Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 4/6/2021

New Business

Department: Manager / Legal and Risk

Presenter(s): Michael Frue

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Subject: Continuing Capital Projects Resolution for Buncombe County Schools

**Brief Summary:** The County Schools went through a RFQ process last year to identify the design/CMAR team that would be selected for all of the schools lobby security upgrades for the foreseeable future. Novus Architects and Harper Construction were chosen, respectively. The design and CMAR contracts will be set up like master agreements, giving the basic contractual terms for the overall “Project” which is made up of 47 individual “School Projects.” The length and cost of each Project will vary. For each School Project, Novus and Harper would create a constructability/cost estimate, which would be used as the basis for seeking funding: either through grants, existing budgeted Capital Outlay funds, by application/approval through the SCFC process, or perhaps even financing where a given School Project is especially costly.

Approval does not mean the County is ceding its role in controlling the funding of any larger projects. If projects are paid for out of Article 39, Lottery Funds, or General County appropriations, such projects still have to come before this Board through the appropriate channels to be approved/funded.

**Recommended Motion & Requested Action:** Approve the Resolution Authorizing Continuing Contracts for Construction of Certain Security Upgrades of Buncombe County School Facilities.

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