## MINUTES OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' BRIEFING OF MARCH 7, 2024 AT 3:00 P.M.

**BE IT REMEMBERED:** That the Board of Commissioners met in regular session on March 7, 2024, 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 Amanda Edwards, Commissioner Martin Moore, Commissioner Parker Sloan, Vice Chair Terri Wells, Commissioner Al Whitesides, Commissioner

Staff present: Avril Pinder, County Manager; Sybil Tate, Assistant County Manager; Dakisha Wesley, Assistant County Manager; Melissa Moore, Finance Director; John Hudson, Budget Director; Sharon Burke, Human Resources Director; Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations; Lamar Joyner, Clerk to the Board; Stacey Woody, Deputy Clerk to the Board; Michael Frue, Senior Staff Attorney; Dane Pederson, Solid Waste Director

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:

**Employee Policy Update.** Amy Flaherty, Human Resources Operations Manager, updated information about proposed updates to the Personnel Ordinance in the areas of Overtime Pay, Benefits, Leave, and Supplemental Pay, and discussed the new Contract Workers Policy.

Legislative Update. Tim Love, Intergovernmental Relations, provided background and gave updates on planning for 2024. He discussed projects based on Commissioner feedback for inclusion on the Legislative Agenda including Sewer Extension, Ferry Road Infrastructure, EMS Local Base (West Asheville), New Agriculture and Land Facility and EMS EOC/Administration Center. He said Commissioners current Legislative Agenda includes an emphasis on Water Quality Improvements and a member of the local delegation requested additional support for water quality including the Community Conservation Assistance Program and updated on the next steps.

**Solid Waste RFP Update.** Dane Pedersen, Solid Waste Director, gave an update on the Solid Waste's Request for Proposal and the key items that were included in the RFP. Bids were received from Waste Pro and FCC Environmental Services. He went over the Scoring Criteria and the Timeline.

**Open Discussion:** 

The meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

STACEY WOODY, INTERIM CLERK BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS