New Business

**Presenter(s):**
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**Requesting Department:** Health and Human Services

**Budget Amendment Item:** NC PRO ERA Grant

**Contact(s):** Phillip Hardin, Economic Services Division Director

**Subject:** NC PRO ERA Grant

**Brief Summary:**
Additional funding in the amount of $2,285,273 has been received from the state's allocation of ERA 1 to be used following the same guidelines as ERA 1 on Rent and Utility payments. The administrative cost allowed for the NC PRO ERA grant is 5% of the award. The allowable administrative budget would support three IM Caseworkers (current Buncombe County Economic Services staff) and two temporary grant positions in HHS Finance for 3.7 months to distribute this portion of ERA funding. The HHS Housing Assistance Grant Finance temp staff is currently hired and funded from the direct Federal award of ERA 1. After the distribution of ERA 1, HHS will then begin distributing the NC PRO ERA funding.

**Recommended Motion & Requested Action:**
Approve budget amendment

**County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:**
County Manager recommends as presented