## ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: May 13, 2013

AGENDA ITEM No.	13-05-16
ACTION ITEM: (Y/N)	Y

SUBJECT: Sewer Easement - Gravelly Hill Middle School

INFO. CONTACT: Pam Jones, Interim Exec. Dir. Of Auxiliary Services PHONE: (919) 732-8126

## ATTACHMENTS:

- Declaration of Easement for Sewer Line
- Easement Plat

**PURPOSE**: To consider granting a sewer easement to Orange County upon which to construct the Buckhorn-Mebane Utilities Phase II project; and authorize the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board.

**BACKGROUND**: Mike Parker has forwarded a request from Orange County to grant a sewer utility easement across Gravelly Hill Middle School property. The County is in the process of acquiring the easements in order to complete the Buckhorn-Mebane Utilities Phase II project. A portion of the sewer line will be constructed on the Gravelly Hill Middle School property from the nearby sewage lift station.

In October 2006 the Orange County Board of Education conveyed the tract of land on which the middle school is constructed to Orange County. However, the Orange County Board of Education has leased the subject property pursuant to a long term lease with the option to repurchase the property from Orange County. Due to their respective interests in the property, the consent of both Orange County and Orange County Board of Education is necessary for the construction of the sewer line on the property. The north-south extent of the easement is along the western property line and District staff has confirmed it does not affect any existing or future facilities.

The sewer utility easement is jointly declared between Orange County and the Orange County Board of Education. The declaration also provides for future conveyance to the City of Mebane who has accepted maintenance of the sewer system. The attached plat shows the location of the sewer line and easement area.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: There is no financial impact related to this action.

**RECOMMENDATION**: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the sewer utility easement as requested by Orange County; and authorize the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board.

Prepared by & Return after recording to: Sahana Ayer, Attorney, Orange County Planning Dept. PIN 9844-05-7652

NORTH CAROLINA,

ORANGE COUNTY.

DECLARATION OF EASEMENT FOR SEWER LINES

THIS DECLA	RATION OF EASEMENT FOR SEWER LINES, made this the
day of	, 2013, by and between Orange County, North Carolina, P.O. Box
8181 Hillsborough, N	C 27278, a body politic, organized and existing pursuant to the laws of the
State of North Carolin	na, Party of the First Part, and the Orange County Board of Education, 200
East King Street, Hill	sborough, NC 27278, a body politic organized and existing under the laws
of the State of North	Carolina, Party of the Second Part, collectively referred to as the
"Declarants".	

#### WITNESSETH:

THAT, WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education has constructed a middle school on that certain tract or parcel of land located in Cheeks Township, Orange County, North Carolina and being more specifically shown as Tract A on the plat recorded in Plat Book 96, Page 86, Orange County Registry;

AND, WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education conveyed title to the tract of land on which the middle school is located to Orange County by deed recorded in Deed Book 4014 at Page 24, Orange County Registry. However, the Orange County Board of Education has leased the subject property pursuant to the long term lease with an option to repurchase from Orange County;

AND, WHEREAS, as part of the Buckhorn-Mebane Utilities Phase II Project certain sewer improvements will be made to serve the middle school as are indicated on the plat entitled "Utility Easement Survey for Orange County, North Carolina, on the Property of Orange County Board of Education," dated January 2013 and surveyed and platted by Kenneth W. Rock attached hereto as Exhibit A and recorded in Plat Book \_\_\_\_\_ at Page\_\_\_\_\_, Orange County Registry;

AND, WHEREAS, Declarants wish to preserve in perpetuity the said sewer easements;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten and No/100 (\$10.00) Dollars, and other good and valuable consideration, paid to Declarants, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby fully acknowledged, Declarants, do hereby give, grant, quitclaim, and convey unto Orange County, its successors and assigns, the right and privilege and perpetual easement over, upon and through the Property to construct, install, maintain, repair, modify or remove one or more underground sewer and/or other utility lines, all as more specifically described and located as shown on the plat recorded in Plat Book at Page , Orange County Registry; together with the perpetual right and easement to go upon the Property whenever the same is reasonably necessary for the purposes of constructing, inspecting, and maintaining said lines and making all necessary alterations and repairs thereto. Orange County its successors and assigns, in the event of any construction, inspection or maintenance of said line, shall remove all surplus earth, shall make level the surface of the ground above said lines and apparatus and shall interfere as little as reasonably possible with any plants, fences and other improvements upon the Property, provided that such plants, fences and other improvements shall not interfere with the right of Orange County, its successors and assigns, of ingress and egress to the Property for the purpose of construction, installation, maintenance and repair said sewer lines, main or mains, laterals and connections.

Orange County shall also have the right of ingress and egress through, over and across the Property, to and from such easement at such times as Orange County deems it necessary for the purpose of constructing, installing, maintaining and repairing said lines; the lines of pipe shall be located at such point or points, elevations or elevations below the surface of the earth as shall be necessary for proper operation of the system, and shall be established at the proper grade for running said lines and for conveying sewage as aforesaid, and said manholes, if any shall be

at such point below or above the surface of the earth as may be necessary for the proper operation of said pipeline or lines; and Orange County shall have the right, privilege and easement to tap the line or lines and construct laterals from the main to the outside boundary of the right-of-way over which the easement and privilege extends.

The parties hereto acknowledge that it is contemplated that the responsibility and ownership of the said sewer improvement shall ultimately be assumed by the City of Mebane, North Carolina, and nothing set forth herein shall prevent or restrict in any way Orange County from conveying its rights, privileges and obligations herein set forth to the City of Mebane for the operation and maintenance of the said water and sewer lines in which event all of the obligations, rights and privileges herein prescribed for and by Orange County will be, by the conveyance to the City of Mebane, merged in the conveyance to the City of Mebane.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Orange County and the Orange County Board of Education have caused this instrument to be executed signed in their corporate names the day and year first above written.

	ORANGE COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA			
ATTEST:  Donna S. Baker, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners	By: Barry Jacobs, Chair Orange County Board of Commissioners			
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA				
COUNTY OF ORANGE				
I,, Notary Public for County, North Carolina certify that Donna S. Baker personally came before me this day and acknowledged that she is the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners for Orange County, North Carolina, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the said County, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners and attested by her as its Clerk.				
Witness my hand and notarial seal, this t	he, 2013.			
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My commission expires:	PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NOTARY PUBLIC)			

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ATTEST:		By:		
	Patricia M. Coleman, Secretary to			
	the Orange County Board of	Orange County Board of Educa	ition	
	Education			
STATE O	F NORTH CAROLINA			
COUNTY	OF ORANGE			
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	he Chair of the said Orange County B			
Secretary.		•		
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Witness my hand and notarial seal, this the day of, 2013.				
		SIGNATURE)		
	(1)	PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NOTARY PUBLIC	C)	
My comm	ission expires:			