

The Board of Commissioners for the County of Cabarrus met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Cabarrus County Governmental Center in Concord, North Carolina at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 15, 2025.

Public access to the meeting could also be obtained through the following means:

live broadcast at 6:00 p.m. on Channel 22
<https://www.youtube.com/cabarruscounty>
<https://www.cabarruscounty.us/cabcotv>

Present - Chairman: Jeff Jones
Vice Chair: Laura B. Lindsey
Commissioners: Kenneth M. Wortman

Absent - Commissioners: Lynn W. Shue
Larry G. Pittman

Also present were Kelly Sifford, Interim County Manager; Aalece Pugh, Assistant County Manager; Doug Hall, County Attorney; Lauren Linker, Contract Analyst and Ariadne Olvera, Clerk to the Board.

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dan Marshall, Local Government Ministries, provided the invocation.

(A) APPROVAL OR CORRECTION OF MINUTES

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the meeting minutes as presented:

- April 7, 2025 (Work Session)
- April 10, 2025 (Special Meeting)
- April 15, 2025 (Budget Meeting)
- April 22, 2025 (Regular Meeting)

(B) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Jones reviewed the following changes to the agenda.

UPDATED:

I-1 Closed Session - Consult with Attorney Including Pending Litigation, Economic Development and Acquisition of Real Property

ADDITIONS:

Recognitions and Presentations:

C-2 Presentation - Cabarrus County Fair

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda as amended.

(C) RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

(C-1) Proclamation - Library Card Sign Up Month

Melanie Holles, Library Director read the proclamation aloud.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board adopted the resolution.

Proclamation No. 2025-14

Library Card Sign-up Month 2025 Proclamation

WHEREAS, libraries are foundational to education, imagination, and opportunity, offering everything from early literacy programs to digital tools that support lifelong learning and personal growth;

WHEREAS, libraries welcome all people, serving as inclusive and accessible community hubs that connect individuals across cultures, generations, and experiences;

WHEREAS, libraries curate collections and design programs that reflect the diversity of the populations they serve, ensuring equitable access to information, technology, and culture for all;

WHEREAS, libraries help individuals navigate life's challenges by providing trusted information, digital access, job search support, and connections to essential services;

WHEREAS, libraries contribute to thriving local economies by equipping job seekers, entrepreneurs, students, and creators with tools and training to succeed;

WHEREAS, in times of both crisis and calm, libraries and their staff remain steadfast in supporting and strengthening their communities;

WHEREAS, library resources help households save money, reduce waste, and make sustainable choices, all through the simple power of a shared public good;

WHEREAS, a library card opens doors to endless possibilities, from books and technology to lifelong learning and imagination;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim September 2025 as Library Card Sign-up Month in Cabarrus County, North Carolina, and encourage all residents to sign up for a library card and explore the endless possibilities it offers.

Adopted this 15th day of September, 2025.

/s/Jeff Jones

Jeff Jones, Chairman

Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners

(C-2) Presentation - Cabarrus County Fair

Todd Shanley, Chief Information Officer/Chief of Staff, and Courtney Wyatt, Fair Executive Director, presented a slideshow of photos from the County fair. They provided a report on the 9-day county event. A more detailed fair report will be distributed later.

Mr. Shanley expressed gratitude to the volunteers and members of the Fair Board and gave special recognition to Jonathan Weaver and the communications team for their efforts.

The Board expressed appreciation.

Vice Chair Lindsey commended staff on a job well done.

(D) INFORMAL COMMENTS

Chairman Jones opened the meeting for Informal Public Comments at 6:14 p.m. He reviewed the guidelines and announced each speaker would have up to three minutes to speak.

Jerry Anderson, a resident of 133 Kennedy Avenue, Concord, spoke regarding public speaking.

Jeeter Anderson, a resident of 133 Kennedy Avenue, Concord, commented on DSS.

Amy Palacios, a resident of 3832 Grovesner St, Harrisburg, spoke regarding national, local and school matters.

Lori Stadler, a resident of 568 Todd Drive NE, Concord, spoke regarding the importance of communication between the commissioners and the public.

Chris Cranston, a resident of 475 High Meadows Drive, Concord, commented on transparency.

Matthew Ford, a resident of 6325 Barrier Store Rd, Mt. Pleasant, spoke on the public education efforts at the fair by the fire departments.

Wes Huneycutt, a resident at 2700 Cal Bost Road, Midland, spoke on the need for unity.

There was no one else to address the Board, therefore, Chairman Jones closed the public comments.

(E) CONSENT

(E-1) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Dr. Aalece Pugh serves in Seat 8 as the County Manager's Designee. The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) requested her reappointment to this seat for a two-year term, expiring September 30, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Aalece Pugh to Seat 8 for County Manager or Designee to a two-year term expiring September 30, 2027.

(E-2) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Dr. Steve Ayers currently holds Seat 10 as a Member of the Faith Community on the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC). Following a review of active applications, Dr. Ayers was the only qualified candidate for this seat. The JCPC requested his reappointment to Seat 10 as a member of the faith community.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Dr. Steven Ayers to Seat 10 as a Member of the Faith Community for a two-year term expiring September 30, 2027; and to include any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(E-3) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Sonja Bohannon-Thacker currently holds Seat 16 as the Local Health Director's Designee. The JCPC requested her reappointment.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Sonja Bohannon-Thacker to Seat 16 as Local Health Director or Designee for a two-year term expiring September 30, 2027; and to include any necessary exceptions to the Appointment Policy.

(E-4) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Holly Edwards currently holds Seat 15 as a Member of the Business Community. Ms. Edwards was initially appointed by the Commissioners in June 2025 to complete the unexpired term of this seat. The JCPC requested Holly Edwards be reappointed to Seat 15 as a Member of the Business Community.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Holly Edwards to Seat 15 as a Member of the Business Community for a two-year term expiring September 30, 2027.

(E-5) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

The JCPC unanimously recommended the appointment of Sergeant Taylor Holman-White of the Concord Police Department (CPD) for a two-year term, expiring September 30, 2027, as the Chief of Police Designee (Seat 2), following the vacancy left by Sgt. Matthew Greer.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Sgt. Taylor Holman-White to Seat 2 as Chief of Police Designee for a two-year term expiring September 30, 2027.

(E-6) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Adrian Attaway currently holds Seat 19(c) as a Member At Large, reserved for a representative of Kannapolis City Schools. Officer Attaway is employed by the Kannapolis Police Department and serves as a School Resource Officer. Following a review of active applications, he is the only qualified candidate for this seat. The JCPC requested his reappointment to Seat 19(c) as a Member At Large, representing Kannapolis City Schools.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Adrian Attaway to Seat 19(c) as a Member At Large, reserved for a Representative of Kannapolis City Schools, for a two-year term expiring September 30, 2027.

(E-7) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Rekita McDuffie currently holds Seat 7 as the DSS Director's Designee. The JCPC requested her reappointment to Seat 7 as DSS Director or Designee for a two-year term, expiring September 30, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Rekita McDuffie to Seat 7 as DSS Director or Designee for a two-year term expiring September 30, 2027.

(E-8) Boards and Committees - Removal - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Roshini Selvakumar resigned from Seat 12a on the JCPC. It is requested that she be removed from the roster.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board removed Roshini Selvakumar from Seat 12a on the JCPC roster and thanked her for her service.

(E-9) Boards and Committees - Removal - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Ashley Fitch resigned from Seat 19a on the JCPC. It is requested that she be removed from the roster.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board removed Ashley Fitch from Seat 19a on the JCPC roster and thanked her for her service.

(E-10) Boards and Committees - Removal - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

Marta Meares resigned from Seat 19g on the JCPC, It is requested that she be removed from the roster.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board removed Marta Meares from Seat 19g on the JCPC roster and thanked her for her service.

(E-11) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Malchiah Lewis be reappointed as an A.L. Brown High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Malchiah Lewis as an A.L. Brown High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-12) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Abigail Towery be appointed as a Central Cabarrus High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Abigail Towery as a Central Cabarrus High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-13) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Ayush Kamdar be appointed as a Concord High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Ayush Kamdar as a Concord High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-14) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Pranav Yeleswarapu be appointed as a Cox Mill High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Pranav Yeleswarapu as a Cox Mill High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-15) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Kavya Saxena be reappointed as a Hickory Ridge High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board reappointed Kavya Saxena as a Hickory Ridge High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-16) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Peyton Letteer be appointed as a Jay M. Robinson High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Peyton Letteer as a Jay M. Robinson High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-17) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Mitanshi Parsode be appointed as a Northwest Cabarrus High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Mitanshi Parsode as a Northwest Cabarrus High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-18) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Brody Decker be appointed as a West Cabarrus High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Brody Decker as a West Cabarrus High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-19) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. The JCPC requested that Bahija Whitsett-Bates be appointed as a West Cabarrus High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Bahija Whitsett-Bates as a West Cabarrus High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-20) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Kameron Doan be appointed as an At-Large High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Kameron Doan as an At-Large High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-21) Boards and Committees - Appointment - Youth Commission

The Youth Commission requested removal of members due to term expirations or high school graduation. Returning board members conducted group interviews on August 18th to select representatives who best reflect the youth of Cabarrus County based on experience and school representation. It is requested that Deleshka Jara Aliaga be appointed as an At-Large High School representative for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Deleshka Jara Aliaga as an At-Large High School representative to the Youth Commission for a two-year term beginning September 15, 2025, and ending June 1, 2027.

(E-22) Boards and Committees - Removal - Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee

Sharron MacKinnon has resigned from the Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee. It is requested that she be removed from the roster.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board removed Sharron MacKinnon from the Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee.

(E-23) Boards and Committees - Removal - Fair Advisory Commission

Courtney Wyatt was appointed to the Fair Advisory Commission on January 21, 2025. Since her appointment, she has been hired by Cabarrus County Local Government as the Fair Director and has therefore resigned from her seat on the Fair Advisory Commission. It is requested that she be removed from the Fair Advisory Commission roster.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board removed Courtney Wyatt from the Fair Advisory Commission and thanked her for her service.

(E-24) Boards and Committees - Removal - Fair Advisory Commission

Jimmy Petty has resigned from his seat on the Fair Advisory Commission. It is requested that he be removed from the Fair Advisory Commission roster.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board removed Jimmy Petty from the Fair Advisory Commission and thanked him for his service.

(E-25) Board of Commissioners - Resolution Amending the Board of Commissioners' 2025 Meeting Schedule - October Cabarrus Summit

An amended resolution to reflect the meeting location of the October Summit was provided for consideration.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the amended resolution.

