carpentry	152,063	230,045	246,490	158,923	64.5%	
<u>Facilities Management</u>	1,172,046	1,435,808	1,538,244	956,115	62.2%	
Public Buildings Janitorial	680,038	857,847	884,319	628,070	71.0%	
<u>Central Maintenance</u>	881,695	706,587	773,015	452,999	58.6%	
Information Services	4,455,373	4,812,492	7,057,366	3,757,265	53.2% (3)	
Board of Elections	1,618,420	2,022,011	2,022,011	1,102,485	54.5% (4)	
Finance	1,175,657	1,412,532	1,412,532	1,002,995	71.0%	
Legal	705,449	873,883	873,883	494,464	56.6% (5)	
Register of Deeds	2,095,487	2,462,240	3,137,006	1,850,465	59.0%	
Tax	5,550,502	5,913,536	5,941,085	4,197,620	70.7%	
General Government Other	3,295,143	4,126,674	4,782,896	2,263,358	47.3% (6)	
Sheriff	48,326,988	54,114,179	55,231,605	38,176,181	69.1%	
Emergency Services	3,337,827	3,806,111	4,339,202	2,767,602	63.8%	
Criminal Justice Pretrial	491,622	587,684	587,684	452,322	77.0%	
Youth Diversion	22,768	37,027	37,027	19,921	53.8% (7)	
Animal Control	3,101,494	3,462,878	3,739,759	2,571,595	68.8%	
Public Safety Other (Medical Examiners, NC Detention Subsidy)	1,070,647	1,554,236	1,554,236	754,895	48.6% (8)	
Health	22,490,684	23,325,572	24,055,483	16,664,222	69.3%	
Mental Health	5,290,783	5,468,948	5,630,923	5,205,816	92.5%	
Social Services	56,140,773	62,535,270	63,596,865	43,596,485	68.6%	
Veteran Services	369,584	454,308	454,308	337,072	74.2%	
Child Support	4,805,597	5,412,018	5,412,018	3,845,000	71.0%	
Spring Lake Resource Administration	30,226	34,542	34,542	20,477	59.3%	

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County of Cumberland General Fund Expenditures						
DEPARTMENTS	FY18-19 AUDITED	FY19-20 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY19-20 REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL AS OF April 30, 2020	PERCENT OF BUDGET TO DATE	**
Library	10,215,040	10,739,461	10,952,196	7,974,254	72.8%	
<u>Stadium Maintenance</u>	93,284	10,000	10,000	1,399	14.0% ₍₉₎	
Culture Recreation Other (Some of the Community Funding)	260,569	260,569	260,569	247,535	95.0%	
Planning	2,910,536	3,315,834	3,341,686	2,072,704	62.0%	
Engineering	1,113,724	699,048	1,081,606	842,871	77.9%	
<u>Cooperative Extension</u>	602,184	773,148	773,148	412,589	53.4% ₍₁₀₎	
Location Services	176,925	211,911	211,911	143,854	67.9%	
Soil Conservation	194,174	145,291	608,174	115,665	19.0% ₍₁₁₎	
Public Utilities	83,287	88,106	88,106	67,499	76.6%	
Economic Physical Development Other	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	100.0%	
Industrial Park	9,020	1,427	3,415	1,354	39.6% ₍₁₂₎	
Economic Incentive	429,724	521,677	549,457	374,626	68.2%	
Water and Sewer	-	250,000	250,000	-	0.0% ₍₁₃₎	
Education	93,502,807	94,047,126	94,047,126	77,600,810	82.5%	
Other Uses:						
Transfers Out	34,241,477	19,902,741	30,531,830	589,078	1.9% ₍₁₄₎	
TOTAL	\$ 316,793,829	\$ 323,954,833	\$ 343,480,898	\$ 226,830,091	66.0%	

Expenditures by Category	FY17-18 UNAUDITED	FY19-20 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY19-20 REVISED BUDGET	AS OF April 30, 2020	PERCENT OF BUDGET TO DATE	
<u>Personnel Expenditures</u>	\$ 128,499,408	\$ 145,632,904	\$ 146,402,310	\$ 101,395,562	69.3%	
<u>Operating Expenditures</u>	151,804,878	156,762,673	163,808,335	123,294,002	75.3%	
Capital Outlay	2,248,067	1,656,515	2,738,423	1,551,449	56.7%	
Transfers <u>To</u> Other Funds	34,241,477	19,902,741	30,531,830	589,078	1.9% ₍₁₄₎	
TOTAL	\$ 316,793,829	\$ 323,954,833	\$ 343,480,898	\$ 226,830,091	66.0%	

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND	
Fiscal Year 2020 - April Year-to-Date Actuals (Report Run Date: May 20, 2020)	
Additional Detail	
General Fund Revenues	
*	
(1)	Current Year Ad Valorem 99.7% - The bulk of revenues are typically recorded between November - January. Comparatively, FY2019 April YTD actuals were at 100.5% of budget.
(2)	Motor Vehicles 76.5% - YTD Actual reflects 9 months of collections. Comparatively, FY2019 April YTD actuals were at 79.6% of budget.
(3)	Sales Tax 62.3% - YTD Actual reflects 7 month of collections (July 2019 - January 2020 sales). Comparatively, FY2019 April YTD actuals were at 59.5% of budget.
(4)	Unrestricted/Restricted Intergovernmental 64.1% - There is typically a one to two month lag in receipt of this funding which is directly impacted by expenditures (reimbursement based).
(5)	Charges for services 73.9% - Board of Education has not yet paid for third quarter security. Solid Waste indirect cost has not yet been applied.
(6)	Lease Land CFVMC 103.6% - Paid in full.

General Fund Expenditures	
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(1)	Public Information 57.2% - Personnel costs are low caused by two positions being vacant through November 2019 and another remaining vacancy.
(2)	Court Facilities 49.1% - Requests that have been held will be processed toward the end of the fiscal year, as the budget allows.
(3)	Information Services 53.2% - Personnel costs are low as a result of five vacancies within the department.
(4)	Board of Elections 54.5% - Capital outlay in the amount of \$294,305 has not yet been purchased.
(5)	Legal - 56.6% - Personnel costs are low as a result of multiple vacancies within the department.
(6)	General Government Other 47.3% - The percentage of expenditures is in line with past fiscal year trends.
(7)	Youth Diversion 53.8% - Operating costs are lower as new staff transition into the position.
(8)	Public Safety Other 48.6% - Outside agency invoices are typically paid quarterly. The third quarter is usually paid in May.
(9)	Stadium Maintenance 14.0% - Syampdogs last submitted a telephone reimbursement request for the month of August 2019. Additional costs are not expected.
(10)	Cooperative Extension 53.4% - Personnel costs are low caused by vacancies within the department.
(11)	Soil Conservation 19.0% - Approximately \$452K in NC Disaster Recovery Act 2018 funds remain unexpended.
(12)	Industrial Park 39.6% - Expenditures include grounds utilities costs through May. Funds budgeted for surveying have not been utilized.
(13)	Water and Sewer 0% - There has not been an expenditure need to date this fiscal year.
(14)	Transfers Out 1.9% - Transfers are generally recorded toward the end of the fiscal year.

C. Project Updates

BACKGROUND

Please find attached the monthly project update report for your review.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

This is for information purposes only as there is no action required for this item.

