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The 2016 Air Medical Transport Conference will be held at the Charlotte Convention Center September 26-28, 2016. Ten helicopters will fly in on Saturday, September 24 for display at the conference. Arrivals will occur between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. The aircraft will depart on Wednesday, September 28 at the conclusion of the conference. Departures will occur between 12 p.m. and 4 p.m.

At the time of arrival, a four-hour time period has been allotted for aircraft to land in a parking lot at Caldwell Street and Stonewall Street. After removing the rotors for transport the aircraft will be towed along Stonewall Street to the Convention Center. Federal Aviation Administration regulations require a short term closure of the adjoining streets (Caldwell, Brevard and Stonewall Streets) from all vehicular and pedestrian traffic during the aircrafts' landing and take-off. There will be intermittent closures between arrivals and departures on both Saturday, September 24 and Wednesday, September 28.

Information regarding street closures will be communicated to Uptown businesses and residents through the Street Use Notice (SUN), and by direct contact with affected deck operators.

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In last Friday's Council-Manager Memo, staff notified Council of the release of a report entitled Charlotte-Mecklenburg Strategies for Affordable Housing Development to be released today. The report was created by the UNCC Charlotte Urban Institute in conjunction with the Housing Advisory Board of Charlotte-Mecklenburg

The [Charlotte-Mecklenburg Strategies for Affordable Housing Development report](#) and corresponding [educational toolkit](#) are linked here.

The report is intended to complement the work currently being done by the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and begin community conversations around additional affordable housing development strategies implemented in other communities that may be applied locally to expand the affordable housing supply. The report presents 12 strategies to address the two major challenges to affordable housing development in Charlotte-Mecklenburg: financial feasibility of development and ensuring long-term affordability of units.

The report emphasizes the importance of considering the interrelated factors of housing location, homelessness, racial segregation, educational outcomes and health outcomes as part of the solution. The report also points to the value of affordable housing in a community and how it can promote inclusivity, attract and retain a workforce, improve the well-being of residents and create economic opportunity for all community members.