Resolution No. 2025-17

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE
CABARRUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'
2025 MEETING SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, beginning in August, the agenda work sessions of the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners will be held on the first Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room at the Governmental Center; and

WHEREAS, the regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners will be held on the third Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Governmental Center; and

WHEREAS, the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners' 2025 meetings may be conducted remotely in a virtual setting, as allowed by the Board's Remote Participation Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday requires a change in the regular meeting date in January 2025; and

WHEREAS, the President's Day holiday requires a change in the regular meeting date in February 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Easter holiday requires a change in the regular meeting date in April 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Labor Day holiday requires a change in the agenda work session meeting date in September 2025; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties (NACo) Conference requires a change in the work session meeting date in March 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 153A-40(a), does hereby:

(1) Establish the Board's agenda work session schedule to meet at 5:00 p.m. (unless noted otherwise) in the Multipurpose Room at the Governmental Center on the following dates:

- August 4, 2025
- September 2, 2025 (Tuesday)
- October 6, 2025
- November 3, 2025
- December 1, 2025

(2) Establish the Board's regular meeting schedule to meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Governmental Center on the following dates:

- January 21, 2025 (Tuesday) July 21, 2025
- February 18, 2025 (Tuesday) August 18, 2025
- March 17, 2025 September 15, 2025
- April 22, 2025 (Tuesday) October 20, 2025
- May 19, 2025 November 17, 2025
- June 16, 2025 December 15, 2025

(3) Sets quarterly summits scheduled at 6:00 p.m. at the following locations:

- January 15, 2025 Mt. Pleasant
- April 16, 2025 Cabarrus Arena
- July 16, 2025 Library and Active Living Center at Afton Ridge
- October 15, 2025 Cabarrus Arena

(4) The Board will hold a Budget Public Hearing at the June 2, 2025 Work Session meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room at the Governmental Center; and

(5) Sets a Board retreat, to be held at the Governmental Center in the Multipurpose Room on February 21 at 5:00 p.m. to continue February 22 at 8:00 a.m.; and

(6) Sets the NACo Legislative Conference in Washington, DC, on March 1-4, 2025; and

(7) Sets the NCACC County Assembly Day and Legislative Reception in Raleigh, North Carolina on June 10-11, 2025; and

(8) Sets budget workshop meetings on April 15, 2025 and June 5, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room in the Governmental Center; and

(9) Sets the NACo Annual Conference in Allegheny County, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on July 11 - 14, 2025; and

(10) Sets the NCACC Annual Conference in Pitt County, North Carolina on August 20 - 23, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any recessed, special or emergency meeting will be held as needed with proper notice as required by North Carolina General Statute 153A-40.

Adopted this the 15th day of September, 2025.

/s/ Jeff Jones
Jeff Jones, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Attest:
/s/ Lauren Linker
Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board

(E-26) Board of Elections - Final Approval of Upgrade of Elections Equipment

The Board of Elections plans to purchase a software upgrade. The State Board of Elections requires final approval for this purchase. The Cabarrus County Board of Elections has approved a resolution requesting that the Board of Commissioners grant final approval to proceed. A simulated election was conducted on July 8, and the State Board of Elections has authorized the purchase. Funding for the upgrade was included in the current budget. The Board of Elections requested approval of the purchase of the Board of Elections software upgrade.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the purchase of the Board of Elections software upgrade.

(E-27) County Manager - Opioid Settlements Interlocal Resolution

Information regarding the existing interlocal agreement between Cabarrus County and the City of Concord related to the National Opioid Settlement Funds was provided. Under this agreement, the City of Concord directs its settlement proceeds to Cabarrus County, and the County agrees to use all current and future opioid settlement funds received from the City in accordance with the North Carolina Memorandum of Agreement for Opioid Settlements. A resolution and associated budget amendments were provided for consideration to formally authorize the use of these redirected funds.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the resolution and any necessary budget amendments related to the interlocal agreement with the City of Concord concerning the National Opioid Settlement Funds.

Resolution No. 2025-18

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF CABARRUS
TO POOL NATIONAL SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS WITH THE CITY OF CONCORD

WHEREAS Cabarrus County, among other local governments in North Carolina, joined with thousands of other local governments across the country to file lawsuits against opioid manufacturers and pharmaceutical distribution companies to hold those companies accountable for their misconduct; and

WHEREAS representatives of local North Carolina governments, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, and the North Carolina Department of Justice negotiated settlements on behalf of the State of North Carolina and local governments within the state to provide for the equitable distribution of proceeds resulting from the national settlement; and

WHEREAS the State and local governments share a common desire to abate, alleviate and remediate the impacts of the misconduct described above throughout North Carolina and in its local communities; and

WHEREAS a Memorandum of Agreement (NC MOA) was executed by the North Carolina Department of Justice and numerous local governments, including the City of Concord and Cabarrus County in 2021, which terms of each party's NC MOA requires any settlement funds received be utilized only for specifically enumerated opioid remediation activities; and

WHEREAS given the unique role of counties in North Carolina providing public health services, including those related to fighting drug addiction, some North Carolina cities and towns have determined that their share of annual national opioid litigation settlement funds pursuant to the NC MOA, should be re-directed to the county in which the town or city is located, and

WHEREAS under Article 20 of Chapter 160A of North Carolina General Statutes, as amended, cities and counties are authorized to jointly enter into interlocal cooperation undertakings with other local governments for the joint exercise of any power, function, public enterprise, right, privilege, or immunity of local governments in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS pursuant to section B.4.b. of the MOA, the City may direct opioid settlement proceeds governed by the NC MOA and allocated to the City for remediation ("City Settlement Proceeds") to the County along with all rights and responsibilities concerning these proceeds; and

WHEREAS the County and the City wish to enter into an agreement in which the City directs City Settlement Proceeds from the National Opioid Settlement Funds to the County, and in return the County agrees to use any current or future opioid settlement proceeds transferred or re-directed from the City as required in the NC MOA.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the fulfillment of the terms of this Agreement, the City requests that the County utilize the City Settlement Proceeds received by the City prior to July 1, 2023, in the amount of \$200,000.00, from the National Opioid Settlement Funds as follows:

- a. Name of strategy: Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment
- b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A
- c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: 2
- d. Amounted authorized for this strategy: \$200,000.00
- e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
Start date 11/02/2025 through End date 06/30/2029
- f. Description of the program, project, or activity:

Cabarrus County's Emergency Medical System (EMS) will utilize funds to render mobile MAT through its Community Paramedicine program. FDA-approved medications would be used for individuals battling opioid use disorders to promote long-term recovery. Mobile MAT would be considered an Option A, Strategy 2 (Evidence-based Addiction Treatment), allowing for immediate support and funding. The intent is to use FDA-approved medications in combination with behavioral therapies to treat opioid use disorders (OUD) and promote long-term recovery.

- g. Provider: Cabarrus County Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above named and authorized strategies is \$ 200,000. This resolution is a complement to Resolution # 2024-44 whereby the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners approved use of Opioid Settlement Funds for Strategy A.2 by the aforementioned provider.

Adopted this the 15th day of September, 2025.

/s/ Jeff Jones
Jeff Jones, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Attest:

/s/ Lauren Linker
Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board

(E-28) Legal - Boundary Agreements With Two Neighboring Property Owners at Virginia Foil Park

During preparations for the installation of fencing at Virginia Foil Park, the County discovered a small discrepancy in the location of the common boundary with two neighboring property owners. Their deeds and surveys, which predated the County's documentation by many years, indicated a different boundary line. The neighboring owners have been using the area in question as part of their yards for an extended period. To proceed with the fence project, boundary agreements were needed to formally correct the common boundary. A resolution authorizing the County Manager to execute boundary agreements with these neighboring property owners to correct the common boundary so the County can proceed with the fence project was previously provided for consideration.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the resolution authorizing the County Manager to execute boundary agreements with the neighboring property owners to correct the common boundary.

Resolution No. 2025-19

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF CABARRUS TO APPROVE TWO BOUNDARY AGREEMENTS ADJACENT TO VIRGINIA FOIL PARK

WHEREAS, the County purchased the property now known as Virginia Foil Park on December 29, 2021, and

WHEREAS, in 2025 the County embarked upon a project to erect a fence along a portion of the boundary of Virginia Foil Park, and

WHEREAS, it was discovered that there exist minor discrepancies in the location of the common boundary line between Virginia Foil Park and the property of Christine Miles resulting in overlap with the Miles property along her West line in the de minimus amount of approximately 185 square feet or 4/1000ths of an acre, as well as a gap (or "no man's land") along her North line in the de minimus amount of approximately 650 square feet or less than 2/100ths of an acre; and there exists an overlap with the Roger Johnson property along his West line in the de minimus amount of approximately 43 square feet or 1/1000ths of an acre; and

WHEREAS, the County, Miles and Johnson desire to establish an agreed upon common boundary between Virginia Foil Park, the Miles property, and the Johnson property so that installation of the fence may proceed, and to avoid the possibility of questions and potential litigation about the location of the boundary and the fence to be installed along the boundary;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners approves the proposed location of the new boundaries as shown on the maps of survey prepared by CESI dated August 8, 2025 which maps of survey are incorporated fully herein by reference, and the Board does hereby authorize the County Manager to execute boundary agreements with Christine Miles and spouse, and with Roger Johnson and spouse, for recordation in the Office of the Register of Deeds.

Adopted this 15th day of September 2025.

/s/ Jeff Jones
Jeff Jones, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Attest:

/s/ Lauren Linker
Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board

(E-29) Legal - N.C.G.S. 153A-94.2(b) "Fostering Care in N.C. Act" Effective October 1, 2025

The "Fostering Care in N.C. Act" (H612, S.L. 2025-16) added a new statute requiring the Board of Commissioners to ensure an SBI background check is conducted for any new hires on or after October 1, 2025, who "work with children in any capacity." A similar requirement was added to N.C.G.S. 160A for

municipalities. A resolution was previously provided for consideration to ensure compliance with this new law.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the resolution requiring an SBI background check for any new hires on or after October 1, 2025, who "work with children in any capacity."

Resolution NO. 2025-20

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF CABARRUS TO REQUIRE S.B.I. BACKGROUND CHECKS PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S 153A-94.2(b)

WHEREAS, the "Fostering Care in N.C. Act" (H612, S.L. 2025-16) has added a new G.S. 153A94.2(b) directing the Commissioners to require an SBI background check for any new hires on or after October 1, 2025 who "work with children in any capacity"; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to adopt this Resolution in order to enforce the said provisions of G.S. 153A-94.2(b);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners directs that N.C.G.S. 153A-94.2 is hereby adopted as the policy of this County, and that all hiring practices by any County department shall be conducted in compliance with same.

Adopted this 15th day of September, 2025

/s/ Jeff Jones
Jeff Jones, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Attest:
/s/ Lauren Linker
Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board

(E-30) Legal - Proposed Settlements with (1) Purdue and Certain Affiliated Entities, and the Sackler Family a/k/a the "Purdue Direct Settlement"; and (2) Eight Additional Opioids Manufacturers: Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, and Zydus a/k/a the "Secondary Manufacturers Settlements"

Two new national opioid settlements have been reached: the "Purdue Direct Settlement" and the "Secondary Manufacturers Settlements." North Carolina municipalities wishing to participate must opt in by September 30, 2025, for the Purdue Direct Settlement and by October 8, 2025, for the Secondary Manufacturers Settlements. After the opt-in deadlines, initial calculations for each settlement will be made and communicated. A resolution authorizing the County Manager or County Attorney to execute the necessary participation documents for these settlements is required.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the resolution authorizing the County Manager or County Attorney to execute each tentative participation documentation for the national opioid settlements.

Resolution No. 2025-21

RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF CABARRUS AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF OPIOID SETTLEMENTS WITH SECONDARY OPIOID MANUFACTURERS, PURDUE PHARMA LP, AND THE SACKLER FAMILY, AND APPROVING THE THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS BETWEEN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ON PROCEEDS RELATING TO THE SETTLEMENT OF OPIOID LITIGATION

WHEREAS more than 41,500 North Carolinians lost their lives to a drug overdose from 2000-2023.

WHEREAS the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has estimated the total economic burden of prescription opioid misuse alone in the United States to be \$78.5 billion a year, including the costs of healthcare, lost productivity, addiction treatment, and criminal justice involvement;

WHEREAS, in 2024, the estimated overdose death rate in Cabarrus was 18.9 out of 100,000 residents representing (projected) 46.00 people who died of an overdose. This rate is a -26% change from the prior year. This promising trend underscores the importance of ongoing investments in overdose prevention and support for people with opioid use disorder in Cabarrus County;

WHEREAS certain counties and municipalities in North Carolina joined with thousands of local governments across the country to file lawsuits against opioid companies, manufacturers, pharmaceutical distributors, and chain drug stores to hold those companies accountable for their misconduct;

WHEREAS settlements (collectively "the Secondary Opioid Manufacturer Settlements") have been reached in litigation against Alvogen, Inc., Amneal Pharmaceuticals LLC, Apotex Corp., Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA Inc. f/k/a West-Ward Pharmaceuticals Corp., Indivior Inc., Sun Pharmaceutical Industries, Inc., Viatrix Inc., and Zydus Pharmaceuticals (USA) Inc., as well as their subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, and directors (collectively "the Secondary Opioid Manufacturer Defendants") named in the Secondary Opioid Manufacturer Settlements;

WHEREAS representatives of local North Carolina governments, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, and the North Carolina Department of Justice have negotiated and prepared a Third Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds ("SAAF-3") to provide for the equitable distribution of the proceeds of the Secondary Opioid Manufacturer Settlements;

WHEREAS settlements have been reached, under Purdue Pharma L.P.'s bankruptcy plan, whereby Purdue Pharma L.P. ("Purdue") and members of the Sackler family will pay approximately \$7.4 billion to settle opioid claims across the nation, which settlements would be subject in North Carolina to the equitable distribution of the proceeds as set forth in the Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") which has already been approved by this Board;

WHEREAS by joining the Secondary Opioid Manufacturer Settlements, approving the SAAF-3, and approving the bankruptcy plan and settlements relating to Purdue and the Sackler family, the state and local governments maximize North Carolina's share of opioid settlement funds to ensure the needed resources reach communities, as quickly, effectively, and directly as possible;

WHEREAS it is advantageous to all North Carolinians for local governments, including Cabarrus County and its residents, to sign onto the Secondary Opioid Manufacturer Settlements, SAAF-3, and approving the bankruptcy plan and settlements relating to Purdue and the Sackler family, in order to demonstrate solidarity in response to the opioid overdose crisis, and to maximize the share of opioid settlement funds received both in the State and Cabarrus County to help abate the harm; and

WHEREAS both the MOA and SAAF-3 directs substantial resources over multiple years to local governments on the front lines of the opioid overdose epidemic while ensuring that these resources are used in an effective way to address the crisis;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Attorney to execute, on behalf of Cabarrus County, the necessary documents to enter into opioid settlement agreements, as set forth herein, with the Secondary Opioid Manufacturer Defendants, to execute the SAAF-3, and to approve the bankruptcy plan and settlement agreements relating to Purdue and the Sackler family, and to provide such documents to Rubris, the Implementation Administrator, subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the County Chief Financial Officer, if applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this the 15th day of September, 2025.

/s/ Jeff Jones
Jeff Jones, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Attest:
/s/ Lauren Linker
Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board

(E-31) Sheriff's Office - Acceptance of North Carolina Association of Chiefs of Police (NCACP) Grant for Essential Personnel Software

The Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office requested acceptance of the NC Association of Chiefs of Police Performance and Wellness Grant in the amount of \$44,509.44 to purchase the Essential Personnel software. The software will be used to track critical incidents involving employees to ensure access to emotional and mental health resources. Additionally, it will track in-service training, advanced training, FTO training, certifications and expiration dates,

organizational charts (including historical archiving), rosters, assignment requests, and awards. The grant requires no county match for the first year, though future budgeting may be considered if the first year is successful. The Board's consideration was requested the Board to accept the NC Association of the Chiefs of Police Performance and Wellness Grant award and approve the associated budget amendment.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the NC Association of Chiefs of Police Performance and Wellness Grant award and approved the associated budget amendment.

Date: Amount:

Dept. Head: Department:

Internal Transfer Within Department Transfer Between Departments/Funds Supplemental Request

PURPOSE: The Cabarrus County Sheriff's is requesting acceptance of the NC Association of Chiefs of Police Performance and Wellness grant awarded to us to purchase the Essential Personnel software. The Essential Personnel software will be utilized to track critical incidents that employees are involved in to ensure they are getting the proper resources for emotional and mental well-being. This software will also track in-service training, advanced training, FTO training, and certifications and expiration dates and finally the organizational chart (archiving historical org charts), rosters, assignment requests and awards. The total grant award is \$44,509.44 which pays for one full year of the Essential Personnel software. There is no required county match, however, if the first year is successful, we would budget for it in the future.

Fund	Indicator	Department/ Object/ Project	Account Name	Approved Budget	Increase Amount	Decrease Amount	Revised Budget
001	6	2110-639999-PWG	NC Assoc. of Chiefs of Police Grant	-	44,509.44		44,509.44
001	9	2110-9445-PWG	NC Assoc. of Chiefs of Police Grant	-	44,509.44		44,509.44

(E-32) Sheriff's Office - Approval of Motorola Radio Console Contract

The Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office requested approval of an agreement with Motorola to upgrade the 911 Center radio equipment to the Next Gen Radio Console. The current radio equipment in both the 911 Center and the backup 911 Center has reached its end-of-life date as determined by Motorola. Funding for this project comes from the previously accepted State 911 Fund grant presented to the Board on August 4, 2025, along with prior funding allocations through the State 911 Board. The associated budget amendments were previously approved, and the contract has been reviewed and approved by the County Attorney. It was requested the Board approve the contract between Cabarrus County and Motorola and authorize County Management to execute the contract on behalf of Cabarrus County, subject to review or revisions by the County Attorney.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the contract between Cabarrus County and Motorola and authorized County Management to execute the contract on behalf of Cabarrus County, subject to review or revisions by the County Attorney.

(E-33) Sheriff's Office - Declare K9 "Taz" Surplus Property

K9 Taz, a Belgian Malinois/German Shepherd mix, was diagnosed with a gastrointestinal disorder resulting from hypoadrenocorticism, which prevents him from withstanding the stress of responding to police incidents or riding in a vehicle. Due to these health issues, Taz cannot continue as a working law enforcement dog. The K9's former handler, Patrick Gardner, has signed a waiver and agreement to take custody and care for Taz for the remainder of his life. A replacement K9, funded by the AKC Grant previously accepted by the Board at the June meeting, has been obtained. A medical explanation letter was provided. It is requested that the Board declare K9 Taz surplus property and authorize disposition in accordance with the County's policy.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board declared K9 Taz, a Belgian Malinois/German Shepherd mix law enforcement K9, as surplus property and authorized disposition in accordance with the County's policy.

(E-34) Soil and Water - Grant Application to North Carolina Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation (NCADFP) - Cost of Community Services

The Soil & Water Conservation District seeks to apply for a grant to fund a "Cost of Community Services Survey", which evaluates the fiscal contribution of existing local land uses and compares working and open lands with residential, commercial, and industrial land uses. The maximum grant award is \$17,000, with a required county match of at least 30% of ADFP Trust Fund monies

received (\$5,100 available from the regular budget), sourced from funds other than the ADFP Trust Fund or the State of North Carolina. The survey supports the goals of the Board of Commissioners and the Soil & Water Conservation District by promoting farmland preservation, ensuring a stable agricultural land base, and minimizing the county's tax burden. Any contracts or cooperative agreements related to a successful grant application will be submitted for county approval along with necessary budget amendments. Approval is requested for Soil & Water Conservation District staff to submit an application for an "Agricultural Plan-Cost of Community Services Survey" to the North Carolina Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Soil & Water Conservation District staff to submit an application for an "Agricultural Plan-Cost of Community Services Survey" to the North Carolina Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund.

(E-35) Tax Administration - Refund and Release Reports - August 2025

The August 2025 Refund and Release Reports list taxpayers' names, bill numbers, valuations, tax amounts, and justifications for releasing valuation or tax amounts for outstanding levies in accordance with N.C.G.S. 105-381. The Refund Report summarizes each refund request, including the justification for the refund to the taxpayer. Due to the transition of motor vehicles to the new North Carolina Vehicle Tax System (NCVTS), motor vehicle-related refunds and releases are now reflected on the NCVTS-generated report. It is requested that the Board approve the August 2025 Refund and Release Reports as submitted, including the NCVTS Refund Report, and granted authority to the Tax Collector to process the refunds and releases.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the August 2025 Refund and Release Reports as submitted, including the NCVTS Refund Report, and granted authority to the Tax Collector to process the refunds and releases.

(F) NEW BUSINESS

(F-1) County Manager - Opioid Strategy End Date Extension

Dr. Aalece Pugh, Assistant County Manager, reported Resolution 2023-31 was approved in 2023; it requires an extension of the end date from 2024 to 2026 in order to continue utilizing opioid settlement funds. She noted no changes are being made to the funding amount, only to the date extending it through the end of this fiscal year. It is requested that the date be amended accordingly.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board approved the extension of the resolution's end date.

Resolution No. 2025-22

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF CABARRUS
TO DIRECT THE EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS

WHEREAS Cabarrus County has joined national settlement agreements with companies engaged in the manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing of opioids, including settlements with drug distributors Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen, and the drug maker Johnson & Johnson and its subsidiary Janssen Pharmaceuticals;

WHEREAS the allocation, use, and reporting of funds stemming from these national settlement agreements and certain bankruptcy resolutions ("Opioid Settlement Funds") are governed by the Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments on Proceeds Relating to the Settlement of Opioid Litigation ("MOA");

WHEREAS Cabarrus County has received Opioid Settlement Funds pursuant to these national settlement agreements and deposited the Opioid Settlement Funds in a separate special revenue fund as required by section D of the MOA;

WHEREAS section E.6 of the MOA states:

E.6. Process for drawing from special revenue funds.

