



ORDINANCE # _____

BUNCOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA Special Projects Ordinance

BOARD MEETING DATE: December 7, 2020

WHEREAS, the Budget Director recommends and the Board now desires to amend the FY2020-2021 Special Projects outlined below in Exhibit "A" to the budget,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That the FY 2020-2021 amendments listed in Exhibit A below be hereby adopted.
2. That this ordinance shall be effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 7th day of December, 2020.

Project Name: FY2021 LCAB Conservation Easements

Description:

As part of the FY21 Budget, Future Conservation Easement dollars were set aside with the 2025 Strategic Plan Goal in mind of preserving farmland and environmentally sensitive tracts. The Land Conservation Advisory Board has recommended the following conservation easements for approval:

- 1) **Hickory Nut Gap Preservation:** \$29,800. The 26.129-acre easement will be established by Southern Appalachian Highland Conservancy (SAHC) and will protect forested land and streambank areas. The proposed easement borders SAHC's 110 acre Drovers Road conservation easement which the County helped fund in FY2009.
- 2) **Brown Farm Preservation:** \$19,000. The 13 acres, located in Avery's Creek, will be part of a larger easement and additional 60 acre farm across the Henderson County Line. The easement will be established by Conserving Carolina and will protect an active cattle farm, which borders the French Broad River.

The funds would be used to cover transaction costs for both properties, totalling \$48,800. No new funding is required.

Funding Source:

Transfers from Future Conservation Easements. No new county funds are required.

Exhibit A: Account Description	Increase (Decrease)	
	Revenues	Expenditures
Hickory Nut Gap Preservation	\$ 29,800	\$ 29,800
Brown Farm Preservation	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000
Future Conservation Easements	\$ (48,800)	\$ (48,800)
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR
THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE:**

Clerk to the Board

By: _____

Chairman of the Board