

ACTION REVIEW

The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina convened a Business Meeting on Monday, September 10, 2018 at 5:07 p.m. in Room 267 of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center with Mayor Vi Lyles presiding. Councilmembers present were Dimple Ajmera, Tariq Bokhari, Ed Driggs, Larken Egleston, LaWana Mayfield, Matt Newton, and Greg Phipps.

ABSENT UNTIL NOTED: Councilmembers Julie Eiselt, Justin Harlow, James Mitchell and Braxton Winston, II.

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ITEM NO. 1: MAYOR AND COUNCIL CONSENT ITEM QUESTIONS

Mayor Lyles asked if there were any questions regarding the Consent Items also are there any items that you would like to comment before we have our Consent vote.

Councilmember Phipps said Item 50 for comment.

Councilmembers Eiselt, Harlow, and Winston arrived at 5:08 p.m.

Mayor Lyles said at the end of this session the HR Director is going to provide a review of a proposed process and a preliminary timeline for the recruitment process for the City Attorney. I would like to actually have Council adopt it, but I know I know that you are just getting a look at it. It is pretty routine in the way that we do things, but if you've not done it before you may not consider it routine. So, we will have the Human Resources Director walk through that with us, and depending on your level of comfort we will proceed to the next steps. I would also like to ask if it would be okay; while we had the City Attorney's announcement of retirement, we have yet to perform his evaluation. I would like to ask if 4:30 p.m. on September 24, 2018 would be suitable for the Councilmembers, so we will come back to that if you will take a look at it and at the end of the session we will confirm if you can do September 24, 2018, a half hour before the Action Review Meeting would take place, and we will have the City Attorney's evaluation.

I also wanted to make a note at our Public Forum we have people coming to speak on the Lake Arbor Apartments. They did not speak at the prior meeting that we had on the Lake Arbor Apartments, and before those speakers, we are going to ask Pam Wideman to give Council an update on those issues.

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HURRICANE FORECAST AND PREPAREDNESS REPORT

Mayor Lyles said most of us are very much aware of the issue of the weather right now and we are going to have our Fire Chief to give us a briefing on the weather and the possibilities that we hope not to see.

Chief Reginald Johnson, Fire said I just want to bring you up to date on the weather update that we received around 11:00 a.m. We will not see the effects of Hurricane Florence until late Thursday or early Friday. Some of the warnings we may receive from tropical storm winds and/or flooding, we won't see those until late Tuesday or early Wednesday. As you know, it is difficult to predict weather four and five days ahead of time; typically, it is 24 to 48 hours ahead, so there is still some question as to what effects we will receive. We've heard anywhere from two to four inches to nine to 16 inches, depending on the track of the storm. If it goes a little bit more westward, we are looking at 20 inches of rain. We are not at the point yet where we can make that decision as to where the storm is actually tracking. We are preparing for the worse obviously.

Some things that we've done as far as Emergency Management is concerned, the Joint Information Center has been activated and has engaged, so we will have one message coming from the City at all times. The Emergency Operations Center will be up and running tomorrow and Wednesday from 8:00 to 6:00 with a skeleton crew that will be basically monitoring the weather and starting and planning and preparation for that. We will make a determination more likely on Thursday to maybe have that up and running 24 hours a day. Some of the concerns with this storm are that once it makes landfall it is going to stall, and if it stalls we are going to see a substantial amount of rain. Some of the other concerns are it is already going to be raining this week before the storm comes, and if we get any type of winds we could start to have some issues with trees down, more flooding and things of that nature, so we are preparing for that. We should be getting another update at 5:00 p.m., which they are probably updating it right now.

Mayor Lyles said after you get the 5:00 report during the Manager's Report you will come back and talk a little bit more about this.

Councilmember Newton said for folks that are in need, maybe homeless are we making any accommodations to help anybody in that situation?

Chief Johnson said right now we are in the process of evaluating our inventory and resources as far as sheltering is concerned, but more importantly we are starting to get together with the Joint Information Center to get the message out. We know that everybody doesn't do social media, doesn't have the internet and things of that nature so we are approaching our communication a little differently, so that is being handled by the JIC. As I said, it is hard to predict the storm at this point in time, so we haven't made the determination as to whether we need those resources at this point.

Mayor Lyles said we will hear from you again in a few minutes, and that will allow you anything that we need to say to the public on television. North Carolina State is cancelling classes now, so people are going to be prepared, and I think that is the best that we can say.

Councilmember Mitchell arrived at 5:14 p.m.

Marcus Jones, City Manager said one thing that I would like to add is that we are approaching this storm in a very proactive manner. In other words, we are assuming that not everyone has the same technology that other individuals have, so we've begun to deploy both Pam Wideman and Federico Rios, as well as Willie, to see what we can do on the front end as well as our neighborhood associations in terms of getting information out, so we will be very much collaborative on that. One thing that I would like to give you before I turn it over to Ty and the Chief is that we have a draft of a crisis communication strategy and that should be handed out to you this evening. It is really a collaboration of what occurred earlier this year with our Crisis Communication Tabletop Exercise. It is kind of interesting; we had an emergency preparedness exercise this morning that had been planned two months ago and little did we know that Florence would be here. We've been on constant communication with the Red Cross, as well as representatives from the County. So, with that said, having the Crisis Communication Strategy, which we will brief the Council with at a brown bag lunch provides some criteria around how we address our crisis as they come up.

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ITEM NO. 2: AGENDA OVERVIEW

Marcus Jones, City Manager said we have one follow-up, which Taiwo will come up and speak again about Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan Follow-up. I believe Councilmember Mayfield had some additional questions the last time we were together, and Taiwo will talk about the progress that we have up to this point. Then I'm excited to have Chief Putney come in and talk about Celebrating Community Safety, so there are a number of folks in the room that you may not recognize, and I'm sure you will recognize them after the Action Briefing tonight. Unless there are any questions from Council, I would like to turn it over to Taiwo.

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ITEM NO. 3: CHARLOTTE FUTURE 2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOLLOW-UP

Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Planning Director said it is an honor for me to update you on where we are with our Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan. The last time I came, I talked about what we were going to do next in terms of getting our self-help primarily to help us move the clock forward. The goal is to have a plan that will incorporate and also update existing plans. When I say this, I want to be very careful that we are not linking every plan in Charlotte, but the relevant ones that have direct implication on land use, so that is very important, and this is not just City plans but also will have impact on all the non-City plans such as County, Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools, Park and Recs., as well as the Library. We hired a Consultant, MIG to help shepherd us through this process, and they actually worked on these two plans that you might be finding are weak; the Center City 2020 Plan, as well as the North Tryon Vision Plan. I know some weeks ago Councilmembers sent me information about downtown Greensboro and Winston Salem, and I wanted to know who worked on that plan. The Consultant actually did the work for Greensboro and they will be doing the work for Winston Salem, but they recently completed the Comprehensive Plan for San Antonio and as recently as last month actually finished the work for Denver, Colorado as well. In terms of looking for the right Consultant or at least advice or partner to help us move our Comprehensive Plan forward, MIG is the right team. We had about seven different proposals four teams were interviewed and the interview planning was made up of not just Planning staff but also other staff from different departments. We also involved our County colleagues as well. So it was really very departmental and [inaudible] agency, so to speak, so we believe that we have not just the right firm but also the right team as well that has about 18 percent minority participation on all these four firms are local to Charlotte, so they will be really partnering with MIG to help us develop this.

It is a 24-month schedule to get us to a draft Comprehensive Plan that we will present to you, but you will see that we've got three different phases, and we are going to be sitting down with this team next week to actually develop a very robust schedule as to how we are going to involve Council, Planning Commission and then organize Advisory community as well as we go through that 24-month period. The next steps after tonight obviously are to have the final contract and within refine a scope of work. We've had a couple of public meetings involving community engagement through an equitable lens and the last one we had was last Friday. I think we had almost 100 people to show up so the idea is to define that scope of work to reflect what the community really wants to see during the 24-month engagement process. I will continue to engage Council and the County Commission. I can't tell you right now when we will come back to you, but on the 18th when the Consultant is in town, we are going to develop a very refined schedule which we will bring back at some point so that you know exactly when those meetings will be held in the future.

Councilmember Driggs said Taiwo I talked you a little earlier, and I just want to reiterate a concern I have in this whole process is that we not have a situation where Council is getting briefing or is invited to vote up or down on proposals, so I hope there will be workshops and other occasions where we are involved while the situation is still fluid and we participate in choices and priorities and don't feel that we are trying to catch up or hearing things we didn't know about. You explained to me that that is your intention so just wanted to make note of the fact that I will be looking for that, and I appreciate the work you are doing and look forward to working with you on it.

Councilmember Eiselt said I know Councilmember Egleston came Friday night as well, and I just wanted to say that was really an amazing demonstration. It was a map probably the size of this floor space on the floor of Mecklenburg County with interactive tools to be able to look to see each area where the growth has been, where it is going, and I would love to see that move over to the Government Center and have people be able to interact as much as possible. Thanks for that; it was great to see the interaction with the University and their students and professors as well.

Mayor Lyles said as Mr. Driggs said, that means that we have to come prepared on the first Monday of every month to be engaged, and so we've got a lot of accountability for making sure that we can't just turn around and say well we didn't have the chance, because every first Monday ought to be a chance on this one when it comes back through TAP as well as working; that is the time to really pull out what are the questions. What are the things this is leading to so that we can do it in a way that we have no surprises? I think that is really important.

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ITEM NO. 4: CELEBRATING COMMUNITY SAFETY

Chief Kerr Putney, Police said I have a PowerPoint presentation that I'm going to struggle through, because I don't have my help with me today. I just want to update you briefly; I'm just going to intro this and then I'm going to get out of the way and show you what progress we are making around Safety, Trust, and Accountability. It is, I think, one of the most important of the six pillars of the 21st Century Policing that people keep saying, Chief, now that we have another administration, are we going to transition away from it? My answer is still no. not as long as I am the Chief, because they are fundamental to what we need to do better as a profession. So, I will struggle this quick highlight reel that you've already seen.

Community Engagement, what we do. We are fast becoming one of the models of how we connect with people, especially people different than us. Safety, Trust and Accountability is the pillar I spoke of and it is the framework under which engagement falls. I'm then going to tell you how we are going to move forward, and lastly I'm going to wild you with special guests who will talk about that experience; what Community Engagement feels like from a community perspective. I told you I'm done talking to adults, present company excluded. I'm dealing with young people.

Here we are so far and this is this year, we've led about 60 programs. We don't need any more programs; we just need more people to engage with us, more than 2,200 meeting or activities and participated, engaged with over 175,000 members of our community so far. This is how we've done it. Yes, Councilmember Mitchell, My Brother's Keeper is up there sir. I just thought I would say that to Councilmember Winston as well. I listen even when I don't look like it. Bigs In Blue is another one. A lot of these have come from community or our people initiated and we are proud of that. Obviously [inaudible] stables; PAL 325 youth served. Envision Academy, you are going to be impressed by one of our lead speakers or presenters tonight. She told me she doesn't get nervous Chief; she is like a professional. Yeah I'm calling you out. She is an amazing, young lady who graduated. We have 45 who completed the summer program.

Mayor Lyles said has she signed up for the Academy yet?

Chief Putney said no ma'am, she has turned me down, but I don't take no for an answer. I'm still working on her. We basically doubled the number of people we are serving in this program right now. This was started by a crazy idea that I talked to Lieutenant Evans about that he has made happen. It is privately funded, Bank of American and Hugh McColl. Turning Point Academy started on a shoestring budget; Officer Reggie Richardson did this from nothing. This is his vision, so let's give him a hand. You are aware of Turning Point, but what you are not aware of is some of the fantastic work going on with people that others try to label too quickly. Reggie is changing that whole perspective, and he has a guest speaker, and his mom is here, to talk about the impact; when you just care a little bit how far that can go.

Looking Forward – This is what I'm going to ask of you all. Shooting for October sometime; we want to continue to give updates around public safety on a broader sense. We are committing; CMPD and CFD is, and we have Medic and I would imagine you will see the Sheriff and if I get my way the District Attorney's Office up here too.

Our system is bigger than the Police, and we want to show you how big and broad that is and have you hold us accountable equally.

Quarterly Press Briefing – this is a response from the Community Letter. A prior Council made that, and you guys still have some of the same commitments. I want with the partners here, Willie Ratchford and Pam Wideman. We are going to talk about those updates. That commitment continues and we want to try to do that quarterly. That is under the leadership and guidance Assistant City Manager Debra Campbell. This is the bread and butter, the small intimate conversations and engagements we do all over the City. This is one done right in front of a Police car in the neighborhood. That is what community engagement looks like.

