ORDINANCE # _____

BUNCOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Special Projects Ordinance

BOARD MEETING DATE: May 5, 2026

WHEREAS, the Budget Director recommends and the Board now desires to amend the FY2025-2026 Special Projects outlined below in Exhibit "A" to the budget,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That the FY2025-2026 amendments listed in Exhibit A below be hereby adopted.
2. That this ordinance shall be effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 5th day of May, 2026

Project Name:	Fund 224 Project Closures and Reappropriations

Description:

This amendment closes 14 projects in the Special Projects Fund ($5.3M), of which there is $1.8M in savings/unspent funds.

There is a total of $246,157 in savings resulting from unspent conservation easements. $206,300 is being reappropriated for transaction costs for the following projects:
Cedar Hill Farm - $52,300
Saddlebrook Farm - $50,500
Morgan Branch B - $65,000
Wilson Farm - $38,500
These four projects already have established budgets for purchase costs in the Open Space Bond Fund as match for the Agricultural Growth Zone Grant.
The remaining $39,857 will go toward Future Conservation Easements.

$1.5M in savings from the Linamar Economic Incentive results from failure to meet specified targets. Those funds will go toward future economic incentives.

Finally, $69K of savings from Energy Initiatives will be transferred to the General Fund to offset other sustainability projects.

Funding Source:
No new county dollars.

Exhibit A:	Increase (Decrease)	
Account Description	**Revenues**	**Expenditures**
Anthony Cole Farm	$ (36,500)	$ (36,500)
Anthony, Gary, and Ormond Cole Farm	$ (238,000)	$ (238,000)
Clark-Mattox Farm	$ (28,930)	$ (28,930)
Energy Initiatives	$ (148,142)	$ (148,142)
Fairacres Farm	$ (39,000)	$ (39,000)
Fisher Farm	$ (55,000)	$ (55,000)
Full Sun Farm Phase II	$ (31,000)	$ (31,000)
Fund 224 Administration	$ 69,036	$ 69,036
Gary and Sarah Cole Farm	$ (32,500)	$ (32,500)
Harlan/Dizoff Farm	$ (2,600)	$ (2,600)
Hobby Knobb Farm	$ (38,000)	$ (38,000)
Linamar - Incentive	$ (4,500,000)	$ (4,500,000)
Ramsey Preservation	$ (65,000)	$ (65,000)
Shady Place Farm	$ (94,000)	$ (94,000)
Soden Farm	$ (45,000)	$ (45,000)
Future Conservation Easements	$ 39,587	$ 39,587
AGZ Cedar Hill Farm	$ 52,300	$ 52,300
AGZ Saddlebrook Farm	$ 50,500	$ 50,500
AGZ Morgan Branch B	$ 65,000	$ 65,000
AGZ Wilson Farm	$ 38,500	$ 38,500
TOTAL	$ (5,038,749)	$ (5,038,749)

ATTEST:

Clerk to the Board

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE:

By:

Chair of the Board