



COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Exempting Professional Services for the Welcome Signs Honoring George Moses Horton Project from the Mini-Brooks Act and Applicable Chatham County Procurement Policies

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-64.31, commonly referred to as the “Mini-Brooks Act,” establishes the policy of the State requiring qualifications-based selection for architectural, engineering, surveying, construction management at risk, design-build, and other professional services subject to the Act; and

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-64.32 authorizes units of local government to exempt particular projects from the requirements of the Mini-Brooks Act when the estimated professional fee for such services is less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000); and

WHEREAS, Chatham County is undertaking design and coordination activities for the Welcome Signs Honoring George Moses Horton Project, which may require professional design, engineering, surveying, traffic and safety analysis, permitting and coordination, preparation of bid documents, and other related professional services; and

WHEREAS, the estimated professional fee for the services associated with the Design and Coordination of the Welcome Signs Honoring George Moses Horton Project is less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000); and

WHEREAS, Chatham County’s local purchasing and procurement policies may establish additional procedures for the selection and procurement of professional services; and

WHEREAS, the Chatham County Board of Commissioners finds that exempting the professional services associated with this project from the qualifications-based selection requirements of the Mini-Brooks Act and applicable County purchasing and procurement policies will support the timely and efficient advancement of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. The professional services associated with design and coordination for the Welcome Signs Honoring George Moses Horton Project are hereby exempted from the requirements of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-64.31 pursuant to the authority provided by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-64.32;
2. To the extent permitted by law, the professional services associated with the Welcome Signs Honoring George Moses Horton Project are also exempted from any Chatham County purchasing or procurement policy provisions that would otherwise require competitive solicitation, request for qualifications, multiple quotes, or other formal selection process;

3. The County Manager, or the County Manager's designee, is authorized to select a qualified firm and negotiate and execute a contract for the professional services associated with the project, provided that:
 - a. The estimated professional fee is less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000);
 - b. The County Manager or designee determines that the proposed firm is qualified to perform the required services;
 - c. The contract amount is determined to be fair and reasonable; and
 - d. Sufficient funds have been duly appropriated for the project;
4. The exemptions authorized by this Resolution apply solely to the procurement of professional services for the design and coordination required for the Welcome Signs Honoring George Moses Horton Project;
5. This Resolution does not exempt any subsequent contract for the fabrication, construction, installation, or repair of the welcome signs from applicable federal, state, or local procurement requirements;
6. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to waive compliance with any other applicable federal or state law or any County requirement that cannot lawfully be waived by the Board of Commissioners;
7. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this 27th day of July, 2026.

Amanda Robertson, Chair

ATTEST:

Jenifer K Johnson, Clerk to the Board

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