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**Subject:** Re: Blue Horizons docs  
**To:** Tom Downing <tdowning@ashevillenc.gov>  
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**Sent:** June 5, 2024 5:07 PM (UTC-04:00)

Yes, let's go ahead and meet. I didn't know this was called Blue Horizons when we met yesterday. I have reviewed but have some questions on contracts that I don't see here but we can discuss in the morning.  
Thanks

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On Wed, Jun 5, 2024 at 4:46 PM Tom Downing <[tdowning@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:tdowning@ashevillenc.gov)> wrote:

Amy,

Yes, it's what we talked about yesterday.

Trying to find a new time on everyone's calendars -- it looks like a "calendar of many colors" with no blank spaces, so it's good if we could meet Thursday.

Thanks,

Tom

On Wed, Jun 5, 2024 at 4:44 PM Amy Patterson <[apatterson@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:apatterson@ashevillenc.gov)> wrote:

Once I found the meeting invite, I realized that Blue Horizons includes other vendors.

If we are discussing what we did yesterday Tom, then I think we may be ok to meet.

If it's more in depth, I will need some time to digest.

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On Wed, Jun 5, 2024 at 4:41 PM Tom Downing <[tdowning@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:tdowning@ashevillenc.gov)> wrote:

Amy,

It's scheduled for tomorrow. I'll find another time for the meeting.

Thanks,

Tom

On Wed, Jun 5, 2024 at 4:38 PM Amy Patterson <[apatterson@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:apatterson@ashevillenc.gov)> wrote:

Please advise when this meeting is scheduled. If it's one of them for tomorrow, I will not be able to review this documentation by then.

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On Wed, Jun 5, 2024 at 11:55 AM Kiera Bulan <[kbulan@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:kbulan@ashevillenc.gov)> wrote:

Hello all,

I'm not able to modify the calendar invitation but want to be sure we all have quick access to the relevant documents to keep us on task to understand questions and next steps when we meet tomorrow about Blue Horizons Project contracts.

- [Resolution authorizing interlocal for RFP](#)
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]-issued via Buncombe Co - in response to proposals to this RFP we executed two contracts in FY24:
  - Bright Spaces [REDACTED]
    - section A 2 "Until project is complete" - meaning we can amend contract to add funds for FY25 in July, correct/
  - Green Built Alliance [REDACTED]
    - Funding agreement, section 4 indicated term conclude on 6/30/24 can not be renewed, can be extended
    - prior to FY24 where this contract was only for \$56,500, we've gone annually to council to adopt a resolution to execute an annual contract ([reso FY23](#) - pg 5)
    - Our anticipated FY25 budget (not yet confirmed) is <\$90k, but in combination with funds expended in FY24s contract it would be above \$90k - anticipated budget for FY25 is ~\$70,000, scope and deliverables are still being negotiated- does this mean we should go to council to execute the FY25 contract?

Looking forward to your expertise and advice on how to proceed with FY25 funds to support Blue Horizons Project work with Bright Spaces and Green Built Alliance.

thank you,

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