

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

October 3, 2011

2:00 P.M.

Room 700, Wake County Courthouse

Meeting Called to Order: Chairman Paul Coble

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Commissioner Phil Matthews

Members present were: Paul Coble, Chairman; Phil Matthews, Vice Chairman; Joe Bryan, Tony Gurley, Ervin Portman Betty Lou Ward, and James West

Others attending were: David C Cooke, County Manager; Susan J. Banks, Clerk to the Board; Scott Warren, County Attorney; Denise Hogan, Deputy Clerk; Johnna Rogers and Joe Durham, Deputy Managers.

Items of Business

Approval of Agenda

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Tony Gurley, to approval the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes of the Commissioners' Regular Meeting of September 19, 2011

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Tony Gurley, to approve the Minutes of the Commissioners' Regular Meeting of September 19, 2011. The motion passed unanimously.

Proclamation Recognizing the Month of October as Arts and Humanities Month

Mr. Steve McLaurin, United Arts Council Chairman, said that there are artists in the schools and they work with teachers with their educational goals. The United Arts Council work with all the municipalities.

Commissioner Ward said that she was proud of the Arts in Wake County. She read the proclamation for the presentation.

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the month of October has been recognized as ***National Arts and Humanities Month*** by thousands of arts and cultural organizations across the country, as well as by the White House and Congress for more than two decades;

Whereas, the arts and humanities embody much of the accumulated wisdom, intellect, and imagination of humankind;

Whereas, the arts and humanities enrich the lives of every American and play a unique role in the lives of our families, our communities, and our country;

Whereas, the nonprofit arts industry also strengthens our economy by generating \$166.2 billion in total economic activity annually and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 5.7 million jobs;

Whereas, the County of Wake has supported cultural activities in the County for decades;

NOW, THEREFORE, do we, the Wake County Commission, hereby proclaim October as

Arts and Humanities Month

in Wake County and encourage every citizen to celebrate and enjoy the wonderful arts and culture offered in our County.

ADOPTED this the 3rd day of October, 2011.

Mr. McLaurin invited the board to a luncheon on October 20th at the United Arts Council.

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Betty Lou Ward, to approve the Proclamation Recognizing the Month of October as Arts and Humanities Month. The motion passed unanimously.

[Presentation from the North Carolina Symphony](#)

Mr. Rob Schiller, Chief Financial Officer of the NC Symphony, gave a report on upcoming performances and activities over the last year. He said there are 15-16 concerts. He said that students attend the concerts. Teachers are provided helpful educational booklets to help the students understand before attending the concerts. Performances are held at Koka Booth, Walnut Creek Amphitheater, and other venues.

Mr. Schiller said that the economy has impacted their organization. In two years the deficit has been erased. Expenses have been cut by 20% and employees have received pay cuts. Employee travel budget and travel has been cut. However, by being good stewards of their funds, they have reduced the \$2.5 million deficit within two years. He thanked the board for their support and asked for continued support from the County. He distributed the annual report and ticket vouchers for upcoming concerts to the commissioners.

Commissioner Ward complimented the symphony. She said that she admired the staff and their work in performances.

Consent Agenda

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Phil Matthews, to approve the consent agenda items as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Five-Year Agreement with Central Carolina Holdings LLC to Provide Full-Service Scrap Tire Disposal at Wake County Solid Waste Facilities

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Phil Matthews, to authorize the County Manager to enter into a five-year agreement with Central Carolina Holdings LLC to provide full-service scrap tire disposal for Wake County, subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney. The motion passed unanimously.

Conveyance of a Utility Pipeline Easement to the Town of Cary Across County-Owned Property at Site 23 of the Crabtree Creek Watershed Project

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Phil Matthews, to approve the conveyance of a Utility Pipeline Easement consisting of approximately 11,958 square feet to the Town of Cary, across county-owned property at Site 23 of the Crabtree Creek Watershed Project, subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney. The motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of Federal Historic Preservation Fund Grant of \$10,000 for the Wake County Historic Preservation Commission

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Phil Matthews, to accept funding totaling \$10,000 from the Federal Historic Preservation Fund Grant for the Wake County Historic Preservation Commission and approve the appropriate budget revisions. The motion passed unanimously.

Tax Committee Recommendations for Value Adjustments, Late Filed Applications, Collections Refunds and Tax Collections

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Phil Matthews, to accept the Tax Committee Recommendations for Value Adjustments, Late Filed Applications, Collections Refunds and Tax Collections. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Report Collections – Wake County Only – August 2011
2. Wake County In-Rem Foreclosure Progress Report – August 2011
3. Consideration of Requests for Value/Special Situations: (Wake County and Town of Cary), (Wake County and Town of Rolesville)
4. Consideration of Requests for Adjustments, Rebates and/or Refunds of Penalties: (Wake County and Town of Cary), (Wake County and Town of Holly Springs), (Wake County and Town of Morrisville), (Wake County and City of Raleigh), (Wake County and Town of Wake Forest)
5. Consideration of Requests for Exemptions: (Wake County and Town of Cary), (Wake County and City of Raleigh)
6. Consideration of Requests for Tax Relief Exclusions: (Wake County and Town of Apex), (Wake County and Town of Cary), (Wake County and Town of Fuquay-Varina), (Wake County and Town of Garner), (Wake County and Town of Holly Springs), (Wake County and City of Raleigh), (Wake County and Town of Rolesville), (Wake County and Town of Wake Forest), (Wake County and Town of Wendell), (Wake County and Town of Zebulon)
7. Consideration of Refund of Taxes, Interest, and Penalties: (Wake County Only), (Wake County and Town of Angier), (Wake County and Town of Apex), (Wake County and Town of Cary), (Wake County and Town of Fuquay-Varina), (Wake County and Town of Garner), (Wake County and Town of Holly Springs), (Wake County and Town of Knightdale), (Wake County and Town of Morrisville), (Wake County and City of Raleigh), (Wake County and Town of Rolesville), (Wake County and Town of Wake Forest), (Wake County and Town of Wendell)
8. Rebate Details: (Wake County and Town of Angier), (Wake County and Town of Apex), (Wake County and Town of Cary), (Wake County and Town of Fuquay-Varina), (Wake County and Town of Garner), (Wake County and Town of Holly Springs), (Wake County and Town of Knightdale), (Wake County and Town of Morrisville), (Wake County and City of Raleigh), (Wake County and Town of Rolesville), (Wake County and Town of Wake Forest), (Wake County and Town of Wendell), (Wake County and Town of Zebulon)

Chairman Coble recognized Mr. Timothy B. McNeill, Chairman of the Harnett County Board of Commissioners as being present.

Regular Agenda

Public Hearing and Consideration to Rezone a 34.86-acre Parcel, Located at 4333 New Hill-Holleman Road, from Residential-80 (R-80) to Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial (CU-HC)

Mr. Keith Lankford, Wake County Planner, stated this request was for consideration of Petition ZP-875-11, to rezone a 34.86-acre parcel located at 4333 New Hill-Holleman Road from Residential-80 (R-80) to Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial (CU-HC). The Petitioner was Gretchen Bivens-Trendel and the owner was Louis and Ernest Powell. The site was located about halfway between US 1 and Avent Ferry Road within a Community Activity Center. He shared a map of the property and the zoning map.

The request was to rezone a total of 34.86 acres from R-80 (not in watershed) to Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial to allow for one or more of the following uses:

- Veterinary;
- Commercial kennel;
- Animal shelter;
- Financial services (excluding pawn shops and payday loan businesses);
- Funeral home;
- Neighborhood/convenience-oriented retail (with or without gas sales);
- Medical office, clinic, lab;
- Commercial parking/Park and ride;
- Indoor and outdoor recreation and entertainment (excluding pool halls, game rooms, sweepstakes uses);
- Retail sales and service (excluding mobile home sales);
- Vehicle sales, lease or rental;
- Vehicle repair (no outdoor storage of parts or junk vehicles permitted, all 'transitional' vehicles shall be stored behind the building);
- Religious assembly;
- Contractor office;
- Warehousing;
- Child care center;
- Adult care center;
- Restaurant (excluding bars and nightclubs);
- General office;
- Library and cultural exhibits;

- Government uses (excluding correctional facilities);

He shared the land use history and maps of the zoning of the parcel area.

Wake County's Land Use Plan describes the parcel as:

- Within a 7,565-acre unresolved urban services area (UUSA) •
- This UUSA (Unresolved Urban Services Area) is generally located between Apex's and Holly Springs LRUSA
- SWALUP designates this parcel as part of a 54-acre Community Activity Center
- SWALUP developed jointly with planning staffs of Apex, Cary, Fuquay-Varina and Holly Springs
- This CAC is suitable for Heavy Commercial zoning and the listed nonresidential uses.

Most subsequent uses on the subject property will require a Planned Compliance Permit (PCP) review process by the Planning Board. This would include input from Apex and Holly Springs planning staffs on the site plan, roadway/driveway review by NCDOT, and a public hearing.

Mr. Lankford stated there were no comments received from the Town of Apex but Holly Springs expressed concerns about traffic and the narrowness of the roadway. Holly Springs' staff supported possible conditions to limit the number of trucks and to require road widening. Both towns will be sent any subsequent development plans requiring a PCP for review and comment. There has been no negative input from neighbors. Wake County staff corresponded with Lake Harris Study committee members and the SWALUP (South West Area Land Use Plan) which expressed no opposition.

Mr. Langford shared that this area would be supported by well and septic systems until the Towns of Apex or Holly Springs offer utilities. There were no significant environmental issues. NCDOT has not identified any significant issues with the portion of the road. NCDOT has stated a preliminary position that no turn lanes would be needed. A 10-foot Right-of-Way dedication and possible roadway improvements may be required as per Thoroughfare Plan and/or NCDOT at the site plan phase. A possible future user of about 1/3 of the parcel (trucking contractor) spoke to NCDOT regarding the driveway location (near the southern property line) and possible road improvements.

Staff Findings:

1. The proposed Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial rezoning and the proposed uses are consistent with the SWALUP's 54-acre Community Activity Center designation.
2. The traffic volumes and accident report from the NCDOT do not indicate any significant traffic issues on New Hill-Holleman Road.
3. A detailed site plan, or subdivision plan, must be approved by the appropriate Wake County entity prior to future development.
4. There has been no opposition expressed to the planning staff by neighboring property owners.

Commissioner West noted the specific uses listed on the petition and questioned the Indoor and Outdoor recreation entertainment which had exclusions for pool halls, game rooms and sweepstakes. Mr. Lankford said that if it is not in the list then it is excluded. Commissioner Portman asked about the definition of the neighborhood activity center. Ms. Sharon Peterson, Long Range Planner explained the different activity centers.

Chairman Coble opened the public hearing

Ms. Gretchin Bivens-Trendel, Petitioner, said they had communicated with the neighbors and felt it was important to have the residents' support.

Chairman Coble closed the public hearing.

Mr. Lankford stated the staff recommendation:

Planning staff recommends APPROVAL of the zoning map amendment as presented.

Mr. Loftee Smith, Planning Board Chair, stated the Planning Board voted unanimously for approval of the ZP-875-11 New Hill-Holleman Road rezoning request.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Paul Coble, to approve the rezoning petition for ZP-875-11, a 34.86-acre Parcel, located at 4333 New Hill-Holleman Road, from Residential-80 (R-80) to Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial (CU-HC), following the properly held public hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE APPROVING A REQUEST TO AMEND THE WAKE COUNTY ZONING MAP TO REZONE 34.86 ACRES, ON THE EASTERN SIDE OF NEW HILL-HOLLEMAN ROAD FROM RESIDENTIAL-80 (R-80) TO CONDITIONAL USE- HEAVY COMMERCIAL (CU-HC)

WHEREAS, the requested proposal is to rezone 34.86 acres located on the eastern side of New Hill-Holleman Road, being parcel # 0628-48-9476, from Residential-80 (R-80) to Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial (CU-HC) to allow for a variety of nonresidential uses;

WHEREAS, the proposed Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial rezoning and the proposed uses are consistent with the Southwest Area Land Use Plan's 54-acre Community Activity Center designation;

WHEREAS, the traffic volumes and accident reports from the North Carolina Department of Transportation do not indicate any significant traffic issues on New Hill-Holleman Road.;

WHEREAS, a detailed site plan, or subdivision plan, must be approved by the appropriate Wake County entity prior to future development;

WHEREAS, there has been no opposition expressed to the planning staff by neighboring property owners;

WHEREAS, the Planning Staff recommends approval of the requested rezoning with the petitioner's conditions as presented;

WHEREAS, on September 7, 2011, the Wake County Planning Board voted 10-0 to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the proposed zoning map amendment with the petitioner's proposed conditions as presented, and found that the request was consistent with the Land Use Plan and otherwise advances the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Commissioners held a duly-noticed public hearing on October 3, 2011 to consider amending the zoning map to rezone the entire area, or part of the area, to the classification and uses requested, or to a more restrictive classification or range of uses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

SECTION I

The proposed rezoning, with the petitioner's proposed conditions, is found to be consistent with the Southwest Area Land Use Plan and otherwise promotes the public health, safety and general welfare, therefore, the Wake County Zoning Map is hereby amended to rezone the property described above from Residential-80 (R-80) to Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial (CU-HC) with the petitioner's proposed conditions.

SECTION II

In making this petition, the owner freely offers the following conditions to be applied to the Conditional Use-Heavy Commercial (CU-HC) rezoning of the subject property:

1. Lighting will be limited:
 - a. General site lighting will have shields for wall packs.
 - b. Canopy lighting will be flush mounted.

2. Uses on the subject property will be limited to the following:
 - Veterinary;
 - Commercial kennel;
 - Animal shelter;
 - Financial services (excluding pawn shops and payday loan businesses);
 - Funeral home;
 - Neighborhood/convenience-oriented retail (with or without gas sales);
 - Medical office, clinic, lab;
 - Commercial parking/Park and ride;
 - Indoor and outdoor recreation and entertainment (excluding pool halls, game rooms, sweepstakes uses);
 - Retail sales and service (excluding mobile home sales);
 - Vehicle sales, lease or rental;
 - Vehicle repair (no outdoor storage of parts or junk vehicles permitted, all 'transitional' vehicles shall be stored behind the building);
 - Religious assembly;
 - Contractor office;
 - Warehousing;
 - Child care center;
 - Adult care center;
 - Restaurant (excluding bars and nightclubs);
 - General office;
 - Library and cultural exhibits;
 - Government uses (excluding correctional facilities);

SECTION III

This ordinance to amend the Wake County Zoning Map as petitioned shall become effective upon adoption of this ordinance.

Commissioner Betty Lou Ward made a motion that the above ordinance be adopted. Commissioner Paul Y. Coble seconded the motion, and upon vote, the motion carried this 3rd day of October 2011.

Wake County Public School System Plan 2000, Plan 2004, and CIP 2006 Reallocation Request (Second Reading)

Mr. Joe Desormeaux, Wake County Public School System Facilities and Operations, stated this was the second reading of the reallocation request to

move savings from Plan 2000 and 2004. This will close out Plan 2000 and increase Plan 2006 by \$2,371,707.

Tony Gurley motioned, seconded by James West, to:

1. Reallocate \$102,632 of savings from three Plan 2000 projects to Plan 2000 Program Contingency;
2. Reduce the overall appropriation for Plan 2000 by \$479,198 to reflect \$102,632 of new savings and \$376,566 of savings previously transferred to Plan 2004 to close out Plan 2000;
3. Reallocate \$2,269,075 of savings from 15 Plan 2004 projects to Plan 2004 Program Contingency and subsequently reduces the overall appropriation for Plan 2004 by \$2,269,075;
4. Reallocate \$50,000 within Plan 2004 from Martin Middle School in order to appropriate \$25,000 for improvements at Holly Grove Elementary and \$25,000 for improvements at Wakelon Elementary; and
5. Increase the Plan of Record for CIP 2006 by \$2,371,707, reflecting \$102,632 of savings from Plan 2000 and \$2,269,075 of savings from Plan 2004.

The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-2011

Reallocate PLAN 2000 and PLAN 2004 Funds

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Education is engaged in a Long Range Building Program; and

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Education has duly requested that the Board of Commissioners approve the reallocation of \$102,632 from Plan 2000 projects to the plan's Program Contingency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners previously reallocated \$376,566 in savings to Plan 2004 from Plan 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Education has duly requested that the Board of Commissioners approve the reallocation of \$2,269,075 from Plan 2004 projects to the plan's Program Contingency, and reallocates \$50,000 from Martin Middle School to Wakelon Elementary School (\$25,000) and Holly Grove Elementary School (\$25,000); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby reallocates funds as follows:

From PLAN 2000	AMOUNT	To PLAN 2000	AMOUNT
Deferred Maintenance	\$ 95,524	Program Contingency	\$ 102,632
Mobile Units	2,996		
Forestville Road Elementary	4,112		
PLAN 2000 Total	\$ 102,632	PLAN 2000 Total	\$ 102,632

From PLAN 2004	AMOUNT	To PLAN 2004	AMOUNT
Panther Creek High	\$ 95,979	Program Contingency	\$ 2,269,075
Holly Springs High	28,816	Wakelon Elementary	25,000
Cary High Start-up	50	Holly Grove Elementary	25,000
Millbrook High	100		
Brier Creek Elementary	142,761		
Sycamore Creek	22,655		
East Garner Elementary	192,650		
River Bend	59,507		
Educational Equipment Replacement	943		
Furniture Replacement	3		
Technology	8		
Wake Forest-Rolesville High	46,281		
East Wake High	1,486,233		
Mobile Classrooms	1,531		
Enloe High	191,558		

Martin Middle School	50000		
PLAN 2000 Total	\$ 2,319,075	PLAN 2000 Total	\$ 2,319,075

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners approves the revision to the Plan 2000 Plan of Record and Plan 2004 Plan of Record as follows:

	Plan 2000	Plan 2004
Current Plan of Record	\$ 546,484,479	\$ 543,558,520
Move Funds from Plans 2000 and 2004 to CIP 2006	\$ (102,632)	\$ (2,269,075)
Reduce Plan 2000 to reflect savings previously moved to Plan 2004	\$ (376,566)	
New Plan of Record	\$ 546,005,281	\$ 541,289,445

Adopted this the 3rd day of October 2011.

Resolution R-2011 **Change Plans of Record for CIP 2006**

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Education is engaged in a Long Range Building Program; and

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Education has duly requested that the Board of Commissioners approve reallocating \$102,632 in savings from Plan 2000 and \$2,269,075 in savings from Plan 2004 to CIP 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Education has requested that the Board of Commissioners increase the CIP 2006 plan of record by \$2,371,707:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby reallocates funds as follows:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO	AMOUNT
PLAN 2000		CIP 2006	
Contingency	\$ 102,632	Reserves	\$ 2,371,707

PLAN 2004			
Contingency	\$ 2,269,075		
Total	\$ 2,371,707	Total	\$ 2,371,707

Adopted this the 3rd day of October 2011.

Wake Technical Community College 2007 Building Program Appropriation Request

Dr. Stephen Scott and Mr. Wendell Goodwin presented the building program appropriation request for Wake Technical Community College. Dr. Scott said that the increase in students has caused the need for reallocation of funds for additional classrooms and space. Mr. Wendell Goodwin asked for the cost savings for a new office/classroom building. Wake Tech proposed to build a 40,000 square foot Office/Classroom Building at Main Campus to accommodate student enrollment. The new building will have 4 new classrooms and increase student capacity by 180 seats. Additionally, the building will accommodate 110 staff. The building will support many of the technology programs along with computer lab. Design will be completed in December 2012 and the building will be completed for the spring semester of 2014. The increased scope of work is anticipated to bring the total project budget to \$4,654,570 of which \$1,625,570 has already been appropriated. Funding for the increase of \$3,029,000 will be through savings in current building projects, including \$2,000,000 from Pucher LeMay Hall Renovation and \$1,029,000 from the Public Safety Education Training Center. Pucher LeMay Hall should open to students in January 2012 and the Public Safety Education Training Center opened to students in the Fall of 2010.

Dr. Scott stated the demands for the college exceed their ability to serve the students.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Phil Matthews, to adopts the attached resolution for the following actions:

1. Reallocate \$4,000,000 from Health Sciences 2 building to appropriate funds for the design and construction of the Main Campus Office/Classroom Building.

2. Reallocate \$2,000,000 from the Pucher LeMay Hall Renovation and \$1,029,000 from the Public Safety Education Training Center to appropriate funds for the Renovation of Holding Hall.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Portman thanked Wake Tech for the savings and complimented the work.

Commissioner Ward asked about the current enrollment of Wake Tech. Dr. Scott said that fall enrollment was 2,000 this year over last year, making it approximately 65,000. Commissioner Ward thanked Dr. Scott for their hard work during these difficult economic times. Commissioner Gurley said that the board members are being trained. Dr. Scott said that Mr. Mort Congleton, Wake Technical Community College Board member will move into a position in 2013 in the National Association of Community Colleges.

Commissioner Bryan asked about the state budget and noted that the Wake County Public School System had to reduce their funding. Dr. Scott said that Wake Tech had \$8 million in cuts and still grew 4.7 % in their enrollment.

Commissioner Bryan asked Dr. Scott his opinion about the consolidation of community colleges which was being discussed by the Legislature. Dr. Scott said he was aware a committee met to discuss this and he believed it was a short-sighted plan. Commissioner Bryan noted that living expenses and participating in sororities and fraternities are expensive in the university system. He said that in this economic climate community colleges should be on the forefront since they are less expensive than a 4 year college. Commissioner Bryan stated this should be a time of supporting growth of community colleges in order to educate students and have them transfer to state universities instead of consolidating the small colleges.

Resolution R-2011

2007 Building Program Appropriation, Reallocation and Budget Adjustment

WHEREAS, Wake Technical Community College is engaged in the 2007 Building Program approved by voters in October 2007; and

WHEREAS, Wake Technical Community College has requested a reallocation of 2007 Building Program funds from Health Sciences 2 building to appropriate funds for the design and construction of the Main Campus Office/Classroom Building project;

WHEREAS, Wake Technical Community College has requested a reallocation of 2007 Building Program funds from the Pucher LeMay Hall Renovation and the Public Safety Education Training Center to appropriate funds for the Renovation of Holding Hall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby appropriates, reallocates, and makes budget adjustments to Wake Technical Community College 2007 building program projects as follows:

REALLOCATE

	<i>Project</i>	<i>Current Budget</i>	<i>Adjustment</i>	<i>Proposed Budget</i>
From:	Health Sciences 2 Building	\$31,225,886	(\$4,000,000)	\$27,225,886
To:	New Office/Classroom Building	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000

REALLOCATE

	<i>Project</i>	<i>Current Budget</i>	<i>Adjustment</i>	<i>Proposed Budget</i>
From:	Pucher LeMay Hall	\$4,221,735	(\$2,000,000)	\$2,221,735
	Public Safety Education Training Center	\$13,919,127	(\$1,029,000)	\$12,890,127
To:	Holding Hall Renovation 2004	\$1,625,570	\$0	\$1,625,570
	Holding Hall Renovation 2007	\$0	\$3,029,000	\$3,029,000

Adopted this the 3rd day of October 2011.

Approval of Agreement to Reconstruct a Headquarters Station for Bay Leaf Fire Department and Approval of Schematic Design

Mr. Mark Forestieri, Senior Program Designer of Wake County Facilities Design and Construction, recognized the design team for the Bay Leaf Fire Station including Mr. Ken Newell, Mr. Matt Bryan and Ms. Chris Hill of Stewart Cooper Newell Architects. He recognized Chief Tim Pope and other members of the Bay

Leaf Fire Department board of directors present at the meeting. Mr. Forestieri provided a site plan as well as a floor plan of the fire department. He stated the original station did not provide sleeping quarters because it was a volunteer fire department. Bay Leaf Fire Department is now a 24-hour operation with career firefighters. The existing site is located in the Wake County Watershed Zoning District R-80W, which is most restrict district for impervious surface limits. A construction permit was obtained in 2007 which is still active. Options considered over the years included various renovations, reconstruction reusing the existing structure and building a single story station. The only viable option was to build a two-story structure on the site. The proposed structure will be 16,411 square feet with a sleeping area, training space for 70 people and adequate administrative space for headquarters functions. Also 3 full length bays and one half length bay for storage of fire apparatus equipment are included.

Ms. Chris Hill, Landscape Architect, explained the site plan. She noted that the plan is for a two story fire station. She has been working on the plan for seven years. Drawings depicting the floor plan and views of the exterior facade of the building were provided. Meetings with the Bay Leaf Fire Department and the Wake County Fire Commission were conducted as the schematic design was developed.

A Memorandum of Understanding to reconstruct station #1 has been arranged with the Bay Leaf Fire Department Board of Directors. The County proposes to build this two story station in exchange for the conveyance of Bay Leaf Station #3, located at 1431 Lynn Road. Station #3 is a 12,000 SF building. It is located some distance south of the Bay Leaf district in scattered unincorporated areas surrounded by the City of Raleigh's jurisdiction. The attached letter from the County Manager describes what will form the basis of a Memorandum of Understanding and eventual Funding and Use Agreements, and encompasses the following points:

1. The County will agree to build a two-story headquarters fire station. The County will own the fire station and lease the land from Bay Leaf Volunteer Fire Dept. (BLVFD).
2. The County will acquire the necessary funding to move forward with the project. This will include funding from the Fire Tax fund and the Public Safety/EMS element of the CIP.
3. The Board of Directors for BLVFD will agree to deed Station 3 and its associated land parcels to Wake County, for primary use as an EMS Station.
4. The County will further agree to allow BLVFD to use Station 3 as a location for volunteers to assemble in order to maintain a volunteer presence in the area of Station 3.

5. The County will also agree to allow the department to house fire protection equipment at Station 3 for a yet-to-be determined period of time with an option to continue the lease until such time when there is no viable and deliverable volunteer fire protection housed at the facility.

6. The County will agree that budgeted funds for volunteer and career staff support will not be reduced as a result of this cooperative agreement.

A Funding and Use Agreement addressing the above issues in detail will be negotiated and brought back to the Board for approval at a later date. On September 22, 2011, the Fire Commission voted unanimously to recommend that the Board of Commissioners accept the above arrangement in principle with Bay Leaf Volunteer Fire Department. Total project cost is budgeted at approximately \$3.6 million and includes the cost to lease a structure to temporarily house a fire department unit on site while the project is under construction. A summary of the project budget is attached.