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MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT				
Project Location	Contract Amount	Project Status	Contract Start Date	Contract Duration
Detention Center Roof Replacement	\$1,238,351.00	The contractor is installing the roof drains and metal cap flashing on the completed roof areas. The membrane placement and solar tube installation is completed. The contractor will complete punch list items identified by the engineer and manufacturer's representative prior to installing lightning protection.	11/18/2019	120 days
Department of Social Services Chiller and Cooling Tower Replacement Project	\$741,215.00	The installation of the cooling tower is complete. The contractor is waiting on the chiller at this time. The contractor has installed valves that would allow a temporary chiller to be utilized in the future if there is a need.	4/4/2020	120 days
Judge E. Maurice Braswell Courthouse Generator	\$2,828,700.00	The contractor has poured the concrete pads for the generators and fuel tank. The fire pump is now tied into PWC on the service side from the transformer. The contractor is currently installing conduits in the Courthouse from the mechanical yard to the mechanical rooms. The contractor is preparing to place equipment on the new ATS and generators.	10/23/2019	179 days
LEC Elevator Modernization Project	\$1,362,557.00	The contractor started work on April 6th performing electrical rough-in for the electrical upgrades for the fire alarm panel and the elevator equipment rooms, followed by the installation of HVAC, lighting, and elevator improvements. The contractor has completed installation of the fire alarm conduit, wire and devices on the 1st floor and is 75% complete on the 2nd Floor.	4/6/2020	179 days
Department of Social Services Carpet	\$348,000.00	The contractor has completed the carpet installation on the 3rd Floor. The contractor is installing carpet on the 4th Floor.	3/30/2020	120 days
Department of Social Services Elevator Modernization Project	\$133,530.00	The engineer completed the design for code compliant and increased HVAC needs for the elevator machine rooms. The elevator machine room components were bid on 5/1/2020. The contract amount is \$95,000 with Haje Plumbing and Mechanical. The County Attorney has received the proposed Sourcewell agreement for review from Thyssen Krupp for elevator replacement components.	Not Started	60 days
Crown Coliseum Cooling Tower Replacement	\$596,000.00	The contract is pending Purchasing and Legal approval at this time.	Not Started	93 days
Detention Center Grinder Pump	\$232,400.00	The contractor is ordering materials and developing a project schedule.	Not Started	160 days
Hope Mills Library Boiler Replacement	\$120,266.00	Project is 95% complete with only minor items remaining to address.	5/4/2020	179 days
Crown Coliseum Parking Lot Improvement Project	\$653,976.60	The contract is pending County Attorney approval (4/16/2020). Upon approval, a purchase order will be requested and provided to the contractor.	Not Started	120 days
Crown Coliseum ADA Bathroom and Ticket Booth Renovations	\$541,217.00	The pre-bid was hosted on 4/21/2020 and the bid date was 5/1/2020. The proposed contract is for \$484,987 to M&E Contracting, Inc. The project was approved by the BOC on 5/14/2020. The contract is pending Purchasing and Legal approval at this time.	Not Started	180 days

D. Health Insurance Update

BACKGROUND

As of July 1, 2019, retirees who are 65 and older became covered by a County funded fully insured plan through AmWINS. All other covered members remained insured by the County’s self-funded plan through BCBS. The information provided below and within the graphs has been updated to include the monthly premium amount paid to fund the fully insured plan and the actual monthly claims amounts for all other covered members. Combining these amounts for FY20 and beyond is necessary to ensure a complete picture when comparing the claims results to prior years.

Total health insurance claims plus the fully insured premium amount for FY20 are down 5.10% for the month of April as compared to the same month in FY19. To provide some perspective, below is the ten-month average for the past five fiscal years. This average represents the average monthly year-to-date claims for each fiscal year and includes the fully insured premium for FY20. Additionally, graphs are provided in the attachment to aid in the analysis.

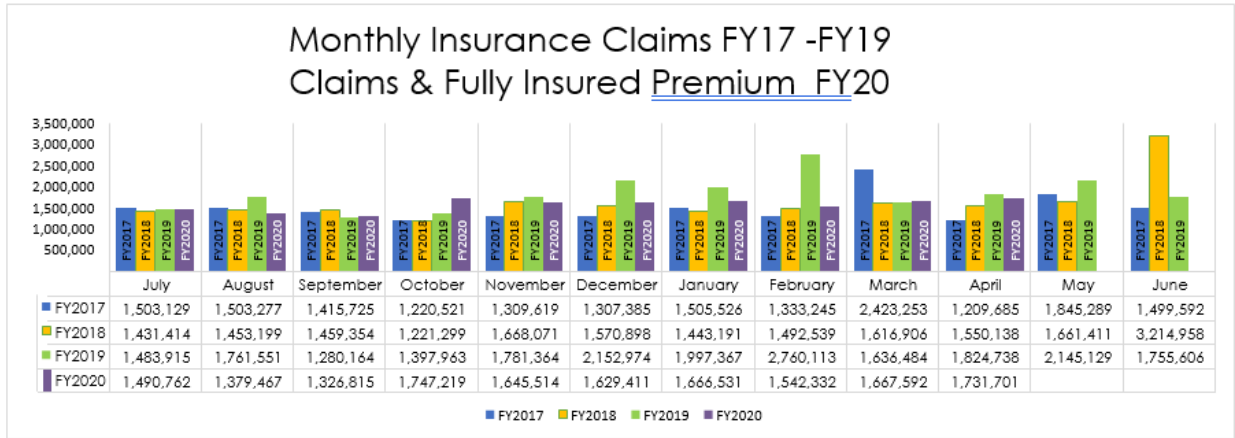
Year to date claims and premium payment through April	\$15,827,344
Less year to date stop loss credits	(\$748,882)
Net year to date claims and premium payment through April	\$15,078,462

