

ACTION REVIEW

The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina convened for Action Review Meeting on Monday, November 26, 2018 at 5:03 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, Julie Eiselt, LaWana Mayfield, Matt Newton, Greg Phipps, and Braxton Winston II.

ABSENT UNTIL NOTED: Councilmembers Justin Harlow and James Mitchell.

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ITEM NO. 1: CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to go into closed session 1) pursuant to GS 143-318.11 (a)(4) to discuss matters relating to the location of industries or businesses in the City of Charlotte including potential economic development incentives that may be offered in negotiations; and 2) pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege and to consider and give instructions concerning the handling or settlement of a claim.

The meeting recessed at 5:03 p.m. to go into closed session in Room 267.

Councilmembers Harlow arrived at 5:09 p.m.

Councilmember Mitchell arrived at 5:18 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:10 p.m. in Room 267.

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ITEM NO. 5: 2019 COUNCIL MEETING CALENDAR

Marcus Jones, City Manager said you will vote on the Council Meeting Calendar on December 10, 2018, so what I want to do tonight is just to put something in front of you. Remember also on December 3, 2018 you also have a Strategy Session, which the Calendar could be discussed further so, in order to provide as much time as possible before the Legislative Agenda, I will just talk to you about what is trying to be accomplished by this calendar. One of the things that we learned in the initial year of having a Strategy Session as opposed to a Workshop and having an Action Briefing as opposed to a Dinner Briefing is this body likes to get things done, and as we struggled a little in the first year things like not having a Strategy Session after the Retreat we've listened to your feedback, and we've put as many Strategy Sessions on this calendar as possible because as you know the Strategy Sessions start at 5:00 p.m. There is an ending time at 8:00 p.m., but the Mayor has said if you need to go longer it is really where a lot of good discussions occur, and I believe that the last Strategy Sessions was one of the best that this body has had. With that said, what you will see in this color-coded calendar is basically the Strategy Sessions being in maroon, but it is typically the first Monday of the month. There are nine Strategy Sessions over the course of this calendar year. There are three exceptions; one exception would be that August is when you have a break, and we are trying our best to give you a true break this next August. The other would be that typically in May; the Manager presents the budget on the first Monday in May and then the last one would be in December when there wouldn't be a Strategy Session, because that is the Organizational Meeting. Outside of that, even if a holiday is on a Monday we'd have the Strategy Session on Tuesday.

The only other thing that is a little bit different is if you go into and I just want to talk about this one, at the end of January there is this yellow bar, and that is dealing with the Annual Strategy Meeting. So, typically the Annual Strategy Meeting has been a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the last Wednesday, Thursday of the months, and the thought process here is there is a couple of things the Council could do, and that is to have half-day Wednesday, all day Thursday, and half-day Friday or maybe looking at having the Annual Strategy Meeting on that Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Sunday can be a travel day, so that you hit the ground running on

Monday morning and you have at least two and a-half days, and if you need to extend that Wednesday you can extend it, and if you finish early you can do it, but it just provides a little bit of additional flexibility; no decisions have to be made.

The last thing I will say is that if you start to look into February the first Wednesday is a Budget Workshop; March the first Wednesday is a Budget Workshop, and April the first Wednesday is a Budget Workshop trying to make sure that there are opportunities to get great feedback from the Council prior to the budget being introduced and then last if you go into May you can see that we got a lot of feedback last year about the budget presentation and the ability for Council to have discussions after the budget presentation. So, what we have proposed is the budget being presented on the 6th but two days later the Council getting a briefing on what is in the budget, any questions and things of that nature, because on the 13th will be the public hearing, then there is additional Councilmember briefing, Budget Adjustments and Straw Vote, so we just tried to touch upon some of the pressure points that we heard last year that caused some concern that was making sure that we had enough Strategy Sessions, making sure there were enough Budget Workshops prior to the budget being introduced and making sure that the Council had an adequate opportunity, maybe better than adequate, opportunity to understand what is in the budget prior to the public hearing and prior to the Straw Votes. Mayor, again this is just handing it out tonight, the vote is not until the 10th of December; we just didn't want to put you in a position where you got something on Friday and voted on it on a Monday.

Mayor Lyles said I have asked if the Mayor Pro Tem would take on the responsibility of hearing individual comments so that we could come back with something that everybody agreed upon, and if you have something that we need to do immediately, because I want to try to get to both the agenda as well as the legislative things. One of the things we did vote to go out of town and two, the question is how do we put more time and energy at the Retreat.

Councilmember Egleston said I just wondered and maybe this is just me; everybody learns differently or sees things differently. Could we also get this in the format that the annual calendar has historically been in? That for me is easier to digest.

Mr. Jones said that is the format that you will vote on it; this is just making notes.

Mayor Lyles said the decision on whether or not to have the Retreat start on a Sunday and go through half-day Wednesday versus go on Wednesday and coming back on a half-day on Friday; get with Ms. Eiselt, and Ms. Eiselt, also look at when the Budget Committee Chair and say if there are some more things that you want to put, but my suggestion is we spend more intense time on the budget versus more time over lots of days so that when we come in we've read it, we've talked about it and we are going for a key discussion like a Strategy Session from 5:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m. versus two hours, but that makes us responsible for doing a lot more work, so when we get together we are having really discussions around the issues that have been raised or changes that need to be made. So, Ms. Eiselt has agreed to take that on.

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ITEM NO. 2: MAYOR AND COUNCIL CONSENT ITEM QUESTIONS

Mayor Lyles said the Consent Items go from 31 to 99; staff has settled Item Nos. 87. Item No. 92 has been deferred to December 10th. Are there any Consent Items that Council would like to have a separate vote?

Councilmember Mayfield said Item No. 64.

Marie Harris, Strategy and Budget said Item No. 57 has been pulled.
Mayor Lyles said next would be items for Council comment; are there any items that Council would like to have comment on between Item Nos. 31 and 99?

Ms. Mayfield said for Item No. 64 Marie can check in with our representatives from the Airport for more clarification because what have is a \$30 million contract, but what we are looking at is \$2.7 million in DBE participation. I'm trying to get a better understanding on how we got a 10.13% goal on it and how we identify eight different companies opposed to either a smaller number to increase the participation because \$2.7 million out of a \$30 million contract isn't hitting our City

goal of upward mobility or economic opportunity, so I'm trying to get a better clarification on Item No. 64.

Mayor Lyles said I saw the Aviation Director come in, so you heard the question on Item No. 64 for the utilization.

Councilmember Winston said can we pull Item No. 31 for a separate vote, because I have questions about it?

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ITEM NO. 4: 2019 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Councilmember Egleston said I believe Mr. Fenton has a PowerPoint he has prepared to lead us through and bring everybody up to speed on what we decided in Committee last week.

Dana Fenton, Inter-Government Relations Manager said I will be going over the Inter-Government Relations Committee proposed Federal and State Legislative Agendas tonight. I just want to let you all know that we will be back next week during Committee time at the Strategy Session for more in-depth discussion and will be glad to take part in that next week. Tonight, I know that you have a really tight timeframe, and we will try to get through this as quickly as possible.

Turning to the Election Results, I'm not going to go over this because I think you already know what happened on November 6, 2018 and the aftermath. Just a few take-aways of course, split government returns to the Federal Government with the US House majority will be the Democratic Party this coming January. In the North Carolina General Assembly, the veto proof majority in both the House, and the Senate are now gone so there will be quite a bit of change in 2019.

In terms of the Committee proposed State Legislative Agenda, there are six items in there and I would like to go over it with you very briefly. The first one has to do with Affordable Housing, and this is an issue that originated from the Department of Housing and Neighborhood Services, and this request would seek clarifying language to eliminate or mitigate the impacts of displacement and gentrification upon people. More specifically it would seek legislation that would allow us to provide rental subsidies, relocation assistance and also express authorization to help senior citizens pay their real property taxes.

The second item is the Citizens Review Board; this is an item that will be a repeat of what we requested back in 2016 for the 2017 Session, and this would be to secure the subpoena power for the Citizens Review Board. The next item is Commercial Service Airport Improvements. You may recall that last year during the long-session, the City did get a one-time \$25 million appropriation for capital improvements at the Airport, and there were nine other airports in the state that did receive one-time appropriations for capital improvements and those airports are coming together again to try to get a permanent program, a recurring program of funding for capital improvements at their airports, and if approved by the Council we would work with those nine other airports in trying to get that statewide funding. The next item is Minimum Housing Standards; Councilmember Winston brought this up because of the issues we faced recently with that apartment complex. It might be a good time to look at the North Carolina Minimum Housing Standards Statute and perhaps to try to get some legislation that would help the all cities and counties look at detecting mold and requiring remediation of it.

The last two items in the State Agenda; North Carolina Search and Rescue Teams; recently the Fire Department sent out teams to help with impacts during the hurricanes and there were six other Fire Departments in the state that have similar types of teams. Those teams do not have a recurring or a sustainable method or formula of funding from the state and right now those teams have a lot of equipment that was purchased with federal grant dollars many years ago that needs to be replaced so the effort here would be to get a permanent program of recurring funding for those teams. Of course, we would work in a coalition with those teams. The last one the RNC 2020; there are two things here. The first is get authorization to use out of state law enforcement during the Convention. We had to get this same type of legislation for the 2012 Democratic National Convention. The second one has to do with school calendar flexibility for Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. They have a couple of schools in uptown, and they also have

bus routes that go through uptown and with all the attention paid to security during the convention it might be beneficial for CMS to get flexibility to perhaps even close down their schools for that week. They are taking a look at that right now but as of right now this would-be part of our Legislative Agenda.

Moving to the proposed Federal Legislative Agenda, the first item is the 2030 Transit Plan. This is the statement that you all see every year in the Federal Legislative Agenda; this is something we worked on with the MTC over the years and this is something that both the MTC, the City and all the [inaudible] localities the MTC use to advocate for transit at the Federal Government. The next is Food Security; under this, the Committee is proposing that we try to secure grant funding to help improve the customer experience at area farmer's markets. There is a need for marketing for these farmer's markets; there is quite a few around the area. I know we have the big State-owned Farmer's Market down near the Airport, but there is a lot of other farmer's markets around that this money would be used to help out as well and also to provide technology to help farmers accept Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP benefits. Folks who receive the SNAP benefits have a debit card and a lot of the farmers don't have the technology to process those purchases.

The next one is Infrastructure Initiative; soon after the election there was a lot of talk started about trying to get the U. S. House of Representatives, the U. S. Senate, and the President together to work on a large infrastructure program. I don't want to say a huge infrastructure program, but this would encompass all the different types of infrastructure, and we have put together a list of the different types. The final one is the RNC 2020; this is the security funding that is needed by CMPD to be successful and carry out its mission during the RNC.

Ladies and Gentlemen, that is what is being proposed for the Legislative Agenda, but there were some other issues that were brought before the Committee. We want you to know that those issues have not been forgotten. The Committee prepare or did put together what is called a Committee Parking Lot, and what is a parking lot? It is a place intended as a place to keep issues until the Legislative environment is favorable for action so the environment changes for the better then those issues can be reconsidered by the Committee and referred for Council action at some point. There are four issues in there right now; there is also an issue on aging in place. This is an issue that we talked about with the County. This has to do with the income thresholds that are in the North Carolina Homestead Act, which people can use to get property tax relief. The County felt it was better to do a study this coming year as opposed to asking for legislative action, and they have passed a resolution calling for that legislative action and the Committee is recommending that the City send a letter to the County supporting such action. There was another piece of legislation or another request from the MTC on special assessments for critical infrastructure needs act and this was withdrawn because of the number of issues that the Committee had and also to allow the MTC to lead on that issue.

Mayor, I will be back again next week as I said; in two weeks we plan to be back here for Council Action and then the next Committee meeting is on December 17, 2018 where we will be starting to talk about implementation strategies for Federal Legislative Agendas.

Councilmember Eiselt said Mr. Fenton, could you go back to the slide on Federal agenda and securing funding for the RNC security funding? Specifically, we talked about not just what has been \$50 million but Senator Tillis said that he was actually going to be speaking up in favor of indexing that number so that it would be more like \$60 million, because that number I think goes back to 2008. Can we specify that in there, because it is sort of a given that they are going to have to do something in a security grant, or we have the right to walk away from it. More specifically, I guess I would ask if we could address that issue?

