

**MINUTES OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'
BRIEFING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2023 AT 3:00 P.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Board of Commissioners met in regular session on February 21, 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; John Hudson, Budget Director; Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations; Nathan Pennington, Planning Director; Lamar Joyner, Clerk to the Board; Michael Frue, Senior Staff Attorney

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 3:03 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:

DFI Affordable Housing Study. Sarah Odio, from DFI (Development Finance Initiative), provided a timeline and results of the study for property development options within the County. There was information included on the feasibility of primary downtown sites and identifying secondary sites for affordable housing needs.

Cryptocurrency Mining Discussion. Nathan Pennington, Planning Director, explained cryptocurrency mining and the resources needed in the process. The operation process is not specifically addressed in the Zoning Ordinance but there is an option to enact a one-year moratorium to study, develop recommendations/standards, and/or potentially prohibit these operations.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

LAMAR JOYNER, CLERK
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS