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**WEEK IN REVIEW:**

**Monday, May 22**

12:00 p.m.

Governance & Accountability Committee Mtg., Room 280

Agenda: Annual Audit Update; Council Speaker Referral Follow Up; Review 2017 Governance & Accountability Committee Summer Meeting Schedule

2:00 p.m.

ED Committee Mtg., Room CH-14

Agenda: Applied Innovation Corridor CIP: Camp North End; River District; Overview of Upcoming Agenda Topics

5:00 p.m.

Citizens’ Forum/Council Business Mtg., Room 267

**Tuesday, May 23**

11:00 a.m.

Toby Creek Greenway Phase 2 Opening Celebration

823 Brooke Nicole Place

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

16th Street Streetscape & N. Tryon Street Gateway Public Mtg. (AIC)

Extravaganza Depot - 1610 North Tryon Street

**Wednesday, May 24**

12:00 p.m.

Budget Adjustments/Straw Votes, Room 267

5:30 p.m.

MTC Meeting, Room 267

## **Thursday, May 25**

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Back Creek Church Road Farm-to-Market Public Mtg.  
Back Creek Presbyterian Church - 1821 Back Creek Church Road

### **May and June calendars are attached**



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## **UPDATES:**

### **Neighborhood Matching Grants Recognizes NMG Grantees**

*Staff Resource: Philip Freeman, HNS, 704-336-4594, [philip.freeman@charlottenc.gov](mailto:philip.freeman@charlottenc.gov)*

The Neighborhood Matching Grants Program (NMG) awards funds of up to \$25,000 to eligible neighborhood-based organizations to complete community projects that improve neighborhood quality of life. The program funds a broad range of projects including beautification, signage, festivals, safety improvements, community gardens and recreational features. Neighborhoods hosting community-building events were invited to apply for up to \$850 in additional funding through the Community Connections Incentive Program (CCIP).

CCIP is a Knight Foundation-funded initiative administered by the City of Charlotte. The initiative supports relationship building within and between neighborhoods - providing reimbursement funding for refreshments, equipment rentals, supplies and entertainment for community building festivals and special events occurring from April 1 – December 31, 2017.

Grant applications are accepted three times annually on March 1, June 1 and September 1. Eligibility requirements, application instructions and additional project ideas can be found in the [NMG Program Guidelines](#). 17 neighborhoods were approved during the March 1, 2017 application cycle.



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Approved Neighborhc

### **Neighborhood Board Retreat Saturday July 15 – Council Promotion Requested**

*Staff Resource: Steve Wood, HNS, 704-336-4161, [swood@charlottenc.gov](mailto:swood@charlottenc.gov)*

Housing & Neighborhood Services will offer its 10<sup>th</sup> Neighborhood Board Retreat from 8:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. on Saturday July 15, 2017 at the Overcash Building on CPCC's Central Campus, 1206 Elizabeth Ave. Councilmembers are invited to promote the event and encourage citywide participation.

The retreat is open to all neighborhood and merchant organizations within Charlotte's city limits. Interested organizations must have five or more participants registered by June 11, 2017 to be considered. Promotional cards are included in this week's Council packets.

The Neighborhood Board Retreat:

- Helps neighborhoods and business associations engage in meaningful conversations about improving quality of life in their communities
- Provides attendees with a customized Quality of Life report and professionally-facilitated goal, priority and action planning
- Provides a \$1,500 credit toward a future Neighborhood Matching Grant

Neighborhood and business organizations may apply [online](#) or by calling 704-336-7846 by **June 11, 2017**. For additional assistance or questions, residents may contact Steve Wood at [swood@charlottenc.gov](mailto:swood@charlottenc.gov) or 704-336-4161.

### **Community Building Initiative's Connecting People & Places**

*Staff Resource: Tom Warshauer, HNS, 704-336-4522, [twarshauer@charlottenc.gov](mailto:twarshauer@charlottenc.gov)*

In April 2017, Community Building Initiative launched *Connecting People & Places*, a neighborhood leadership engagement pilot project underwritten by the Knight Foundation. Designed to increase the capacity of Charlotte residents to work for inclusion and equity within and between their neighborhoods, the project explores some of the issues and forces highlighted by City Council's Community Letter. The Housing & Neighborhood Services Department provided marketing support for this initiative.

The project involves a diverse group of 21 people representing the Belmont, Chantilly, Dilworth, Elizabeth, Enderly Park, Five Points, Plaza Midwood and Washington Heights neighborhoods. The group met three times and is scheduled to meet again in May, June and August. Council will be invited to the final August event.

### **2017 State Legislative Report #14**

*Staff Resource: Dana Fenton, City Manager's Office, 704-336-2009, [dfenton@charlottenc.gov](mailto:dfenton@charlottenc.gov)*



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# May

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>12:00pm</b> Environment Committee Mtg., Room 280</p> <p><b>4:30pm</b> Dinner before Budget Presentation, Room 280</p> <p><b>5:00pm</b> Council Workshop/Budget Presentation, Room 267</p>	<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p><b>12:00pm</b> Community Safety Committee Mtg., Room 280</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>9:00am</b> District 3 Town Hall Mtg., CPCC Harper Campus – 315 W. Hebron St.</p>
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p><b>2:00pm</b> Transportation &amp; Planning Committee Mtg., Room 280</p> <p><b>5:00pm</b> Council Business Mtg., Room 267</p> <p><b>5:30pm</b> Budget Public Hearing, Council Chamber</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p><b>1:00pm</b> Budget Adjustments, Room 267</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p><b>12:00pm</b> ED Committee Mtg., Room CH-14</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b></p>
<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p><b>12:00pm</b> Council Zoning Briefing (optional), Room 886</p> <p><b>1:00pm</b> Intergovernmental Relations Committee Mtg., Room 280</p> <p><b>5:00pm</b> Zoning Mtg., Room CH-14</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p><b>6:00pm – 8:00pm</b> Crowns of Enterprise, Harvey B. Gantt Center, 551 S. Tryon St.</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p><b>12:00pm</b> Community Safety Committee Mtg., Room 280</p> <p><b>6:00pm – 8:00 pm</b> Eastway Drive Streetscape/ Pedestrian Improvement Study Public Mtg., Garinger HS Atrium - 1100 Eastway Drive</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p>
<p><b>21</b></p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p><b>12:00pm</b> Governance &amp; Accountability Committee Mtg., Room 280</p> <p><b>2:00pm</b> ED Committee Mtg., Room CH-14</p> <p><b>5:00pm</b> Citizens' Forum/Council Business Mtg., Room 267</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p><b>11:00am</b> Toby Creek Greenway Phase 2 Opening Celebration, 823 Brooke Nicole Place</p> <p><b>6:00pm – 8:00pm</b> 16th Street Streetscape &amp; N. Tryon Street Gateway Public Mtg. (AIC), Extravaganza Depot 1610 North Tryon Street</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p><b>12:00pm</b> Budget Adjustments/Straw Votes, Room 267</p> <p><b>5:30pm</b> MTC Meeting, Room 267</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p><b>6:00pm – 8:00pm</b> Back Creek Church Road Farm-to- Market Public Mtg., Back Creek Presbyterian Church - 1821 Back Creek Church Road</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p>
<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p><b>Memorial Day</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p><b>6:00 – 8:00pm</b> CM Eiselt Town Hall Mtg., UNCC Center City – 320 E. 9th St.</p>	<p><b>31</b></p>			
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# June

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				<b>1</b> <b>12:00pm</b> Community Safety Committee Mtg., Room 280  <b>5:00 – 7:00pm</b> Central/Kilborne/Norland Pedestrian Improvements Public Mtg., Calvary Christian Church 3001 Kilborne Drive	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>12:00pm</b> Environment Committee Mtg., Room 280  <b>5:00pm</b> Council Workshop/Citizens' Forum, Room 267	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>12:00pm</b> ED Committee Mtg., Room CH-14	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>2:00pm</b> Transportation & Planning Committee Mtg., Room 280  <b>5:00pm</b> Council Business Mtg./Budget Adoption, Room 267	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>12:00pm</b> HAND Committee Mtg., Room 280	<b>15</b> <b>12:00pm</b> Community Safety Committee Mtg., Room 280	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
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<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>12:00pm</b> Governance & Accountability Committee Mtg., Room 280  <b>5:00pm</b> Citizens' Forum/Council Business Mtg., Room 267	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <b>12:00pm</b> HAND Committee Mtg., Room 280  <b>5:30pm</b> MTC Meeting, Room 267	<b>29</b> <b>6:00 pm – 7:30 pm</b> Council member Fallon Town Hall Mtg., University City Library - 300 East W.T. Harris Blvd.	<b>30</b>	

US Conference of Mayors Annual Meeting  
Miami Beach, FL

# 2017

**Neighborhood Matching Grants Program Approved Neighborhoods**

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
<b>Abbotts Glen Townhomes*</b>	Flowers and plants to landscape neighborhood entrance and to host community workshops	\$3,289.81†
<b>Apple Tree Village Association</b>	Repair, seal and restripe two community streets and community parking area	\$7,620.00
<b>Bridlewood Community Association</b>	Community branding project to include 17 sign toppers and to support a National Night Out event	\$4,671.20†
<b>Brightwalk HOA*</b>	Place-making project to include historical/way-finding signs and to support a National Night Out event	\$10,567.90†
<b>Browne's Ferry HOA*</b>	Litter remediation project to install three trash receptacles and a dog waste station in park and to support a National Night Out event	\$2,188.00†
<b>Clanton Park Association</b>	Back to School/Meet & Greet Your Neighbor event to include representatives from local public schools	\$2,799.64†
<b>Devonshire HOA*</b>	Repair two leaking community mail stations and landscape common areas	\$25,000.00
<b>Forest Pawtucket Strong*</b>	Organizational development project to help plan future direction and host a neighborhood party	\$5,712.87†
<b>Grier's Grove HOA</b>	National Night Out event and back-to-school supplies for neighborhood children	\$3,404.55†
<b>Historic Camp Green Neighborhood Association*</b>	Camp Greene Centennial Celebration to take place over two days in July	\$5,827.49†
<b>McDowell Farms Neighborhood Association</b>	Beautification project to trim trees at two entrances and landscape both entrance islands	\$1,342.86
<b>Nevin Creek HOA</b>	Safety project to include installation of 4 security cameras and/or resurfacing and resealing community streets and parking areas and to support a Hope Restored community clean-up event	\$11,825.81†
<b>Rolling Oaks I*</b>	National Night Out event in partnership with Clearbrook	\$864.64†
<b>Villa Heights Community Organization</b>	Improvements to Cordelia Park Greenway including three benches, a bike rack and a trash receptacle and to host a community	\$8,475.00†

	spring festival	
<b>West Boulevard Neighborhood Coalition</b>	Landscaping for community garden to include installation of boulder walls, walkways, and 25 trees and to support a National Night Out event	\$25,850.00†
<b>Wilmore Neighborhood Association*</b>	Community branding project to include one monument sign and 10 branded street signs	\$10,000.00
<b>Winterfield Neighborhood Association</b>	Beautification and litter project to include landscaping of main entrance, two clean-up days and a new sign for the community garden and to support a National Night Out event in partnership with Windsor Park Neighborhood Association and the Latin American Coalition	\$5,061.47†

*\*Denotes community is a first time NMG program participant*

*† Denotes request included CCIP funding*



**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE  
M E M O R A N D U M**

May 18, 2017

**TO:** Marcus Jones, City Manager  
Randy Harrington, Chief Financial Officer

**FROM:** Dana Fenton, Intergovernmental Relations Manager

**SUBJECT:** **Week 14 State Legislative Report**

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**What You Need to Know**

The House began its work on the **Appropriations Act of 2017** ([SB 257 – Brown](#)) that was passed by the Senate last week. House leaders held numerous small group discussions regarding budget issues with House legislators. Next week the various subcommittees of the House Appropriations Committee will meet to review the Senate's budget recommendations. Reportedly the House is planning on releasing its budget proposal on Tuesday, May 30 and passing it by the end of that week. House and Senate leadership plan on advancing a final budget bill to the Governor sometime in mid- to late-June.

Committee action is expected later today on **Wireless Communication Siting** ([HB 310 – Saine](#)) that mandates the processes that local governments must follow when regulating wireless communications infrastructure (sometimes referred to as DAS or small cell technology) in city owned rights-of-ways. Working through the NC League of Municipalities, the City provided recommended amendments to the bill.

Committee action is expected next week on **Revisions to Outdoor Advertising Laws** ([HB 581 – Lewis](#)) in the House Finance Committee. Reportedly, HB 581 will merge the contents of the introduced versions of HB 579, HB 580 and HB 581 into a proposed committee substitute of HB 581. HB 579 addresses just compensation in the condemnation of outdoor advertising, HB 580 preempts local authority when it comes to the relocation of outdoor advertising, and HB 581 preempts local authority governing the transition of static signs to changeable message signs.



## **Status of the State Legislative Agenda**

**Police Recordings:** The House passed **Changes to Current Body-Worn Camera Law ([HB 797 – Faircloth](#))** that amends last session’s police recordings law (HB 972) but without new language to add members of city councils to the list of officials to whom the custodial law enforcement agency may disclose the recordings. The outlook for the language that was removed by the House being added back to the bill appears remote at this time. In Senate Rules Committee.

**Strategic Transportation Investments:** The House passed **DOT/DMV Changes – Megaproject Funding ([HB 110 – Torbett](#))** that creates a new program to fund larger-scale and higher-cost transportation projects of over \$200 million. The new program does not have an identifiable source of revenue, except for appropriations or transfers made by the General Assembly. Instead of the General Assembly establishing criteria for selecting projects, HB 110 would establish a workgroup to develop the selection criteria. In 2013 when the Strategic Transportation Investments program legislation was enacted, the General Assembly specified quantitative criteria in the underlying legislation (HB 817 – Brawley) for selecting projects. In Senate Rules Committee.

**Sales Tax Redistribution:** The Senate passed **Change the Local Option Sales Tax Adjustment Factors ([SB 126 – Brown](#))** that changes the adjustment factors applied to the half-cent local Article 40 sales tax levy with factors based on the county's economic tier designation. Tier 1 counties, which are the most economically distressed counties in the State, would be assigned a factor of 1.10. Tier 2 counties would receive no adjustments and Tier 3 counties would be assigned a factor of 0.90. The Mecklenburg County factor would increase from the current 0.89 to that of Tier 3 counties, 0.90. According to new estimates prepared by the non-partisan General Assembly Fiscal Research Division on May 3, approximately \$2.3 million more in sales tax revenue would accrue to the City of Charlotte in the first full year of implementation. In House Rules Committee.

**Sales Tax Redistribution:** The Senate passed **Economic Development Incentives Modifications ([SB 660 – Brown](#))** that makes changes in how Job Development Investment Grant and One NC funds are distributed to projects in Tier 3 counties like Wake and Mecklenburg. SB 660 is similar to legislation filed in the 2015 long session in that it put projects in Tier 3 counties at a competitive disadvantage when competing for State economic development funds. In House Rules Committee.

**Charlotte Firefighters Retirement System ([HB 58 – Dulin](#))** is local legislation requested by the City of Charlotte that enables the Charlotte Firefighters’ Retirement System to comply with the Voluntary Correction Program entered into with the Internal Revenue Service to tweak the method for computing a firefighter’s final average salary. The bill has no fiscal impact upon the System. HB 58 passed the House and resides in the Senate Rules Committee.