Of the \$3.6 million, the Public Safety element of the General CIP will provide \$723,000 towards the cost of the project upon conveyance of Bay Leaf Station #3 to the County. Remaining funds will be provided from the uncommitted funds in the Fire Rescue element. Groundbreaking for construction of the project is projected to commence in spring 2012. A twelve month construction period is anticipated, with the station beginning operations in late spring 2013. Mr. Ken Newell said that there would be no new land required. The fire station will be located on the existing location. He explained the inside of the fire station. The building has a tight floor plan with room for training space. There are 3.5 bays. There are 6 beds with enough space it could be expanded to 12 beds.

Commissioner Ward asked about the tanks behind the station and whether they would be a problem. Mr. Forestieri said the tanks would be moved and could be worked around. Commissioner Ward said that she was excited about the new fire station. She recognized Bay Leaf Fire Chief Tim Pope.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Ervin Portman, to:

1. Authorize the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Bay Leaf Volunteer Fire Department to reconstruct a Headquarters Station at 11713 Six Forks Road, subject to approval of the County Attorney;
2. Appropriate \$250,000 towards design and related planning costs for the reconstruction of Bay Leaf Fire Station #1 using cash savings and reserves; and,

3. Approve Schematic Design for reconstruction of Bay Leaf Fire Station #1.

The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Tim Pope thanked the Board of Commissioners and the citizens of Wake County. He said that 50 years ago a volunteer fire department was created. He thanked Wake County staff and others for their efforts toward the building. Chairman Coble thanked Mr. Forestieri and the County Manager on the good deal for the county.

Approval of 2012 Medical and Dental Insurance Plans, 2012 Insurance Premiums, Wellness Programs

Ms. Elaine Johnson, Human Resources Director, explained that preliminary recommendations were presented and reviewed in the September Work Session of the Board. Since then, additional analysis has been done on health insurance and staff had prepared a recommendation for the Board's consideration.

The recommendation was to eliminate the HRA plan because it was not sustainable and to offer a PPO 85 and PPO 75 plan. The highlights of the recommended changes were:

- Eliminate the HRA Plan: The option to make the HRA funds available once the deductible was met would still not support the plan being sustainable long-term, so it is being recommended that HRA Plan be eliminated.
- Offer the PPO 85 and PPO 75 Plans with both plans having co-pays for office visits
 - PPO 85 (richer benefit-higher premium)
 - PPO 75 (standard benefit-lower premium)
 - Establish copays for office visits (Physician & Specialists)
 - Copays are not included in deductible or out of pocket maximum
 - Coinsurance (85% or 75%) for hospitalization, diagnostic testing, pathology, etc.

The Proposed 2012 Medical Premiums were:

2012 Medical Premiums

	PPO 75 Plan		PPO 85 Plan
Employee	\$10		\$40
Employee Child	\$139		\$214
Employee	\$283		\$404

Spouse			
Family	\$447		\$596

The Budget estimate based on 144 employees moving to PPO 75 was as follows:

Budget	Current	Proposed
Employee	\$5,859,823	\$4,061,832
Employer	<u>\$23,867,835</u>	<u>\$22,811,232</u>
Total	\$29,727,658	\$26,873,064

Benefits	BCBSNC - Low PPO		BCBSNC - High PPO	
	<i>In-Network</i>	<i>Out-of-Network</i>	<i>In-Network</i>	<i>Out-of-Network</i>
Deductible (Single/Family)	\$1,250 / \$2500	\$2,500 / \$5000	\$500 / \$1,000	\$1,000 / \$2,000
Out-of-Pocket Maximum (includes deductible)	\$3,500 / \$7000	\$7,000 / \$14000	\$2,500 / \$5000	\$5,000 / \$10,000
Office Visits - PCP Copay	\$30	55% after deductible	\$20	65% after deductible
Office Visits - Specialist Copay	\$45	55% after deductible	\$35	65% after deductible
Preventive Care	100%	55% after deductible	100%	65% after deductible
Urgent Care	\$45	55% after deductible	\$35	65% after deductible
Emergency Room	\$100 copay, then 75% after deductible (copay waived if admitted)	\$100 copay, then 75% after deductible (copay waived if admitted)	\$100 copay, then 85% after deductible (copay waived if admitted)	\$100 copay, then 85% after deductible (copay waived if admitted)
Inpatient Hospital	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Outpatient Hospital	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Chiropractic Care - 24 days max per cal yr	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Skilled Nursing Facility	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Home Health Care - 60 (16 hr day) max days per cal yr	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Hospice	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Durable Medical Supplies	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Short-Term Rehabilitative Therapy* - 30 days max per cal yr	\$45	55% after deductible	\$35	65% after deductible
Maternity				
Initial visit to confirm pregnancy	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Hospital Services	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible

Professional Services	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Vision** - one routine eye exam per cal yr, including refraction	100%	55% after deductible	100%	65% after deductible
Inpatient Mental Health/Substance Abuse***	75% after deductible	55% after deductible	85% after deductible	65% after deductible
Outpatient Mental Health/Substance Abuse***	\$30	55% after deductible	\$20	65% after deductible
Retail Prescription Drugs (30-day supply)				
Generic	20% up to \$100 max	not covered	20% up to \$100 max	not covered
Preferred Brand	35% up to \$100 max	not covered	35% up to \$100 max	not covered
Non-Preferred Brand	50% with \$50 min up to \$100 max	not covered	50% with \$50 min up to \$100 max	not covered
Mail Order Prescription Drugs (90-day supply)				
Generic	20% up to \$250 max	not covered	20% up to \$250 max	not covered
Preferred Brand	35% up to \$250 max	not covered	35% up to \$250 max	not covered
Non-Preferred Brand	50% up to \$250 max	not covered	50% up to \$250 max	not covered

*Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Pulmonary Rehabilitation, Cognitive Therapy

**Hardware (lenses, frames, contacts) not included

***Costs do not go toward medical out-of-pocket maximum

Commissioner Bryan asked about the premium contributions by employees. He asked if \$2.8 million will be saved with \$1.8 million saved by employees and \$1.0 million by the county. Ms. Johnson agreed.

Ms. Johnson said that there would be Wellness and Disease Management Programs based on the following costs and savings.

Plan Change Option	Option Cost	Estimated Savings / Funding	Net Savings (Costs)
Blue Cross Diagnostic Imaging Program	\$24,000	\$113,000	\$89,000
Diabetes Management	\$53,450		(\$53,450)

Weight Management	\$1,600		(\$1,600)
Know Your Numbers Program	\$160,000		(\$160,000)
Total Savings (Cost) Impact	\$239,050	\$113,000	(\$126,050)

Ms. Johnson explained the new Wellness and Disease Management Programs.

a) Know your Numbers Campaign. This program is designed to encourage employees to engage in their personal health and seek appropriate care by completing an annual biometric screening to identify key health factors (blood sugar, cholesterol, hypertension, and BMI).

- The program will replace the original wellness incentive program eliminating the \$100 incentive for completing the health risk assessment and completing your biometric screening.
- The program will include employees, retirees and their spouses insured on Wake County's medical plan.
- Members will have to complete their biometric screening between November 2011 and October 2012.
- Those who do not complete a biometric screening within the stated period will be assessed an additional \$20 a month premium (\$40 for Employee and Spouse) beginning in plan year 2013.

b) Nutritional Counseling. Requesting approval to modify the current insurance plan design to allow 6 nutritional visits for weight management consultation. The current benefit allows nutritional counseling for individuals with chronic conditions such as diabetes, but does not cover those individuals who are diagnosed with obesity. Based on the analysis of our medical claims data, obesity has been identified as one of the underlining factors contributing to our chronic conditions.

c) Diabetes Bus The Diabetes Bus program was introduced as a pilot program in May 2011. Thirty-Eight (38) employees, who have been diagnosed with diabetes, are currently enrolled in the pilot and participation has been 100%. Positive reported outcomes include reduced A1C levels, lower blood pressure/cholesterol numbers, weight loss and program participants becoming more physically active. The recommendation is to continue this program in 2012 and the target goal is to engage 75 employees diagnosed with diabetes and expand the program to include pre-diabetics (25).

d) Diagnostic Imaging Program (DIM). This program is a Blue Cross Blue Shield program and is designed to reduce duplicate expensive imaging services that are either unnecessary or harmful based on the medical treatment plan.

- The service will not require the patient to be involved in the review or provider discussion. BCBS will contact a provider if a test is being ordered that has recently been completed and let them know that recent test results are available.
- The provider may chose not to use the prior test and require their own testing to be done.
- A review of our medical claims data showed that diagnostic imaging consistently ranks in the top three claims dollars spent for plan years 2008 through 2010.

With the implementation of the Diagnostic Imaging Program, BCBSNC projects a return on investment of 4:1 with estimated plan savings of \$113,000.00.

Commissioner West asked if the Know Your Numbers would be mandated. Ms. Johnson said that the county would not require the test but there would be a \$20 additional charge to the employee’s monthly premium if the employee or spouse (if covered) does not complete a biometric screening.

Commissioner Ward asked if gym memberships were discounted or an allowance was made for employees. Ms. Johnson said that the discounts were posted on the employee website if a gym offers a discounted rate to employees but the staff does not pursue gyms for discounted employee memberships.

Ms. Johnson said that the dental plan rates would remain the same as follows:

Dental Basic	Employee Cost	Wake County Cost	Total Cost
Employee Only	\$0.00	\$26.78	\$26.78
Family	\$42.47	\$30.76	\$73.23

Dental Plus	Employee Cost	Wake County Cost	Total Cost
Employee Only	\$4.39	\$26.78	\$31.17
Family	\$54.47	\$30.76	\$85.23

Commissioner West asked if there were best practices in the health and wellness programs for health insurance and if Human Resources partners with Human Services on these programs. Ms. Johnson said that diabetes is high among employees and the wellness programs are designed to help address the nutrition aspect. Partners are being sought to help with the programs. Ms. Johnson said that there is not a partnership with Human Services but some partnerships do exist.

Betty Lou Ward motioned, seconded by Ervin Portman, to:

1. Approve the recommended insurance plan design changes and premiums for the benefit year starting January 1, 2012;
2. Approve the expansion of our well/disease management programs for 2012; and,
3. Approve the recommended dental premiums for the benefit year starting January 1, 2012.

The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Ward asked if the county offered a benefit from joining a gym. Ms. Johnson said that it had been discussed but the revenues have not been available to offer the benefit.

