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WEEK IN REVIEW:

Mon (Mar 12)	Tues (Mar 13)	Wed (Mar 14)	Thurs (Mar 15)	Fri (Mar 16)
National League of Cities Congressional Cities Conference Washington D.C.			3:00 pm Economic Development Committee, Room 280	

CALENDAR DETAILS:

Monday, March 12 – Wednesday March 14
National League of Cities Congressional Cities Conference, Washington DC

Thursday, March 15
3:00 pm Economic Development Committee, Room 280
AGENDA: Charlotte Knights stadium update; FY13 ED Focus Area Plan; Small business monthly update; High growth entrepreneur policy; Privatization competition advisory committee report (information only)

March and April calendars are attached (see "2. Calendar.pdf").

INFORMATION:

Storm Debris Collection Update
Staff Resource: Michelle A. Moore, Solid Waste Services, 704-336-5674, mamoore@charlottenc.gov

Solid Waste Services continues to provide debris removal assistance to the areas in East Charlotte that were impacted by the recent storm. As of Thursday, March 8, all areas have been serviced for debris that is curbside. Several crews have remained in the area to collect debris as it is placed curbside by residents. Litter and sweeper crews have cleared debris from the streets and sidewalks so that they remain accessible. Regularly scheduled collection services in other parts of the City have not been impacted. The total amount of storm debris collected includes 4 tons of bulky waste and an estimated 120 tons of yard waste. To provide perspective, the average yard waste tonnage for FY11 for an entire service day (roughly 40,000 service locations) was 142 tons.

Staff anticipates a heavy volume of collection in the coming weeks due to the large amounts of yard waste and bulky items that remain in the backyards of homes. On Friday, staff convened with Engineering &Property Management Landscape Management Division and the Street Maintenance Division of Charlotte Department of Transportation to determine what additional assistance will be needed moving forward.

Next-day cart delivery service is being provided to residents whose rollout carts are missing due to the storm. To date, nine residents have reported missing rollout carts – six missing both garbage and recycling carts; three missing only garbage carts.

2011 Regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant Award
Staff Resource: Jon Hannan, CFD, 704-336-2791, jhannan@charlottenc.gov

The Charlotte Fire Department (CFD) was recently awarded an Assistance to Firefighters Grant

from FEMA. The grant funds will be used to install a new P25 Radio System into Cabarrus County that will serve that county as well as the cities of Concord and Kannapolis. This will become a part of the larger P25 Regional Radio System that CFD has been building over multiple years. CFD has worked hard to leverage multiple grant and local funding sources to build out this vital communications system. The system will allow responders to connect via radio on large events that cross county lines and when providing mutual aid throughout the region. This grant will expedite a much needed communications link for all first responders in the Charlotte Region.

The grant award total is $3,392,890 with an 80% Federal share of $2,714,312 and a 20% local share of $678,578. An agreement has been made that Cabarrus County and the cities will cover the costs of the local share. CFD applied for the grant as the City of Charlotte oversees and manages the regional radio system for the Charlotte Urban Areas Security Initiative area. This award will build out the system into Cabarrus County, but will benefit the City by allowing for greater connectivity during large scale and emergency events. The grant performance period expires March 1, 2013. We expect to take the grant acceptance to Council on March 26, 2012.

ATTACHMENTS:

February 15 Community Safety Committee Summary **(see "3. CS Summary.pdf")**

February 22 Budget Committee Summary **(see "4. Budget Summary.pdf")**