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## INFORMATION:

### **December 7 – Oath of Office Reception and Ceremony**

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The Oath of Office Ceremony for Mayor and Council members will take place on Monday, December 7 in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center Meeting Chamber at 7:00 pm. Beginning at 5:30 – 6:30 pm, the City will host a pre-ceremony reception in honor of the Mayor-elect, Council-elect and retiring Mayor and Council members in Room CH-14. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided for elected officials and their guests. Elected officials and their guests should plan to arrive as early as possible.

Mayor and Council members are welcome to invite family and special guests to attend this pre-ceremony reception at 5:30 pm. Unfortunately, due to fire code and space limitations in CH-14 and the Meeting Chamber, staff respectfully request that elected officials limit guests to six or less. **Please contact Kim Oliver as soon as possible with the names of guests so that staff may plan accordingly.** Guests will be given priority access to the Meeting Chamber to ensure choice seating. Separately, invitations will be mailed to the City's community partners. If anyone is in need of special accommodations please let the Council Team know immediately. Citizens who attend the ceremony who cannot find seating in the Chamber will be able to view it in the designated overflow rooms on the second floor and in the lobby. The ceremony will also be televised.

Please note:

- **Parking will be at a premium that evening.** Should the parking deck fill up, guests may use the First Baptist Church private parking lot located behind the church on Third Street between the church building and Marshall Park. There will be no charge for parking. The First Baptist Church lot at the corner of Caldwell and Third Street is available with \$7.00 non-refundable charge. Staff strongly encourage guests to arrive early for the best parking.
- Council members who have gold City pins, from previous swearing-in ceremonies, should remember to wear them (staff will make pins available for those who need them).
- The three newly-elected officials (the two Council members-elect and the Mayor-elect) will receive their pins at the reception.
- If elected officials would like to use personal Bibles for the oath of office, please be sure to bring it to the ceremony. (The City Clerk will make Bibles available for those who need them.)
- For the official Council photograph, please avoid wearing clothing with patterns or colors that may clash.

Invitations for guests are included in the packet elected officials are receiving today. A draft of the Oath of Office program will be sent next week. Staff are currently estimating that the program will run from 7:00 – 8:30 pm. Following the ceremony, a public reception will be held from 8:30 – 10:00 pm in the lobby with desserts, punch, and coffee.

For additional questions or concerns, please contact Kim Oliver at 704-336-2180 or [koliver@charlottenc.gov](mailto:koliver@charlottenc.gov).

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**November 9, 2015 – City Council Business Meeting**

**Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Service Calls**

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During the dinner briefing, Council member Smith requested the nature of the service calls to Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department (CMPD) and how they are categorized.

To date, CMPD has responded to over 70,000 emergency/urgent (Priority 1 & Priority 2) calls for service in 2015 as follows:

**2015 YEAR-TO-DATE**

<b>PRIORITY</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Call Count*</b>	<b>Goal</b>
1	Emergency	34611	6 minutes
2	Urgent	39333	10 minutes
3	Immediate	168023	13 minutes
5	Routine	90067	28 minutes

\*Note: Includes 17,000 calls fielded by the Crime Reporting Unit.

For consideration during the next budget cycle, Council has requested from the police chief the number of officers needed. Chief Putney will update the Council by the end of the year regarding these numbers.

**Redeveloped In Rem Properties**

*Staff Resource: Ben Krise, Code Enforcement, 704-336-2485, [bkrise@charlottenc.gov](mailto:bkrise@charlottenc.gov)*

During the dinner briefing, Council member Mayfield requested the number of in rem demolitions over the last three years and how many had been transformed into new developments.

Code Enforcement has reviewed the data related to in rem demolition cases from January 2013 until present. The data shows that two parcels out of approximately 150 have been redeveloped. Some of the factors that may be deterrents to redevelopment are location and lack of concentration/volume. Staff believes that developers are looking to concentrate rather than spread resources in multiple neighborhoods. The parcels that the Code Enforcement division takes action on tend to be in areas where redevelopment is stagnant.

A review of the larger data set, including all Code Enforcement initiated In Rem cases since 2010, shows that there have been 55 locations that have permit activity after cross-referencing Mecklenburg County permit records.