- a. Budget item or resolution required. Opioid Settlement Funds can be used for a purpose when the Governing Body includes in its budget or passes a separate resolution authorizing the expenditure of a stated amount of Opioid Settlement Funds for that purpose or those purposes during a specified period of time.
- b. Budget item or resolution details. The budget or resolution should (i) indicate that it is an authorization for expenditure of opioid settlement funds; (ii) state the specific strategy or strategies the county or municipality intends to fund pursuant to Option A or Option B, using the item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to identify each funded strategy, and (iii) state the amount dedicated to each strategy for a stated period of time.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in alignment with the NC MOA, Cabarrus County authorizes the expenditure of opioid settlement funds as follows:

- 1. Strategy authorized
 - a. Name of strategy: Collaborative Strategic Planning
 - b. Strategy is included in Exhibit A ([Exhibit A](#), [Exhibit B](#))
 - c. Item letter and/or number in Exhibit A or Exhibit B to the MOA: 1
 - d. Amounted authorized for this strategy: \$250,000.00
 - e. Period of time during which expenditure may take place:
 - Start date 10/17/2023 through End date 06/30/2026

Contract with a consulting firm, identified through a competitive bidding process, to coordinate the Collaborative Strategic Planning Process for Cabarrus County; several activities (listed under Exhibit C) will be included in the process, including, but not limited to a) identifying goals, measures, and an evaluation plan; b) identifying key indicators; c) engaging diverse stakeholders; d) agreeing on shared vision; e) identifying and exploring root causes of the opioid epidemic; f) identifying gaps in existing efforts; and g) prioritizing strategies.

Also, utilize funds for OSF-related meetings and travel expenses.

- g. Provider: Health Management Associates

The total dollar amount of Opioid Settlement Funds appropriated across the above named and authorized strategies is \$ 250,000.00.

Adopted this the 15th day of September, 2025.

/s/ Jeff Jones
 Jeff Jones, Chairman
 Board of Commissioners

Attest:
/s/ Lauren Linker
 Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board

(F-2) Finance - Ambulance Receivable Write-Off

James Lentz, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Chief, accompanied by Tonya Ligon, Financial Analyst, provided a brief overview of EMS procedures and noted that EMS is required to transport patients when called. He reported that billing and collections remain at approximately 72% annually, with the remaining amount representing the amount requested for write-off. Collections average 58% in the first year, decrease to 15% the following year, and continue to decline thereafter. He explained the items presented to the Board every four years for write-off represent administrative clearing of old accounts and do not indicate that efforts to collect those debts will cease. He emphasized that EMS services are not provided for profit. It was requested that the Board authorize the Finance Department to write off the outstanding ambulance receivable balance from Fiscal Year 2021.

A discussion ensued. During discussion, Mr. Lentz responded to questions from the Board.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Finance Department to write off the outstanding ambulance receivable balance from Fiscal Year 2021.

(F-3) Fire Marshal - Mt. Mitchell Fire Department Apparatus Request Approval

Jacob Thompson, Fire Marshal, advised the County's contract requires fire departments to request approval for apparatus purchases over \$50,000. As a matter

of transparency, departments will be asked to address the Board regarding their apparatus purchase requests moving forward, ensuring the Board is aware of them before directing the Fire Marshal to issue certificates of need. He added that lenders occasionally request documentation from the County confirming that a department is in good standing before proceeding with financing. He then introduced Todd Harrington, Chief of Mt. Mitchell Fire Department.

Chief Harrington reported the department currently operates two engines. The primary engine was purchased in 2007 and is 18 years old; the second engine, purchased in 1998, is 27 years old. The department seeks to replace the 27-year-old engine with a 2025 fire engine. He noted that the most recent repair to the older truck cost \$13,000 and required six months to source a part due to the vehicle's age. If approved, the new truck could be ready by the end of the year.

A discussion ensued. During discussion, Chief Harrington responded to questions from the Board.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board approved the written agreement and directed the Fire Marshal to issue a certificate of need in accordance with the Tax District Fire Service Contract.

(F-4) Legal - Lease With Lamar OCI South, LLC For Billboard At Progress Place

Doug Hall, County Attorney/General Counsel, advised the Lamar OCI South, LLC leases land for a billboard facing I-85 on the DSS/Progress Place property. The lease was active when the County purchased the property, and it is now up for renewal. Lamar has proposed a five-year lease with five automatic 12-month extensions, for a total potential lease term of 10 years, at a rate of \$7,500 per year (totaling \$75,000).

Additionally, Mr. Hall proposed Paragraph 14 of the lease be amended to include additional prohibitions on both political and gambling advertisements. These prohibitions were incorporated into the revised language. A resolution was presented for consideration.

A discussion ensued. During discussion, Mr. hall responded to questions from the Board.

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey and unanimously carried, the Board adopted the resolution.

Resolution No. 2025-23

A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY OF CABARRUS TO
APPROVE A LEASE WITH LAMAR OCI SOUTH, LLC

WHEREAS, on or about October 11, 2024 the County purchased a property at 1000 Progress Place, N.E., Concord, N.C. which included an outparcel known as Tax Parcel Identification Number 56223281560000 leased to Lamar OCI South, LLC for a billboard facing Interstate 85, and

WHEREAS, the lease which was assumed by the County as Lessor has now expired, and Lamar OCI South, LLC desires to enter into a new lease retroactively effective August 1, 2025 for the continued placement of the billboard for a total term not to exceed 10 years (a five year initial term, and five renewal periods of one year each), with lease payments to the County of \$7,500.00 per year, and

WHEREAS, the County caused advertisement of the intention to enter into a new lease for the required 30 day public advertisement period prior to the September 15, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners, and the County has determined that the outparcel in question will not be needed by the County for the term of the proposed lease.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board adopts this Resolution to enter into the aforesaid Lease, and does authorize the County Manager to execute the Lease, Memorandum of Lease, and any related documents to give effect to this Resolution.

Adopted this the 15th day of September, 2025.