Mr. Fenton said we can take a look at it.

Councilmember Bokhari said I can address that; we discussed that very thing and you will notice the wording very specifically support our Federal Delegation, as they seek funding, because they made this commitment to us. We discussed in the meeting that they also made that same commitment of higher dollar amount, so rather than this being one of our major items that we are going to go champion it is just to support them and the commitment they have made to us, and I think that includes the greater dollar amount that you've said by us not indicating the \$50 million.

Ms. Eiselt said I just want to hold them to that, because in their lobbying efforts to get us to support it, they specifically said they were going to go after more than \$50 million and it would be more like \$60 million.

Mayor Lyles said I didn't think that they said an actual number. I think they said inflation has certainly paid a part in it, but they never said an actual number that I can recall, so let's just check on that so we all have the same information, because overall we need to make sure that we are all on the same page.

Councilmember Mayfield said I'm trying to understand for the RNC 2020; when we were having this conversation regarding the RNC there was a lot of comparison to us hosting the DNC in 2012, but I don't recall us having to work to have any of the schools closed. So, I'm trying to understand why this is on our agenda, opposed to it being on the County or CMS since a date was chosen that is in the middle of our school years whereas the other Convention was not.

Mr. Fenton said I have talked with the schools several times, and this is a proposal that is working its way up to include it in their Legislative Agenda.

Ms. Mayfield said but that is not answering the question of why we have it on here?

Mr. Fenton said there is a public safety need, because of the focus on security during the Convention, and the fact that it does fall during the first week of school that school year. It does present some public safety issues.

Ms. Mayfield said is CMS and/or County leading this? It seems like our language would say that we are supporting just like with the other language opposed to the impression that we are leading this discussion.

Mr. Fenton said I think necessarily CMS would be leading this, and we could always take a look at the wording to ensure that it does say that we would be a supportive capacity on that.

Ms. Mayfield that that would be helpful since it is going to be coming back to us that the language actually reflects what it is that we are doing. If we are adding this to our agenda that is a different conversation than us just submitting a letter of support for what is going on that should be led by CMS and/or Mecklenburg County.

Mr. Bokhari said we had this exact conversation in Committee; I think what you are saying is exactly the sentiment that we heard as well. I don't know that the take-away maybe made it as specific, but I think all of us were pretty much using the same language as support just like our Federal Delegation support our partners in CMS and the County, who I believe have also already added this into theirs so we will make that fix, but I think everyone is on the same page from you've said as in that is somebody else's primary responsibility that we will support.

Councilmember Winston said I don't know if this or next week is the best time to have this conversation, but I'd like to advocate to my colleagues to consider taking the immigration reform outside of the parking lot and putting it onto our Federal Agenda, similarly to how we have the 2030 Transit Plan continually put on there. I think that this is something that whether or not is political time now or never this is something that is important to us as a City, a City that where one of 5 people are foreign born. It provides chances for us to build coalitions around the state, whether it be other urban districts like ours, but also rural areas, which often depend on immigrant labor. We are in the top five for growth of Central American population marginally and a lot of that has to do with the rural work that has to occur, especially given the changes in politics station, and nationally, I think now is the time to do this. It will take political will, and I hope we have enough to get it out of the parking lot and put it on our agenda.

Councilmember Ajmera said just to clarify the RNC 2020; did the request for the calendar flexibility come from CMS? Where did that request initiate?

Marcus Jones, City Manager said my understanding is there is a legislative committee from the school system that has taken up this issue, and it came out of that legislative committee voted up positively. Is that correct?

Mr. Fenton said that is correct.

Mayor Lyles said so, the wording will be changed to say the same wording that we have under the other request, which would be to support the CMS request for school calendar flexibility. That is what I heard Mr. Bokhari say in response to Ms. Mayfield.

Mr. Bokhari said correct.

Ms. Ajmera said so it is originated from the CMS legislative committee. I do agree with Mr. Winston about moving the immigration reform from the parking lot to our Federal Legislative Agenda.

Mr. Bokhari said I can briefly respond to that. Mr. Winston brought up a passion plea and the case for it. I think where we ended up falling out as a Committee was we heard him loud and clear; it was one of the reasons in our new policy approach that we created last year or earlier this year to create this concept of a parking lot, so we don't drop things but we also are cognizant of the political dynamics, the influence that we have, the risk we take on and not totally saying no and forgetting something, yet now putting it up in the immediate action list, so we heard him for sure, but I think the will of the Committee at that point was to put that into the parking lot and allow the work to be done to figure out what that means and if there is a route forward.

Mr. Egleston said I was just going to say also part of what factored into some things ending up in the parking lot that a lot of agreed are important was that we were cautioned by our lobbyist that at some point and we were pushing up to that point on both Legislative Agendas, State, and Federal, putting too many things on the agenda will yield nothing on any of those, but we ask them to go do eight things or 12 things we will probably not make much ground on any of them and they recommended that four, five, or six items is the sweet spot where they can actually make progress on the things we are asking them to make progress on. Again, I don't think anybody disagrees with Mr. Winston in terms of the importance of that issue.

Mayor Lyles said I think that the difference is we are having this presented today and if there is a willingness to put something on I think we have to know what we are asking for. I think if you are in support of this and you want to put it on for our meeting before the Strategy Session for December 3, 2018; we don't until December 10, 2018. What would we be asking for? I think you have to have an ask; most of these are pretty specific, funding, authorization or whatever, so I think it is something to bring back to the Council so we can talk about it on the 3rd if there is a request for that kind of support for that reform. I think that deserves an up and down conversation and more time than we have tonight to do it. I think without the substantive of what we would be asking for we couldn't discuss it except in the abstract of it.

Ms. Mayfield said on the same note it might be helpful Mr. Fenton, if you give us an update on what string holds we still have going into 2020 because of the creation of HB-2, because that limited all municipalities on a number of things. It may be helpful to get an update of where we are on that as we build relationships with our incoming members.

Mayor Lyles said I just wanted to add one other thing; we talked about the 2012 Convention; we did have school. School opened August 27, 2018, and we did have school in session during that Convention. It was Labor Day weekend, but school had already started so I just wanted to pass that along. We have the follow-up, and it will be back on our Strategy Session for a deeper dive but the Committee has heard the changes suggested and the ideas that will come forward.

The Action Review meeting recessed at 6:41 p.m. to move the Council Chambers for the regularly scheduled Business Meeting.

BUSINESS MEETING

The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina reconvened for a Business Meeting on Monday, November 26, 2018 at 6:51 p.m. in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center with Mayor 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.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Councilmember Egleston gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Boy Scout Troop 80, Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church and Boy Scout Troop 249, Steele Creek Athletic Association.

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PUBLIC FORUM

Water Main Breaks

Dawud Abdullah, 309 East Morehead Street said I moved here in 2010; I retired in 2008 and wanted to come to a city to enjoy the city life and our family chose Charlotte. I've been in Charlotte now for about eight years, and there are some issues that came to attention, and it is about water main breaks; we are starting to see a lot of them. When I take my daughter to school, she goes to Alexander Graham, Woodlawn and Park Road you had a new shake shack put in, a couple bars, a water main break was there for about six months. I have pictures I wanted to share with you guys, and the thing I have been observing. I am retired. So, I take my son to school sometimes and we are seeing new power poles put in and when they are putting them in they are replacing the old power poles, and what they are doing is setting it in the middle of the sidewalk. If you take a ride from East Boulevard down Remount Road I guarantee you will see 10 power poles in two blocks. That is ridiculous and then you will end up with power poles like that you will have a chain effect that we had previous where you see one go down, and the next thing you know it is a domino effect. You have a lot of issues here and if it just a few that I see just by riding around. I'm a coach I get up in the morning, take my kids to school, see a lot of things and these are things I thought I need to bring to your attention because power poles in the middle of a side walk is a no no. You've got buckling sidewalks on South Boulevard, and when I say buckle I mean completely buckled. There are pictures here. My wife said you still going to go down there and talk? I said yes, because I need to bring that to the attention, because now it is not just an issue it is a safety issue and when you become the safety issue and you've got a handicap, and you've got disabled people, even normal people that run up and down Morehead Street, it is just like a mountain. You've got people traveling there to get to a hospital, and you've got oversized trees taking over.

Mayor Lyles said we are certainly aware of our infrastructure issues and appreciate your commitment to point those out to us, and I'm sure we will have the City Manager do some follow-up and we will try to community to you. I have a lot of empathy because we have a group of citizens who have different abilities and we need to make sure they can move around our community as well.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Youth Council

Esi Bonney, 9036 Avebury Drive said I am a Junior at Hawthorne Academy and the Vice President of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Youth Council (CMYC). CMYC is the Youth Advisory Council to the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County and Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools. It is a partnership between youth, local government, schools and Generation Nation. This semester Charlotte's youth have been incredibly active locally at the state and national levels. A top issue for us is school safety. We spoke to news media and were advised to speak to the North Carolina House Select Committee on school safety. After the Butler shooting, we collected questions and feedback from students and hosted a dialogue between youth and officials. Thank you, Councilmember Mayfield, for meeting with us on this issue. School safety is not just a school issue it is a community safety too. Others at the meeting were the Superintendent and most of his cabinet, School Board member Elyse Dashew, members of the CRC and CMPD and news media were pleased with the first steps CMS is taking and look forward to continuing to be involved with the first steps. We have asked [inaudible] to meet with us for feedback regarding this year's Mayor's Youth Employment Program. One of our other recent projects is working with CMS to create a student representative role for the School Board. During elections 2018, thousands of students elected CMYC Member Kendall Sanders to this role. She attends Northwest School of the Arts and lives in City Council District 3. Next month we are partnering

with CMPD to collect and deliver toys to kids for our yearly toy drive. We are participating in the City survey, creating a podcast, planning student town halls and will host the North Carolina State Youth Conference. Two-weeks ago Emma-Katherine, Righteous, Jaylen, and I represented the Charlotte Youth at the National League of Cities Conference in Los Angeles. As leaders on the NLC Youth Delegate Planning Committee, we led conference sessions about social capital, youth voice and how youth and officials can work together. Five cities have asked us to help with planning their Youth Councils and using best practices from the program we have built here. Jaylen was on the NLC Youth Education and Family Council. I am applying to serve on the YEF next year. The conference was a great experience and it was fun seeing LA. I want to thank the City, Generation Nation for providing the experience and especially thank Councilmembers Winston, Mayfield, Egleston, and Bokhari for participating in one of the sessions I organized. Thank you also to Ms. Kim Oliver for helping to recruit a speaker for another session that I led. We appreciate the City's support for the Youth Council partnership and for us as young civic leaders. All high school age youth are invited to join CMYC, go to the City's youth program to learn more about us and apply.

Mayor Lyles said thank you very much; we appreciate what you do in our community and your presence bringing in on for the young people.

Pay Increases for CATS Special Transportation Drivers

Charles Moore, 7509 Nutmeg Lane said I'm retired from the City. I'm handicapped, and I'm here, because I'm a client of CATS STS handicapped bus service, and I feel that myself and other members of the handicapped community are being discriminated against by CATS' management. The problem we have is that we addressed and talked to the management about problems and nothing seems to happen. Six months ago, I wrote a letter of complaint to CATS' management and also to our illustrious Mayor, and she responded as did CATS that things were going to be changed, but six months later nothing has come to fruition. It is almost as if all the other things that CATS has to do, the handicapped community is invisible. The drivers who work three times harder than a regular CATS bus driver to serve our needs make as much as \$5.00 less an hour. That is a travesty folks. These people work three times harder and make less money, and to us they are our lifeline. I don't drive anymore. I can't go to the Dr., the grocery, store or anywhere else unless STS comes and picks me up. They are our community's lifeline. Now, the problems at STS kind of remind me of a saying my father told me one time. He said son, the foxes are running the hen house, and yes there are chickens missing. So, I need to see if there is a way for CATS and STS to form an ad hoc committee made up of handicapped clients and the drivers; the drivers are the first line of public service to the community. A lot of what goes on that a driver sees and says and does shows the positive nature of STS, but these folks make less money and need to have that remedied if at all possible. I know we are starting a new budget year, but the bottom line is the differences in the buses; I was on one of the new buses, slipped and fell and was injured because of the poor design of the ramp you now have to climb up on to get in the bus opposed to the lift that is on the old buses. I don't feel like suing people. I'd rather come here and ask you to make changes. The bottom line for me is simply if we are going to be a service that shines as a jewel in the crown of this City, we need some help. That is the very bottom line, and I'd appreciate anything you as this body and our City Manager could work with in order to possibly make some changes. If you have any doubts about the things I say about the problems with the buses, I invite all of you to come to 901 North Davidson Street where they park all the buses, and I'll get them to put two side by side and show you the differences between the old bus and the new bus. With your influence, you might actually be able to wrangle a ride on one of the buses, and I would love to go with you and let a driver demonstrate how much he has to work in order to serve the needs of not only me, but also the rest of the handicapped community.

