

**MINUTES OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'
BRIEFING OF JANUARY 17, 2023 AT 3:00 P.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Board of Commissioners met in regular session on January 17, 2023, in the Commission Chambers, 200 College Street, Room 326 in downtown Asheville, North Carolina at 3:00 p.m. where and when the following business was transacted:

The Chairman called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Brownie Newman, Chairman
Jasmine Beach-Ferrara, Commissioner
Amanda Edwards, Commissioner
Martin Moore, Commissioner
Parker Sloan, Commissioner
Terri Wells, Vice Chair
Al Whitesides, Commissioner

Staff present: Avril Pinder, County Manager; Sybil Tate, Assistant County Manager; Dakisha Wesley, Assistant County Manager; Donald Warn, Finance Director; John Hudson, Budget Director; Sharon Burke, Human Resources Director; Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations; Lamar Joyner, Clerk to the Board; Michael Frue, Senior Staff Attorney

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

During the meeting, the Board and staff will review and discuss agenda items and receive staff updates with discussions as noted:

Review the Board's Agenda.

Staff Updates:

Community Reparations Commission Update. DK Wesley, Assistant County Manager; Christine Edwards, Civility Localized; Dwight Mullen, Chair; and Dewana Little, Vice Chair provided an update on the progress of the Reparations Commission. The Commission has developed an Immediate Recommendation Response Plan that includes recommendations to end further harm by ceasing repetition of institutional processes that lead to racially disparate outcomes and to conduct an official audit to ensure compliance with federal and state laws, regulatory bodies, codes of conduct, court orders, and consent decrees confirming that further harm to the African American community has ended. These recommendations will be presented in the form of a resolution at a future meeting.

Affordable Parking Program Update. Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations, presented an update of the program with details of the current status, webpage information and next steps.

Open Discussion: The Board discussed supporting the Buncombe County Schools Board of Education Resolution Supporting Local Control of School Calendars and including the resolution on the agenda at the next regular meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

LAMAR JOYNER, CLERK
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS