



## Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

### Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: March 19, 2024

#### New Business

**Department:**

Strategic Partnerships & Budget

**Presenter(s):**

Rachael Sawyer, Strategic Partnerships

**Contact(s):**

Rachael Sawyer, Strategic Partnerships  
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**Subject:**

School Consolidation Feasibility Study

**Brief Summary:** Per SL 2023-128, the General Assembly directed both Boards of Education in Buncombe County to study the feasibility of consolidating the two school administrative units. Actions by both Boards of Education ceded that authority to the Board of Commissioners.

This amendment establishes the budget necessary (\$301,543) to pay for that study based upon the results of the Request for Proposal (RFP) process implemented earlier in the fiscal year.

Since no outside dollars were provided and the County's budget had already been established prior the legislation, this amendment utilizes Fund Balance.

The recommended vendor is Prismatic Services, Inc. The review group believes that the proposal provided by Prismatic Services, Inc. aligns with project requirements and that based on the established criteria this vendor will produce a quality product that meets the scope of work set forth in the RFP.

**Recommended Motion & Requested Action:**

Consider approval of the award for a vendor to conduct the feasibility study & the budget amendment to pay for the study.

**County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:**

County Manager recommends as presented.