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WEEK IN REVIEW:

Mon (Mar 18)	Tues (Mar 19)	Wed (Mar 20)	Thurs (Mar 21)	Fri (Mar 22)	Sat (Mar 23)
12:00 PM Housing and Neighborhood Development Committee, Room 280 1:30 PM Transportation and Planning Committee, Room 280 3:00 PM Environment Committee, Room 280 5:00 PM Council Zoning Meeting, Room CH-14		12:00 PM Community Safety Committee, Room 280 3:00 PM Budget Workshop, Room 267	12:00 PM Economic Development Committee, Room CH-14	8:00 AM Elected Officials Breakfast, Chamber of Commerce	9:00 AM CM Mitchell's Intelligent Leadership Conference, Room 267 & 268

CALENDAR DETAILS:

Monday, March 18

12:00 pm Housing & Neighborhood Development Committee, Room 280
AGENDA: CIP referral (affordable housing strategies); Rental subsidy update

1:30 pm Transportation & Planning Committee, Room 280
AGENDA: CIP referrals; Draft FY14 Focus Area Plan; MPO update

3:00 pm Environment Committee, Room 280
AGENDA: Draft FY14 Focus Area Plan; Multi-family garbage collection analysis

5:00 pm Council Zoning Meeting, Room CH-14

Wednesday, March 20

12:00 pm Community Safety Committee, Room 280
AGENDA: Draft FY14 Focus Area Plan; Firearm regulations; Pedicab recap

3:00 pm Budget Workshop, Rom 267

Thursday, March 21

12:00 pm Economic Development Committee, Room CH-14
AGENDA: Energy strategy; Public parking in Mercury NoDa project, Draft FY14 Focus Area Plan

Friday, March 22

8:00 am Elected Officials Breakfast, Charlotte Chamber of Commerce

Saturday, March 23

9:00 am CM Mitchell's Intelligent Leadership Conference, Room 267 & 268

March and April calendars are attached (see "Calendar.pdf")

INFORMATION:

North Davidson Parking Deck Referred to Economic Development Committee

Staff Resource: Brad Richardson, N&BS, 704-336-3857, brichardson@charlottenc.gov

Please see the attached memo from Interim City Manager Julie Burch on her referral to the Economic Development Committee **(see "NoDa Deck.pdf").**

Matching Funds for the Internship Scholarship Program at UNCC's Washington Center

Staff Resource: Tracy Montross, Mayor's Office, 704-336-4332, tmontross@charlottenc.gov

On February 25, the City Council approved a request to designate $30,000 from the FY2013 Council Discretionary Fund to match UNC Charlotte's contribution for 10 UNC Charlotte students to attend the Washington Center's internships program in Washington, D.C., during the 2013-2014 academic school year. UNC Charlotte has now set up the scholarship application process through the University Career Center, a faculty selection committee has been formed, and the recruiting of students has begun. Student applications are due by April 15 and scholarships will be awarded in the beginning of May. Per Council's request, the selection criteria include an assessment of the student's career plans in public service and/or within the Charlotte community. UNCC's **attached** marketing materials **(see "Washington Center.pdf")** note that 50% of the scholarships are sponsored by the Charlotte City Council. A thank you letter to the Charlotte City Council from Betty Doster and UNC Charlotte is also **attached (see "TWC Letter.pdf")**.

Charlotte Makes List of Top 25 US Cities with the Most Energy Star Buildings
Staff Resource: Rob Phocas, City Manager's Officer, 704-336-7558, rphocas@charlottenc.gov

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) ranked Charlotte 14th in the nation in 2012—up from 17th in 2011, among the top 25 Cities with the most Energy Star certified buildings. According to the report, the Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill metro area has 133 Energy Star certified buildings that are saving more than $15 million in annual utility bills. Energy Star certified buildings use an average of 35 percent less energy and are responsible for 35 percent fewer greenhouse gas emissions than typical buildings. Energy Star labeled buildings in Charlotte achieved significant reductions in their energy bills and greenhouse gas emissions.

The Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center (CMGC) is an Energy Star recognized facility. Since 2003, staff has been able to reduce the energy consumption at CMGC via retro-commissioning, lighting upgrades, and other energy projects. In 2012 CMGC's energy efficiency was rated in the top seven percent for buildings of its type.

In addition to its efforts at the CMGC, the City of Charlotte is involved in other efforts to promote energy efficiency. Charlotte is a participant in Envision Charlotte, a first in the world endeavor to reduce the carbon footprint of a city's central business district. This program, a unique public-private partnership between the city, corporate leaders, and Center City building managers, helped Charlotte climb the Energy Star rankings.

To see the full list of top cities, click on the following link: http://energystar.gov/topcities

March 15 State Legislative Update
Staff Resource: Dana Fenton, City Manager's Office, 704-336-2009, dfenton@charlottenc.gov

Attached is the Week 7 Legislative Report **(see "LegReport.pdf")**