Now I want you to hear from the experts who have experienced it in this order: Envision Academy, Turning Point Academy and then Kops and Kids Learning Spanish. Marty, you and Steve stand up please. These two guys, don't they look Latino? Not so much but because of the work they are doing in the Latino Community- They are doing two churches now where they are having kids teach them Spanish. Look at them; it is not easy to do, but I'm proud of them. They have some guest speakers as well. At this point I will shut and get out of your way and let our experts do their work.

Nyami Aghedo said I go to Phillip O' Berry High School. I am a Junior and during my time in the Envision Program I got to see a really balanced view of Charlotte. I got to see all the up sides of Charlotte like all the opportunities that we have and all the things going for its youth and ways that you can engage, but I also got to see ways that we can help improve our community and ways how each of us as individuals, even as youth, we can bring our talents forward and help to improve Charlotte. I also want to talk about how we got to experience many different job opportunities, especially being in high school a lot of kids don't know what they want to do, and you don't want to go off to college and like get a degree and not know what to do with it or realize that you hate everything that you can do with it, so it was really a great opportunity to go all around Charlotte and go into Atrium Health and see what surgeons do and what the nurses do and then go into different news stations around Charlotte and see where you can use your communication skills. There are a lot of different skills that you have, and you can bring them forth to the table. I've been in the Envision Program for two years, and in the first year I was a scholar, and in the second year I rose up to an Ambassador, and I believe if you have high expectations usually people will rise up to them, so as I went throughout the years the expectations for me rose, and in turn I got out of my shell, and I started doing a lot of new things. I took a lot away from this program. I got a lot of different opportunities and knowledge and experiences, and while I did get a lot of experiences of jobs around Charlotte, I also got to make a lot of connections with the people in it, like during long days or team building days we would be playing musical chairs, and we would be getting cards out during lunch and just really enjoying our time together. It wasn't always just work, and this really tied into the officers, because while we were there the officers were also building bonds with us and everybody was talking to them, and we were all having a community and it was a place where you wanted to go every day. It wasn't just a place where it was non-stop learning and traveling all day. I would really recommend this program because it exposed me to lots of different places in Charlotte that I didn't know about and it showed me all the opportunities that you can have if you just go out and find it.

Cameron Guyton said I'm here with the C Program [CMPD's Citizen Accountability, Rights and Education (CARE)], also Turning Point. So you might think Turning Point is a school of bad kids. It is really not like that, so for the officers to come in and help us it is like oh, they are really on our side, not against us as we see on the news when it looks like they are against us, but they are actually with us, but we are pushing away. During my time with the C Program it actually taught me how to introduce myself and be talkative with other boys instead of just look at them and look crazy and be against everybody. It taught me to be like we are actually brothers, like they call me every day and like Cameron what are you doing? If I can't count on anybody I know I can always count on Reggie. I can call Reggie anytime, and he picks up the phone so that gave me inspiration to do the other for other people like it gave me the boost of courage to help

other people instead of hindering them. Thank you for every opportunity that you gave me.

Officer Steven Branan, Police said buenas tardes, ¿cómo están? The Chief had a vision back in March of 2016 and started a program called Kops & Kids Learn Spanish, and it was based around Officers getting with the Latino Youth of Charlotte at Hickory Grove Baptist Church and having conversation in Spanish. Maybe not learning a ton, but learning phases how to welcome people, greetings, just to break that barrier down so the communication could be bridged. Well, we actually have one of our ladies, Kayla Bravo; she started the program back in March of 2016 and has been with us ever since. Jackie Salgado has been with us since the second program, and we just started number six this past Thursday night. It started with 12 original kids from the church, and last Thursday night we had 132 people, and what we decided to do with Program #2 was not just invite the kids, but if we could reach out to the families and to the siblings of these youth, we could get more of the families to come and join us and that is what has happened. We have a slogan for our program; it is Communication through Translation and Breaking down Barriers and Building Trust.

Kayla Bravo said I am a student at CPCC; this is my second year, and I just have to say that Cops and Kids is an amazing program. Seeing how much it has grown, Marty was my first student and he still is, and seeing how much he has progressed in his Spanish really makes me feel special and being able to have a relationship with Marty and the other officers. We've always had a stereotype as a Hispanic community that we were always afraid of Officers and seeing how much Hickory Grove Baptist Church has been able to have a relationship with the Officers and seeing the trust and just how much we can love each other and just be able to communicate and see each other as human beings and not as an enemy but as a friend. I have to say that Cops and Kids has really been a blessing to my life, and having these two Officers by my side tonight is really a blessing, and being able to speak about it is amazing.

Officer Branan said Jackie Salgado started our #2 Program with us and actually became a member of the Police Explorer's Program.

Jackie Salgado said I'm happy that I've met these two amazing Officers, but I think Kops and Kids Learn Spanish is just an amazing Program. My family; they didn't really didn't trust cops until that Program, and they began learning English, because they don't know English that well and then we teach them Spanish, and because of this program they actually introduced me to the Explore Program, and it is an amazing Program. I recommend teenagers to join that program, because Officer Batson is an amazing person, and he teaches us scenarios and everything, and we do this Christmas Project every December, and it is amazing. Looking at kids in needs, like we give them gifts and it is so wonderful bringing joy to them, and I want to thank them so much.

Officer Marty Baucom, Police said I'm not going to bore you with my Spanish skills right now. This was a life changing experience for me, and this program taught me a lot about myself as a person. It helped me get involved with the Spanish Community that I knew nothing about and helped me learn that we are not different. We are all the same. The Spanish culture is an amazing culture, and I learned a lot about it, and in turn they got to know a little bit about us as individuals and not just as officers but as fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, and the bond is amazing. It changed my life is all I can say.

Chief Putney said if you have any questions here is the last thing I will tell you, this is what reform looks like. I lied. I said I decided to say two more years to get this organization and this City through RNC, and that is just not true. I stayed for them. I stayed for this. What are your questions?

Councilmember Egleston said I was going to tee you up for an opportunity to talk about the other thing that CMPD has done in a good will and outreach effort right now and is in the finals and needs everybody to go vote for.

Chief Putney said are you talking about the Community Policing Crisis Response Team? I'm guessing. That has been a labor of love for us; that to me is truly the epitome of what we are trying to accomplish when we talk about reform. I've been telling you all and you all don't listen; we can meet the legal standard. We are aiming for the higher ethical and moral standard.

Mr. Egleston said I think you missed the softball I tossed out for you; the lip-sync challenge.

Chief Putney said you need to vote on every device that you have; we are in the finals now, Lip-sync Challenge.

Mr. Egleston said I that is part of the bigger effort to give people a way to engage with the Department that they might not otherwise see and show some of the personality of our officers and employees that they don't get to see.

Chief Putney said it is huge. I think Officer Baucom said it better than I can; it is about us being humans and being real, being genuine. Lip-sync battle and we are going to win. There is no exception either.

Councilmember Winston said I love these types of programs. I think we as an organization as a government could always look into things like this. One of the things I came in here trying to do is try to connect with people outside of our organization with what we do in here. Obviously, you have a lot of that that CMPD does in various different types of programs, but we know that even the strongest activists or people that call for police reform if people really get it we know that you can have a good relationship with the police officer and that is the idea. That is how we are going to get to where we get and if you deal with a person as a person that is one side of it, but the issues that really metathesize within our community really come from policy issues when things go bad. We are coming up on two-years next week from the death of Keith Lamont Scott and what came out of that. What people like myself that were out there that do have great relationships with police office over time, it wasn't the issue but the relationships between individual officers. It is more of how do you disarm somebody? How do we get to the place where we are practicing things and changing things up that go wrong? Are any of these groups or programs aimed at getting the type of input to create real policy change and come up with ideas that honestly aren't out there yet? Because this isn't a CMPD issue, this is a national kind of policing issue.

Chief Putney said I would respond this way sir. It depends on what you mean by policy change and reform. If you mean I'm going to expect Officers to – I had one person who told me Chief, your Officers should never shoot anybody that doesn't shoot them first, because you all have vests on. If that is the standard, I will never reach it. I repeat if that is the standard, I will never reach it. What I am trying to do and you will see that when we unveil the work that we've been doing on the use of force policy for the last 18 months, and I think it should be out next month, is we've been thoughtful about this perspective of the value and the sanctity of human life. That is what your just saw; you can't put that in a policy. What we are trying to do is embody that in our mission, and so the policy we are going to give you does that, for the first time we've ever done it. So, what I can say is it depends on how you measure success. If success is a sacrifice of safety of my people because they wore vests, then I will never achieve success, but if success means I can have fundamental changes to the way we approach difficult situations I'm all in and sit back. You will be impressed when we get there.

Mr. Winston said I'll give an example; I just heard about this today, a small business owner in uptown was leaving his apartment, was on the phone and wasn't dressed in a suit as he might normally be, but he got stopped on the Blue Line, was on the phone and didn't have his ticket pulled up. He was escorted off, and because he couldn't get to the app in the right amount of time he was surrounded by a half dozen police officers, and he had to change his whole day. I know that again that is something that is closer to normal and this guy has great respect and relationship with police officers in this community, but that can tear you down and break you down and when people hear

about that in our community it breaks them down. I know this happens; it happened to me when I was stopped from what I was doing and was surrounded out in public for 20 minutes, because that is how policy said you should deal with this kind of issue. These are the things that break down, and I think we really need to get to the heart to.

Chief Putney said the reason you were stopped and encountered was not because you were just walking to the light rail. It was because there was a major protest going on that was impacting the entrance and exit to the Panther Football Game. As far as the initial example you gave, if that is something that is a legitimate complaint because that is how I take it, we will investigate that. That is why we have those kinds of policies and see if that was a legal encounter. What I can tell you Mr. Winston, I've been stopped too. I have, I was stopped because of a misunderstanding back at Christmas last year with my son in the car. It is not a pleasant feeling, but the encounter was professional. It was legal, and I'm still here. A lot of that is because I had the responsibility too to determine that outcome. What I can tell you around policy is policy is coming and that is the whole point of CPCRT. Sorry Mr. Egleston I missed your underhand pitch, but that is a policy change. Also, the resistance to the response to resistance policy; we're changing even the title of it, because force is not what we are about. It is responding to issues and addressing them, trying to reach the higher standard also taking law into accountability and our safety. So, the policies we do, we do through that prism, and it is never going to please everyone sir, I can't promise you that either.

Councilmember Driggs said I have to admit I was going to throw you a fast ball on the Lip-sync video.

Chief Putney said I'm not good at baseball; I didn't tell you all that before I stood up here.

Mr. Driggs said I just wanted to note that your performance in the video was Oscar worthy.

Chief Putney said you didn't see the end of it sir.

Mr. Driggs said in case anybody doesn't know brackify.com; get on and vote, let's get this done. Chief, I did have a question, and I think the conversation you just had illustrates the almost kind of no win situation of prior reconcile the needs of public safety with some community perceptions. You've been working extremely hard, especially since the Keith Scott incident; do you feel like you've made some headway between community outreach and your review of procedures and so on? There has been a big investment; we've put money into the study, and I know all the things you've done. I've been to several meetings. Are we gaining at all in terms of just the relationship?

Chief Putney said 175,000 plus people say yes, and I saw a few of them today. I think so; it is how you quantify it. If the outcome is we have no more negative encounters, yeah. I want to get there; I always strive for perfection. I'm just imperfect, as we as humans all are. To Mr. Winston's point what really matters is what we put in writing and change, and that is a big policy coming that I think speaks directly to what we are talking about, but is it difficult, yes. We didn't sign up for it out of comfort so the challenge is change in perspectives being realistic, but also being genuine, and I think we are doing that in space.

Mr. Driggs said I wanted to thank you for what you are doing and what it must have been like for an officer that stopped you to realize who you were.

Chief Putney said he didn't and I wasn't going to tell him.

Councilmember Phipps said Chief I just wanted to thank you and your officers for the work they did in working with the Carolinas Healthcare System in University. They had a kids eat free program this summer and about 3,400 kids went through that program and got a free hot lunch as part of their summer camp experience in various churches

around the area. CMPD's presence there for each and every one of those sessions was really noteworthy, and I just wanted to applaud you for that.

Chief Putney said we do have some fantastic people.

Councilmember Newton said if we are recognizing the contributions of officers in each of our individual communities I have to recognize Officers Ashley Brown and [inaudible] for all of their hard work in East Charlotte. Their involvement with Promise Youth Developments, their involvement, not once but we had two fires break out at Woodscape Apartments and how they were on the ground with the Red Cross from the very beginning. I think that is a prime example, and I don't if Officer Brown could be promoted anymore but [inaudible] maybe. Keep her on your list there, because they have become integral members of our community and are highly, highly respected, and I think they are both people that I will look to as prime examples of a modern community policing model that I know. You became Chief in 2015, and these changes that we are seeing today started to occur right around that time. You and I have had this conversation, so I'm a strong proponent of the CPCRT Program, and I hope that we find the wisdom to pass that when it come back before us as a Council. I am going to be very interested to see this new model for the use of force continuum, and I just wanted to thank you for your hard work.

Chief Putney said thank you sir.

Mayor Lyles said Chief, I think you've heard a lot today all the way from how does Lip-syncing really work or to the extraordinary participation by the youth. I don't know who said it, but they said if you don't feel something by your presence we would be without the soul, and this City has soul for each of you. There is a campaign coming up, and I just don't want any of you running for Mayor; you run for all these other seats. I think because you are the leaders of our City you are going to be what we hope to say, the future is in good hands because of people like you so thank you very much for doing that. You always have to say thanks to your parents, because somebody is carrying this with you, and they care for you just like the officers do and we really appreciate moms and dads, sisters and brothers that pour into you so thank you mom for being here tonight, really appreciate that. I know that we have got policies coming forward so October will probably be some time that we will have a really great conversation, but if we can always remember that this isn't about winning or losing, it is about being engaged in a way that we want to live in our City we are going to be successful, so thank you to every officer, every participant in these programs and to the leadership of the Department for taking it on. Thank you very much.

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CITY ATTORNEY RECRUITMENT PROCESS

Mayor Lyles said Sheila Simpson is going to come and talk to you about the process for the recruitment of a City Attorney that we all hire and will be responsible for making that decision.

Sheila Simpson, Human Resource Director said I am honored to serve as your Director of Human Resources. With me tonight is Mr. Antoine Ensley, the Talent Acquisition Manager for the City of Charlotte, and before we begin with the details of this proposal I would like to first pause and thank Mr. Bob Hagemann for his 24-years of service with us, his 30-years of service to government and to the communities in which we all live and work. I have personally been a very valuable person to learn from Bob and to work with Bob, and we will miss him here at the City of Charlotte. I told him that after he retires he must leave his phone number, because we may call him on a retainer every now and then.

What we have before you is a proposed schedule to recruit a new City Attorney, and this process, because the City Attorney does work for this entire Board, this process will involve each of you. Over the next seven to 10-days, the recruitment process actually

starts with developing a profile for the City Attorney. We will be seeking your input in terms of what is important to you, and we have some information to share with you to get your input on and to see additional input from you. Once we develop that profile that will actually start a big launch into how we conduct the recruitment process. In terms of key dates, I would like to share with you that we aim to start the full advertisement process in the week October 8, 2018. That is a key date. If we are to start on time we will have a 35-day window to accept applications, and we aim to have interviews start the week of November 27, 2018; that is also a key date. Our Human Resources staff and Mr. Ensley's staff will be working closely with your folks in the Offices of Constituent Services, specifically Ms. Tiffany Waddell, and we will coordinate calendars to meet with you all so we can have a successful interview day. The plan right now as it stands is to attempt to interview on one day in totality some of the brightest talent we have for City Attorney.

The goal would be that we will have finalists come the very next week for final interviews which is the week of December 3rd and then we would have an offer extended by schedule the week of December 10th. This is a very aggressive schedule; it is a very important position, and we are committed to helping and assist in this manner in any way that we can, so as we go through this process any feedback and concerns that you have we greatly accept that, and we will provide you a contact so you can work directly with us in Human Resources and obtain information that we will need to help you source talent that you need for our next City Attorney.

Mayor Lyles said I know that this is coming in front of you for the first time, so we can wait until our next meeting to approve it or we can proceed. My suggestion however would be that we at least get the portion of it with the interviews, the surveys for the profile done as quickly as possible, because without that profile you can't really start the recruitment process. I think the most important part is getting the feedback from us as individuals to see how that collapses and then as well people that work with the City Attorney, and we are going to rely on Bob to help us in some respects, people that work with his office, work with the Attorney personally in terms of as I think about it is our Planning areas. It is our Engineering and Contract areas, our Risk Management areas, all of those are areas that we really need to get some feedback on what those responsibilities are and how the Attorney works with that person. If we could get through the September to a meeting where in September 24th we can have a discussion I think would be valid.

Councilmember Egleston said if anybody has got concerns or objections, I would be happy to retract, but I would say if our HR experts have said this is a doable timeline and what they envision, I don't see why we wouldn't go ahead and adopt it and sign off on it tonight.

Councilmember Phipps said I don't know if I misheard something, but I was wondering if in as much as the City Attorney has said that he would work until the end of this calendar year, if this timeline is just a few days away I don't know if I heard the City Attorney say that he would stick around until such time as a replacement was in place.

Mayor Lyles said I think what I heard him say is that if you got a replacement by the end of the year that he would be available for some cross training for a little while, but I don't think that he said until replaced. I don't want to ask him to repeat himself, but I've misstated that Mr. Hagemann please.

Bob Hagemann, City Attorney said my hope is that I can retire at the end of the calendar year.

Mayor Lyles said I think that like most decisions, it is probably not his alone and we probably ought to respect his request and this schedule attempts to do that and still allow for some overlap time.

Councilmember Driggs said for one, I agree with the statement that I think we should go ahead and adopt the timeline. We recognize that it can slip or stuff can happen, but

the truth is that in order to get done within the timeframe we really have to set a goal like this, and I think this is a reasonable schedule. I would second that. I do have a question about the consultant; the process is complete of making an initial contact. Was there an RFP or how did you locate or identify a consultant?

Ms. Simpson said thank you Mr. Driggs; the City of Charlotte has executive firms that are already previously contracted with us and they are on a list that has already been approved by the organization, so our Talent Acquisition Management Team reached out to all of those firms to ask for a quote for this process and another process. Yes, they have already been through a process of a request for proposal that happened much earlier than this timeframe. We do that so when we get to situations such as this that we are prepared to execute with a firm and not have to start a new process for a request for proposal. We used firms that had already been approved through a prior process.

Mayor Lyles said actually, Council adopted that on an agenda, the four firms that were approved for recruitment early on so there was a letter sent to all of those four and chosen and the decision was to make a recommendation for one of them. I asked the question, and I think they were all similar.

Mr. Driggs said right, in terms of their knowledge of legal space and so on, but you haven't actually selected one yet?

Ms. Simpson said we have proposals in but we have not made a final selection yet.

Mr. Driggs said how does the process work for anybody internally who would want to apply; do we post this somewhere or do they just join in the application process with third parties, is there any difference?

Ms. Simpson said yes, they will join in the process with a third party and I will have to describe it as our inside and outside system so this process will run both internally and externally. We will be able to capture every applicant that is interested and we will capture our internal folks that may be interested as well as people outside of the organization who are interested and they will be inside of this same recruitment pool.

Mr. Driggs said do you have a date in mind as the deadline for the submission of applications? You've got October 8th is the placement of ads and then November 12th is the deadline for the review, but when do they have to be in?

Ms. Simpson said we've scheduled a 35-day search process there, so I will look at a calendar; we normally put that about two days prior to that at least and as applications are coming in most often our recruitment firm that we will use will start to review applicants as they are coming in.

Mr. Driggs said do we have a one-month window in which people can apply?

Mayor Lyles said there will be a deadline; I think if we can add that deadline for applications to this timeline that would be helpful so that we can get a revised copy out to everyone.

Mr. Driggs said I support the idea that we –

Councilmember Bokhari said who is on the search committee?

Ms. Simpson said the entire Council is.

Mr. Bokhari said I have to assume that there is still some smaller body that is still internal that is not in the third party that is going to be going through stuff, right?

Ms. Simpson said yes, the recruiter will go through applications, and if there are an abundant number of applications the recruiter will provide to us the organization, a

smaller list and then we will present that list to this body and when we present this list to this body, dependent on the number of applications that we actually receive. We would then have to determine how we would review those applications in a very efficient yet engaged way. Because of the size of this body, we would like to get as much input as possible. We do believe that this is the City Attorney position so therefore having a license to practice in North Carolina is a job requirement, and so that will probably impact a number of applicants and candidates that we will have and the ability to practice law here.

Mayor Lyles said that we can have a smaller group to review but in the past the Council has gotten every application in sections for recommended for interview, applied, disqualified, and so you will get that book with every application in it and then it is in our respectful roles to say here is where we are and that is in a closed session. The hire responsibility is a vote of the whole Council.

Mr. Bokhari said I totally understand and I like that idea; where I was ultimately going was I didn't see it in here but that doesn't mean it wasn't going to be the practice. Are we going to allow our existing City Attorney to also be part of some of these interviews so we can get his feedback as well?

Mayor Lyles said that is a question that we haven't addressed in this process.

Mr. Bokhari said I would be in support of that.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Driggs, and carried unanimously to approve the timeline for the recruitment process with an established deadline for applications.

Mayor Lyles said the only modification we will get to you as adopted with the new date of the actual deadline that applications will be made or accepted.

Ms. Simpson said I will verify; I believe it is November 12, 2018, but we will confirm that.

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ITEM NO. 5: ANSWERS TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL CONSENT ITEM QUESTIONS

There were no Consent questions.

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ITEM NO. 6: CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

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ITEM NO. 32: MAYOR AND COUNCIL TOPICS

Councilmember Winston said I'm going to take a personal privilege here; all my life I've been told that I had to change something about myself, when it was going from Brooklyn to boarding school; you are going to have to change your hair to make it there. It was the same thing when I was applying to college, same thing when I was supposed to get a job, same thing when I started running for office that people would not accept you the way you are, the way you look, the way you present yourself. It is something that I've heard all my life, and it doesn't necessarily bother me, and I don't take it personal, but I continue to hear it. I continue to hear it in conversations that I have from people within my own community. I hear it through the grapevine. As we approach again a two-year anniversary of what happened in September 2016, it reminds me that, while it might have been the death of Keith Lamont Scott that sparked it, there was so much about the existence of so many people and the disparity of what they experienced here in Charlotte, particularly when it comes to identity politics that some Charlotteans

are not good enough to be part of anything. I've been told that I'm an embarrassment to my people to black people because of the way I might show up to an event. I'm not here for it. We should know that all people in Charlotte regardless of how they look, the clothes they wear or how they wear their hair are alright, and that it is good enough. I will continue to go to work all day and try to show up to an event whether I be sweaty, whether I have different types of clothes on, whether my hair may be sloppy or whatever I still won't be able to do both enough. I will continue to do things with my kids, and I'll never have enough time to do that and show up with them or right after them from dropping them off from going to place to place. It is harmful; again it is not harmful to me, but it is harmful to the people that hear this and want to be part of their government, because I might not look like a Councilman, but you know what I look like a Councilman to those fifth graders when I'm walking down the street and they recognize me. I look like a Councilman to that person who is flipping a burger who might not have known what a City Councilman looked like before, so it is really harmful and it is very upsetting when it comes from your own people, black people who might I think would be better off teaching young people what a City Council does and why their vote matters as opposed to the way my hair looks when I walk into a forum. I know I'm a man, and that brings certain privileges but in the time where we exists right now where Serena Williams and her dress and her attitude is in the news. I had the privilege of sitting on a panel discussion with Councilmember Ajmera with the Girl Scouts on Friday to talk about the state of our girls that this is behavior that is deep seeded in our community whether that be in our country, in our state or our City, and it is high time that as we try to disrupt these inequities that is not just about a Housing Trust Fund. That is not about locational policy or job training there are thing that we as government can do more on, but there are some things that we as citizens have to fix for ourselves. I'm good enough to be a City Councilman 70,000 people decided that last year, so get over the way my hair looks. Get over the way I have to show up day to day, and let's just be better for each other.

Councilmember Egleston said I just want to thank everybody who was in town for Marine Week. We have a great turnout and a lot of really exciting opportunities and events. I know several of you were at some of the things I was at and got to have some once in a lifetime experiences as well as meet a bunch of really dedicated folks who are active or retired Marines. We are glad they chose Charlotte and hope they enjoyed their visit.

Councilmember Newton said I just want to congratulate the Carolina Panthers on their first win of the season. I know there are going to be many, many more, congratulate my cousin, Cam Newton on a great game and my condolences to the Atlanta Falcons who are unfortunate are going to be 0-2 next week Councilmember Harlow. Finally also just let everyone know about a community meeting I'm holding on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to discuss the Eastland recommendation that we received in the Economic Development Committee. That is going to be at Calvary Church of the Nazarene, which is 4800 North Sharon Amity Road.

Councilmember Bokhari said I will just say for the community out there who is bracing for the storm, hopefully it will pass and nothing will happen, and we have raided the grocery stores for no reason but keep your eyes on the updates, and if looks like it is going to be serious don't be stupid, cancel what you are doing. If you are a business owner or you manage a team do as much as you possibly can to keep people out of harm's way, because sometimes it can be a lot worse than we are used to around here so we need to be prepared for that.

Councilmember Ajmera said I have one important item; this Wednesday the 12th Sustain Charlotte is hosting an important discussion on local food. It is going to be a very important topic. Unfortunately, there are many parts of our City that don't have access to healthy food markets, so this important topic is going to discuss how do we enhance our food system network and access to Farmer's Markets, and you will hear a recommendation on how we can address this issue as a City Council and one of our very own Tom Warshauer will be presenting the recommendation that came from the result of the resent study that was done. I'm looking forward to attending that event and

hearing the recommendation, and hopefully we can take some actions to address food deserts.

Councilmember Driggs said tomorrow the Charlotte Rotary Club is going to have a special event for commemorating 9/11, because it happens to be on a Tuesday, and it is 9/11, and we have a panel of five participants including Chiefs Putney and Johnson, Sheriff Carmichael, Medic Chief Joe Penner, and former Governor Pat McCrory. I'm in the difficult position of being the moderator and trying to get all those guys to kind of express themselves within a timeframe, but it does promise to be a very interesting event on an important anniversary. If anybody here is interested in coming talk to me, and I can arrange for a few guests, just let me know beforehand.

Councilmember Harlow said still no baby, we are on borrowed time now but appreciate folks checking in and asking how we are doing. [inaudible] is doing well; Chandler is just waiting. Nonetheless this week-end the Historic West End Initiative and I want to invite the Council and staff any anyone else tuning in. This Council did approve some budget line items for Center City Partners and the Historic West End Initiative. One of their bigger events this weekend will be the third annual Soul Junction Music Festival, and of course many of this will be pending the weather and all of that, but it is at Listen Hall at the lawn of Johnson C. Smith. This is the third year that this music festival has really been able to kind of cultivate the long history of art and culture and music in the West End. It is a joint venture between the neighborhoods and the Historic West End, Biddleville, Smallwood, Seversville, Wesley Heights, Washington Heights with Johnson C. Smith University and Charlotte Center City Partners. September 14th from 5:00 to 10:30; that is Friday and then the 15th on Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., a long list of a lot of local artists but some national artists as well. Saturday will be headlined by some popular names that I won't share at this time. Come out, bring your lawn chairs if the weather is nice. There will be food trucks and a couple of breweries will have some things set up there as well. It is a family event, so come hang out on your lawn chairs and blankets, come and have a good time at the West End and learn a little bit about what we are doing just across the highway on Charlotte's West side of uptown.

Councilmember Mayfield said I wanted to share; last week I had opportunity to attend a Board meeting and one of our workshops was a panel on housing looking at their Housing Authority and a couple other groups. I want us to remember that we are not in this boat alone. Nobody across the nation everyone is facing a housing crises. Some areas even more detrimental than what we are facing when you looking at multi-million dollar homes being the starting price and not even the starting prices that we are looking at, but I am excited and some information will be share later regarding one particular project, and I want to say thank you, not only to you all as my colleagues, but also the City Manager of hearing my call of doing something that no-one has done up to this point with being very creative with our dollars that we have to really have a positive impact knowing that we have to lay the right foundation so that we protect citizen dollars as well as the community but also really address the incoming need that is happening. I wanted to take the moment to thank all of you for when you heard the idea of us doing something very different with moving forward on how we are going to try to address our housing needs and for Ed, and I this is our second time around as Chair and Vice Chair of housing. Even when we think of the targeted rehab program that we started back in 2015 and having a conversation this coming week with the Committee as far as that becoming an actual program and no longer a pilot and what does that look like. We made some headway and a lot more needs to be done but in Los Angeles they have a billion dollar fund, so we are talking about \$50 million with a community matching \$50 million. They are having to figure out a billion, and it is still not going to address their more than 50,000 housing shortage needs. I want us to be kind with ourselves, to be kind with each other, because I know I push our Director Ms. Wideman as well as our Assistant City Manager and our Manager on how do we get it done yesterday, but as we have more and more conversations with our peers across the nation we realize that no-one has figured out this magic bullet, but Charlotte is really a lot further ahead than so many other communities and with what we are getting ready to unveil that is just going to be another step where we are continuing to be at the head of this curve. I also

want to make sure that everyone knows and everyone is invited on Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. we will be having our next Housing and Neighborhood Development Committee meeting here at the Government at the Center. We would love for all of you that can attend to attend in person. For those that can't, it will be live on social media as well as on Spectrum news. We would love for you to stay engaged in this process, and we have a couple more housing locational policy meetings that are happening in the community, show up and let us hear from you. We can't fix everything yesterday, but we at least need to have your voices at the table and we are opening the door, and we are wide eyed and bushy tail waiting to hear recommendations or some other best practices that can help move this conversation along.

The meeting was recessed at 6:23 p.m. to move to the Council Chambers for the regularly scheduled Business Meeting.

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BUSINESS MEETING

The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina reconvened for a Business Meeting on Monday, September 10, 2018 at 6:34 p.m. in the Meeting Chambers of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center with Mayor VI Lyles presiding. Councilmembers present were Dimple Ajmera, Tariq Bokhari, Ed Driggs, Larken Egleston, Julie Eiselt, Justin Harlow, LaWana Mayfield, James Mitchell, Matt Newton, Greg Phipps, and Braxton Winston, II.

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INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Councilmember Mayfield gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Lyles said we have our Public Forum that allows people to come down and speak; tonight we have at least seven people signed to speak about something that we have been wrestling with that involves an apartment community, Lake Arbor apartments for several weeks now and before we have those speakers I would like to ask Pam Wideman, Director for our Neighborhood Services Department to come down and let you know what this Council has been working on to accomplish and to try to make sure that we can stand with you tonight.

Pam Wideman, Director Housing and Neighborhood Services said as the Mayor said I am Director of the City's Housing and Neighborhood Services Department. I am here tonight to insure you and the residents of the Lake Arbor Community that we are keenly aware of the conditions of the Lake Arbor Community. and we are working aggressively to address and resolve the issues. A number of code cases have been brought into compliance. either by the property owner on a voluntary basis or as a result of the City contracting the work. Additionally, my department has launched an effort to inspect all of the housing units in the complex and where violations are found orders to comply will be issued and aggressively monitored for compliance. Where issues cannot or are not addressed in a timely manner, we are working with non-profit housing partners to assist with the relocation of residents. Due to the sensitive nature of the relocation process, we will contact the residents requiring relocation directly to work with them through a process. Finally, to you the Lake Arbor residents, please continue to remain in good standing with your current lease agreement so that you will be eligible for the relocation assistance should you need it. Thank you again for the opportunity to address this issue Mayor and Council.

Mayor Lyles said I want you to understand how important that we take this issue and that everyone deserves a safe home to live in, especially when you are paying for that opportunity. We are working very hard and I want to comment Councilmember Mayfield and the many citizens that are going to come down here and speak tonight. Ms. Wideman has addressed everything that we can do and how we can work on it, and you as individuals if you are a resident in the community, you can expect to be working with our City staff as we proceed through this process.

Lake Arbor Apartments

Blanche Penn, 2207 Century Oaks Lane said I did bring a little sample of rats that is coming out of that particular apartment. Thank you I appreciate what you are doing. Great Debate, I don't know if you've ever seen that before or not, and they talk about education, but we are talking about fair housing and she went on and said the state is currently spending five times more for education for white children than for colored children, that means that text books for the children than the other children. I said that is a shame, but her point is said today is not the day for white and colored to get into the same college to share the same campus, to walk into the same classroom. Well, will you kindly tell me when the day is going to come? Is it going to come today, tomorrow, is it going to come next week, is it going to come a hundred years? Never? now the time for justice, the time for freedom and the time for equality is always right now. I challenge you, how many of you have walked down that street to Tuckaseegee to Lake Arbor Apartments to just see the conditions of that building? Matt, I'm challenging you and I'm challenging a lot of you, because we always talk about housing, affordable housing. That is all I heard on your campaign trail. We need it and thank you very much for what you said today. These families need you, and I need you because when I looked in the face of some of those parents, when you talk about food, clothing, and housing for children and when I looked at some of those children that are not having the fair housing and Mayor your beautiful grandchildren, you would want the best for them, and I know you would. We want everyone and I challenge each one of you can you just look, and I applaud you for what you are doing but these children, and these eyes are on you to see if we are going to make some changes and some difference because I walked into their homes and I saw this. I couldn't even sleep because of what I saw. We want the City to be a World City or whatever we want to build it for but we have to build it with all our people, black, white it doesn't matter the color but if you would go down there and walk at Tuckaseegee and look into those homes yourself. I challenge you to do that and if you do you won't be able to sleep.

Natasha Tucker, 3202 Timberbrook Drive said I am a resident of Lake Arbor. I am a resident of dilapidated and deteriorated Lake Arbor by definition a place currently unfit for human habitation. Am I invisible? Are we invisible? Can you see us? We are here. Which one of our kids needs to die first for you guys to honestly do something? Which one of our children? Should I sacrifice mine; should they sacrifice theirs? These conditions are inhumane, not even dogs should live in Lake Arbor. So, I understand that you guys are doing something right now that is going to take a little while, but we need something done right now, because none of you guys come and eat with us, break bread with us. You guys didn't even come and look at the apartments, none, nobody, and the invite was there. I stand here tonight to ask our leaders of the Great Queen Charlotte, Queen City to help us the residents of this dilapidated and deteriorated Lake Arbor. I ask for help to arrest, to remedy, to prevent further decay for a place that could be fit for human habitation. My family is pleading with the Councilmembers to see us to hear us and help us by protecting our house, our lives, our safety and our welfare that you guys say you are so interested in. We are not invisible; we are here please help us.

Minister Shawn Richardson, 8830 Avebury Drive said they ask me when I came in here, what sign did I want to make, and this is the statement I want to make. Is Charlotte a safe haven for slum lords, because it appears that way? I made some notes of things I wanted to say and the thing that stood out for me the most was is Charlotte a safe haven for slum lords and love, because the way these tenants at Lake Arbor feel there is no love, not from the City Council, not from the Mayor and not from anyone. They just had a meeting about a week ago, and I got off my job to go and see about the

tenants of Lake Arbor, and if I can do that as an unofficial citizens of Charlotte, Mayor you have no excuse. You have none. You ran your campaign. You galvanized the community, but you didn't stand for the community; you dropped the ball Mayor. I spoke with Ms. Mayfield and she admitted she dropped the ball but she has since tried to remedy the situation. I spoke to my brother Winston; I stood shoulder to shoulder with Winston in the Charlotte uprising, and I was inspired by the brother and I hope that he would do the right thing by this community, because they feel like you guys have dropped the ball. The feedback that I've gotten and I've called all kind of people. I've called national people I've been on the phone night and day, and I don't even live in Lake Arbor, but I can't sleep at night knowing that these children are going through what they are going through. It is a disgrace. You've got babies that are bleeding out of their mouths and noses from mold poisoning, it is a disgrace, and I love my City, I love my community and it is a travesty that this kind of stuff is going on in this City. You guys got to do better. Mayor, you probably want to put your resume in, because you are not going to be Mayor long. You are going to be a first term Mayor. Any anyone of you I'm putting you on notice. I galvanize with people, I'm a community activists. What I do they call it grass roots. I will hit the streets if you don't change this you might as well put your resumes out. You will not be sitting in these seats come next election, and I promise you that, because this doesn't make any sense. You are crippling these children before they get a chance to fight. You are crippling them and you are going along with it. I'm appalled by everything that is going on. I haven't slept one night since I first got on this situation with this community. I actually went to the community, stood two hours and talked to community people, and it makes me shaking inside that you guys would allow this to go on.

Iyanna Fleming, 3205 Timberbrook Drive said I actually was the one who started the fix for page for Lake Arbor Apartments, and it went viral not knowing that so many people were suffering. Myself I'm actually dealing with a lot of problems, it has been very difficult and depressing and with me being so young I suffer from anxiety and depression, and I can't breathe in my house because of the mold. I went home two days ago and my whole house was full of mold, furniture gone, brand new furniture, and I just want to know what can you all do to help us, because we need the help, and it has been very frustrating of being taken advantage of. I have 17 different violations in my apartment right now, and they have not fixed any of them. I have a four-year daughter, and she can't stay there because of bugs crawling on her, and with no air we can't breathe. I just want to know what is it that you can do to help us.

Yolanda Rogers, 1806 Golden Heights Court said I'm here today to speak on Lake Arbor, and Lashanna Rogers and Iyanna Fleming are my daughters. I'm a solon owner, and I was working in the salon one day, and I got a call saying that your grandchild is unconscious and going to the hospital now by paramedics due to pneumonia from the mold in the house. My grandbaby is five months old. I actually fell in my floor, and I couldn't even finish work, in a fetal position and what I wanted to do was crazy, go to Lake Arbor quickly, but I didn't, I prayed about it, so the first person I had called dealing with these issues was Blanche. That is the person I knew that deals with the City, then I started going on social media. I tagged Mitchel, which he is supposed to be some kin to my daughter, Iyanna Fleming, I tagged him. I tagged the Mayor. I even reached out to Dimples, I reached out to Ronda, but what I'm here to say is dealing with mold and unconditional, not livable and then we are dealing with the managers that are slum lords and stuff like this I've had sleepless nights. I'm up till 3:00 sometime in the morning thinking about what can be done down here in this community. It is terrible. When I found emergency needed right now, it is an act now. This is a beautiful City, but when you go over there you be like wow, people won't talk they won't stand up and you talk about cracked ceilings, bugs- my daughter we tried to cover that up. We tried to deal with the roaches and stuff like that, it is too bad. The structure is bad, and those people need to not even be in any really housing emergency now. We've got elderly people over there and like my grandson and other kids that are over there that are unsafe. I had an 80-year old lady come to me, and I couldn't even finish listening to her story without crying. A lot of people are scared to talk up, because they are scared they are going to be thrown out which has happened to my daughter. She was evicted because she spoke out. She ran to Legal Aid first, and they didn't act then. She was already

evicted. They called afterwards. Nothing was done. She came home from work, opened the door, it was locked. Why because she spoke out on the conditions. She didn't have any air so she reached out to the Manager for several months, and they didn't do nothing about it, so she didn't have any other option but to call.

Lashanna Rogers, 4949 Arborwood Drive said like my Mom said, I was evicted for speaking up. I endured a lot of things in my apartments. I've seen a lot of things and just to know that my son's life could have been taken for the conditions at my apartment. It is a crying out shame. I reached out, and I followed every step that I could. I did everything everybody told me to do and nothing was done. I get off work, no way to get in my house, things were stolen out of my house. The rent people, they don't care. The City it seems like you all don't care either. It is little kids over there, and I just feel real bad for them because their parents are scared to speak up, and I don't want another child to go through what my child had to do, so I ask that something needs to be done now.

Barbara Smith, 3300 Timberbrook Drive said I am a tenant at Lake Arbor Apartments. I am one of the tenants where it was so unsafe that Duke Power clipped the lines from the building, so I'm at work and get a call that the whole building has been clipped for electricity. Where do I go with my kids? I get off work, go to the office, and they put and my five kids in a one bedroom. We get in there, and mold is everywhere. My son is here and he has severe asthma. He wakes up with his nose bleeding, can't breathe. I'm rushing him to the hospital, and they are telling me that if he continues being in that home that it is going to kill him. I pay \$920 per month to these people, and there is no way they should leave us out and treat us like this. This is unsafe, a hazard. It is not safe for kids. It is not even safe for adults, and I just ask that you please help us. We voted you in thinking that you were for us, be for us and do something about it. Make them accountable for what they are doing.

Mayor Lyles said I'm just going to restate what Ms. Wideman said, that we are going to begin working on the inspections, and those of the most urgent will be addressed first and foremost. In addition to that, we are working on finding additional places that are affordable in the rent range that you have so that we can have rapid rehousing, and we can have housing that we can place as we move on through the process. It is going to take some time; this didn't get here, I think Ms. Mayfield brought it forward three or four weeks ago, and we are just beginning to begin to see how we can make those changes. Please continue to do the things that are required so you will be able to qualify for the assistance that we can offer. You asked if we see you; we see you. We hear you and we are going to work hard on your behalf, and we greatly regret that it has gotten to this situation. I know that if there is something that can be done, you have the commitment of everyone on this Council to make sure that it begins, and we will start actively tomorrow.

Mountain Island Environmental Education Center

Nancy Carter, 1401 Cavendish Court said it is a real privilege and a pleasure to speak to you; my heart is cracked hearing what you are hearing and hoping that you all will persevere, as I know you will. I'm grateful for citizens coming down and speaking to you all to let you know what is going on. It takes courage; it takes devotion, and it takes ears to listen, and I think you each have those. I trust you all.

I'm here to say thank you for your stances on the environment. You all have been very engaged, and I'm truly grateful. I'm seeing trees being planted etc., and I'm coming to speak to you presenting a resolution that I e-mailed you all with substantiating information, and I printed some out. I started to recycle it as I did this, but I did a formal presentation, and what we are asking, we the Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District Board, who has approved this by a vote, to support us to join the partnership for the Mountain Island Education State Forest, which is creating an environmental education center. The best part of this is we are not coming with our hands out. The State Legislature has given us over \$4 million to build that center. Maybe later on we will come and ask for a trail or a project from you all, but we would

very much appreciate your support, signing onto a resolution such as this. This is just simply a proposal but on October 30th is the ground breaking, and we would so be delighted if you all could sign on before that point, and we could invite you to come and celebrate with the Commissioner of Agriculture etc. etc. It is 2,000 acres of forest land. it is our water source, trees giving us clean water, children learning about this process and seeing people who are in the environmental careers so that they can advance in their own future if they would like to. We ask you for your support, and I'm not sure of the process after this, because I've never been on this side, but I do ask for your support and thank you very much for considering it.

Mayor Lyles said thank you for your service both as a Councilmember and as a member of the Mecklenburg County Soil and Water Conservation.

Loss of Affordable Housing

Dawn Huntley, 1300 Reece Road said I'm also going to talk about affordable housing. I think every family deserves safe and affordable homes, whether they are living at Lake Arbor Apartments or they are in rental units naturally occurring affordable housing and rental units threatened by inappropriate zoning. My request to you as you consider zoning, wherever in the City, that you consider the protections offered by existing zoning that protect character of neighborhood and prevent rampant erosion of affordable housing by developers. An example is inappropriate NS zoning. NS zoning allows far less setback and no tree safe, which makes it really profitable to eradicate affordable housing. I would just ask you to consider not making it too easy for the eradication of naturally occurring rental units and affordable housing in areas that are threatened by inappropriate zoning that needs none of the zoning criteria across our City.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Harlow, and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Councilmember Phipps said regarding Item No. 50: Old Concord at the Blue Line apartments Bond Issuance Approval, I just wanted to bring this up to highlight the fact that this bond issuance that we are about to approve and I certainly approve it and hope that my colleagues will also. It is an amount not to exceed \$20 million, and it is on the Blue Line at Old Concord Road. It is an affordable housing development project that is going to be right on the Blue Line, and the name says it all, Old Concord at the Blue Line Apartments. We have very few projects of this sort directly on our light rail line.

The following items were approved:

Item No. 33: Cooperative Purchasing Contract for Police Helicopter Infrared Cameras

(A) Approve the purchase of Police Helicopter Infrared Cameras from a cooperative purchasing contract as authorized by G.S. 143-120(e)(3), (B) Approve a unit price contract with L-3 Communications EO/IR, Inc. for the purchase of Helicopter Infrared Camera(s) for the term of one year under General Services Administration (GSA) contract GS-03F-0103V, (C) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for one-year terms as long as the cooperative contract is in effect, at prices and terms that are the same or more favorable than those offered under the cooperative contract, and (D) Authorize the installation to support the replacement and upgrade of the infrared cameras.

Item No. 34: Resolution of Intent to abandon a portion of an alleyway off of West Worthington Avenue

(A) Adopt a Resolution of Intent to abandon a portion of an alleyway off of West Worthington Avenue, and (B) Set a Public Hearing for October 22, 2018.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 155-156.

Item No. 35: Oakdale Road Widening

Approve a contract in the amount of \$8,648,187.89 to the lowest responsive bidder Sealand Contractors Corp. for the Oakdale Road Widening Project.

Summary of Bids

Sealand Contractors Corp.	\$ 8,648,187.89
Zoladz Construction Co. Inc.	\$ 9,379,728.92
Blythe Development Company	\$10,222,284.47

Item No. 36: Beatties Ford Road/Sunset Road Pedestrian Improvements Design Services

Approved a contract in the amount of \$534,103 with DRMP, Inc. for engineering design services for Beatties Ford Road/Sunset Road Pedestrian Improvement Project.

Item No. 37: Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Freedom Division Generator Installation

Approve a contract in the amount of \$129,000 to the lowest responsive bidder, Dosan Corp. for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Freedom Division Generator Installation Project.

Summary of Bids

Dosan Corp.	\$129,000.00
D. E. Brown Construction, Inc.	\$180,882.50
TEC Electric, LLC	\$243,763.23
McFarland Construction	\$293,109.76

Item No. 38: Land Acquisition for Charlotte Water

Approve the purchase of an approximately 23-acre parcel located at 12300 US Highway 29 (parcel identification number 051-081-26 in the amount of \$4,350,000 from Trevi Partners, LLC.

Item No. 39: McAlpine Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Reliability Improvements Project Change Order #1

Approve Change Order #1 for \$538,723.17 to the Harper Corporation – General Contractors for the McAlpine Creek Wastewater Treatment Plan Reliability improvements Project.

Item No. 40: Four Mile Creek Tributary Sanitary Sewer Improvements

Approve a contract in the amount of \$2,643,353.89 to the lowest responsive bidder State utility Contractors, Inc., for construction of the Four Mile Creek Tributary Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project.

* The complete Summary of Bids is available in the City Clerk's Office.

Item No. 41: Consulting Services for the Long Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant and Associated Regional Infrastructure

(A) Approved a contract with HDR Engineering of the Carolinas, Inc. for Consulting Services for the Long Creek Wastewater Treatment Plan and Associated Regional Infrastructure Project for an initial term of two years, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, two-year terms and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 42: CATS Video Maintenance and Repair Services

Approve a contract for \$263,463 with Transit Solutions LLC (TSI) for Video Maintenance and Repair services at various CATS facilities.

Item No. 43: Airport Concourse A Expansion Phase 2 and 3 Programming

Approve a contract in the amount of \$1,472,066 to Perkins+Will North Carolina, Inc. for conceptual studies and an architectural report for Phase 2 and 3 of the Concourse A Expansion.

Item No. 44: Airport Baggage Handling System Operation, Maintenance and Repair Services Contract

(A) Approve a contract with Siemens Postal, Parcel & Airport Logistics, LLC for Baggage Handling System operation, maintenance and repair for a term of three years, (B) Authorize the City manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved, and (C) Authorize the City manager to purchase maintenance and support for the software associated with the Baggage Handling System for as long as the City uses the system.

Item No. 45: Airport Security Background Check Services Contract Extension

(A) Approve a two year contract extension with Transportation Security Clearinghouse for criminal history records checks, security threat assessment services, and record of arrest services, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to one-year term with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 46: Airport technology Service Contract

(A) Approve unit price contracts with the following companies for technology services work for an initial term of five years: AECOM Technical Services, Inc. of North Carolina, AME Consulting Engineers, PC (SBE), Alliance of Professionals & Consultants, Inc., Ariespro, Arora Engineers, Inc. (DBE), Birdi Inc. (DBE), Burns Engineering, Inc., Carolinas IT Inc., Chrysalis Global Aviation, Creelman, Inc., db Consulting, Inc., DotClark Consulting, LLC (MBE, SBE), Eden & Associates, PC (DBE), Faith Group, LLC, G&S Communications and Technical Services, Inc. (SBE) High Performance Technologies, LLC, Image Solutions and Services, Inc., Innovative Technology Engineering, LLC, Intratek Computer, Inc., PepperRoss, LLC, Ross & Baruzzini, Inc., Rove, LLC, Siemens Postal, Parcel & Y Airport Logistics, LLC, Tamironics, Ltd., Thales USA, Inc., Dottie Rose Consulting, LLC, The JW Group, Inc., the Select Group, (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved, (C) Authorize the City manager to purchase maintenance and support for systems purchased under these contracts for as long as the City uses the systems, and (D) Authorize the City Manager to purchase such additional software license, services and hardware as needed from time to time to optimize the City's use of the systems purchased under these contracts.

Item No. 47: Airport Acquisition and Relocation Contract Services

Approve a one year contract extension for THC, Inc. to provide professional services for the Airport's Land Acquisition and Noise Compatibility Programs.

Item No. 48: Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan Support Services

(A) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract with MIG, Inc. for Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan Services for an initial term of three years, and (B) Authorize the City manager to renew the contract for up to one, one-year term with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 49: Northlake 3 Area Voluntary Annexation Set Public Hearing Date

Adopt a resolution setting the public hearing for September 24, 2018 for Northlake 3 Annexation.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 157-160.

Item No. 50: Old Concord at the Blue Line apartments Bond Issuance Approval

Adopt a resolution granting the Charlotte Housing Authority's request to issue multifamily housing revenue bonds, in an amount not to exceed \$20 million to finance the development of Old Concord Apartments at the Blue Line.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 161-165.

Item No. 51: Refund of Property Taxes

Adopt a resolution authorizing the refund of property taxes assessed through clerical or assessment error in the amount of \$4,564.24.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 166-167.

Item No. 52: Meeting Minutes

Approve the titles, motions and votes reflected in the Clerk's record as the minutes of July 23, 2018 Business Meeting and August 14, 2018 Special Meeting.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

Item No. 53: In Rem Remedy: 2415 Newland Road

Adopt Ordinance No. 9404-X authorizing the use of In Rem Remedy to demolish and remove the structure at 2415 Newland Road (Neighborhood Profile Area 374).

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 584.

Item No. 54: Airport Property Transaction – Portion of 4349 Scott Futrell Drive

Acquisition of 1.185 acres at 4349 Scott Futrell Drive from American Freightways Corp (FedEx Freight, Inc., and Arkansas Corporation) for \$118,500 for Airport Gateway Central.

Item No. 55: Property Transactions – Beards Creek Sewer Replacement Parcel #5.1

Acquisition of 11,165 square feet (.256 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 13,838 square feet (.318 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 1804 Windsor Square Drive from SC Windsor Square, LLC for \$55,308 for Beards Creek Sewer Replacement Parcel #5.1.

Item No. 56: Property Transactions – Four Mile Creek Tributary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #15

Resolution of Condemnation of 2,258 square feet (.052 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 1,120 square feet (.026 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 2400 Honey Creek Lane from Christopher M. Gushue and Denise L. Gushue for an amount to be determined for Four Mile Creek Tributary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #15.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 168.

Item No. 57: Property Transactions – Four Mile Creek Tributary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #18

Resolution of Condemnation of 2,109 square feet (.048 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 4,314 square feet (.099 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 3,649 square feet (.084 acre) in Existing Sanitary Sewer Easement at 2301 Winterbrooke Drive from Matthew T. Crowgey and Leslie P. Crowgey for an amount to be determined for Four Mile Creek Tributary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #18.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 169.

Item No. 58: Property Transactions – Four Mile Creek Tributary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #36

Resolution of Condemnation of 1,514 square feet (.035 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 4,262 square feet (.098 acre) in Access Easement, plus 6,337 square

feet (.145 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 51,111 square feet (1.173 acre) in Existing Sanitary Sewer Easement at 1700 Weddington Road from Williams Business Properties, LLC for an amount to be determined for Four Mile Creek Tributary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #36.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 170.

Item No. 59: Property Transactions – McAlpine creek Relief Sewer Phase IV, Parcel #197

Acquisition of 11,575 square feet (.266 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 2500 Margaret Wallace Road from Horizon Development Properties, Inc. for \$11,600 for McAlpine Creek Relief Sewer Phase IV, Parcel #197.

Item No. 60: Property Transactions – Providence Road Sidewalk, Parcel #21

Acquisition of 2,145 square feet (.049 acre) in Sidewalk and Utility Easement, plus 545 square feet (.013 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 4700 Providence Road from Providence Court Homeowners Association, Inc. for \$11,700 for Providence Road Sidewalk, Parcel #21.

Item No. 61: Property Transactions – Steele Creek Sanitary Sewer Improvements, Parcel #6

Resolution of Condemnation of 3,993.49 square feet (.092 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 19,462.21 square feet (.447 acre) in Permanent Access Easement, plus 5,246.09 square feet (.120 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 13315 Carowinds Boulevard from HMI Lakemont West, LLC for an amount to be determined for Steele Creek Sanitary Sewer improvements, Parcel #6.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 171.

Item No. 62: Property Transactions – Steele Creek Sanitary Sewer Improvements, Parcel #24

Resolution of Condemnation of 1,816.71 square feet (.042 acre) in Access Easement at 13833 Carowinds Boulevard from HMI Lakemont West, LLC for an amount to be determined for Steele Creek Sanitary Sewer Improvements, Parcel #24.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 172.

Item No. 63: Property Transactions – Stonewall/Mint/Graham Pedestrian Safety, Parcel #1

Acquisition of 773 square feet (.018 acre) in Sidewalk and Utility Easement, plus 394 square feet (.009 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 501 South Mint Street from Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for \$87,125 for Stonewall/Mint/Graham Pedestrian Safety, Parcel #1

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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

ITEM NO. 9: JOHNSON & WALES WOMEN'S BASKETBALL DAY

Councilmember Egleston said thank you for letting me read this one as the Wild Cat on City Council. I am a Johnson & Wales Alum and I'm happy to share this with everybody. I don't know for certain but I'm not sure we've had, at least in modern history, a National Championship from one of our local Universities.

WHEREAS, the Johnson & Wales (JWU) Charlotte Women's basketball program celebrates its first USCAA Division II National Championship; and

WHEREAS, the JWU Women's basketball team played its inaugural season in 2014 and has quickly risen to the top of the USCAA women's basketball ranks as they have accumulated a 37-10 record over the past two seasons; and

WHEREAS, the 2017-18 National Championship team broke several school records, ranked in the top 5 in many national statistical categories and picked up two All-American Selections. Second year Head Coach Jennifer King also received the USCAA Division II Women's Basketball Coach of the Year award. The team was led by four-time All-American Vanderia Shackleford, All-American Ineesha Hankerson and All National Tournament selectant Chase Muhammad; and

WHEREAS, the JWU Women's basketball team has also created a culture of excellence off of court as the team's GPA topped the 3.0 mark for the 2017-18 academic year which included several Dean List selections; and

WHEREAS, the team also completed three community service projects which included preparing sandwiches and toiletry bags for the local homeless population, a youth skills clinic at a local Boys & Girls Club and a Johnson & Wales University, Charlotte campus clean up. The team looks to continue to their success as they prepare for the upcoming season:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, do hereby proclaim September 10, 2018 as

"JOHNSON & WALES WOMEN'S BASKETBALL DAY"

in Charlotte and commend its observance to all citizens.

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ITEM NO. 10: NATIONAL WELCOMING WEEK

Mayor Lyles read the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, America has always been a beacon of liberty and opportunity to those seeking a better life for themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, National Welcoming Week was founded by Welcoming America to help people work together to build healthy, strong communities, no matter where they were born; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte is proud to be part of the Welcoming Cities initiative; and

WHEREAS, new and diverse residents are a vital part of our city, bringing fresh perspectives and new ideas, starting businesses, and contributing to the vibrant diversity that makes our city strong; and

WHEREAS, the city of Charlotte is welcoming our newest citizens with a Naturalization Ceremony at the Government Center on September 20th, celebrating them as they call the United States their home; and

WHEREAS, an exhibit is on display in the Government Center lobby throughout September to celebrate and appreciate local immigrant stories as we build a more unified community; and

WHEREAS, by taking action in the spirit of welcoming and by working together, we can make our community a stronger and more unified place where people of all backgrounds and nationalities create, thrive, and succeed together:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte do hereby proclaim, September 14 - 23, 2018 as

"NATIONAL WELCOMING WEEK 2018"

in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and commend its observance to all citizens.

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ITEM NO. 11: GOLD STAR MOTHERS AND FAMILIES DAY

Councilmember Driggs said colleagues; you will remember that a couple of weeks ago I told you about the Blue Star Mothers and the Gold Star Mothers of Charlotte, an organization that supports members of our services and in particular the families of fallen members of our services. I told you then that there would be an ultimate sacrifice journey with a kick-off event that takes place on Friday, September 28th at 5:30 and I encourage you to attend if you possibly can. It is a great opportunity to show our support. Mr. Driggs read the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, the American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. was established on June 4, 1928 and incorporated on January 5, 1929; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 1936, a joint congressional resolution designated the last Sunday in September as Gold Star Mother's Day, a holiday that has been observed annually by a presidential proclamation; and

WHEREAS, the American Gold Star Mothers suffered the supreme sacrifice of motherhood in the loss of their sons and/or daughters that were killed in the armed forces or any war of conflict, or who may have died as a result of injuries sustained during active duty, inactive duty, or suicide; and

WHEREAS, the Blue Star now becomes gold; the Gold Star is placed over the Blue Star, creating a blue border. The Gold Star represents valor and sacrifice to the cause of liberty and freedom and the blue border is a faithful reminder that the service member will always be remembered and honored; and

WHEREAS, the Obama administration changed the designation from Gold Star Mother's Day to Gold Star Mothers and Families Day, in 2011; and

WHEREAS, in support of the Gold Star Mothers, the Blue Star Mothers of Charlotte NC-15 will take the Ultimate Sacrifice Journey to Washington, D.C. in hopes to increase awareness of Gold Star Mothers and Families Day and for the posting and observance of this official Day of Remembrance on official state and national calendars and ensure flags are flown half-staff:

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, and Ella B. Scarborough, Chair of the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim September 30, 2018 as

"GOLD STAR MOTHERS AND FAMILIES DAY"

in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and commend its observance to all citizens.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

ITEM NO. 12: PUBLIC HEARING ON CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION FINANCING FOR EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES AND FOR PUBLIC SAFETY CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt, seconded by Councilmember Newton, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

Motion was made by Councilmember Newton, seconded by Councilmember Mayfield, and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution authorizing and approving an installment financing contract in the amount of \$83,160,000 for the proposed financing and calls for the execution and delivery of various documents necessary to complete the sale.

Mayor Lyles said these items were discussed and approved in the adoption of our budget, and this is basically implementing some of the actions that we plan on taking including equipment for Charlotte Water \$8.81 million; Spectrum Arena Renovations \$12.50 million; Hickory Grove Division Police Station \$8.75 million; South Division Police Station \$6.10 million; Central Division Police Station \$26 million; Graham Street Roof Repair \$1.50 million and the Ovens/Bojangles Connector Facility \$19.50 million.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 129-134.

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ITEM NO. 13: PUBLIC HEARING ON FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE REVISIONS

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt seconded by Councilmember Newton, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

Motion was made by Councilmember Driggs seconded by Councilmember Mayfield, and carried unanimously to adopt Ordinance No. 9399 amending Chapter 9, Floodplain Regulations of the Code of the City of Charlotte.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61 at Page(s) 537-579.

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ITEM NO. 14: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Marcus Jones, City Manager said before you is my 30-day update, the commitment that I made to you that we would always give you the next 30-days information that is coming before the body. I would like to point out a couple of things; one is that the 24th there will be a conversation about implementing the housing framework, and October 1st we will have in the Strategy Session the County Accessor to come talk about the reveal process, as well as the Committee report outs and on the 8th we would like to give you an update on a lot of the projects that are happening in terms of the infrastructure for the City. We've talked a lot about the 2020 budget being around economic development, jobs and infrastructure, so we want to use it as a primer to get the feel from the Council. The only other item is that we have an update from the Action Briefing, and I would like to have Chief Johnson come back and discuss a little bit about the weather event that is coming.

Chief Reginald Johnson, Fire said I'm not going to pretend to be a Meteorologist, but I will give you a brief update. We did get a 5:00 o' clock update; it wasn't much different than what was discussed before. We are expected to see the results from Hurricane Florence sometime around the evening of Thursday into Friday morning. We also anticipate seeing flood warnings or any type of tropical storm force wind warning sometime late Tuesday or early Wednesday. It is still relatively early, as far as the cone goes for prediction; three, four or five days it is very difficult the exact track. As we get closer to the 24/48 hours, we will have a better handle on things. We are anticipating, the last report said three to five inches of rain; however, I don't want people to let their guards down, because if the hurricane does track to the west we are talking 15 to 20 inches of rain in the area. As Emergency Management and as City Departments, we

are preparing for the worse. Some of the messages we have shared through the Joint Information Center, which has been activated and is active. The Joint information Center is there to share information not only to the public but to the Council and that should be updated regularly.

Some of the safety things we want is to make sure that people are prepared for possible flooding as well as power outages. With the wind and the rain we are getting just this week and if we are talking about more rain we could see trees down and power outages. People need to be prepared to have an emergency kit, water, non-perishable food for about three days or so. Don't forget your pets also; that is one thing that we definitely mention. Stay alert either through CharMeck Alerts, TV or radio; make sure you are up on that information as well. These are just some of the things that are being shared. A lot of information is also available. We have an emergency line that is going across the City of Charlotte website and our Joint Information Center is also finding ways to reach out to members of our community that aren't on internet or aren't on social media and don't watch TV or things of that nature. We are going to make sure that safety message and preparation message gets out to all of our citizens.

The Emergency Operation Center is going to be up and running with a small crew from 8:00 to 6:00 tomorrow and Wednesday. They are going to be monitoring weather conditions as we get closer to that 24/48 hour timeframe and is also coming up with planning for the Emergency Operation Center for not only the City but for the County. That is where we stand at this point.

Councilmember Winston said I know that we have some very talented rescue personnel and equipment, and we often are asked to go to other places and give our assets to other areas when disasters do happen, but we are in a situation now where we have to also think about how that will impact our community, but knowing this is going to impact somewhere that is close by probably first, can you speak about how we are going to balance helping others while at the same time making sure that we have all the assets necessary should worse-case scenario happen here?

Chief Johnson said we have been in contact with the State Emergency Management; we do have a number of deployable assets to the State. We've had discussions on making sure that we maintain our assets here just, because we are not really sure of the track at this point in time. We will maintain our deployable assets here until we are sure that we have enough resources here to respond to any emergencies. After that point we can discuss whether we are going to be deploying to other parts of the state to provide assistance.

Councilmember Eiselt said Chief, can you just say what the twitter accounts are or Facebook accounts for updates on road closings, powerlines that are down, and trees that are down and that kind of thing so people can get information in real time this coming week, aside from the website? I don't know if that will all be on the website.

Chief Johnson said I do have that information. It is quite a few things; for social media it will be on Charlotte-Mecklenburg Twitter Account @charmeckem. There is also the Facebook page for that charmeckem. We will be on CLTgov, which will be on the government; mecklenburgcounty@meckcounty. There are some other resources based on just the national weather service and other things, but those I listed before should provide information.

Mayor Lyles said Chief Johnson, we appreciate the effort that every one of our staff that is involved in planning for the worst, but hoping for the best, and we look forward to continued updates as we would from the Manager's Office as things occur. Please pass along to your staff how much we appreciate the work that they are doing now and will do in the future.

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BUSINESS

ITEM NO. 15: TRAFFIC SIGNAL LED MAINTENANCE

Motion was made by Councilmember Driggs, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, to adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9400-X appropriating \$300,000 from the North Carolina Department of Transportation to the General Fund.

Councilmember Newton said I think this is an item that I'm very pleased to see; the only input I would have is to ask City staff to explore ways of maybe expanding this to look, not just to traffic signals but traffic lights altogether. I had a constituent reach out to me this past week; he drives a Greyhound Bus and takes interstates routes throughout the entire United States, and he says the one thing we are falling behind in as a City are the maintenance of our streetlights and making sure that are avenues for our citizens to reach out to Duke Energy whenever they themselves would like to report a streetlight being out. Speaking with City staff members today, specifically Marie Harris, who I want to thank for taking the time to get back to me on this particular item, I would also like to let folks know that 311 is a service that our City provides in case you might see a streetlight out, and it might save you a little bit of the trouble of having to reach out to Duke Energy directly. I just wanted to include that before the vote on this, and I would otherwise encourage of course our Council to vote in favor of this. The vote was taken on the motion and was recorded as unanimous.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 580.

ITEM NO. 16: PRIVATE DEVELOPER FUNDS APPROPRIATION

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to (A) Approve Developer Agreements with NR Stonewall Property Owner, LLC and Charlotte Latin School for traffic signal installation and improvements, and (B) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9401-X appropriating \$85,463 in private developer funds for traffic signal installations and improvements.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page 581.

ITEM NO. 17: BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS AS PART OF THE I-485 PROJECT

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Mayfield, to approve a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation in the amount of \$1,094,790 for bicycle and pedestrian enhancements as part of the I-485 project.

Councilmember Driggs said I just want to briefly express my appreciation for the investment in District 7; it is something to celebrate.

Councilmember Newton said I am very supportive of this but I wanted to add that this particular project will be extending into my District from District 7 over to District 5, along the Independence Corridor, and we have a lot of need for this type of bicycle/pedestrian connectivity across the Independence Corridor, so I hope that when we start discussing this on Independence Boulevard, particularly in light of a couple folks over the past couple of years who have lost their lives trying to cross that we also include some measure item for that type of connectivity on Independence.

Councilmember Winston said I just want say that it is good to see forward thinking investment in pedestrian centric infrastructure improvements in a part of the City that might be considered more car centric.

The vote was taken on the motion and recorded as unanimous.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution book 49, at pages 135-141.

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ITEM NO. 18: MYRTLE MOREHEAD STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE II

Mayor Lyles said many of us have had a lot of discussions about how we do storm drainage and Mike Davis is going to do a short presentation on the scope of this project and how it fits in the project, which I think was completed a year or two ago.

Mike Davis, Director of Engineering and Property Management said I wanted to say a few things to explain what this project seeks to accomplish. It is a Phase II; you referenced some work that was already done in this area. This is a continuation of that work. The Myrtle/Morehead Storm Drainage, Phase II is trying to deal with very old infrastructure, so this is an infrastructure project that combines elements of storm drainage and some Charlotte Water elements. This is an old neighborhood and includes portions of South End. It includes portions of Dilworth, some of our oldest neighborhoods with drainage systems that are up to 100 years old. We are dealing with a couple of things, one that drainage system just breaks down and the other being that the City has grown up around that neighborhood, so we've got to not just replace old failing infrastructure. We are also adding capacity to this drainage system, so it can receive water that has come about through new development. It is also a big project in the sense that we are doing this in partnership with Charlotte Water. It is an opportunity if we are going to disrupt and do construction we want to get everything done in a coordinated fashion that is both the right thing to do in terms of minimizing disruption, but it also represents an opportunity in terms of economy at scale. It is also an opportunity to work with the Charlotte Housing Authority; we've been in close coordination with them for some time on infrastructure needs that they will have when they redevelop a property that is within this project boundary, so after the years of community involvement and design and planning work we are excited to bring it to this point and take it forward to construction.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Mayfield, to (A) approve a contract in the amount of \$36,941,077.43 to the lowest responsive bidder, Renda/JBros Joint Venture for the Myrtle/Morehead Street Drainage Improvements, Phase II project, (B) Approve a Developer Agreement between the City of Charlotte and Housing Authority of the City of Charlotte, N.C. (CHA) in the amount of \$1,205,360.80, and (C) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9402-X appropriating a reimbursement of \$1,205,360.80 from CHA to the City.

Councilmember Mitchell said I think at times when this City Council, particularly ED Committee talk about MWBE participation SBE, staff my hat is off to you for doing an outstanding job. When you look at the committed goal, and you look where this joint venture has really set it on 22.17 for SBE and 15.30 for MWBE. Thank you for a job well done.

Councilmember Winston said if we looked at this in the agenda, just to carry on where Mr. Mitchell started to talk those goals were not hit initially, and work was done to go back to get to those goals. If that effort stems from conversation that we had from this dais on previous contracts that honestly some of us got really passionate about and told we were disrupting processes. Well, I think we were disrupting processes and we have to continue to do so to really see progress. I'm proud of staff, and thank you staff for

working with us and being patient and thank for my colleagues for continuing to agitate and try to do the work to get us to where we need to go.

The vote was taken on the motion and recorded as unanimous.

Summary of Bids

Renda/Jbros	\$36,941,077.43
Blythe Development Company	\$41,092,393.13
Crowder Construction Company	\$59,562,127.57

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 582.

ITEM NO. 19: STEVENS CREEK TRUNK SEWER PHASE 1 AND STREAM RESTORATION CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION CONTRACTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to (A) Approve a contract in the amount of \$6,677,991.79 to the lowest responsive bidder RH Price, Inc. for construction of Stevens Creek Trunk Sewer Phase 1 and Stream Restoration Project, (B) Approve a contract for up to \$494,805 with GHD Consulting Services, Inc. for Stevens Creek Trunk Sewer Phase 1 and Stream Restoration Project construction administration services, and (C) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9405-X appropriating \$2,887,464.39 from Mecklenburg County.

Councilmember Mayfield said all I would add is I wish we had a greater participation goal on this one, because this is almost \$10 million project, and we established a 7 percent, even though I am happy that it was exceeded by .03 percent of the 7 percent, we really have to figure out a better way of identifying opportunities if we are going to keep having conversations about upward mobility and equity and access. When you combine these three that we just approved, that is almost a \$10 million plus project with less than \$2.5 million actually going to MBE or SBE, so staff is on the right track which we just saw with the last item that we approved, but we still have work to do.

The vote was taken on the motion and recorded as unanimous.

Summary of Bids

R. H. Price, Inc.	\$6,677,991.79
State Utility Contractors	\$7,811,984.00
English Construction Co., Inc.	\$7,911,267.73
Dellinger, Inc.	\$10,386,729.40

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 585.

ITEM NO. 20: NORTH CAROLINA CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND APPLICATIONS

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Phipps, and carried unanimously to (A) Adopt a resolution authorizing Charlotte Water to apply for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan an amount not to exceed \$5,540,000 for the Mallard Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Reuse Line Extension, (B) Adopt a resolution authorizing Charlotte Water to apply for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan in an amount not to exceed \$24,877,892 for the Mallard Creek Wastewater Treatment Plan Reliability and Ultraviolet Disinfection Improvement Project, (C) Authorize the City Manager to take necessary actions to

accept and complete the financing, including applying to the State of North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources and obtaining Local Government Commission approval, and (D) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9403-X appropriating \$30,417,892 from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program.

The resolutions are recorded in full in Resolution Book 49 at Page(s) 142-145.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61 at Page(s) 583.

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ITEM NO. 21: INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO ACCEPT FLOW INTO CHARLOTTE WATER'S SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

Motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell and seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, to adopt a resolution ratifying an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Mount Holly to accept flow into Charlotte Water's Sanitary Sewer System.

Councilmember Ajmera said this is a historic agreement in that we will be providing for the very first time wastewater services to a municipality across the Catawba River. It is a very strategic partnership as we build a new wastewater treatment plant and support the growth we are experiencing so thanks to Angela and her team for this important partnership and your leadership.

Councilmember Winston said just to piggyback, people out there don't know some of the things that we do with wastewater. Excuse my French, but we are literally taking other people's crap and turning it into gold. I don't know if you know with the bio-solids program that we have, and this is going to continue increase our capacity and capability of doing that. If nobody knows what goes on down in our wastewater treatment plants, you should go down and see because it really is amazing.

The vote was taken on the motion and recorded as unanimous.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 146AD.

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ITEM NO. 22: AUTHORIZATION OF WATER SEWER REVENUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE

Motion was made by Councilmember Ajmera and seconded by Councilmember Mayfield, to (A) Adopt the bond order authorizing the issuance of up to \$100 million of revenue bonds anticipation notes, (B) Adopt a bond resolution for the approval, execution, and delivery in connection with the issuance of up to \$100 million of revenue bond anticipation notes, and (C) Authorize the City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to take necessary actions to complete the financing, including submitting the application to the Local Government Commission.

Councilmember Bokhari said I don't know if this was coincidence Mr. Manager or not, but we had a robust discussion in the Budget Committee about raising authority limits and taking a policy approach versus a dollar based approach, and no matter where we go on that front, I have not seen a business agenda with this many things in it to date. Normally, they are buried inside Consent, and I don't know if it is a coincidence or not, but I applaud if not the fact that you guys are taking a more microscope based view of the things that things that should be new business versus Consent. I think that is a strong step towards the policy based approach rather than the dollar-based approach.

Councilmember Driggs said I just had one question and that is these notes are actually issued to create liquidity and anticipation of the ultimate debt issuance. Which

bond cycles are going to be part of is this issuance? Are these bonds authorized in 2018, or are we still catching up with the issuance of bonds that were authorized in earlier cycles?

Robert Campbell, Interim Chief Financial Officer said this would be a brand new short-term bond program that we would take out the entire amount in about a two to three year timeframe.

Mr. Driggs said I understand that, but what I'm saying is when you issue the bonds to pay this down because this is an interim liquidity tool, what will be the bond cycles in which those bonds that you issue were initially authorized? Are we going back to 2016 and 2014?

Mr. Campbell said no, we've already taken those out with permanent financing.

Mr. Driggs said so these are 2018 bonds that will be issued.

Mr. Campbell said this is water/sewer; this is not part of the referendum process. This is water/sewer bonds, so this starts a brand new program. We start a brand new program approximately every three years, so we will do a short-term financing using bond participation notes that we use for cash flow for roughly two to three years and then we will take the entire amount out with fixed rate bonds.

Mr. Driggs said right, but when you issue those bonds those are not going to be bonds what were originally authorized in 2016 or 2014. They will be current authorizations?

Mr. Campbell said they will be to take out this program.

Bob Hagemann, City Attorney said Mr. Driggs, I think I understand the source of your question; these are revenue bonds, got General Obligation Bonds and the 2014, 2016, and 2018 referendum cycles are for GO Bonds.

Mr. Driggs said so, these are all water and sewer bonds and therefore it is within their CIP. The question is still the same and that is the authorization for bond issuance within those entities reasonably current, because we had a period in which we were lagging and had authorized all kinds of bonds and the projects weren't getting carried out.

Mr. Hagemann said I may be mistaken, but I think what you are thinking about are transportation bonds that were GO bonds that are authorized by the voters through a referendum, and as I said, these are revenue bonds.

Mr. Driggs said they are not voter authorizations but they are in our budget, right. We approve a budget every year and that has in it a CIP for the enterprise funds. I'm just trying to get at whether or not –

Marcus Jones, City Manager said this is not going backwards.

Mayor Lyles said I thought he said a three-year period going forward. It is \$100 million for three-years and then they will do the permanent financing.

Mr. Driggs said as part of the existing CIP?

Mayor Lyles said yes.

The vote was taken on the motion and recorded as unanimous.

The resolutions are recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 147-154.

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NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Councilmember Egleston said I just wanted to note and I told Ms. Kunze this earlier. I really appreciate it, and I assume you all got the same thing I got from Keep Charlotte Beautiful Chair and Vice-Chair, that they had worked with their staff liaison to review all the applications that had been put in for that position and had submitted to us recommendations based on what they saw in those applications and what they knew needs on that board to be. I believe we ended up putting both those recommendations on there. Not to say that those would ever be binding but I think that is a great best practice as we've frequently discussed how we could improve this process. No-one knows better what the needs are than the Board members and the staff that facilitate those Boards, so I would ask that we find a way to make that a part of the process for all Boards, to ask their leadership and staff to bring forward recommendations.

Mayor Lyles said I think that has been adopted by the Council, it is about being a practice that we follow.

Mr. Egleston said I would like us to actually do it.

Mayor Lyles said I think that we usually can ask and some people are more reluctant than others.

Mr. Egleston said thank you to Michael Hathcock and Tonya Carter who followed that quest and gave us those recommendations.

Councilmember Winston said just to dovetail what Mr. Egleston was saying, and honestly, I remember sitting here as a citizen in the Council Chambers as other City Councils discussed how to do nominations better, and I know there are a lot of criticisms and a lot of suggestions, but there is really no great way to do this. I really do think our Committees and our Boards can be really powerful if we improve this process. I do agree with Mr. Egleston that this was an excellent tool. I don't think it ends there, because that is giving faith that every Board and Commission is acting to the best of its ability and those people making those recommendations are germane. As we continue to look at how we do what we do, we really should at some point in time really tackle how this process, because there has got to be a better way.

Councilmember Driggs said dovetailing to that, for one we have to be a little bit wary about the possibility of cronyism frankly, as we don't want the kind of continuing process of people recommending others that they know, but I've suggested several times and so far haven't gained a lot of traction that we have some sort of process where the Council creates criteria for prioritizing or for identifying qualified and people with relevant experience, people who are not applying for six of seven things but demonstrate a real passion for one thing. If we could get those criteria defined among us and then have some sort of scoring system for the applications, not that everybody doesn't receive the full package, but it would be a great benefit to me rather than trying to take in 300 resumes to have at least a spot light on the ones that stand out because of certain criteria that we choose. I'm wondering if we can't do that.

Councilmember Eiselt said I want to be honest, but I have a hard time getting through the packet of nominations, and I think if everybody is really honest with themselves they will say that too, that when we have all of those nominations it is sometimes hard to read all of the resumes to have a good understanding of what people bring to the table. By the same token, I don't know that we always give those Commissions enough attention when they do really hard work, and they are volunteers, and we don't necessarily know what their results are. I would like to look at a way that we could take all of our Boards and Commission. I think we have 30 of them, and divide them by our Committees so that every Committee in particular is really looking at their Boards and Commissions that bubble up to that particular Council Committee; therefore, if somebody says hey, I don't know many of these candidates on Keep Charlotte Beautiful the Environmental Committee might have really looked and maybe they know those candidates better and can made some recommendations or help for that scoring

process. I just think there has got to be a better way, in all fairness to the people that take the time to apply for these positions and take the time to serve on the Boards.

Councilmember Bokhari said I couldn't agree more. We've talked about this several times and to be honest I'm passionate about it, but I talk about it and then I lose track of it. Can we get a take a way Mr. Manager where maybe you and staff go back and I like Ms. Eiselt's idea for divvy them up and see how evenly they fall out by Committee? Just some way for us to get a little closer to these bodies, learn something what they are doing and just figure out where to go and then maybe take a rough stab at two or three criteria that you guys would recommend per committee. Business Advisory Committee are you on a business or something like that where at least it will take time to perfect; we don't need to make it perfect on day one, but it would start with two or three criteria that we would see during the next time we take a vote. Can we just try to move the ball forward on that in some way?

Mayor Lyles said I think if you will ask some of us we have done this a number of times and I think it is a good idea to take a look at it and bring in some fresh ideas and some new thoughts and see how it can go. I would just add that there might be some Committees that we have that we don't really need anymore and some that we ought to have that we don't have right now. I think we have a difficult time letting go, and I will just say bluntly that a lot of times you ask Committees to get ahead and then you look at what District that person lives or whether or not they are your friend and somehow this has not ever worked. I'm just speaking plain here, and it was just redone about a year and a half ago, so I think it is more important that the Council have a conversation about what this means than to ask the Manager, because I think what we are struggling with is does the Council have a vision for how you look at this.

Mr. Bokhari said could we refer this back to Budget GAC, the new expanded version?

Mayor Lyles said they had it a year and a half ago as I said. I think the difference is that the Council ought to have a discussion as a whole about what you are trying to achieve, because I hear the kind of comments, but unless you give a Committee enough of a charge that makes their work effective, just coming back and not dealing with some of those things that you see as outcomes is really just tough for the Committee I think. What are you trying to achieve; how do you maintain diversity? The Manager is willing to take a stab at an outline and then the Council can discuss it, and then if you get kind of an agreement on what I would call general principles then I think it would be great to send to Committee.

Councilmember Mayfield said as you mentioned, we did have a Committee and we discussed this on the Committee. It may be helpful if staff can help the Manager, because we have a number of new staff that may not have been a part of our previous Committee to bring back the minutes and the discussion that we had to at least already have the foundation to know where we were with the conversations that we had with the Governance and Accountability Committee, because that was Councilmember Kenny Smith and myself who were the Chair and Vice Chair. The information is there as far as what we looked at to help streamline this process, and we had a lot of meetings and did a lot of digging and working directly with staff and with our City Attorney's Office to come up with language that we have today. That was only a year and a half ago, so it may be helpful to just bring that information forward so everyone could see it.

Mayor Lyles said the Manager is going to take a cut at it and maybe we talk about it as a whole and have where we agree and then the Committee can work, but I think unless we have agreement on what we are trying to do going in-

Mr. Winston said I agree with the Mayor and Ms. Eiselt; I think this is something we are going to have to deal with as a Council. This was one of the first things that kind of caught my eyes as I was transitioning last December into this role, and one of the suggestions I remember talking to the Clerk and the Deputy Clerk about maybe using our Committees more, but those are definitely going to be changes in policy, and I think if you have a Committee that is going to be looking at nominations on all the business

that we are doing, you are going to look at least one Committee meeting a month that is just dedicated to looking at nominations and then you get into the whole question of how do convene people to get all the business done over and over again. I think we see here where this is going with terms and reciprocation and how we continue to grow with the government with the type of City we are now and will be becoming and not what we once were. I think if we look at how other nominating bodies work, perhaps the Legislature or US Congress, how they deal with nominations and deal with the amount of information that comes to create policies and processes that really are supposed to work for the better of our bodies and of our citizens.

Mayor Lyles said the Manager has agreed to come back with a kind of framework if everybody can think about it when they see it and we can agree on it then we will keep on rolling for committee referral.

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ITEM NO. 23: NOMINATIONS TO THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term for a Certified Small Business Enterprise recommended by the Hispanic Contractors Association beginning immediately and ending April 28, 2020.

No recommendations were received. This appointment will be brought back at a future meeting.

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term recommended by the National Association of Women Business Owners beginning immediately and ending April 28, 2020. The National Association of Women Business Owners has recommended Suzy Johnson.

- Suzy Johnson, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston.

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term beginning immediately and ending December 13, 2020.

- Raghunadha Kotha, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, and Winston.
- Steve Moore, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhara, Egleston, Eiselt, Newton, and Phipps.

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to appoint Suzy Johnson and Raghunadha Kotha.

Suzy Johnson and Raghunadha Kotha were appointed.

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ITEM NO. 24: NOMINATIONS TO THE CHARLOTTE REGIONAL VISITORS AUTHORITY

The following nominations were made for a partial term in the At-Large category beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2021:

- Johnelle Causwell, nominated by Councilmembers Harlow, Mayfield, and Mitchell
- Maha Gingrich, nominated by Councilmember Egleston and Phipps
- Tarun Malik, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Driggs, Eiselt, and Winston
- Lloyd Scher, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera and Newton.

This appointment will be brought back at the next Business Meeting for consideration.

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ITEM NO. 25: NOMINATIONS TO CHARLOTTE TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term beginning immediately and ending December 13, 2020 and one appointment for a partial term beginning immediately and ending December 13, 2018, then continuing for a full three-year term beginning December 14, 2018, and ending December 13, 2021:

- Eric Applefield, nominated by Councilmembers Egleston, Eiselt, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, and Winston
- John Durnovich, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari and Driggs.
- Brian Geathers, nominated by Councilmembers Mayfield and Mitchell.
- Virgil Hughes, nominated by Councilmember Phipps
- Sarah Kucharski nominated by Councilmember Phipps
- Tara Moore, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, and Newton
- Angela Stoyanovitch, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera and Harlow

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to appoint Eric Applefield.

Mr. Applefield was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 26: NOMINATIONS TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE BOARD

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a three-year term beginning September 22, 2018, and ending September 21, 2020 and one appointment for a partial term beginning immediately and ending September 20, 2020:

- Layla Blueford, nominated by Councilmember Driggs
- Shantia Coley, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Egleston, Eiselt, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
- Evelyn Hollis, nominate by Councilmember Harlow
- Tanisha Patterson-Powe, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Driggs, Eiselt, Harlow, Newton, and Winston
- La Becky Roe, nominated by Councilmember Phipps

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to appoint Shantia Coley and Tanisha Patterson-Powe.

Ms. Coley and Ms. Patterson-Powe were appointed.

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ITEM NO. 27: NOMINATIONS TO KEEP CHARLOTTE BEAUTIFUL

The following nominations were made for two appointments for partial terms beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2019:

- Caroline Burgett, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
- Jon Giles, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
- Taelor Logan, nominated by Councilmember Newton
- Tamika McPherson, nominated by Councilmember Harlow

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to appoint Carolina Burgett and Jon Giles.

Ms. Burgett and Mr. Giles were appointed.

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ITEM NO. 28: NOMINATIONS TO NEIGHBORHOOD MATCHING GRANTS FUND

The following nominations were made for one appointment in the Business Representative category for a partial term beginning immediately and ending April 15, 2019:

- Jamal Cook, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
- Melford King, nominated by Councilmember Bokhari

The following nominations were made for one appointment in the Neighborhood Representative category for a partial term beginning immediately and ending April 15, 2020:

- Mark Abruzino, nominated by Councilmember Driggs
- Harold Carrillo, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Eiselt, Mayfield, and Winston
- Suzanne Jasmine, nominated by Councilmember Egleston
- Paul Van Gundy, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Harlow, and Mitchell
- Linda Webb, nominated by Councilmembers Newton and Phipps

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to appoint Jamal Cook.

Mr. Cook was appointed.

The remaining appointment will be brought back at the next Business Meeting for consideration.

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ITEM NO. 29: NOMINATION TO THE PRIVATIZATION/COMPETITION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term beginning immediately and ending March 1, 2019:

Mark Abruzino, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Newton, and Phipps
Akadius Berry, nominated by Councilmember Harlow
John Durnovich, nominated by Councilmember Bokhari
Angela Shealy, nominated by Councilmembers Egleston, Mayfield, and Mitchell

This appointment will be brought back at the next Business Meeting for consideration.

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ITEM NO. 30: NOMINATION TO TRANSIT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term in the Van Pool Rider category beginning immediately and ending January 31, 2019 and then continuing for a full three-year term from February 1, 2019 until January 31, 2022:

- Cornelius Anderson Jr., nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera and Newton
- Parker Cains, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Driggs, and Phipps
- Chris Muryn, nominated by Councilmember Egleston
- Kenya Templeton, nominated by Councilmember Mitchell
- Linda Webb, nominated by Councilmember Harlow

This appointment will be brought back at the next Business Meeting for consideration.

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ITEM NO. 31: NOMINATION TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The following nominations were made for one appointment in the Alternate category for a partial term beginning immediately and ending January 31, 2021:

- Emma Allen, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Eiselt, Mayfield, Mitchell, and Newton
- Elizabeth Frere, nominated by Councilmember Egleston
- Dujuana Keys, nominated by Councilmember Harlow
- Karen Labovitz, nominated by Councilmembers Driggs and Phipps

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to appoint Emma Allen.

Ms. Allen was appointed.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lyles said to the members of our Jewish faith, happy Rosh Hashanah today for yesterday and today.

Motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Mayfield, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.



Emily A. Kunze, Deputy City Clerk, NCCMC

Length of Meeting: 2 Hours, 51 Minutes
Minutes Completed: September 18, 2018