Selection of Vendors to Manage the County's Employee Assistance Program and Voluntary Vision Plan

Ms. Johnson said that in the spring the county released requests for proposals for the administration and management of a Voluntary Group Vision Program and Employee Assistance Program (EAP). The county received 11 EAP proposals and ten vision proposals. The strongest candidates were asked to present their proposals and answer committee questions:

Vision: VSP, Community Eye Care (CEC) and Eye Med.

EAP: MHN, ComPsych and Life Services

She said that ComPsych was recommended by the Group Benefits Committee for the EAP services. She said that ComPsych has increased the number of sessions from three to five, lowered the cost, unlimited critical incident services, 12 hours onsite training hours, and a three year performance guarantee. Lastly, ComPsych has offered a three year rate guarantee with an option to add two years (total five years) at the rate of \$1.16 per employee per month, as compared to the current rate of \$1.24 per month.

Ms. Johnson said the Committee has recommended employees be offered the opportunity to choose between two qualified vendors, VSP and Community Eye Care (CEC). She shared a vision claims analysis which the vendors were asked

to respond on their benefit package on the situation. She shared the vision claim pricing comparison and plan highlights. The plans were compared based on employee vision claims between August 2009 and August 2011.

Staff Recommendation:

Based on the RFP analysis of the vision service most commonly used by our employees, and eye care provider references, the Benefit Committee is recommending that Wake County contract with both VSP and Community Eye Care to administer the County’s Voluntary Group Vision Plans.

The group is also proposing an enhanced VSP benefit schedule that will offer more flexibility for enrolled employees and their dependents to receive services. There will be a modification to the vision rates with the proposed benefit frequency change.

The benefit schedule proposed is highlighted below:

**Current VSP
Vision Benefit Schedule:**

Exams – 12 months
 Lens – 24 months
 Frames – 24 months

Annual materials allowance - \$130.00

**Proposed VSP
Vision Benefit Schedule:**

Exams – 12 months
 Lens – 12 months
 Frames – 24 months

Annual materials allowance - \$130.00

Proposed CEC Vision Benefit Schedule:

Exams – 12 months
 Lens – 12 months
 Frames – 12 months
 Annual materials allowance - \$130.00

Proposed Vision Premiums

	Current Premiums	Proposed VSP 2012 Premium	Proposed CEC 2012 Premium
Employee	\$6.26	\$7.07	\$5.95
Employee & Spouse	\$12.56	\$14.18	\$11.96
Employee & Child(ren)	\$13.46	\$15.19	\$12.92
Employee & Family	\$14.80	\$16.70	\$14.70

Commissioner West asked about the employee assistance program. Ms. Johnson said that the employee can contact EAP for personal problems or management can use the program if an employee needs assistance.

Ervin Portman motioned, seconded by James West, to:

1. Authorize the County Manager to negotiate a three-year contract with both VSP and Community Eye Care for the administration of the County's voluntary vision plan; and,
2. Authorize the County Manager to negotiate a three-year contract with ComPsych to administer the County's Employee Assistance Program subject to contract approval by the County Attorney.

The motion passed unanimously.

Appointments

Wake County Commission for Women

Chairman Coble nominated Ms. Jacqueline Brown and Ms. Tammy Martin, both at-large members, for reappointment. He also nominated Ms. Jennifer Gray for a new at-large appointment.

Wake County Fire Commission

Chairman Coble nominated all the individuals interested in reappointment as follows:

Fire Service Planning and Service Regions – South Region

Chief Tony Mauldin – Regular Member – requires suspension of rules regarding term limits

Chief Cecil Parker – Alternate Member – requires suspension of rules regarding term limits

Fire Service Planning and Service Regions – West Region

Chief David Cates – Regular Member

Chief Mark Haraway – Alternate Member requires suspension of rules regarding term limits

Fire Service Planning and Service Regions – North Region

Chief A. C. Rich – Regular Member

Chief Tim Pope – Alternate Member

Citizen/Consumer

Mr. Billy Myrick – requires suspension of rules regarding term limits

Town of Wendell

Mr. Lucius Jones – requires suspension of rules regarding term limits

Wake County Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee

Chairman Coble nominated Ms. Heather Gnouma for appointment.

City of Raleigh Housing Appeals Board

Chairman Coble nominated Ms. Jefa Pfeiffer as a regular member with suspension of the rules regarding term limits, and Mr. Blake Massengill as an alternate member.

Upcoming Vacancies

Upcoming vacancies for November were reviewed and noted.

James West motioned, seconded by Joe Bryan, to accept the nominations including those appointments which require suspension of the rules regarding term limits. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Ward noted that there are vacancies on the Wake County Nursing Home Community Advisory Care Committee and the importance of the service these members provide to the community.

Other Items

Committee Reports

Commissioner Ward said that she had been working with Matt Roylance, Assistant Director of Environmental Services on the Keeping America Beautiful Committee and would report on their progress in the near future.

Commissioner Bryan noted that several of the commissioners attended the Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee dinner which was wonderful. He said the members shared stories of their nursing home visits that were heartwarming.

Commissioner Bryan also noted that he and Commissioner Gurley had lunch with a health care provider about the potential of an employee health clinic in the future. Mr. Cooke said that having the numbers of services provided and return on investment would help in making a business case for the employee health clinic.

Adjourn

Joe Bryan motioned, seconded by Tony Gurley, to adjourn the meeting at 3:30 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments:

Chairman Coble opened the meeting for public comments but were no speakers.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Banks, NCCCC
Clerk to the Board
Wake County Board of Commissioners