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## Press Release

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## Process Improvement Will Save County \$40,000 Annually

**Woodbine, GA – March 4, 2009:** The Camden County Board of Commissioners has chosen to automate one of their most paper intensive processes: the Agenda. The commission voted last night to approve the purchase of a public automated agenda system.

The County had been investigating electronic agenda systems for the past year in hopes of finding a solution that would simplify the cumbersome agenda process. After gathering input from each department regarding the system, proposals were solicited from qualified vendors in order to find the best solution for Camden County.

After considering all vendor proposals, user references, ease of use and start-up systems, the County narrowed their choice to the Legistar Legislative Management System from MCCi. MCCi, a premier partner of Legistar, was created by Municipal Code Corporation to focus on innovative technologies for local government and has provided software and services to more than 250 cities and counties for over 10 "Georgia's Coastal Community of Choice"

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years. Camden County currently uses Municipal Code to codify their code of ordinances and host it online.

This implementation will virtually eliminate the need for paper documentation and can replace our printed agenda. The combined savings including personnel costs and printing costs is over \$40,000 annually. The County's adoption of Legistar means that going forward we will have the ability to handle our total legislative process electronically (agendas, minutes, legislative item tracking, pre- and post-meeting workflow, etc.) from beginning to end. In doing this we also will be giving our citizens more information through the Web so they can research County legislation 24/7. "I am pleased with the full support of the Board with this expenditure. It will help the County reach its goal of openness in government and will improve existing processes within our organization," said County Administrator Steve L. Howard. Staci Bowick, Director of Support Services said, "As the County continues to struggle with the challenges imposed by a grim economy the timing for a solution like Legistar could not be better. Not only will Legistar allow us to do more with less, it will also enable us to better serve the citizenry."

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