/s/ Jeff Jones
Jeff Jones, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

Attest:

/s/ Lauren Linker

Lauren Linker, Clerk to the Board

(F-5) DHS - Transportation - FY27 5311 Community Transportation Grant - Public Hearing 6:00P.M.

Charles Ratliff, Transportation Manager, explained The North Carolina 5311 Community Transportation Grant provides funding for county transportation administrative cost. This grant will provide funding for training, supplies and salaries for the Transportation Manager and Operations Training Supervisor. This grant requires a 15% County match.

Chairman Jones opened the public hearing at 6:57 p.m. The Public Hearing Notice was published on September 4, 2025 in *The Independent Tribune* in English and Spanish. The public hearing notice was also posted on the County's website (www.cabarruscounty.us) on September 4, 2025, in accordance with Article 2, Administration, Section 2.1 (Use of Electronic Means to Provide Public Notices) of the Cabarrus County Code of Ordinances.

There was no one present to address the Board; therefore, Chairman Jones closed the public hearing.

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board authorized staff to apply for the FY26 5311 Community Transportation Grant and adopted the necessary resolution.

Resolution No. 2025-24

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM RESOLUTION
FY26 RESOLUTION

Section 5311 (including ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307 and applicable State funding, or combination thereof.

Applicant seeking permission to apply for Public Transportation Program funding, enter into agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, provide the necessary assurances and the required local match.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Lindsey and seconded by Commissioner Wortman for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering federal and state public transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation will apply for a grant from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration and receives funds from the North Carolina General Assembly to provide assistance for rural public transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these transportation funds is to provide grant monies to local agencies for the provision of rural, small urban, and urban public transportation services consistent with the policy requirements of each funding source for planning, community and agency involvement, service design, service alternatives, training and conference participation, reporting and other requirements (drug and alcohol testing policy and program, disadvantaged business enterprise program, and fully allocated costs analysis); and

WHEREAS, the funds applied for may be Administrative, Operating, Planning, or Capital funds and will have different percentages of federal, state, and local funds.

WHEREAS, non-Community Transportation applicants may apply for funding for "purchase-of-service" projects under the Capital Purchase of Service budget, Section 5310 program.

WHEREAS, Cabarrus County hereby assures and certifies that it will provide the required local matching funds; that its staff has the technical capacity to implement and manage the project(s), prepare required reports, obtain required training, attend meetings and conferences; and agrees to comply with the federal and state statutes, regulations, executive orders, Section 5333 (b) Warranty, and all administrative requirements related to the applications made to and

grants received from the Federal Transit Administration, as well as the provisions of Section 1001 of Title 18, U. S. C.

WHEREAS, the applicant has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the State of North Carolina required for the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Interim County Manager of Cabarrus County is hereby authorized to submit grant application (s) for federal and state funding in response to NCDOT's calls for projects, make the necessary assurances and certifications and be empowered to enter into an agreement with the NCDOT to provide rural, small urban, and urban public transportation services.

(G) REPORTS

(G-1) BOC - Receive Updates From Commission Members Who Serve As Liaisons To Municipalities Or On Various Boards/Committees

Chairman Jones encouraged citizens to consider participating on a Board or Committee.

Commissioner Wortman reported on the Logan Community and Government 101.

Vice Chair Lindsey reported on the upcoming Creek Week, Youth Commission and the Fair.

Vice Chair Lindsey also shared a video for animals available for adoption at the animal shelter.

(G-2) BOC - Request for Applications for County Boards/Committees

Applications are being accepted for the following County Boards/Committees:

- Active Living and Parks Commission - 1 Vacant
- Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee - 14 Vacant Positions
- Concord Planning and Zoning Commission (ETJ) - 1 Vacant Position
- Library Board of Trustees - 3 Expired Positions
- Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee - 10 Vacant Positions
- Planning and Zoning Commission - 2 Vacant Positions
- Region F Aging Advisory Committee - 2 Vacant Positions
- Transportation Advisory Board - 5 Vacant Positions
- Youth Commission - 7 Vacant and 5 Expired Positions

(G-3) Budget - Monthly Budget Amendment Report

The Board received the monthly budget amendment report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-4) Budget - Monthly Financial Update

The Board received the monthly financial update report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-5) Cabarrus Soil & Water Conservation District - Annual Report

The Board received the annual report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-6) Communications and Outreach - Monthly Summary Report

The Board received the monthly summary report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-7) County Manager - Cabarrus Arena and Events Center Financial Report

The Board received the financial report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-8) County Manager - Monthly Building Activity Report

The Board received the monthly building activity reports for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-9) EDC - August 2025 Monthly Summary Report

The Board received the August 2025 monthly summary report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-10) Super Cab Co - Monthly Report

The Board received the monthly Super Cab Co report for informational purposes. No action was required of the Board.

(G-11) Reporting of Settlement - Litigation in Closed Session to Comply with G.S. 132-1.3, "Public Records"

A settlement letter was provided for informational purposes.

(H) GENERAL COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

(I) CLOSED SESSION

(I-1) Closed Session - Consult with Attorney Including Pending Litigation, Economic Development and Acquisition of Real Property

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman and unanimously carried, the Board moved to go into closed session to discuss matters related to pending litigation, economic development and acquisition of real property as authorized by NCGS 143-138.11(a)(3), (4) and (5).

(J) RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Wortman, seconded by Vice Chair Lindsey, and unanimously carried, the Board returned to open session.

(K) ADJOURN

UPON MOTION of Vice Chair Lindsey, seconded by Commissioner Wortman, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.




Ariadne Olvera, Clerk to the Board