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**April 17 – Council Budget Workshop this Friday 1:30-4:00 p.m. in CH-14**

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At the Wednesday, April 8 Budget Workshop, Council voted to add a Budget Workshop on Friday, April 17, 1:30-4:00 p.m. Due to space availability, the meeting will be held in Room CH-14 of the Government Center. Attached is the draft Agenda for this Friday’s Budget Workshop. Materials will be distributed at the meeting.

Also during the April 8 Budget Workshop, Council voted to adjust the start time for the May 11 Budget Public Hearing to 5:30 p.m. (instead of 7:00 p.m.).



Draft Agenda for  
April 17 Budget Work

**April 17 – CMPD Recruit Class Graduation and Division Assignments**

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On Friday, CMPD will graduate its 169<sup>th</sup> recruit class. Council is invited to attend the graduation ceremony this Friday at 10 a.m. at the Police/Fire Training Academy. These new officers have completed six months of training, and will now join the standing police force at the following divisions:

<i>Central Division</i> Rebecca Foard Timothy Illuminati Eric Kelly	<i>Eastway Division</i> Benjamin Hearn	<i>Freedom Division</i> Richard Rodriguez Gregory Diehl
<i>Hickory Grove Division</i> Gillian Capella Alison Nelson James Wolfe	<i>Independence Division</i> Brittony Trowbridge Torry Wells	<i>Metro Division</i> Anthony McGill Corbin Pauling Michael Mosher Gregory Allen
<i>North Division</i> Kevin Havel Filmon Mengis	<i>North Tryon Division</i> Brendan Kennedy Shatira Miller Nakeya Owens	<i>Providence Division</i> Nathan Phillips
<i>South Division</i> Mahroo Grant	<i>Steele Creek Division</i> Morgan Erlenbach David Wermlinger	<i>University City Division</i> Mason Braswell Robert Jenkins
<i>Westover Division</i> Richard Zoerb Michael Benfield		

### **Bojangles Coliseum & Ovens Auditorium Rezoning Update**

*Staff Resource: Todd DeLong, NBS, 704-432-2989, [tdeLONG@charlottenc.gov](mailto:tdeLONG@charlottenc.gov)*

On September 22, 2014, staff submitted a petition to rezone approximately 20 acres at 2700 East Independence Boulevard (Bojangles' Coliseum and Ovens Auditorium). The conditional rezoning petition filed was tied specifically to the GoodSports proposal for redevelopment. Staff and GoodSports began working in December 2013 to create a redevelopment concept that would not only capitalize on the demand for amateur sporting events, but also support the revitalization of Independence Boulevard and East Charlotte.

In February 2015, staff received a letter from GoodSports stating that, while it remained dedicated to this opportunity, it would like to put the proposal on hold. In light of the redevelopment's status, GoodSports' request, and the nature of a conditional rezoning, staff submitted a request to withdraw this rezoning petition. Withdrawing the petition creates flexibility for future redevelopment options on the site.

This withdrawal does not impact current work associated with the recent demolition of the EconoLodge and the subsequent creation of additional surface parking capacity. The new parking lot will support demand generated by the existing facilities, and will help relieve on-site parking pressure as the Checkers begin playing their home games at the Coliseum this fall.

The withdrawal request will be on the City Council Zoning Meeting Agenda for April 20, 2015.

### **Animal Trapping in Sheffield Park**

*Staff Resource: Isaac Hinson, E&PM, 704-336-4495, [ihinson@charlottenc.gov](mailto:ihinson@charlottenc.gov)*

On Tuesday night, WCNC ran a story about dead animals seen by citizens at Sheffield Park, highlighting residents' concerns about beaver trapping in the park's pond and wetland. Residents were also concerned about the safety of placing such traps in a public park. The story showed Isaac Hinson of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services expressing sympathy for the families that saw the dead animals and saying he would investigate how future trapping efforts might be improved.

The trapping project was initiated because the beavers had caused a tree to fall on the park bridge, threatening citizen safety. The animals also plugged a stormwater pipe, causing water levels to rise and jeopardizing the City's investment in restoring the stream and wetland.

Storm Water Services staff prefers to not euthanize wildlife, but it can be a necessity in the urban environment to protect stormwater infrastructure and prevent flooding. State law prevents relocation of beavers, with trapping the only option. The contractor used the most widely accepted method of safe, humane beaver removal. Staff is evaluating the procedures for trapping at public parks to see if they can be improved. Repairs to the pond and wetland will begin soon.

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# FY2016 & FY2017 Budget Workshops

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## **DRAFT AGENDA**

### **City of Charlotte**

**April 17, 2015  
1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Room CH-14**

- I. Budget Committee Report** Council member Phipps  
(1:30 – 1:40 p.m.)
- II. Introduction – Overview** Ron Carlee  
(1:40 – 1:45 p.m.)
- III. Budget Update** Ron Carlee/Kim Eagle  
(1:45 – 3:15 p.m.)
- General Fund
    - Expense Reductions
    - Program & Service Reductions
    - User Fees
  - General Community Investment Plan
    - Pay-As-You-Go
    - Debt Service Capacity
- IV. Aviation Budget Overview** Brent Cagle  
(3:15 – 3:30 p.m.)
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- V. Additional Information**
- Follow up on any clarification needed on Questions & Answers from April 8<sup>th</sup> Budget Workshop Kim Eagle
  - Follow-up on any questions from CATS Budget presentation distributed in April 2<sup>nd</sup> Council packet for April 8<sup>th</sup> Budget Workshop John Muth

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