Mayor Lyles said I believe that is something we can do and I appreciate you bringing this to our attention. I think I heard you say that the bus drivers make \$5.00 an hour less than the regular bus drivers. I understand that and we will get back with you and I think you've brought us some good ideas. Thank you so much for coming.

Growth of Moor Business in Charlotte

Emperor Omari Jibri, 11015 Carmel Crossing Road said greetings to the new Councilmembers; we have Braxton, Ms. Ajmera. I'm here on behalf of the International

Indigenous Trust, and I want to salute you and give you the warm greeting. We are here to reaffirm the City of Charlotte Proclamation that was made in 2012 by Mayor Anthony Foxx about the Proclamation of aboriginal indigenous people. My nationality is Moorish-American. I had taken the Obama My Brother's Keeper Program, and I don't know if you are familiar with that, but in 2015, I took the pledge again being the head tribal leader of the My Brother's Keeper Program to encourage City Mayors, Councilmembers, executives in the private and public sector to come up with comprehensive remedies to have the economic stimulus growth in urban communities and also give educational seminar to public enforcers like police, sheriffs and people that is working in those areas of knowing how to approach business people on their lands and in their community. Also, I have all of my documents filed in the Federal Court in the Western District of North Carolina, File 311CR320. We have a lot of listed agendas that we want to collaborate with the City of Charlotte by having a tribal to government relationship. I do a lot of traveling; I'm from North Carolina, this is the Imperial City of Queen City Charlotte but right now that I'm traveling and going through different states letting different mayors and governors know about [inaudible] people's rights by reflecting all of this information in the federal record it incorporates all 50 states to cooperate with certain definitions and sections that is in the Indian Bureau of Affairs. Right now, I'm just really leaving the floor open for just having communication between you and me and my delegates to be able to start coming together with some type of comprehensive remedies to have economic booms in our community. I have another important agenda that a lot of the veterans that I'm supporting here and I'll be meeting with them while I'm here in Charlotte for the next couple days. They have a real concern about their medicine. We noticed that there is not any type of judicial or holistical ramifications or legislations on the use of CBD oils and hemp manufacturing companies and we want to be able to support our veterans by coming up with some comprehensive remedies to have some type of medical or holistical or spiritual medicine provided to our veterans.

Mayor Lyles said please feel free to give any other comments you have to the City Clerk.

City Council Terms

Lloyd Scher, 9815 Meringue Place said first let me express my deep appreciation for your service to this community and I hope you thank you families on my behalf. Recent discussions about the terms for City Council and Mayor were discussed but it is time to bring the City and County up to standards where it reflects the growing population of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County. There are over a million people parts of Charlotte; that means 11 City Councilmembers to serve each District 110,000 citizens. It is a large number, even larger than what the County Commission serve. The Mayor and I discussed these issues several months ago and we talked about a committee of former elected officials to study election terms for Council, Mayor and past elected officials who would understand what it takes that every two years you've got to raise money and run for office. The past elected officials will be a big help in that regard. We also mentioned changing committee appointments; a new Mayor does not get to make an appointment because the previous Mayor may have done so for three years. It is unfair to the new elected Mayors that they can't do it. If City Council decides to go it alone without a complete study with hearings and citizens then I will lead the charge to bring a referendum and will campaign against any decision. The Council has an opportunity; we have not researched our salaries, we have not researched our numbers, we have not researched what it will take to get it done. A committee can report back at April or May, more than enough time, but if you go with just saying we want four-years; are we talking staggered, are we talking four-years for the Mayor, two-years for the Mayor? So, I look to this committee; I would like to serve as Chairperson of this committee of nine people, three looking at committees, three looking at salaries and three looking at the election situation. I ask this Council to please consider that rather than go the other route. I think you will find the public will be behind you 100%. I can tell you as a former County Commissioner when we tried to do four-years twice in the 90's we were blown out, but we had no support because there was no previous study. I ask for you all to do that. Madam Mayor that meeting was wonderful and I think it led to a lot of good things and so I ask the Council to consider that and again, I would love to serve on that committee. You've got Darrell Williams, you've got others Tom Cox and other people that would serve and provide good quality report that gives you what you need to know about the Council Districts and about salaries.

Strategic Energy Action Plan

Martin Zimmerman, 1616 Bonnie Lane said I'm glad to be here again before you to speak tonight to the 2050 Strategic Energy Action Plan which you will be voting on December 10th. I'm here mainly to represent a consortium of different groups including 350 Charlotte, Bike Walk North Carolina, Citizens Climate Lobby, Charlotte Chapter NAACP, Clean Air Carolina, Green Faith, Justice Action Mobilization Network, North Carolina Climate Solutions the organization which former Mayor Jennifer Roberts is the Vice Chair, North Carolina Creation Care Network, Sierra Club, Sole Nations, Sustain Charlotte, Roots in the Community and Market Foundation. All of these groups have signed on to a letter during the comment period of considerable length which will be in your hands this evening and I would like to read portions of that letter in support of the Strategic Energy Action Plan. Leading Environmental and Faith Organizations in our community comment the City of Charlotte and the City Council's Environmental Committee for their efforts to pass the SEAP Plan. We urge support for the Plan as a vital first step and I emphasize first step in moving towards a sustainable future, especially in light of recent reports and disasters that we are all very well aware of. Swift and urgent action is needed to combat climate change. These include the most recently the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Report and the NOAH Report and other reports. The IPCC report, one of many, stresses critical action in an accelerated timeframe. We urge the City to act even faster and take steps outlined even sooner. We see this as a living document; we are aware that the intention is to review it every two-years and modify it as necessary. We are in a dynamic changing environment and there really is no choice than to do that. This living document will require consistent work by the City, non-profit partners and advocates and by the business community along with strong support of residents by working together towards the goal to sustainable and resilient Charlotte by 2050 we can become a low carbon City that everyone here and otherwise will be proud of.

Mayor Lyles said you beat me to the punch recognizing Jennifer Roberts our former Mayor, thank you for being here. We do have the sustainable and resilient Charlotte Plan on the Strategy Session Agenda for the Council to have a full briefing by the Environmental Committee next week.

Transit Solutions and Strategic Energy Action Plan

Terry Lansdell, 1508 East Worthington Avenue said I appreciate all the work you are doing in your Transportation Committee and I enjoyed the vibrant meeting today on line and on Facebook live. I want to thank you for this opportunity to extend my voice on the Environmental and Transportation future of the City of Charlotte. I serve you on the Transit Services Advisory Commission and also serve Mecklenburg County and the Air Quality Commission. As Executive Director of [inaudible] North Carolina it is a sincere effort in my personal life and professional life to support the SEAP, to support transportation solutions in and around the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County as well as the State. The line I want to leave you with tonight if I get nothing else out is that as you consider voting on the SEAP in the coming weeks and months is that we should not be retrofitting our City for the equipment we want. We should be buying equipment for the City we want so as we consider this novel idea we want to understand how we transition how we transition our City fleet not to gas and I don't want to use natural gas here, but gas, petroleum fuels, fossil fuels. I hope that you will not allow any transition to those fossil fuels for the transit system and the City vehicles. It is really a challenge as a great supporter of the Charlotte Area Transit System for John Lewis, an incredible staff at CATS for how they envision our community moving forward and I want to stand in no way in opposition to Charlotte Area Transit System for their plans moving forward. Rubber tired buses and rubber tired vehicles are an opportunity moving forward. We just want to see them powered by petroleum products. With each investment I will say to you as an advisement here, with each investment and charging and procurement for these types of upfront costs you may believe that they are higher at the upfront but as you learn in the Environment Committee meeting last week \$6 million per year is being spent for fuel alone for the Charlotte Area Transit System and by some estimates, especially coming from Greensboro \$25,000 a year is an amortized estimated annual net savings for those transitions to electric buses. As you know we keep our buses for about 12-years so that is \$300,000 in fuel savings alone just for each electric bus. Charlotte Area Transit System is not the bull's eye here but it is our community and I want to support you and your tough conversations coming up in the next few weeks. I want you to know you have community support, organizational support here in Charlotte and across the state and Charlotte as it comes out of this vote will be a leader moving forward that the nation will be proud of.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH

Mayor Lyles said Angie Forde is our last speaker but we have something we would like to read before she speaks tonight. I've asked Councilmember Eiselt to read a Proclamation and Ms. Forde will have three minutes to speak as this was her topic.

Councilmember Eiselt read the following Proclamation on behalf of the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County:

WHEREAS, the month of November welcomes in a time of thanksgiving and a season for sharing our resources and our freedoms to worship, work, and live as independently as possible; and

WHEREAS, some members of our community do not have employment or a place to live for a variety of reasons, both simple and complex; and

WHEREAS, there are efforts to bring these homeless children and adults out of the shadows of our abundance, to address the diverse needs among them, as well as to provide guidance on how to correct conditions that have led to their poverty and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, our current economic challenges call for greater awareness and guidance to address needs among all of our neighbors; and

WHEREAS, The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Homeless Services Network, its member organizations, and its public partners in the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County desire to dispel myths and overcome stereotypes of homelessness and to provide opportunities for all of our citizens to learn about the plight, the hopes, and the achievements of homeless neighbors of our community and to welcome them:

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

“HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH”

in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County and urge all of our citizens to honor this observance.

Angie Forde, McGreesh Place said I'm an advocate for affordable housing and a member of the Homeless Services Network (HSN). As the Mayor mentioned I come before you tonight as I do regularly around this time every year to remind you that homelessness remains an issue that we as a community must continue to work together to resolve. I'm grateful to all of you, especially Councilmember Mayfield and her colleagues on the HAND Committee for your support and partnership in efforts to end homelessness in Charlotte-Mecklenburg. Unfortunately, however, the number of people living in places not meant for human habitation continues to increase and our shelters continue to be full and overflowing. Of the more than 30 neighbors who died this year from the community of people who are homeless all but six were still waiting to be housed at the time of their death. I would like to honor them by reading their names. Alfred Smith, Cary Clyburn who was a Vietnam veteran, Charles Ely, Charles Dowdy, Charles Riley, Cherry Kearney, Chris Craft, David Wayne Greene, Howard Russaw, James Simual, James White, Joe Sorrells, John Crain, John La Rue, John Stevens, Julian Hasenzahl, Linda Collins, Marvin Edwards, Michael "Lucky" Helms, Ormond Crews, Randy Partlow, Richard Brown, also a veteran, Robert Hutchinson another veteran, Ronald Hinkley, Sarah Brown, Torriano Joyce, Troy Clark, William Watts better known as Cowboy; he had a housing voucher that he could not fill when he died; Terri Caesar, Angelia Zeigler, Barbara Bailey and Matthew Hoffman.

The community is remembering these individuals at the vigil service on Thursday at 6:30 at the Homeless Resource Center on College Street. I hope that many of you will be able to join us in paying tribute to these lives. We at HSN promise that we will continue to work with you to identify and change the policies that have been preventing us from achieving our goal of ending homelessness in our City. I would like to be able to change the Proclamation in the future from

Awareness; I think you are all aware by now, to Accelerated Exit from homelessness. Thank you for your attention and continued support.

Mayor Lyles said thank you for putting names to faces that we often [inaudible].

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ITEM NO. 10: CLT250 PROCLAMATION

Mayor Lyles said this proclamation is actually a celebration of all of us, a celebration for our ancestors and the history in this community.