Average monthly claims and fully insured premium (before stop loss) per fiscal year April:

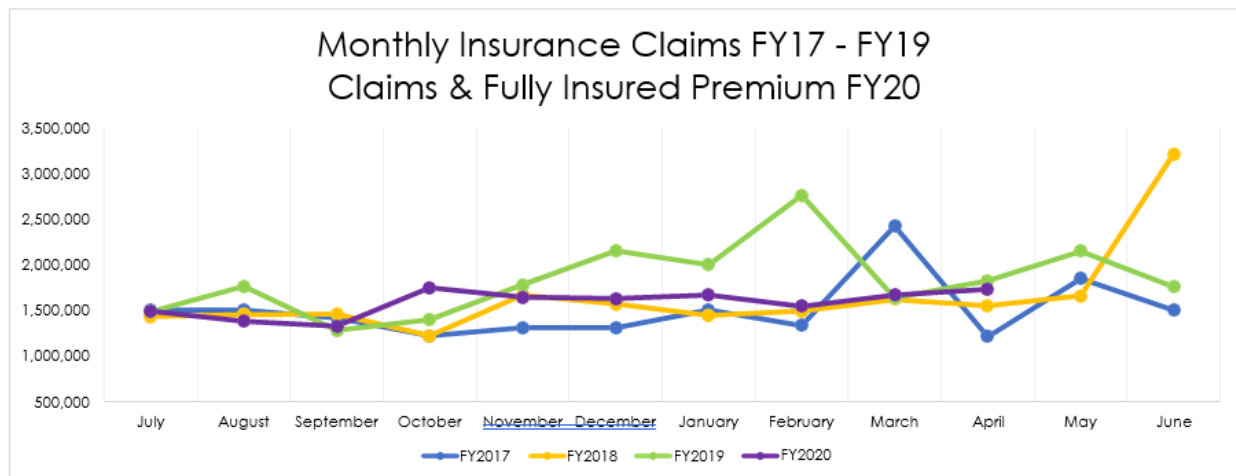
FY16	\$1,783,324
FY17	\$1,473,137
FY18	\$1,490,701
FY19	\$1,807,663
FY20	\$1,582,734

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

For information only – no action needed



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6. OTHER ITEMS

Chairman Faircloth stated in view of recent nationwide events, he felt it was incumbent on the Board to make a statement that the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners has zero tolerance for racial injustice. Chairman Faircloth stated he would like to have staff develop a resolution for the June 15, 2020 meeting.

MOTION: Chairman Faircloth moved to have staff develop a resolution against racial injustice for forward to the June 15, 2020 meeting.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Adams stated to just make a statement does not really mean a lot and he would like for there to be action behind the statement. Commissioner Adams stated New Hanover County created an Office of Diversity and Equity and he would like for the County Manager to explore this idea because it will show citizens that the Board of Commissioners is taking this seriously. Chairman Faircloth agreed that the resolution could incorporate action as suggested by Commissioner Adams. Commissioner Boose and Evans concurred that the resolution should be a statement of Cumberland County's position and stand.

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMIOUS (6-0)

7. CLOSED SESSION

A. Attorney Client Matter(s) Pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11(a)(3)

MOTION: Commissioner Evans moved to go into closed session for Attorney Client Matter(s) Pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11(a)(3).

SECOND: Commissioner Boose

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

Chairman Faircloth recessed the Board of Commissioners' meeting so the closed session portion of this meeting would no longer be simultaneously streamed online with live audio and video via

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the Cumberland County website (co.cumberland.nc.us), Youtube page (youtube.com/user/CumberlandCountyNC/videos), and on Fayetteville Cumberland Education Channel (FCE-TV) Spectrum Cable Channel 5.

Chairman Faircloth reconvened the Board of Commissioners' meeting in closed session.

MOTION: Commissioner Evans moved to reconvene in open session.

SECOND: Commissioner Council

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

MOTION: Commissioner Council moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Commissioner Evans

Chairman Faircloth called for the vote.

By a show of hands, Chairman Faircloth and Commissioners Adams, Boose, Council, Evans and Lancaster voted in favor.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (6-0)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Approved with/without revision:

Respectfully submitted,

Candice H. White
Clerk to the Board