

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 2/2/2021

Consent Agenda

Department: Legal and Risk

Presenter(s): Tim Love or Michael Frue

Contact(s): Michael Frue / Tim Love

Subject: New Interchange; Exit 35 on I-26

Brief Summary: The NC Department of Transportation ("DOT") has submitted request for economic development funding through the Board of Transportation for this project and they need a resolution of support from the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners prior to the funding being released.

The economic development funding will be utilized for the design of a new interstate interchange along I-26 (Exit 35). The project will consist of the construction of a new interstate interchange on I-26, (Exit 35). The project will provide ingress and egress from I-26 to the Pratt & Whitney industrial facility and eventually provide connectivity to NC 191. The funding is critical to this regional economic development project. The design will allow the DOT to move forward with this important regional project.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action: Approve the Resolution in Support of the DOT Funding for the Design of a New Interstate Interchange Along I-26.

County Manager's comments and Recommendation: Manager recommends approval as presented.