

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action Meeting Date: 9/3/2019

New Business

Department: Library

Presenter(s): Jim Blanton, Library Director

Contact(s): Jim Blanton, Library Director

Subject: East Asheville Library - Ground Lease Agreement

Brief Summary:

The City Council of Asheville has approved granting a long term ground lease to Buncombe County for the purpose of constructing and operating a new East Asheville Library. The lease is for use of a portion of property addressed as 904 Tunnel Road, which is the site of the existing East Asheville Library. Per the lease terms, Buncombe County will be responsible for the following improvements:

- Renovation of the existing basketball court
- Replacement of existing playground
- Enhancing the pedestrian crossing at Tunnel Road
- All repairs, maintenance, and care of the leased premises

The County Attorney has reviewed and negotiated the lease terms with the City of Asheville, and the County is prepared to move forward with executing the agreement.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action:

Approval of resolution authorizing the County Manager to enter into a ground lease with the City of Asheville for the East Asheville Library.

County Manager's comments and Recommendation:

County Manager recommends approval.