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WEEK IN REVIEW:

No updates

The Council October-November calendar **is attached below.**



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DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Oct. 23 Business Meeting Follow-Up Report Items

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Constituent Services has created a report detailing follow-up information based on comments and questions received from elected officials at the Oct. 23 council business meeting. The follow-up report is attached below.



23--October
(Business Meeting).px

October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1	2 4:00pm Council Workshop/Citizens' Forum, Room 267	3	4	5 12:00pm Community Safety Committee Mtg., Room 280	6	7
8	9 2:00pm Transportation & Planning Committee Mtg., Room 280 5:00pm Council Business Mtg., Room 267	10 2:00pm Budget Committee Mtg., Room 280	11 10:30am CMPD Use of Force Event, CMPD Training Academy – 1770 Shopton Rd. 12:00pm HAND Committee Mtg., Room 280	12 12:00pm ED Committee Mtg., Room CH-14	13	14
15	16 12:00pm Council Zoning Briefing (optional), Room 886 5:00pm Zoning Mtg., Room CH-14	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 12:00pm Governance & Accountability Committee Mtg., Room 280 3:00pm Environment Committee Mtg., Room 280 5:00pm Citizens' Forum/Council Business Mtg., Room 267	24	25 5:30pm MTC Meeting, Room 267	26 12:00pm ED Committee Mtg., Room CH-14	27	28
29	30	31				

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November

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NLC City Summit Charlotte, NC						
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Thanksgiving Holiday						
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Follow Up Items
City Council Dinner Briefing and Council Business Meeting
Monday, October 23, 2017

Agenda Item Number	Agenda Item Title	Mayor and Council Questions	Agenda Coordinator/ Staff Resource	Department Response
4	Boards and Commissions Membership Eligibility Criteria	Requested a nomination/assessment committee and/or process to evaluate applications received for the purpose of establishing a short list of qualified candidates	Stephanie Kelly/Emily Kunze	This process is currently in place for the Citizens' Review Board. For remaining boards, this will be addressed following the election.
5	Unified Development Ordinance & Place Type Policy	Requested exact dates on next steps for this project	Ed McKinney/Sandra Stewart	Staff will follow-up with Council at a future Transportation & Planning (TAP) Committee meeting and/or Council Dinner Briefing to discuss project schedule, milestones and next steps.
5	Unified Development Ordinance & Place Type Policy	Hold a Transportation & Planning Committee meeting inviting Mayor and Council to address the UDO	Ed McKinney/Sandra Stewart	Staff will coordinate with the TAP committee agenda to schedule a follow up discussion on the UDO and invite Mayor and Council.
5	Unified Development Ordinance & Place Type Policy	For the good of explaining this to the general public, please outline the order that the regulations and ordinances will be implemented. We need to be able to explain what the UDO accomplishes and how it will be implemented.	Ed McKinney/Sandra Stewart	Staff will follow-up with Council at a future TAP Committee meeting and/or Council Dinner Briefing to discuss the purpose and implementation of the UDO.

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7	Public Forum –Brenda Stevenson	Donation of a bus for After School Outreach Reading Program	Phil Reiger/Randy Harrington/Chris Trull/Jennifer Holland	<i>Response will be provided in the Nov. 2 Council-Manager Memo</i>
7	Public Forum –Maarten Pennink	<p>Appearance of Express Buses on Providence Road, need to make public transportation more attractive to encourage/promote use (note: see attached proposal below).</p>  <p>Maarten Pennink Distribution 102317.p</p>	Lavernia Boyd/David McDonald	CATS and CDOT will coordinate a response to this resident. The resident has proposed a peak period reversible lane bus operation for Providence Road. This request raises both roadway and intersection operations, safety and bus operations, and safety issues. The City's response will address factors to be considered in evaluating the feasibility of this proposal.
12	Mayor & Council Topics	Strategic plans need to be developed to address 7th Street business disruptions during LYNX Gold Line construction. Referral to address this issue with the Economic Development (ED) Committee	Lavernia Boyd/David McDonald	The CATS/E&PM team working on the LYNX Gold Line Phase 2 project will develop a presentation for the ED Committee outlining construction mitigation and business outreach efforts on the project. Our understanding is this Committee meeting might not be scheduled until early 2018.

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15	Granite Pointe Apartments Bond Issuance Approval	Provide a listing of all affordable housing units in Charlotte by City Council District	Pamela Wideman/ Zelleka Biermann/Keith Richardson	<i>Response will be provided in the Nov. 11 Council-Manager Memo</i>

Speaker #5

October 2017
Congestion and a way around it.

Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council:

In order to bring home the need for decreased air pollution and congestion and to encourage the increased use of Public Transportation and alternate ways of transportation (bikes, etc.) the undersigned propose the consideration of:

Express buses truly becoming Express buses!

IMAGINE: The stretch of Road

Providence Rd (at Wendover Rd) - Union County line (Weddington)

from 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm weekdays with the following traffic pattern:

A. One lane traffic into town;

B. Three lane traffic out-of-town as follows:

The two "standard" lanes out (as usual!!) and the third lane (taken from the in-bound traffic) strictly for Express bus traffic from 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm!

Needed: Installation of Red-illuminated "X"-signs from Prov, Rd. to Union county line along the third outward bound bus lane.

Example: 7th street from Hawthorn outward bound.

Initially: Express buses leaving the downtown bus terminal every 15 (fifteen) minutes. The buses only become Express vehicles at Prov. Rd and Wendover Rd. (where the last pick-up stop will be). From this key point only drop-off stops are made.

Obstacles:

Turn-offs for the opposite traffic are being accommodated by special median "Left-Turn"-lanes, so as to minimize interference with in-bound turning traffic;

The last Express leaving the bus-terminal passing under each Red "X" will have an electronic device which automatically turns off each one, which then gradually "normalizes" the incoming lanes.

Remember your quote in the Transportation report:
"Ultimately, ITS can improve traffic management and allow our transportation system to operate more efficiently within existing roadways, and minimize the need for road widening in some cases."

You HAVE to start thinking "Public Transportation for ALL". Yes, you'll get objections. That happens with all (good) ideas - under the heading:

DON'T take my freedom away, even if it takes hours being stuck in the one-person occupied car and away from the precious family.

Positive: The Express buses will make individual drivers drool and then switch to use Public Transportation.
People will praise you for break-through thinking at re-election time.
Minimal investment, maximum effect!

Sincerely,
The Tuesday Morning Thinkers

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