

**DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA
MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020
7:00 P.M.**

The Durham City Council met in a regular session on the above date and time in the Council Chambers at 101 City Hall Plaza with the following members present: Mayor Steve Schewel, Mayor Pro Tempore Jillian Johnson and Council Members Vernetta Alston, Javiera Caballero, DeDreana Freeman, Mark-Anthony Middleton and Charlie Reece. Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Tom Bonfield, City Attorney Kim Rehberg, City Clerk Diana Schreiber and Deputy City Clerk Ashley Wyatt.

Mayor Schewel called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone in attendance and requested a moment of silent mediation.

Council Member Reece led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

[CEREMONIAL ITEMS]

Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson read into the record the proclamation recognizing National Mentoring Month and presented it to DeWarren Langley, Executive Director of the Charles Hamilton Houston Foundation, Inc.

Council Member Middleton read into the record the proclamation Celebrating and Honoring the Life and Service of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr and presented it to DeWarren Langley, Secretary to the Durham Martin Luther King, Jr. Steering Committee, Inc.

[ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COUNCIL]

Mayor Schewel announced that after the conclusion of the meeting, he would allow people to sign up to speak in regards to McDougald Terrace.

Council Member Freeman announced that on January 7, 2020 at 7pm, she would be on a panel discussion on the first rainbow coalition and the documentary series that UNC TV was providing. She also informed the meeting that there would be a reparations conversation on January 15, 2020 at the Carolina Theater.

[PRIORITY ITEMS BY THE CITY MANAGER, CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK]

City Manager Bonfield, City Attorney Rehberg, and City Clerk Schreiber had no priority items.

[CONSENT AGENDA]

SUBJECT: DURHAM BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION - APPOINTMENT (ITEM 2/ PR #13684)

MOTION by Council Member Middleton, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson, to appoint Jayqwez R. Johnson to fill one (1) vacancy on the Durham Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission representing Bicycle Commuting with the term to expire on August 31, 2022, was approved at 7:22 p.m. by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Schewel, Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson and Council Members Alston, Caballero, Freeman, Middleton and Reece. Noes: None. Absent: None.

SUBJECT: BID REPORT – NOVEMBER 2019 (ITEM 7/ PR #13693)

MOTION by Council Member Middleton, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson, to receive a report on the bids that were acted upon by the City Manager in November 2019, was approved at 7:22 p.m. by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Schewel, Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson and Council Members Alston, Caballero, Freeman, Middleton and Reece. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Date: 12/02/2019
To: Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager
Through: Wanda S. Page, Deputy City Manager
From: David Boyd, Finance Director
Frederick Nielsen, Purchasing Manager
Jonathan Hawley, Purchasing Team Leader

Subject: Bid Report – November 2019

Recommendation:
To receive a report on the bids that were acted upon by the City Manager in November 2019.

Apparatus, Supplies, Materials, Equipment, Construction and Repair work:

- 1. **Bid:** Vehicle Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Police Department with one (1) 2020 Dodge Charger Pursuit V-8 vehicle (unmarked).

Comments: Priced in accordance with the North Carolina State Contract – 70A – Item # 21.

Opened: 10/25/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Horace G. Ilderton LLC High Point, NC	1	\$ 25,842.00	\$ 25,842.00

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)

Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	12	8	4
Professional	17	11	6
Technical	11	11	0
Clerical	10	0	10
Labor	48	39	7
Total	98	69	27

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	8	0	0	0	0
Professional	10	1	0	0	0
Technical	6	5	0	0	0
Clerical	0	0	0	0	0
Labor	31	8	0	0	0
Total	55	14	0	0	0

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	3	0	1	0	0

Professional	3	2	1	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	10	0	0	0	0
Labor	7	0	0	0	0
Total	23	2	2	0	0

2. Bid: Computer Software

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Public Works Department with Adobe Acrobat Pro DC and Adobe Creative Cloud software.

Comments: Priced in accordance with purchasing cooperative program – Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance.

Opened: 11/1/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
CDW Government Vernon Hills, IL	1	\$ 11,245.00	\$ 11,245.00

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)
Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	2	1	1
Professional	37	22	15
Technical	0	0	0
Clerical	165	128	37
Labor	0	0	0
Total	204	151	53

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	1	0	0	0	0
Professional	20	0	0	2	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	121	3	0	4	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	142	3	0	6	0

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	1	0	0	0	0
Professional	10	5	0	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	23	10	0	4	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	34	15	0	4	0

3. Bid: Tractor Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides two (2) John Deere tractors for the Water Management Department Facilities/Pump Station Maintenance Division and the General Services Department/Urban Forestry Division.

Comments: Priced in accordance with the North Carolina State Contract – 515B (PG 2Y CG 22).

Opened: 11/4/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
John Deere & Company Cary, NC	2	\$ 120,598.29	\$ 241,196.58

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)
 Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	150	48	102
Professional	169	71	98
Technical	16	10	6
Clerical	18	18	0
Labor	0	0	0
Total	353	147	206

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	39	6	1	2	0
Professional	41	20	6	3	1
Technical	5	1	1	3	0
Clerical	8	10	0	0	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	93	37	8	8	1

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	95	5	0	2	0
Professional	83	5	0	9	1
Technical	5	0	0	1	0
Clerical	0	0	0	0	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	183	10	0	12	1

4. Bid: Thermoplastic Paint Accessories

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Transportation Department with various sets of thermoplastic paint and glass beads for road pavement for the Signal and Sign Shop Division.

Comments:

Opened: 11/4/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Potters Industries LLC Malvern, PA	1	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
Florida Transcor, Inc. Jacksonville, FL	1	\$ 17,200.00	\$ 17,200.00
AOA Signs Inc. Yadkinville, NC	1	\$ 42,630.00	\$ 42,630.00

Award Based on: **Low Bid** **Other (See Comments)**
Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	43	39	4
Professional	35	28	7
Technical	26	22	4
Clerical	29	3	26
Labor	242	241	1
Total	375	333	42

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	37	2	0	0	0
Professional	25	1	0	2	0
Technical	18	2	2	0	0
Clerical	1	1	0	1	0
Labor	143	45	48	3	2

Total	224	51	50	6	2
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UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	3	0	0	1	0
Professional	5	2	0	0	0
Technical	2	2	0	0	0
Clerical	23	3	0	0	0
Labor	0	1	0	0	0
Total	33	8	0	1	0

5. **Bid:** Fire Gear and Clothing Apparel

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Fire Department with various fire gear, apparel, and accessories (badges and nameplates).

Comments: Galls LLC is an authorized provider of the City of Durham Fire Department badges and nameplates.

Opened: 11/4/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Galls LLC Lexington, KY	1	\$ 11,309.75	\$ 11,309.75

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)

Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	41	34	7
Professional	56	25	31
Technical	1	1	0
Clerical	145	38	107
Labor	133	103	30
Total	376	201	175

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	33	1	0	0	0
Professional	21	4	0	0	0
Technical	1	0	0	0	0
Clerical	32	5	1	0	0
Labor	80	20	3	0	0
Total	167	30	4	0	0

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	6	1	0	0	0
Professional	20	10	1	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	72	34	1	0	0
Labor	16	14	0	0	0
Total	114	59	2	0	0

6. **Bid:** Van Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Parks and Recreation Department with two (2) 2019 Nissan NV3500 vans for the Recreation Division.

Comments:

Opened: 11/15/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Modern Nissan LLC Winston-Salem, NC	2	\$ 33,746.00	\$ 67,492.00
AAG Raleigh DbA Fred Anderson Toyota of Raleigh Raleigh, NC	2	\$ 35,275.00	\$ 70,550.00

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)
 Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	0	0	0
Professional	291	255	36
Technical	24	24	0
Clerical	148	13	135
Labor	643	617	26
Total	1106	909	197

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	0	0	0	0	0
Professional	207	34	11	2	1
Technical	2	13	0	9	0
Clerical	13	0	0	0	0
Labor	548	18	39	12	0
Total	770	65	50	23	1

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	0	0	0	0	0
Professional	28	3	5	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	109	21	2	3	0
Labor	25	0	0	1	0
Total	162	24	7	4	0

7. Bid: Vehicle Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Police Department with one (1) 2020 Dodge Charger

Pursuit V-6 (marked) with the police vehicle package (bar light, map light, mounting brackets and etc.).

Comments: Priced in accordance with the North Carolina State Contract – 70A – Item # 21.

Opened: 11/15/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Horace G. Ilderton LLC High Point, NC	1	\$ 28,932.00	\$ 28,932.00

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)
Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	12	8	4
Professional	17	11	6
Technical	11	11	0
Clerical	10	0	10
Labor	48	41	7
Total	98	71	27

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	8	0	0	0	0
Professional	10	1	0	0	0
Technical	6	5	0	0	0
Clerical	0	0	0	0	0
Labor	31	8	2	0	0
Total	55	14	2	0	0

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - FEMALES
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UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	0	0	0	0	0
Professional	1	0	0	0	0
Technical	4	0	0	0	0
Clerical	0	0	0	0	0
Labor	16	7	0	0	0
Total	21	7	0	0	0

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS - FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	0	0	0	0	0
Professional	0	0	0	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	3	0	0	0	0
Labor	3	0	0	0	0
Total	6	0	0	0	0

9. Bid: Truck Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Neighborhood Improvement Services (NIS) Department with one (1) Nissan Frontier King Cab 4 x 2 truck.

Comments:

Opened: 11/18/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Modern Nissan LLC Winston-Salem, NC	1	\$ 21,487.00	\$ 21,487.00

Asheville Ford Asheville, NC	1	\$ 24,253.74	\$ 24,253.74
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Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)

Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	0	0	0
Professional	291	255	36
Technical	24	24	0
Clerical	148	13	135
Labor	643	617	26
Total	1106	909	197

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	0	0	0	0	0
Professional	207	34	11	2	1
Technical	2	13	0	9	0
Clerical	13	0	0	0	0
Labor	548	18	39	12	0
Total	770	65	50	23	1

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	0	0	0	0	0
Professional	28	3	5	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	109	21	2	3	0

Labor	25	0	0	1	0
Total	162	24	7	4	0

10. Bid: Heavy Equipment Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Water Management Department with one (1) CAT 926M Wheel Loader for the Distribution/Collection Division.

Comments: Priced in accordance with North Carolina State Contract – 760H.

Opened: 11/18/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Gregory Poole Equipment Co Raleigh, NC	1	\$ 179,132.50	\$ 179,132.50

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)
Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	8	7	1
Professional	7	5	2
Technical	21	21	0
Clerical	16	2	14
Labor	4	4	0
Total	56	39	17

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	7	0	0	0	0
Professional	4	0	0	0	1
Technical	18	2	0	0	1
Clerical	2	0	0	0	0

Labor	3	0	1	0	0
Total	34	2	1	0	2

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	1	0	0	0	0
Professional	2	0	0	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	11	2	1	0	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	2	1	0	0

11. Bid: Heavy Equipment Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Water Management Department with one (1) CAT 306 XTC Hydraulic Excavator for the Distribution/Collection Division.

Comments: Priced in accordance with North Carolina State Contract – 760H.

Opened: 11/18/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Gregory Poole Equipment Co Raleigh, NC	1	\$ 105,747.00	\$ 105,747.00

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)
Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	8	7	1
Professional	7	5	2
Technical	21	21	0
Clerical	16	2	14

Labor	4	4	0
Total	56	39	17

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	7	0	0	0	0
Professional	4	0	0	0	1
Technical	18	2	0	0	1
Clerical	2	0	0	0	0
Labor	3	0	1	0	0
Total	34	2	1	0	2

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	1	0	0	0	0
Professional	2	0	0	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	11	2	1	0	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	2	1	0	0

12. Bid: Heavy Equipment Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Water Management Department with one (1) CAT 938M Wheel Loader for the Distribution/Collection Division.

Comments: Priced in accordance with North Carolina State Contract – 760H.

Opened: 11/18/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
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Gregory Poole Equipment Co Raleigh, NC	1	\$ 211,890.00	\$ 211,890.00
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Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)

Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	8	7	1
Professional	7	5	2
Technical	21	21	0
Clerical	16	2	14
Labor	4	4	0
Total	56	39	17

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	7	0	0	0	0
Professional	4	0	0	0	1
Technical	18	2	0	0	1
Clerical	2	0	0	0	0
Labor	3	0	1	0	0
Total	34	2	1	0	2

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	1	0	0	0	0
Professional	2	0	0	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	11	2	1	0	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0

Total	14	2	1	0	0
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13. Bid: Heavy Equipment Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Water Management Department with one (1) CAT 299 DE XE Compact Loader wheel loader for the Distribution/Collection Division.

Comments: Priced in accordance with North Carolina State Contract – 760H.

Opened: 11/18/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Gregory Poole Equipment Co Raleigh, NC	1	\$ 119,883.00	\$ 119,883.00

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)
Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	8	7	1
Professional	7	5	2
Technical	21	21	0
Clerical	16	2	14
Labor	4	4	0
Total	56	39	17

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	7	0	0	0	0
Professional	4	0	0	0	1
Technical	18	2	0	0	1
Clerical	2	0	0	0	0
Labor	3	0	1	0	0

Total	34	2	1	0	2
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UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	1	0	0	0	0
Professional	2	0	0	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	11	2	1	0	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	2	1	0	0

14. Bid: Heavy Equipment Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Water Management Department with one (1) CAT 309 Hydraulic Excavator for the Distribution/Collection Division.

Comments: Priced in accordance with North Carolina State Contract – 760H.

Opened: 11/18/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Gregory Poole Equipment Co Raleigh, NC	1	\$ 128,807.00	\$ 128,807.00

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)
Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	8	7	1
Professional	7	5	2
Technical	21	21	0
Clerical	16	2	14
Labor	4	4	0
Total	56	39	17

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	7	0	0	0	0
Professional	4	0	0	0	1
Technical	18	2	0	0	1
Clerical	2	0	0	0	0
Labor	3	0	1	0	0
Total	34	2	1	0	2

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	1	0	0	0	0
Professional	2	0	0	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	11	2	1	0	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	2	1	0	0

15. Bid: Heavy Equipment Purchase

Purpose of Bid: Provides the Water Management Department with one (1) CAT D5K2 LGP Track-Type Tractor for the Distribution/Collection Division.

Comments: Priced in accordance with North Carolina State Contract – 760H.

Opened: 11/18/2019

Bidders:

Vendor	Qty	Price	Total Cost
Gregory Poole Equipment Co Raleigh, NC	1	\$ 148,087.50	\$ 148,087.50

Award Based on: Low Bid Other (See Comments)

Workforce Statistics

TOTAL WORKFORCE			
Employment Category	Employees	Males	Females
Project Mgr.	8	7	1
Professional	7	5	2
Technical	21	21	0
Clerical	16	2	14
Labor	4	4	0
Total	56	39	17

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – MALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	7	0	0	0	0
Professional	4	0	0	0	1
Technical	18	2	0	0	1
Clerical	2	0	0	0	0
Labor	3	0	1	0	0
Total	34	2	1	0	2

UBE/SLBE REQUIREMENTS – FEMALES					
Employment Category	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaska Native
Project Mgr.	1	0	0	0	0
Professional	2	0	0	0	0
Technical	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical	11	2	1	0	0
Labor	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	2	1	0	0

[ITEMS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA]

**SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH URBAN MINISTRIES OF DURHAM
(ITEM 5/ PR #13692)**

Mayor Schewel called for any speakers to the item.

Victoria Petersen, a resident of Durham suggested that an additional \$90,000.00 be included in the funding for the project, that would allow Urban Ministries to reach more people in the city of Durham.

MOTION by Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson, seconded by Council Member Alston, to approve an amendment to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) contract with Urban Ministries of Durham to extend the contract period by two months, to remove the match requirement, and to allow support groups to be billed, was approved at 7:22 p.m. by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Schewel, Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson and Council Members Alston, Caballero, Freeman, Middleton and Reece. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Council Member Freeman suggested that adding funding would be worth looking into in order to allow more families access to case management services.

[OTHER MATTERS]

Anthony Scott, Chief Executive Officer of the Durham Housing Authority read the following prepared statement:

“Let me start by remembering the young lives that have been lost and by offering my sincerest condolences to the families that are hurting and who had to go through such tragic losses over the course of the holiday season. While the circumstances surrounding the deaths of these infants are not yet known, no parents should ever have to go through what they have gone through. As a father, I’m heartbroken for all involved.

The McDougald Terrace resident leadership, led by Ashley Canady, is to be commended for her leadership in organizing donations, relaying critical information, and assisting DHA in supporting residents through this crisis. Our residents have been outstanding in this disruptive process.

I also want to offer my deep gratitude for the public servants who have been working so closely with us to maintain the safety of the McDougald Terrace residents, particularly our partners at EMS, the Fire Department, NIS, and Social Services. Each of these groups have been a tremendous help for us during this time.

In addition to these public servants, I also want to thank the public officials from the City of Durham and Durham County for offering resources and support throughout the last several

weeks, and the community leaders, volunteers and local business that have supported the relocation effort over the past few days.

Thanks to you all, we've been able to care for the residents of McDougald Terrace while we work on identifying the causes of the elevated carbon monoxide levels, repairing impacted units and ultimately returning residents to their homes.

Now, I'd like to give an update on what has transpired over the last several weeks:

- **Nov 19th**
 - There was a report of an infant death at McDougald Terrace. This was not reported as being related to elevated CO levels.
- **Dec 8th**
 - Second reported infant death at McDougald Terrace. It was also not reported as CO related
- **On Thursday morning, Dec 26, 2019**
 - I received a call from Director of Neighborhood Improvement Services, about a report of an unusual number of cases of elevated carbon monoxide (CO) levels in McDougald Terrace. During our discussion, it was agreed that we wanted to institute a unit by unit inspection designed to check our CO and/or fire detectors immediately as a precaution. We also wanted to have EMS and the Fire Department to participate in those inspections in case there were any identified known issues, to provide education about the dangers of elevated CO, what steps to take if you suspect elevated levels and how to avoid exposure. DHA staff were quickly mobilized and began inspections immediately on Thursday.
- **Dec 26th, 3 pm**
 - A conference call was held with DHA, NIS, EMS, and Fire to discuss strategy and approach. It was agreed that all would participate in the inspections to begin first thing Friday morning.
- **Friday, Dec 27**
 - Six teams of DHA maintenance workers, four teams of combined EMS and Fire were assembled. The EMS/Fire team joined four of the six DHA teams. Communication protocols were established to respond to any emergency situation by any of the six DHA teams. We prioritized our inspections by those families that had children under 2 years of age and those that had a senior 65 and older. Inspections then began on the remaining family units.
- **Saturday, Dec 28th**
 - The teams continued the inspections.
- **Monday, Dec 30th**
 - The 46 remaining units were inspected. All 322 occupied units were inspected.
- **Results of Inspections:**
 - All 325 occupied units inspected
 - 228 CO detectors were replaced/installed

- CO Monitors were moved to lower locations in accordance with current best practices
- 417 smoke detectors were replaced/installed
- 1968 batteries installed
- During the inspections four people had elevated levels of CO
- 6 apartments reported elevated levels of CO, however those levels did not rise above detection by CO monitor. Repairs were made to the identified source
- 13 apartments reported gas leaks, repairs were made to all units
- **Thursday afternoon, Jan 2nd**
 - A community meeting was held at Burton Magnet Elementary school to provide an update to residents and discuss next steps. During the meeting several residents expressed concerns about their units and EMS followed up with inspections after the meeting. Two additional residents were found to have elevated CO levels.
- **Friday Jan 3-4rd**
 - Upon learning of the additional elevated levels of CO, DHA made the decision to immediately relocate residents to hotels until a more control CO inspection could be carried out.
 - We focused on those families that had children under two years of age and those with seniors over 65
 - Next we focused on those buildings that had any emergency calls that were CO related. This total 11 buildings. These combined numbers represent 111 families
- **Jan. 4th-5th**
 - DHA initiated formal outreach to federal, state, county, and municipal elected officials to secure additional resources and support to aid the effort including the following:
 - Members of Congress
 - HUD
 - Office of the Governor
 - NC Emergency Management
 - HHS
 - HFA
 - Durham County
 - Durham Public Schools
 - And others

Summary of relocation effort as of January 6th

- 171 families housed at 11 hotels
- Approximately 20 additional families are awaiting placements
- Durham Public Schools are picking up children from the hotels
- DHA issued stipends to families, with more coming
- Transportation services are available
- Working with City and County officials

Next Steps

Immediate:

- Complete relocations coordinate necessary resources to address family needs (transportation, school transportation, disperse stipends, etc.).
- Conduct controlled inspections of units for CO leaks, mold and any other health and safety risks by third party vendors beginning tomorrow morning
- Make necessary repairs, replacements needed to make units safe for habitability

Short Term:

- Address other necessary repairs and property needs to bring the units to acceptable standards

Long Term:

- A redevelopment plan and implementation of the McDougald Terrace Community
- This will be comprehensive resident-oriented plan that outlines the investments we will undertake to make Durham a national model for public housing.”

Mayor Schewel called for any persons requesting to speak about the housing crisis in McDougald Terrace. The following people spoke and expressed concerns regarding uninhabitable living conditions, black mold, elevated carbon monoxide levels, plumbing blockages, response time of the Durham Housing Authority for various repairs of all public housing properties in the city, lack of trust, displaced families, and lack of resources that included food and toiletries for those families. They also spoke to the relief efforts that were spearheaded by McDougald Terrace resident Ashley Canady and asked that she be compensated for her work with the residents.

Afiya Carter	Cymone Douglas
Dreka Burnette	Mamie Beal
Maya Jackson	Samantha Crowder
Mary Molina	Cynthia Harris
Antonia Jones	Debroah Friedman
Joy Spencer	Jamakah Webb
Shanelta Burris	Jontae Dunston
Laura bebe	Tray Briscoe
Arthur Everette	Cynthia Fox
Roger Fowler	Rachael Cordero
Jaqueline Wagstaff	Undreya Hudson

Barbra Lofton	Rafi Zaidi
Antanasha Burnette	Mini Paul Scott
Tommi Hayes	Anthony Mclenton
Leonardo Williams	Victoria Peterson
Kamaira Faison	N. Williams
Elbert Avery	Chris Tiffany
Jantae Dunston	Delissia Tatum
Ashley Canady	Sherry Lawrence
Barbra Wyons	Theresa Spears
Leseanda Arnold	Reverend Tanya Johnson
Laura Betty	

Mayor Schewel allowed Mr. Scott to make any follow up remarks in response to the residents' concerns.

Mr. Scott spoke to residents and requested that they contact his office directly to report any issues with DHA staff. He also stated that there was a financial issue with federal funding for DHA and suggested once a day updates from DHA to allow residents to follow the progress of any repairs or remediation.

Council Member Alston asked how residents could reach DHA regarding their specific emergencies.

Mr. Scott advised that a staff member by the name of Mr. Foster was the point person and that a number would be provided.

Council Member Alston asked about the scope of the transportation services being offered by DHA for the residents of McDougald Terrace.

Mr. Scott responded that DHA had made arrangements with a transportation service and that residents could call that service for their transportation needs at no cost.

Council Member Alston asked if there were any efforts from Durham County or a third party to offer bereavement services for the families who had lost small children and for the children of the displaced families.

Mr. Scott stated that conversations were ongoing with DSS to facilitate those services.

Council Member Caballero asked if Durham Public Schools were being brought into those conversations.

Mr. Scott stated that DHA was using DSS to facilitate the conversations with Durham Public Schools for the children being affected.

Council Member Reece asked why there were a remaining 30 families waiting to be relocated and if there were not 30 hotel rooms available in the city of Durham.

Mr. Scott stated that DHA was looking at housing residents specifically in extended stay hotels since they had kitchenettes, however if no rooms became available they would move the families to any hotel.

Council Member Reece asked what was being done to facilitate cash cards to the residents.

Mr. Scott stated that DHA was waiting on SunTrust bank to deliver the cards and that they were not scheduled to arrive until January 9, 2020.

Council Member Reece asked if residents were told that they would only be out of their homes for one week.

Mr. Scott stated that residents were told that they would be out of their homes for at least a week.

Council Member Reece asked how would residents know that their homes would be safe to return to.

Mr. Scott stated that independent testing would be conducted by an outside company.

Council Member Reece asked if Mr. Scott had an estimate on how much money it would take to bring McDougald Terrace up to habitable conditions.

Mr. Scott advised that he did not know.

Council Member Reece asked if there was a standard for DHA monitoring the Carbon Monoxide detectors since they had been very old.

Mr. Scott stated that to his knowledge the Carbon Monoxide detectors were not old, but that the fire detectors were approaching their ten-year lifespan. He also stated that housing inspections were scheduled to take place annually.

Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson asked how the current inspections differed from the previous inspections conducted.

Mr. Scott stated that the current inspections would take place in a controlled environment since no residents would be on the premises.

Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson asked if DHA had the resources to make the repairs.

Mr. Scott stated that he would not know until the conclusion of the inspections.

Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson asked if a source of the heating systems not working was uncovered, as some residents had been using their ovens to heat their homes.

Mr. Scott stated that he would know more following the conclusion of the inspections/repairs since there were a range of issues.

Council Member Freeman asked if the DHA board members received the reports that documented the low housing scores that McDougald Terrace and other properties had been given.

Mr. Scott responded that health and safety issues were required to be fixed right away once DHA receives the information and that notification to HUD outlining the remediation was to also take place.

Council Member Freeman asked if there was any idea as to how much of the federal resources DHA would be receiving.

Mr. Scott stated that the DHA field office was looking into what resources were available for the current exigent circumstances and that he had also been in touch with Congressman David Price for assistance.

Council Member Freeman also advocated for Ashley Canady to receive compensation for the hundreds of hours of work she put in assisting the other residents of McDougald Terrace due to the extenuating circumstances.

Council Member Middleton stated for the record:

"I want to say that I am absolutely prepared to ask this Council to take extraordinary steps and to spend some serious money because I think we are facing a clear and present danger. I think this is an emergency situation. I think your actions underscore the fact that this is an emergency situation and whatever HUD does, whatever the state does, whatever anybody else does, I believe with everything in me that this Council needs to be prepared to act in a substantive way. And it's not unprecedented, we took up rubber tire mulch and put down wood chips on the suspicion that it might be harmful to our children. Well the science is in on mold. The science is in. and no leader in this city can countenance the thought of anybody going back into an apartment where mold had been painted over. So whoever this company is and whatever the cost is, I want you brother to assure us that you will come to us and you will let us know- These folk that are in the hotels now, I think morally we cannot allow them back in if we know that there is mold. And I'm not saying you do, I'm saying we as a government, we as leaders. Now that we have *de facto* declared this state of emergency, cannot allow those babies to go back in there and things have just

been glossed over and painted over. We have now crossed the threshold. And whatever it cost to bring- and I think Councilman Reece alluded to this in his question, whatever it costs to bring those apartments up to safety and up to habitable standards, the alternative is to pretend that we don't know about the problem and let those babies and families back in there. And I cannot countenance that. And I don't think any leader in this city and certainly on this podium can countenance that. So I need for you to assure us that when this company brings things back, whatever the price tag is. Whatever the prognosis is, whatever the situation is for these apartments, that we will be transparent, we will let folk know and whatever it takes to make sure that we do not knowingly send babies back into these conditions, we're just going to have to work it out. Because we have crossed the threshold. We have declared the state of emergency, *de facto*. And once we've done that we can't go back and pretend that everything is okay. And I know McDougald Terrace gets a lot of attention, but these other housing complexes we've known were in need for a long time. That's why we've talked about redeveloping because we know it going to cost more to fix everything than to just build something new. So here we are. It's out and we know it. But since we are at this particular situation, I guess my question is, I just want you to assure this Council and assure the people of this city that we will not knowingly send folk back into those living conditions. And I'm also not just going to put you out there, I intend on asking this Council whenever that price tag comes, that they be prepared to do something significant and that will convey to the people of this city that we are serious about protecting the lives of our people. "

Council Member Caballero asked how much funding was set aside federally for emergency public housing situations.

Mr. Scott replied that amount was 30 million dollars for emergency repairs.

Council Member Reece thanked everyone for attending the meeting and appreciated their comments on the living conditions in the public housing of Durham. He insisted that there was no greater task than to ensure that the most vulnerable residents were taken care of and recognized Ashley Canady for her hard work.

Council Member Freeman commended the community activism by the residents who attended the meeting to speak on their concerns regarding the living conditions in the public housing of Durham. She encouraged everyone to continue to work together for the betterment of the community and also suggested bringing the age down from 65 to 55 and bringing the age up from 2 to 5 when DHA prioritizes the needs of the residents in McDougald Terrace.

Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson thanked Ashley Canady for keeping her informed about the status of progress in McDougald Terrace as well as the other community members that attended the meeting. She thanked Zwelli's Restaurant of Durham and other community organizations and volunteers that were assisting with the relief efforts. She also informed the meeting that every funding request submitted to the Council by DHA had been approved.

Council Member Alston apologized for what the residents were going through and expressed condolences to the families that lost young children in the days and weeks prior to the relocation. She expressed concerns for the immediate threats to the health and safety of the residents and the potential housing instability and adverse school performance that could be caused as a result of the displacement.

Council Member Caballero thanked Council Member Middleton for going out into the community and being present for residents. She spoke about the decrease in federal dollars for public housing and how it would now fall to local governments to be accountable for that and to supplement the funding.

Council Member Middleton thanked everyone for attending the meeting and highlighted the work of Ashley Canady in the community. He credited Mr. Scott for relocating the residents out of their homes and stated that the current situation reminded him of why he ran for office.

Mayor Schewel thanked his Council colleagues for their comments and unity on the issue. He also thanked Ashley Canady for her continued public service as well as volunteers who had donated their time and money to assist the residents of McDougald Terrace. He endorsed the action of Mr. Scott to relocate residents of the complex until it could be deemed safe and sanitary and until ultimately it could be replaced.

[ADJOURNMENT]

Being no additional business to come before Council, Mayor Schewel adjourned the meeting at 10:36 p.m.

Ashley Wyatt, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

Diana Schreiber, CMC
City Clerk