Mayor Lyles read the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, in 1750, a group of settlers arrived in an area of North Carolina between the Yadkin and Catawba Rivers; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 1768, the General Assembly was called into session; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 1768, Thomas Polk presented a bill to the Colonial Assembly as “An Act for Establishing a Town in Mecklenburg County”; and

WHEREAS, the Assembly voted to approve the bill and on December 3, 1768, presented to it to Governor Tryon signed the bill into law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Charlotte was thus established and named for Queen Charlotte Sophia of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, wife of King George III; and

WHEREAS, 360 acres of land were purchased by John Frohock, Abraham Alexander, and Thomas Polk, as Commissioners, to erect a courthouse, prison, and stocks at the intersection of Trade and Tryon streets; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Charlotte’s 250th anniversary, we will recognize our history, commemorate our spirit of independence, and celebrate our future and continued growth; and

WHEREAS, Charlotteans will come together as one to shape our city’s future; and

WHEREAS, “CLT250” is the city’s year-long celebration, a community-led effort where everyone is invited to participate and contribute to building a legacy for the next 250 years:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, do hereby proclaim December 3, 2018 as

“THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, MARKED BY THE YEAR-LONG CELEBRATION OF CLT250.”

in Charlotte and commend this observance to all residents.

Mayor Lyles said I know there is a lot of history that is written but there is also a lot of history that is not ever recorded and I hope that we will not just celebrate all of those words that I said today that are proclamations by people that perhaps had the ability to read or had a certain language ability or the ability to have a home or land. There is lots in our history to celebrate; sometimes some of us don’t think it is always good but that is what makes us who we are today a diverse and welcoming community. So, this day December 3, 2018, as we begin our celebration I hope that every citizen will learn a little bit more about out City’s history, all of it, that makes it possible for us to celebrate and sit at this dais today.

Councilmember Winston said could I ask something of the Manager to look into the subject of the watermain breaks and what Mr. Abdullah was talking about. I’m under the recollection that we passed a sidewalk ordinance earlier this year that was supposed to take care of some of those problems that he spoke about of telephone poles and trees that are in the middle of

sidewalks, and I know there were some projects that were probably approved and gone on ahead but I just want to get some clarification as to where we are on that information process.

Marcus Jones, City Manager said we will look at that for you.

Mayor Lyles said the Manager follows up and the staff follows up these; I don't know if we get a quarterly report or get any of the feedback because as you come down as you notice we listen, and we ask the staff to follow-up with individuals or groups on any asks or request, and I'm not sure how we learn the results of them. Mr. Jones; could you let us know how that works?

Mr. Jones said a lot of the responses are in the Manager/Council Memo.

Mayor Lyles said someone mentioned that to me today, and I just wanted to remind myself to read it. Honestly, I asked someone about it today and they said that information is in the Council/Manager Memo, and I thought to myself I need to read it. So, I just want to remind all of us.

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CONSENT

ITEM NO. 8: CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Newton, and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the exceptions of Item Nos. 57, 87 and 92, which were pulled by staff and Item No. 64, which was pulled for a separate vote.

Mayor Lyles said we will have a separate vote on Item No. 64. We have a comment on Item No. 31.

Councilmember Winston said regarding Item No. 31, 2018 Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Foundation Donation, I had a question about the Smart Phone application; it says to allow residents to stay in better contact. Are residents having trouble staying in contact with Police?

Marie Harris, Strategy and Budget said Mr. Winston, that is just another tool to employ to be more real time live but this specific action, if you approve it tonight, is just to accept the money. You would have another action come forward to actually develop that tool and more information on that tool. Currently it is scheduled for your next business meeting.

Mr. Winston said I was just wondering where the demand is?

Deputy Chief Keith Jennings, Police said I am here on behalf of Deputy Chief Jeff Estes who is the Project Manager for this; however, it is an evolution of communication with the public. It is a new tool that allows the public to have greater access to the Police as well as filing Police Reports, social media connections, and various things that allows them to have a closer connection with us. Basically, it is just another tool; when you ask about demand the demand is basically through the evolution of what is going on with the use of cell phones now a days and communication with the public.
Mr. Winston said so you might be allowed to file a Police Report from this application?

Deputy Chief Jennings said yes, there are some agencies that are currently using police aps on their phone; this is a step for us to do the same thing and there are a variety of things that you can do from that apt including providing crime tips and things like that.

Councilmember Mayfield said on the same note, just a little more clarification, if we were to move forward with approving this proposal tonight this will be an apt that we would then market for the community to download to their smart phones?

Deputy Chief Jennings said that is correct and just for clarification this will be in front of Council on the 10th; this is acceptance of the donation or grant from the Police Foundation.

Ms. Mayfield said thank you for the clarification; it would be for an apt that can be downloaded, so it is different than next door.

Deputy Chief Jennings said exactly; it is an application on your phone similar to any other apt that you can go and have direct access to a business or something like that.

Ms. Mayfield said so we are saying adding this in addition to those if they call 911, if you have the ability you will also have access to an apt if you need assistance or if you want to report a crime?

Deputy Chief Jennings said correct.

Councilmember Bokhari said I was just going to say wonderful that the Foundation is doing this obviously, and I'm glad that we are not having to vote on the final product like you've said today but just accepting the money. I would raise my hand if someone interested between now and that next meeting to get a little deeper engaged because those of us that were in LA saw a couple start-up companies that also have new technologies that were of interest if we wanted to kind of tee-up and then we've been talking about apps and digital connection across other angles of government. I just want to make sure that we maximize the capability that we are going to roll out in this Division with other things that we've been looking at so would love an offline opportunity before the next vote to talk through that.

Deputy Chief Jennings said absolutely; I'll pass that along.

The following items were approved:

Item No. 31: 2018 Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Foundation Donation

Authorize the City Manager to accept a donation from the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Foundation in the amount of \$255,000 for various Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department initiatives.

Item No. 32: Motorcycle Repair Parts and Service

(A) Approve the purchase of motorcycle parts, as authorize by the sole source exemption of G.S. 143-129(e)(6), (B) Approve a contract with Motorcycles of Charlotte for the purchase of motorcycle parts and services for the term of three years, and (C) Authorize the City manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 33: Charlotte Fire Department Strategic Deployment and Operational Planning Software

(A) Approve a contract with Levrum Code3 Strategist to provide, implement, and maintain strategic deployment and operational planning software, (B) Authorize the City Manager to approve price adjustments and amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to purchase maintenance and support as required to maintain the system for as long as the City uses the system.

Item No. 34: Amend Contract for Fire Department Records Management System Maintenance and Support

(A) Approve contract amendment #2 to the contract with FDM Software, LTD to provide records management system maintenance and support, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to purchase additional maintenance and support for as long as the City uses the system.

Item No. 35: Amend Contract for Fire Computer-Aided Dispatch System Maintenance and Support

(A) Approve contract amendment #2 to the contract with TriTech Software Systems to provide computer-aided dispatch system maintenance and support, (B) Authorize the City Manager to approve price adjustments and amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was awarded, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to purchase such additional software license, services, hardware, maintenance and support as required to maintain the system for as long as the City uses the system.

Item No. 36: Fire Apparatus Fabrication and Customization Services

(A) Approve a unit price contract with Anchor-Richey EVS for fire apparatus fabrication and customization services for an initial term of three years, and (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.

Item No. 37: Intelligent Transportation System Projects Engineering Services

Approve professional services contracts in the estimated amount of \$575,000 for the inspection and construction administration of Intelligent Transportation Systems projects with the following firms: Exult Engineering \$250,000, SEPI Engineering & Construction \$175,000 and STV Engineers, Inc. \$150,000.

Item No. 38: Harris Boulevard Intelligent Transportation System Project

Approve a contract in the amount of \$397,933.75 to the lowest responsive bidder, STS Cable Services, Inc. for the Harris Boulevard Intelligent Transportation Systems project.

Summary of Bids

STS Cable Services, Inc.	\$397,933.75
Whiting Construction Company, Inc.	\$459,334.73
Utility Service Contractors	\$467,691.82

Item No. 39: Traffic Signal LED Replacement

Approve a contract in the amount of \$395,186 with Brooks-Berry-Haynie & Associates, Inc. for replacement of LED displays in traffic signals for a term of three years.

Item No. 40: Traffic Signal Equipment

(A) Award a unit price contract to the lowest responsive bidder Halifax Security, Inc. dba North American Video for the purchase of traffic signal related equipment for a three-year term, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and toe amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Summary of Bids

Halifax Security, Inc. dba North American Video	\$95,062.50
360 Network Solutions	\$103,590.00
CDW-G	\$107,460.00
F & E Trading	\$113,355.00
Utilicom Supply	\$147,465.00

Item No. 41 4” Ready Mix Concrete

(A) Approve unit price contracts for the purchase of ready mix concrete for one-year to the following vendors: Concrete Supply Company, Southern Concrete Materials, and (B) Authorize the City manager to renew the contracts for up to three, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 42: Roadway Construction Services Fiscal Year 2019 C and D

(A) Approve a contract in the amount of \$896,896 to the lowest responsive bidder United of Carolinas, Inc. for a term of 12 months for Specialized Roadway Construction Services Fiscal Year 2019 C, and (B) Approve a contract in the amount of \$998,966 to the lowest responsive bidder United of Carolinas, Inc. for a term of we months for Specialized Roadway Construction Services Fiscal Year 2019 D.

Summary of Bids

Action A

United of Carolinas, Inc.	\$ 896,896.00
Silverback Brothers LLC	\$ 907,362.50
Blythe Development Co.	\$1,561,059.50

Action B

United of Carolinas, Inc.	\$ 998,866.00
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Onsite Development, LLC	\$1,019,122.50
Blythe Development Co.	\$1,312,734.50

Item No. 43: Dave McKinney Avenue Extension and McFarlane Boulevard Connector Projects

Approve a contract in the amount of \$227,923 with STV Engineers, Inc. for design services for the Dave McKinney Avenue extension and McFarlane Boulevard connector projects.

Item No. 44: Amend Contract for Sale of City Property Located on West Tyvola Road

Approve an amendment to the existing contract between the City of Charlotte and Laurel Street Residential, for the sale of 11.686 acres of property (parcel identification number) 143-133-01) located on West Tyvola Road.

Item No. 45: Acquire land for Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Independence Division Station

Approve the purchase of 0.06-acre parcel (parcel identification number 165-041-03) located at the intersection of Independence Boulevard and City View Drive in the amount of \$90,000 from McEwen Associates 7 McDowell/Cochrane, LLC.

Item No. 46: Fire Station 26 Mechanical Systems Upgrade

Approve a contract in the amount of \$122,478 to the lowest responsive bidder Armstrong Mechanical Services, Inc. for the Fire Station 26 Mechanical Systems Upgrades project.

Summary of Bids

* Armstrong Mechanical Services, Inc.	\$122,478.00
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* Only one bid was received

Item No. 47: 5516 Central Avenue Roof Replacement

Approve a contract in the amount of \$389,000 to the lowest responsive bidder Rike Roofing Services, Inc. for the 5516 Central Avenue Roof Replacement project.

Summary of Bids

Rike Roofing Services,	\$389,000.00
AAR of North Carolina, Inc.	\$445,800.00
Davco Roofing and Sheet Metal, Inc.	\$542,725.00
Tecta America	\$579,221.00
Nations Roof of Carolina	\$612,500.00
Johnson’s Roofing Service, Inc.	\$622,600.00
Allied Roofing Company, Inc.	\$642,100.00

Item No. 48: Cooperative Purchasing Contract for Vehicles and Equipment

(A) Approve the purchase of vehicles and equipment from a cooperative purchasing contract as authorized by G.S. 143-129(e)(3), (B) Approve unit price contracts as Citywide contracts with the following vendors for the purchase of vehicles and heavy equipment for a term of one year under the North Carolina Sheriff’s Association (NCSA): James River Equipment (NCSA Contract #19-03-0504), Asheville Ford Lincoln, Capital Chevrolet, Capital Ford of Raleigh, Modern Chevrolet, and Piedmont Truck Center (NCSA contract #19-05-0911), (C) Approve unit price contracts as Citywide contracts with the following vendors for the purchase of construction equipment for a term of one year under the Sourcewell cooperative program: Clark Equipment Company (Sourcewell Contract #042815-CEC), Ascendum Machinery, Inc. (Sourcewell contract #0325150VCE), and (D) Authorize the City Manager to extend the contracts for additional one-year terms as long as the cooperative contracts are in effect at prices and terms that are the same or more favorable than those offered under the cooperative contract.

Item No. 49: Wanamassa Storm Drainage Improvement Project

(A) Reject the low-bid submitted by Zoladz Construction Co., Inc. for the Wanamassa Storm Drainage Improvement Project, and (B) Approve a contract in the amount of \$2,274,638.30 to the lowest responsive bidder Sealand Contractors Corp., for the Wannamassa Storm Drainage Improvement Project.

Summary of Bids

*Zoladz Construction Co., Inc.	\$1,985,026.45
Sealand Contractors Corp.	\$2,274,638.00
United of Carolinas, Inc.	\$2,372,708.80
North American Pipeline Management, Inc	\$2,505,596.50
Onsite Development, LLC	\$2,927,095.60

*The bid was rejected as a result of failing to meet the City’s Charlotte Business INclusion Program established subcontracting goal.

Item No. 50: Margaret Turner Storm Drainage Improvement Project

Approve a contract in the amount of \$3,693,679.28 to the lowest responsive bidder, Sealand Contractors Corp., for the Margaret Turner Storm Drainage Improvement Project.

Summary of Bids

Sealand Contractors Corp.	\$3,693,679.28
United of Carolinas, Inc.	\$3,753,798.84
Blythe Development Company	\$3,837,625.00

Item No. 51: Charlotte Water Microbiological Analysis System

(A) Approve a five-year contract with Bruker Daltonics, Inc. to provide and integrate a specialized Laboratory System for the Analysis of Microbiological Organisms in Water, (B) Authorize the City Manager to approve price adjustments and amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved, and (C) Authorize the City manager to purchase such additional software licenses, services, hardware, maintenance, and support as required to maintain the system for as long as the City uses the system.

Item No. 52: Fats, Oil and Grease Tracking Application]

(A) Approve a three-year contract with Swift Comply to provide and implement a fats, oil and grease tracking application, (B) Authorize the City Manager to approve price adjustments and amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved, and (C) Authorize the City manager to purchase such additional software license, services, hardware, maintenance and support as required to maintain the system for as long as the City uses the system.

Item No. 53: Sanitary Sewer Degreaser

(A) Approve the purchase of a sanitary sewer degreaser by piggybacking on a previously bid contract as authorized by G.S. 143-129(g), (B) Approve a contract with TP Environmental Products & Services, LLC for the purchase of sanitary sewer degreaser for the term of one year, and (C) 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.

Item No. 54: Little Hope Creek Basin Sanitary Sewer Improvements Design-Build Services

(A) Approve a contract in the amount of \$6,280,430 with Park Construction of North Carolina, Inc. for Phase 1 Design-Build services for the Little Hope Creek Basin Sanitary Sewer Improvements projects, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to acquire all easements and real property interests, including by condemnation, when necessary for construction of the project.

Item No. 55: Davidson Water Transmission Main Phase III Design-Build Services

(A) Approve a contract in the amount of \$2,186,227 with Propst Construction Company for Phase 1 Design-Build Services for the Davidson Water Transmission Main Phase III project, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to acquire all easements and real property interests, including by condemnation, when necessary, for construction of the project.

Item No. 56: Goose Creek Trunk Sewer Extension to Fairview Road Design-Build Services

(A) Approve a contract in the amount of \$859,523 with Crowder Construction Company for Phase 1 Design-Build Services for the Goose Creek Trunk Sewer Extension to Fairview Road project, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to acquire all easements and real property interests, including by condemnation, when necessary, for construction of the project.

Item No. 58: Solids Hauling Services for Wastewater Package Plants

(A) Approve a unit price contract with L & L Environmental Services LLC for Solids Hauling Services for Wastewater Package Plants for an initial term of one-year, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to four, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 59: Replacement Pumps, Pump Parts, and process Equipment

(A) Approve the purchase of Replacement Pumps, Pump Parts, and Process Equipment, as authorized by the sole source exemption of G. S. 143-129(e)(6), and (B) Approve contracts with the following companies for the purchase of Replacement Pumps, Pump parts, and Process Equipment for the term of five-years: ABB Inc., Carolina Seals, Inc., Combs Technologies, Inc., Emory Wilson Process, Inc., Jim Myers & Sons, Inc., KL Shane, Inc., MSA Safety Inc., Philadelphia Mixing Solutions, Ltd, Primary Flow Signal, Inc., Pro Chem, Inc., Pumps, Parts & Services, Inc., Siemens Industry, Inc., The Perkinson Company, Inc., WC Equipment Sales, Inc., Westech Industrial, WSG & Solutions, Inc., Xylem Dewatering Solutions, Inc., and (C) Authorize the City Manager to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 60: LYNX Blue Line Extension Rail Car Engineering

(A) Approve a five-year contract for up to \$1,183,550 with LTK Engineering for Light Rail Vehicle engineering services, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 61: CATS Electronic Payment Services

(A) Approve a three-year contract with Value Payment Systems LLC to provide and implement electronic payment services, (B) Authorize the City Manager to approve price adjustments and amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to purchase such additional software licenses, services, hardware, maintenance and support as required to maintain the system for as long as the City uses the system.

Item No. 62: Airport Concourse E Air Handling Units Replacement

Approve a contract in the amount of \$782,100 to the lowest responsive bidder The Bowers Group LLC for the Concourse E Air Handling Units Replacement.

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

Item No. 63: Airport Interior Landscape Services

(A) Approve a contract with Rolling Greens, Inc. for interior landscape services for a term of three-years, and (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.

Item No. 65: Airport South Crossfield Taxiway Project

(A) Approve a contract in the amount of \$14,505,649 with WSP USA, Inc. for design services of the South Crossfield Taxiway project, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 66: Airport Terminal Lobby Expansion Amendment

Approve contract amendment #1 in the amount of \$770,806 with GS&P/NC, P.C. for additional architectural and engineering design services for the Terminal Lobby Expansion project.

Item No. 67: Airport Concourse A Expansion Phase I Design Services Amendment

Approve contract amendment #2 for \$194,540 with Perkins + Will North Carolina, Inc. for additional design services and construction administration support for Concourse A Expansion airline and airport support spaces.

Item No. 68: Airport Concourse Renovation Design Services Amendment

Approve contract amendment #2 for \$390,166 with C Design, Inc. for additional design services and construction administration support for Concourse A Renovation and Concourse B Renovation projects.

Item No. 69: Airport Ground Power Unit and Pre-Conditioned Air Unit Parts

(A) Approve the purchase of ground power unit and pre-conditioned air unit parts as authorized by the sole source exemption of G. S. 143-129(e)(6), (B) approve a unit price contract with ITW GSE, Inc. for the purchase of ground power unit and pre-conditioned air unit parts for the term of three years, and (C) 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.

Item No. 70: American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc. Lease

(A) Approve a 10-year lease agreement with American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc., and (B) Authorize the City Manager to amend the lease for two, five-year lease extensions consistent with the purpose for which the agreement was approved.

Item No. 71: American Airlines Lease

Approve a five-year lease with American Airlines for office space in the Old Terminal Building located at 4700 Yorkmont Road.

Item No. 72: Lufthansa Airlines Lease

Approve a five-year lease with Lufthansa Airlines for office and ramp space in the Terminal at Charlotte Douglas International Airport.

Item No. 73: Air General, Inc. Lease

Approve a five-year lease with Air General, Inc. for office and warehouse space at 4818 A-1 Express Drive.

Item No. 74: Refund of Property Taxes

Adopt a resolution authorizing the refund of property taxes assessed through clerical or assessment error in the amount of \$2,323.64.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 269-270.

Item No. 75: Meeting Minutes

Approve the titles, motions, and vote reflected in the Clerk's record as the minutes of: October 1, 2018 Special Meeting, October 1, 2018 Zoning Meeting, October 8, 2018 Business Meeting, October 15, 2018 Zoning Meeting, October 22, 2018 Special Meeting, and October 22, 2018 Business Meeting.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

Item No. 76: In Rem Remedy 212 South Cloudman Street

Adopt Ordinance No. 9465-X authorizing the use of In Rem Remedy to demolish and remove the structure at 212 South Cloudman Street. (Neighborhood Profile Area 385).

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 707.

Item No. 77: In Rem Remedy 7200 Doblinway Drive

Adopt Ordinance No. 9466-X authorizing the use of In Rem Remedy to demolish and remove the structure at 7200 Doblinway Drive (Neighborhood Profile Area 229).

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 708.

Item No. 78: In Rem Remedy 2300 Lanecrest Drive

Adopt Ordinance No. 9467-X authorizing the use of In Rem Remedy to demolish and remove the structure at 2300 Lanecrest Drive (Neighborhood Profile Area 312).

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page 709.

Item No. 79: In Rem Remedy 3260 Reid Avenue

Adopt Ordinance No. 9468-X authorizing the use of In Rem Remedy to demolish and remove the structure at 3260 Reid Avenue (Neighborhood Profile Area 159).

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 710.

Item No. 80: Property Transactions - Wilmore Drive/Park Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #5

Acquisition of 4,619 square feet (.106 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement. Plus 1,363 square feet (.031 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 2022 Wood Dale Terrace from Perry Roland Davidson and Mary Harris Davidson for \$13,875 for Wilmore Drive/Park Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #5.

Item No. 81: Property Transactions – Denbur Drive Sanitary Sewer to Serve 7908, Parcel #3

Acquisition of 7,868 square feet (.181 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 2,633 square feet (.06 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 7901 Denbur Drive from George Thomas Benton, Jr., Steven Douglas Benton, Nicholas J. Benton and Katharine Arlie Benton for \$28,428 for Denbur Drive Sanitary Sewer to serve 7908, Parcel #3.

Item No. 82: Property Transactions – Glenn Teague Road to serve 6230 & 6116, Parcel #1

Acquisition of 2,555 square feet (.059 acres) in Waterline Easement at 6124 Glenn Teague Road from Gerald A. Chadwick and Amy Joe Chadwick for \$12,000 for Glenn Teague Road to serve 6130 and 6116, Parcel #1.

Item No. 83: Property Transactions – Upper Taggart Creek Outfall, Parcel #27

Acquisition of 17,416 square feet (.4 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 5,809 square feet (.133 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 4350 Denver Avenue from Community Apartments Corporation of Metrolina #5 for \$13,150 for Upper Taggart Creek Outfall, Parcel #27.

Item No. 84: Property Transactions – Peachtree Hills Sidewalk, Parcel #1

Acquisition of 2,495 square feet (.057 acre) in Sidewalk and Utility Easement, plus 5,042 square feet (.116 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 1004 Oakdale Road from Timothy Joseph March for \$10,250 for Peachtree Hills Sidewalk, Parcel #1.

Item No. 85: Property Transactions – Yellowstone Zebulon Street Connectivity, Parcel #2

Acquisition of 32,146 square feet (.738 acre) in Fee Simple, plus 3,578 square feet (.738 acre) in Storm Drainage Easement, plus 789 square feet (.018 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 3,777 square feet (.087 acre) in Waterline Easement, plus 34,828 square feet (.8 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 2701 Rozzelles Ferry Road from Karen C. Shaw for \$375,200 for Yellowstone Zebulon Street Connectivity, Parcel #2.

Item No. 86: Property Transactions – Hinsdale-Tinkerbelle Drainage Improvements, Parcel #24

Acquisition of 672.34 square feet (.015 acre) in Storm Drainage Easement, plus 666.19 square feet (.015 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement, plus 1,100 square feet (.025 acre) in Existing Drainage Accepted as Storm Drainage Easement at 5516 Warewhip Lane from Benjamin J. Case and Sarah Case for \$55,500 for Hinsdale-Tinkerbelle Drainage Improvements, Parcel #24.

Item No. 88: Property Transactions – Irvins Creek Trunk, Parcel #11

Resolution of Condemnation of 10,109 square feet (.232 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 581 square feet (.013 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 7002 Matthews-Mint Hill Road from Burger King Corporation for \$43,850 for Irvins Creek Trunk, Parcel #11.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 271.

Item No. 89: Property Transactions – Irvins Creek Trunk, Parcel #12

Resolution of Condemnation of 1,270 square feet (.029 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 585 square feet (.013 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 6930 Matthews-Mint Hill Road from First Citizens Bank & Trust Company for \$2,600 for Irvins Creek Trunk, Parcel #12.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 272.

Item No. 90: Property Transactions – Irvins Creek Trunk, Parcel #13

Resolution of Condemnation of 32,203 square feet (.739 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 478 square feet (.011 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 6904 and 6914

Matthews Mint Hill Road from Mint Hill Festival Limited Partnership for \$100,050 for Irvins Creek Trunk, Parcel #13.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 273.

Item No. 91: Property Transactions – Wilmore Drive/Park Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #6 and 7.

Resolution of Condemnation of 23,768 square feet (.546 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 5,679 square feet (.13 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 601 West Boulevard and 541 West Worthington Avenue from 601 Kingston LLC for \$9,775 for Wilmore Drive/Park Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Parcel #6 and 7.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 274.

Item No. 93: Property Transactions – Upper Taggart Creek Outfall, Parcel #29

Resolution of Condemnation of 3,053 square feet (.07 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement plus 2,602 square feet (.06 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement on Carlyle Drive from Heirs of Kathleen G. Blair for \$1,900 for Upper Taggart Creek Outfall Parcel #29.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 275.

Item No. 94: Property Transactions – Williams Station Wastewater Pump Station, Parcel #10

Resolution of condemnation of 2,643.59 square feet (.061 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 1,044.95 square feet (.024 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 2901 Williams Station Road from Amy Blackley and Luke Hanson for \$2,550 for Williams Station Wastewater Pump Station, Parcel #10.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 276.

Item No. 95: Property Transactions – Win Hollow Pump Station, Parcel #9

Resolution of Condemnation of 1,129.49 square feet (.026 acre) in Sanitary Sewer Easement, plus 890.16 square feet (.02 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement on Plaza Road Extension from Cascades, LLC for \$325 for Win Hollow Pump Station, Parcel #9.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 277.

Item No. 96: Property Transactions – Cross Charlotte Trail Brandywine-Tyvola, Parcel #17

Resolution of Condemnation of 3,887 square feet (.089 acre in Greenway Easement, plus 6,213 square feet (.143 acre in Temporary Construction Easement at 3450 Selwyn Avenue from Richard V. Pacella for \$28,100 for Cross Charlotte Trail Brandywine-Tyvola, Parcel #17.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 278.

Item No. 97: Property Transactions – Cross Charlotte Trail Brandywine-Tyvola, Parcel #19

Resolution of Condemnation of 4,575 square feet (.105 acre) in Greenway Easement, plus 1,606 square feet (.037 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 3514 Selwyn Avenue from Harry Sibold for \$23,075 for Cross Charlotte Trail Brandywine-Tyvola, Parcel #19.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 279.

Item No. 98: Property Transactions – Cross Charlotte Trail Brandywine-Tyvola, Parcels #10 and 11

Resolution of Condemnation of 8,516 square feet (.196 acre) in Greenway Easement, plus 5,211 square feet (.12 acre) in Temporary Construction Easement at 2100 Hassell Place from JSBM, LLC for an amount to be determined for Cross Charlotte Trail Brandywine-Tyvola, Parcels #10 and 11.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 280.

Item No. 99: Aviation Property Transaction – 5900 Wilkinson Boulevard

Acquisition of .973 acres at 5900 Wilkinson Boulevard from Nisbet E P Company for \$931,500 and all relocation benefits in compliance with federal, state or local regulations for Airport Gateway Central.

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ITEM NO. 64: AIRPORT NORTH END-AROUND TAXIWAY PROJECT

Councilmember Mayfield said this was a specific question; we had a \$30 million contract; we had DBE goal on it, and we have a number of potential partners and I wanted to get a little bit more clarification on the 10.13% negotiated goal, so I wanted to give an opportunity for our Director of the Airport to let us know how this contract process went.

Brent Cagle, Aviation Director said this is a federally funded project so it falls under the FAA’s DBE program guidelines. The Aviation Department put out a request for qualifications, chose Talbert, Bright, & Ellington, Inc. and then worked with Talbert, Bright & Ellington to maximize the amount of participation. This one is an interesting one because the scope of work is very technical and in nature; it involves on airfield and off airfield work. Talbert, Bright, & Ellington were able to identify eight different sub-contractors all in unique and specialized fields to maximize and reach that 10.13% goal on the project.

Ms. Mayfield said for clarification with you able to negotiate created more opportunities by breaking it down a little more to specialize DBEs opposed to maybe three or four DBEs getting the bulk of the work?

Mr. Cagle said yes, that is correct.

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Newton, and carried unanimously to (A) Approve a contract in the amount of \$27,127,373 with Talbert, Bright & Ellington, Inc. for design services of the Runway 18C/36C End-Around Taxiway project, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

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PUBLIC HEARING

ITEM NO. 11: PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION TO CLOSE AN UNOPENED ALLEYWAY OFF OF SPENCER STREET

Mayor Lyles declared the public hearing open.

There being no speakers either for or against a motion was made by Councilmember Driggs, seconded by Councilmember Harlow, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing and adopt a resolution to close an unopened alleyway off of Spencer Street.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 264-264A.

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POLICY

ITEM NO. 12: CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Marcus Jones, City Manager said I have a few items tonight, and the first one is for our City Clerk, Stephanie Kelly, so hopefully she is very surprised right now. Stephanie, come on over this way; you don’t know this but your team admires you so much and next Monday is actually your 10th year as City Clerk, so we have something special for you. Stephanie is kind of interesting, because much like me, all that Stephanie knows is public service. She has had her entire career in public service in local government for 34-years. She joined the City as a Deputy

City Clerk in 2004, and I think you may recall this time last year we talked about her becoming the President, not of the United States, but the President of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. I had the great joy of seeing her sworn in last May, and they love her. It is great to have you here; we know that you will be traveling all over the world this year, and your deputy has done an amazing job, and she is actually the master mind behind this, so again Stephanie, thank you for all you do.

I know we have a meeting next Monday but there are a few events between now and next Monday that I would like to bring to your attention. One is on the 29th of November the Charlotte Fire Department will have its Citizens Academy Graduation; on the 30th CMPD will its 180th Recruit Class Graduation Ceremony, and as the Mayor mentioned earlier, while CLT250 is a year-long celebration, there is some cake next Monday and it is interesting, and I would like to echo what the Mayor said, it is not just about eating cake and having a party. It is community driven, and there is so many stories we are learning about our great City. This one day, the day that is the anniversary of the City we think it is okay to have a little bit of cake, so between 11:30 and 1:30 at Trade and Tryon where it all started there is a community celebration so that will be on December 3rd. You have my memo at your seats, and it is kind of interesting as we start to look at Monday, the Strategy Session; there is a tremendous amount of work that is coming out of the Committees, so as you start to see the list gets longer and longer, and there may be a little bit of a challenge to stay in between the 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. timeframe, but it is all good work that is coming out, and so while we have some items that have been pulled out of the Committee Reports the Committee Reports are much bigger than just these items, but Transit Oriented Development, four-year terms, the housing locational policy, the Legislative Agendas, as well as discussion on the Strategic Energy Action Plan will all be a part of the December 3, 2018. Then on the 10th the Efficiency in Government, the contract threshold, and there maybe some items that come out of the 3rd that could even be ready for the 10th so a lot of good things are happening in the Committee.

We have two Police Items tonight that follow the Manager’s Report; one is the Target Rehab Program that is coming out of the HAND Committee and then Item No. 14, the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy which is coming out of TAP, and I think Tiffany Waddell is making her way to the podium, because there is one two-minute video that she would like to share that relates to something that was brought to our attention from Councilmember Phipps about all the hard working individuals in the City of Charlotte.

Tiffany Waddell Blackwell, Constituent Services said I am excited to share with you that the City of Charlotte has been selected as one of the hardest working cities by Freightliner Trucks. I would like to thank Councilmember Phipps for bringing this to our attention and accepting this award on our behalf. We have a brief two-minute video that showcases what the award is about for you to review.

Mayor Lyles said Mr. Phipps brought the award by, and if you want to lift weights just carry it around a little bit. Thank you, Mr. Phipps for your diligence and understanding that we ought to praise the people that helped the City be what it is and Freightliner; thank you very much for recognizing Charlotte.

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ITEM NO. 13: TARGETED HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Councilmember Mayfield said I want to acknowledge my Committee members; my Co-chair Councilmember Driggs, as well as my colleagues Councilmembers Newton, Egleston and Harlow. Thank you for all the work that we have tackled this year. As you mentioned, we are coming before you to ask you to approve converting our current targeted housing rehab program into a permanent housing program. Since its inception as a pilot program in 2016, the program has been reviewed by the Housing and Neighborhood Development Committee several times and I am going to do a Chair privilege, because I definitely want to add an additional thank you to Councilmember Driggs because we were Chair and Co-chair last term, when I had the idea of stepping out and doing something different, and I appreciated the fact that as crazy as it sounded at the time he supported me on it and thank you to the Committee for us keeping it moving forward. This program provides moderate home rehabilitation for low-income households and has proven to be an effective neighborhood revitalization tool that enables owners and renters to remain in their home, improve their personal quality of life and by

concentrating rehabilitation in small areas improves the quality of life in the overall neighborhood. Through deed restrictions the program also helps preserve the existing affordable housing stock and aligns with the Housing Charlotte Framework and allows some residents to age in place.

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield and seconded by Councilmember Driggs, to approve the Housing and Neighborhood Development Committee's recommendation to convert the targeted housing rehabilitation pilot program into a permanent resource.

Councilmember Egleston said I made this comment in our last Committee meeting, and I will make it again; my only problem with this program is that we aren't doing more with it. I hope we will continue to grow this; it is a phenomenal idea. It has been very successful, and there are so many neighborhoods in this community that could benefit from this program, and I hope overtime we will expand it beyond just two neighborhoods at a time. To be selfish in District 1, there are neighborhoods like Howie Acres that I know would really benefit from something like this to help slow some of the displacement that we know is occurring throughout City. I just wish we could do more but I'm very glad we are going to make this a permanent program and not a temporary one.

Councilmember Driggs said I want to say part of the appeal of this program is that it improves the productivity and the efficiency of our use of federal money. So, this is not actually Charlotte money; this is money we get from the federal government. We have just found a way to be much more targeted in terms of how we invest it in rehab. I think it is a good program.

Councilmember Newton said from a comprehensive standpoint, I think this makes a whole lot of sense. We talked about this extensively in Committee; it is much more cost effective, economical for us. We are losing a lot of National Occurring Affordable Housing on a daily basis. We talk a lot about new development and often time we overlook what we are losing and that just further expands this gap that we need to fill. In this context, we are talking about preserving affordable housing in our much more comprehensive plan. I think this makes a whole lot of sense; we are tackling the issue from a different angle here, and we are putting in place a permanent program which was a successful pilot to begin with and to Mr. Egleston's point I think it is also worth noting that Ms. Mayfield was talking about rental units and from a standpoint of expansion like Mr. Egleston was talking about maybe we can start talking about expanding into the rental unit market for the sake of the apartment complexes that we know are in need like Lake Harbor.

Ms. Mayfield said just to give an update and to give a snapshot of a direct impact, when we implemented this program and we identified both historic Camp Greene and Lincoln Heights, that was still before we saw the boom we've seen within the last year and a half. As an example, one of our residents who applied and qualified for the program, had this beautiful brick home and the lot immediately next door the home was sold, and the home that was built in place next to her in about 45-days sold for \$447,000. So, by us being proactive and stepping out and doing something a little different than what we had done previously, before we saw the increase of housing costs, material costs and all the development and seeing continue to climb in the neighborhood, we were able to get in, make a really smart investment through our partners, so I also want to make sure I take the time to thank our partners, one of our biggest partners really has been Rebuilding Together Through [inaudible]. They have been a major partner as well as Habitat for Humanity as well as Goodwill Rehab. We have had some tremendous partners, and I have to thank our Neighborhood and Business Services Team, because without our team out there on the ground doing the day to day, we went out five times door to door to talk to residents in order to let them know that this program was available and that government is serious. We want to come in and help so we have a direct impact. Yes, I would love for us to do more, but the fact that you all supporting us moving this to a full program outside of a pilot is going to add two additional neighborhoods. We are not leaving Camp Greene and Lincoln Heights. We are not just pulling out and going in. We are going to continue in the two neighborhoods, and we are adding an additional two, and we are going to look at some much more creative ways to impact neighborhoods right now with those that are both long-term renters and homeowners.

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

Mayor Lyles said we talk a lot about policy and big money and trying to get bonds and things like that but sometimes some of the smallest things makes the biggest difference in someone's life.

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ITEM NO. 14: NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY

Councilmember Phipps said I would like to definitely thank the Charlotte Transportation Department and Ms. Liz Babson and her staff, Tamara Blue and Kathy Dennis on the hard work in getting these adjustments made and comparisons to our policy that hadn't been looked at. It was first adopted in 1997 and last update was in 2006, but they really brought a good set of proposals to us, and we are here to vote on those tonight. I would especially like to thank the Committee Vice Chair Ms. Eiselt, and Ms. Ajmera, Mr. Winston and Mr. Egleston that worked to push this out of Committee in record time and really to give the community and neighborhood better flexibility in terms of taking action to make their community safe with the reduction in speed limits and reducing some of the barriers to trying to get some of those traffic calming initiative in their neighborhood. For example, several things that we are revising our policies are in concert with other leading cities across the country. When it comes to neighborhood traffic calming procedures and guidelines with respect to speed humps we are reducing the threshold to 600 vehicles per day from 1,000, which reduces some of the burden there. As far as multi-way stops, we are going to combine the volume on main and intersection streets to meet the 600 vehicles per day and reduce the petition required impact area to 1,200 linear feet from the intersection and also, we have a provision in there for speed humps plus multiway stops. We are only going to require 15 vehicles per day and a postcard in lieu of second petition if one has occurred within five-years of the first installation. Also, original signatures of only one parcel owner, so we don't have to go chasing or coming back when the husband is only there or the wife is only there. You can just get one signature per household to help to move that petition process along and that is going to be done in lieu of the 60% signed petition.

Also, Housing and Neighborhood Services has agreed to assist distressed neighborhoods with the petition process if it is needed and through her authority authorize through Charlotte ordinance Ms. Babson who is the Director of C-DOT has the capacity to reduce speed limits in various neighborhoods with the stroke of a pen but it has to come through a formal request. I thought we could just proactively do it, but I guess we would like to give the neighborhood an opportunity to request it before we take that kind of action. With these provisions, I think we've made some good progress; we've updated out policies and streamlined them in a way that I think the community would appreciate in terms of more efficiency, and I'm going to support it.

Motion was made by Councilmember Phipps and seconded by Councilmember Winston to approve the Transportation and Planning Committee's recommendation to accept the proposed Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy updates.

Councilmember Driggs said I think this is a good idea; I get a lot of requests in my District too for calming on roads that people travel at very high speeds, probably because the police are spread pretty thin down in Ballantyne and people don't expect to get caught frankly. The only question I have is the reason we have these restraints on traffic calming is because of congestion, right? And we have big congestion problems as well, so did we analyze the extent to which some of our congestion issues might be acerbated by putting I more stop signs?

Mr. Phipps said when you talk about congestion we are talking about neighborhood streets, not your collector or major thoroughfare streets. These are only like in your particular neighborhood going from one little street to the next, those kinds of initiatives, not the major thoroughfares where you would find the most congestion.

Mr. Driggs said you see traffic jams on those roads.

Councilmember Egleston said we have one example here; my friend Gary Marion, who when folks like Gary come and tell us simple things we can do and they are in agreement as a neighborhood will drastically improve their quality of life, we need to be in the business of making it easier for those neighbors and neighborhoods and not harder and I think this policy is a

phenomenal way of doing that and allowing them to determine the path that their neighborhood moves forward and continues to improve. I will be enthusiastically supporting this.

Councilmember Newton said I just want to thank all the hard work of everyone involved here. This is something that started back during the budget process, so all of us on Council approved the funding for this program. I want to thank all the Committee members, Liz Babson, Kathy Dennis is actually with us tonight and other members of C-DOT. One of the more prominent responsibilities that we as District Reps have is to feel constituent concerns, and I can tell you the number one constituent concern I get are pedestrian public safety issues in the neighborhoods in my District and oftentimes it is very difficult for neighborhoods to be able to afford the traffic calming measures they need. So, even after going through the process of getting Neighborhood Matching Grants, and that is assuming there is a homeowner’s association or a neighborhood association. This goes a long way so bringing back or scaling down the criteria, providing more opportunity for full funding of traffic calming measurers goes a long way to addressing a lot of the concerns that I know constituents in my District have just as much so as across the entire City. I am in full fledge support of this, and I am so happy it is before us, and thank you all for your hard work on this.

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

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BUSINESS

ITEM NO. 15: SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY ON PIAFFE AVENUE AND SHADY OAK COURT

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Winston, and carried unanimously to (A) Adopt a resolution approving the sale of 3.3 acres of City-owned property located at 4125 Piaffe Avenue and 11915 Shady Oak Court (parcel identification numbers 195-056-48 and 194-181-99) to Syetta Chapman for \$60,000, subject to the upset bid process, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and approve all documents necessary to complete the sale of the property.

The resolution is recorded in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 265-266.

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ITEM NO. 16: NO GREASE BARBERSHOP LEASE RENEWAL

Motion was made by Councilmember Winston and seconded by Councilmember Harlow, to adopt a resolution approving a five-year lease agreement renewal with no Grease Barbershop for space at the Spectrum Center.

Councilmember Winston said I am for the renewal of the lease, but I just wanted to call to your attention since we are the landlords that there is other ground floor retail space in that building that just never seems to stay occupied, and as we try to transition to a more ground floor activated City, I think we need to really pay some attention to this to see how we can get those other spaces, because No Grease has been there for 10-years. They are a viable business and they are showing that is a good place to do business. We need to come up as a City with a solution for the rest of those retail spaces that are a part of that building.

Councilmember Egleston said a follow-up question to Mr. Winston’s very valid point; we have a lot of retail spaces between parking decks that we own and manage as well as the arena. Do we have somebody on our staff who is out actively promoting what is available in like a real estate capacity to attract those tenants because there is a lot of vacancy?

Mr. Winston said I’m not against you, but to add to your point, that space in the Spectrum Center has been occupied on several different occasions, it just doesn’t remain occupied. We need to figure out why.

Mayor Lyles said I think we will get a report, because I think the question is broader than just the vacancies at Spectrum. It is about the ones that we have out at the parking garages along the light rail line, a number of those facilities so we can take a look at those and get a report back.

Councilmember Phipps said you hit on a point, because I'm curious as to what is going on with the two parking decks ground floor. We opened the light rail extension back in March, and it is still dark on those floors.

Mayor Lyles said I remember we approved a contract with a real estate firm to market those areas. I think the question is more around; you can get someone to market, but what are you marketing for? I think that is why I asked the Manager not to try to get it all done in one explanation but to get a purposeful about why we are doing that and what is being done.

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

The resolution is recorded in Resolution Book 49, at Page(s) 267-268.

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ITEM NO. 17: NAMING AGREEMENT FOR BOJANGLES' COLISEUM AND SURROUNDING COMPLEX

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Newton, to approve a Naming Rights and License Agreement with the Charlotte Regional Visitors Authority and Bojangles, Inc. for Bojangles' Coliseum and surrounding complex.

Councilmember Driggs said I just have one question about this; it looks like a good deal but we have a responsibility to make sure that we maximize opportunities for the City so I'm wondering how these particular terms were arrived at and whether it was a competitive bid process or why is this exactly the right transaction?

Mayor Lyles said Mr. Murray is here and I would like to recognize the members of his Board, Dockery Clark, Tarun Malik, Tracy Montrose, Mike Evans, Kim Edmonds and Bill DeLoach, thank you for coming down on this issue.

Tom Murray, Charlotte Regional Visitors Authority said if you wouldn't mind I would like to recognize two of our folks from Bojangles Ken Reynolds and Cliff Syrmak are here, and we thank them for their investment in our community and certainly the headquarters that we benefit from in our community as well. This team has been working on this project for a while; we started by contracting one of the more respected third-party evaluation companies in the area, the name is Team Services. They use a bunch of different methodologies; they use something called comparable where they looked at up to 40 other facilities that have naming rights and have similar kinds of attributes and then they looked at something they call impressions so many impressions the signage and all those things have and also mediational assets for instance for us one of the additional assets that was looked at was the connector facility that you approved earlier. That analysis was done; they gave us a range that they thought the naming rights should market towards and we are pleased that we were able to come to an agreement at the top end of that range and know that we are in a very competitive landscape and pricing range with our results here. Once again, we thank Bojangles; I thank my team for all the hard work they did on that as well.

Mr. Driggs said having checked that box I would also like to thank Bojangles for their continued commitment to Charlotte.

Councilmember Bokhari said I would also like to thank Bojangles for their commitment and just curious at a high level given the Bojangles acquisition news, was that part of any kind of discussion, because I know that is not going to close until Q1; was there any concern or any discussion as it related to the inking of this deal now or any implications of that?

Mr. Murray said no, I think what we got was the assurance that the headquarters would remain in Charlotte and we were comforted by that.

Councilmember Harlow said just real briefly, great job CRVA. Tom, I think when you look at the old cost of naming rights to what the market is dictating now and your team’s work on securing this I think it really speaks to the work that you guys are doing on really helping brand Charlotte, bringing events here and the work you are doing around the Coliseum and the Auditorium so kudos to you guys for this significant increase which speaks to the value and the work that we are doing and what you guys are doing.

Mr. Murray said I would also like to thank you all for the investments that you have put in those two facilities that have helped us to attract tenants and the amount of activity that we’ve put in there, so it really was a team effort so thank you all for your support on those two facilities.

Councilmember Egleston said I just wanted to thank Bojangles for the delicious fresh baked biscuits.

Councilmember Mayfield said for clarification for me; what the request is is to approve a naming right and license agreement with the Charlotte Regional Visitor’s Authority and Bojangles Restaurant, and I’m not sure if the question that you are asking since you didn’t specifically say, since there is a merger with NEWCO my question is this is to approve a naming rights and license agreement with the CRVA and Bojangles, so we are congratulating and thanking Bojangles, but the contract is actually with CRVA and Bojangles, so it is a joint contract that will be running?

Mr. Murray said it is a joint contract; it is actually City, CRVA, and Bojangles the three parties in that agreement.

Ms. Mayfield said okay because what was stated in here is we are having this conversation because the current agreement is about to expire, but there is an opportunity as long as either the City and/or the organization, the business submit a notification with advance notice or whatever contractually is agreed upon, this contract can be cancelled.

Mr. Murray said there are some termination rights but termination without cause can carry significant penalties.

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

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ITEM NO. 18: CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK SERVICES FOR THE CHARLOTTE CONVENTION CENTER PHASE I RENOVATION

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Driggs, and carried unanimously to (A) Approve a Construction Manager at Risk contract in an amount not to exceed \$98,000,000 with Holder-Edison Foard-Leeper Company for the construction phase of the Convention Center Phase I Renovation project, (B) Approve a contract in the amount of \$2,000,000 with TVS North Carolina, P.C. for architectural services during bidding, construction, and close-out phases, (C) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9460-X appropriating \$110,000,000 from the Convention Center Tax Fund for the Convention Center Phase I Renovation, (D) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9461-X to amend the Fiscal Year 2019 budget to transfer \$2,500,000 from the Convention Center Tax Fund to the Convention Center Phase I Renovation, and (E) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9462-X appropriating an additional \$2,500,000 from the Convention Tax Fund Balance for the Convention Center Phase I Renovation.

Councilmember Mitchell said we’ve got to GCs here Mr. Leeper, and I see Edison Foard and Holder so congratulations team, looking forward to your work.

The ordinances are recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 702-704.

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ITEM NO. 19: SPECTRUM CENTER DATA DUCT BANK PROJECT

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Harlow, and carried unanimously to (A) approve a contract in the amount of \$285,425.60 to the lowest responsive bidder Carolina Conduit Systems, Inc. for the Spectrum Center Fiber Optic Cable Duct Bank project, and (B) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9463-X appropriating \$285,425.60 of Tourism Fund Balance into the Fiber Optic Cable Duct Bank project.

Summary of Bids

* Carolina Conduit Systems, Inc. \$235,425.60

* Only one bid was received.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 705.

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ITEM NO. 20: PRIVATE DEVELOPER FUNDS APPROPRIATION

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Newton, and carried unanimously to (A) Approve Developer Agreements with Old Concord Apartments at the Blue Line LLC, C4 Cstore Holdings, LLC, Hazel Southpark Apartments and RailYard LLC for traffic signal installations and improvements, and (B) Adopt Budget Ordinance No. 9464-X appropriating \$168,835 in private developer funds for traffic signal installations and improvements.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 61, at Page(s) 706.

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NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

ITEM NO. 21: NOMINATIONS TO THE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following nominations were made for three appointments for three-year terms beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2021:

- Jeff Aldrich, nominated by Councilmember Driggs
- Shawn Barnes, nominated by Councilmember Phipps
- Robert Boyer, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Phipps, and Winston
- David Adam Raskoskie, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Phipps, and Winston
- Stephen Shuford, nominated by Councilmember Driggs
- Angela Stoyanovitch, nominated by Councilmember Harlow
- Kena Templeton, nominated by Councilmembers Mayfield and Mitchell
- Gerry Kingsley, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Egleston, Eiselt, Newton, and Winston

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to reappoint Robert Boyer and David Adam Raskoskie.

Mr. Boyer and Mr. Raskoskie were reappointed. The remaining appointment will be brought back at the next Business Meeting for consideration.

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ITEM NO. 22: NOMINATIONS TO THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

Domenico Santilli, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Eiselt, and carried unanimously to appoint Domenico Santilli.

Mr. Santilli was appointed.

ITEM NO. 23: NOMINATIONS TO THE CHARLOTTE BUSINESS INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term in recommended by the Latin American Chamber of Commerce beginning immediately and ending February 28, 2019, then continuing for a three-year term from March 1, 2019 until February 28, 2022:

Johanna Suarez, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps and Winston
Dana Sidberry, nominated by Councilmember Eiselt

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Ajmera, and carried unanimously to appoint Johanna Suarez.

Ms. Suarez was appointed.

ITEM NO. 24: NOMINATION TO THE CHARLOTTE HOUSING AUTHORITY

The following nominations were made for three appointments for three-years beginning December 18, 2018, and ending December 17, 2021:

Lucy Brown, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
Shirley Fulton, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
Ray McKinnon, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
Tyronae Wooten, nominated by Councilmember Driggs

Motion was made by Councilmember Mayfield, seconded by Councilmember Winston, and carried unanimously to reappoint Lucy Brown, Shirley Fulton, and Ray McKinnon, by acclamation.

Ms. Brown, Ms. Fulton, and Mr. McKinnon were reappointed.

ITEM NO. 25: NOMINATIONS TO THE CHARLOTTE MECKLENBURG PUBLIC ACCESS CORPORATION

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2020:

Jennifer Ames Stuart, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Egleston, Newton, Phipps, and Winston
Pamela McCarter, nominated by Councilmember Driggs
Sharron McKnight, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Harlow, Mayfield, and Mitchell

This appointment will be brought back to the next Business meeting for consideration.

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ITEM NO. 26: NOMINATIONS TO THE CHARLOTTE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a three-year term beginning December 14, 2018 and ending December 13, 2021:

Shawnalee Klimaszewski, nominated by Councilmember Mayfield
Jairius McClendon, nominated by Councilmember Phipps
Scott Roberts, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Newton, and Winston
Angela Stoyanovitch, nominated by Councilmember Ajmera and Harlow

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

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ITEM NO. 27: NOMINATIONS TO THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

The following nominations were made for a partial term beginning immediately and ending May 16, 2019, then continuing for a three-year term from May 17, 2019 and ending May 16, 2022:

Kyle Clements, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, and Winston
Patricia Funderburg, nominated by Councilmembers Bokhari, Egleston, and Eiselt
Joshua Loyd, nominated by Councilmember Driggs
LaBecky Roe, nominated by Councilmember Phipps

Motion was made by Councilmember Ajmera, seconded by Councilmember Harlow, and carried unanimously to appoint Kyle Clements by acclamation.

Mr. Kyle Clements was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 28: NOMINATIONS TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a partial term in the category of Resident Owner of Wesley Heights beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2019, then continuing for a full three-year term from July 1, 2019 until June 30, 2022:

Kim Parati, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, and Winston
Katonya Hamilton, nominated by Councilmember Phipps

Motion was made by Councilmember Driggs, seconded by Councilmember Newton, and carried unanimously to reappoint Kim Parati.

Ms. Parati was reappointed.

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ITEM NO. 29: NOMINATIONS TO THE HOUSING APPEALS BOARD

The following nominations were made for one appointment for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2021:

Gregory Pizarro, Jr. nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Bokhari, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Harlow, Mayfield, Mitchell, Newton, Phipps. and Winston

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Harlow, and carried unanimously to reappoint Gregory Pizarro, Jr. by acclamation.

Mr. Pizarro, Jr. was reappointed.

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ITEM NO. 30: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TOPICS

Councilmember Eiselt said I would like to ask for a referral to the Budget and Government Efficiency Committee that we once again revisit the way we look at these Committees. We had a lot of discussion or I did at least on some of these committees and I asked my colleagues how connected we are with some of these committees, and we’ve talked in the past that some of the committees that we should probably be more engaged with, we should be more understanding of what they are doing, who it is that is applying we take this particular week where we had 10 different committees, and we has 278 nominations that were given to us right before the Holiday weekend, and it awfully tough to go through all of that. If we had a better connection with these committees with our various Boards, whether it be the Housing Authority has more communication with the HAND Committee. The Citizens’ Review Board with the Public Safety Committee, I think we would be in a better position to know when these positions come up, whose is applying and have the opportunity to talk to Committee members, understand how other committees are working or not working, look at who is applying. Some of these applications have been in for a long time, but when we get them it is a couple days really, less than a week before we actually have to vote on them. I would like to ask the Council for a referral to the Committee to look at a better process for appointing people to our Boards and Commission and deciding which ones are still relevant.

Councilmember Driggs said I would like to support that suggestion; I’ve talked in the past about this process. I think we all know what happens on the day often, and in particular I think there are a couple of committees that we need to recognize are strategically sensitive, and the idea that the appointments are made in this environment and with the limited information that we are able to take in. Even though I recognize that it has been there before, I would like to see the Budget and Effectiveness Committee consider this and dig a little deeper and see if we can find a better way, so I support that suggestion.

Councilmember Phipps said it doesn’t look I have any choice of being the repository for yet another review of these committees, but it seems to me that we have- I thought our process at the last review was both very detail and exhaustive, so I would encourage my colleagues to go back and look at some of those minutes and just refresh themselves of the kind of work that was done. I don’t know what will become of this; I know the frustration of trying to put a name with a face and all these things, but we discussed all of that and we went through all of that. Go through it again and with such short time period, I don’t know the veracity of it, but I have no choice it looks like for it to come back again for yet another review.

Ms. Eiselt said I would like to know if every one of those Boards and Commissions are relevant right now.

Marcus Jones, City Manager said this was actually referred to me at the last Strategy Session, and I have a memo for you. Staff has completed an assessment; we’ve worked with the Clerk, and I could get this to you right now, and if you still want to refer it to Committee that is fine, but we have done an assessment with some ideas and concepts that we believe would help greatly.

Mayor Lyles said I would like to suggest and this is to the Council; next Monday is coming pretty quickly and we have Strategy Session. Let the Manager get us the memo; read it, and nothing is going to change between now. We’ve got another three months before the next appointment process kicks off. What if we get the memo out tomorrow? So, that everybody can have it and read it and then on Monday, December 3, 2018 add this to the agenda, again a referral and make sure we have everybody’s idea of what might be included. I would suggest if Ms. Eiselt

doesn't mind, once again being the place where people can funnel their ideas, because I agree that there are a lot of things, that maybe the real question is why do we have so many committees and what do they do and not just the nomination process. Maybe if we had down to really understanding each committee's function and role and they just weren't committees that have been here awhile, we might actually get better thinking around it.

Ms. Eiselt said that is fine.

Mayor Lyles said what if we get the memo out tomorrow and then on the 3rd we put it on the agenda for a referral and you can write up what people say and make sure it is covered and could you also over time include in the packet the prior discussion, because I don't that prior discussion attempted to say if the committees have purpose now or how does their purpose connect with our focus and our vision. I think that might be something that is new, and we look at it differently.

Councilmember Winston said I hear you Mr. Phipps and Ms. Eiselt, and I agree that it doesn't work and I was going to suggest that we skip the committee. This is a full Council kind of discussion that needs to be had, and I was going to suggest that the Manager come up with some recommendations, and we deal with this.

Councilmember Winston said there are a couple of things that are happening down by our southwestern border right now that affects our community quite deeply. A couple of weeks ago a friend of mine Patrick Braxton Andrews, on a trip to Mexico left his hotel room, and the adventurer that he is just an explorer, and he never came home. They say bad things happen to good people and in this case the worse thing happened to a very good person. The last time I saw him was about a year ago, either right during the election or right after, and we hadn't seen each other for a while and ended up VBGB. We just had a beer and we were just drinking and talking, him telling me about his travels and teaching Spanish at this school, and it is shocking and it is something that we are a small community at Davidson, but we run deep, and I just want to continue condolences to his family, his friends, and his school community. It could happen anywhere, but we know that he was in an area that does have some conflict, and it brings me back to present day right now. I know that he would be applauded to see children barefoot and bareback almost crying from teargas. I've tasted teargas in these streets, and it propelled me to change my life, and it changed the lives of so many people around me. Unfortunately, this is who we are, and you who at times where people say over and over again this is not who we are, but I've seen it, and I've felt it. I know it is up to us to take the steps to be who we want to be, and I encourage us, as I said earlier today, to advocate when we go to Washington, DC or we got to Raleigh to stop the mess that we have that we call our immigration system. Now is the time to find the political will to take the stand and use whatever platform and pulpit that we have, and we can do that and we should not wait until we think it is more politically digestible for certain people to be elected. This is something that affects us; these are people that would be coming to our state and our City looking for work. Don't trust me but trust the numbers; we are one of the top five growing states from populations from Central America that are looking for opportunities, and our state and our City benefit from those people that are looking for a better place to be and they don't deserve what we are giving them at our border.

Councilmember Driggs said I just have a brief announcement; the Police Station at District 7 that we've been waiting for, for years, is on its way, and a rezoning petition will be considered in the next couple of months by City Council. There is a community meeting on November 27, 2018, tomorrow from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. It is a drop-in meeting where people can see plans for the Police Station and offer any comments they want to. This is the first of several meetings, unfortunately because of our session involving the merger of the Regional Partnership and the Chamber, I won't be able to attend this meeting in my District tomorrow night, but I will be at future meetings and there will also be some conversation about excess property that is being acquired at the site and its possible uses in conjunction with the City's housing policy. I look forward to an ongoing community conversation in District 7 and meanwhile I recommend that tomorrow you attend from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., drop-in at the Ballantyne Hotel, Carolina Room and learn about the Police Station.

Councilmember Harlow said I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving, a lot for many of us to be thankful for. Tomorrow is the first Tuesday after Thanksgiving, which is informally known as Giving Tuesday. A lot of philanthropic and non-profit groups out there that need support if

you are willing and able. I want to encourage you to pick a cause and donate if you can. There are many groups out here that needs funds for capacity build, so I encourage you folks to give tomorrow on Giving Tuesday. Also, if you are willing to give your voice as part of a conversation at Enderly Coffee at 2620 Tuckaseegee Road; this is not District 2. It is in District 3, so I will give that to Ms. Mayfield, but it straddles the line right on the west side. There is a conversation that will be happening called Just Coffee Conversation and Commitment, on December 1st from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Enderly Coffee and the Westside Community Land Trust [inaudible] Family Tree is asking you to come out, discuss openly and freely, to save space, to talk about some social issues going on in the West Charlotte communities around gentrification, community building, and how we can collectively impact change in our communities specifically on Charlotte's west side, so come out 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Enderly Coffee on Tuckaseegee Road this Saturday.

Councilmember Egleston said the good Dr. stole my thunder on Giving Tuesday, so I will yield my time to the distinguished gentlemen from the far east.

Councilmember Newton said this being for another five days, this being Homeless Awareness Month, I think it is appropriate that I extend some recognition to Raise You Up Ministries who hold a homeless event to uplift our homeless population twice a month on the second and fourth Saturday between 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at 144 Phifer Avenue. I went with my good friend Manolo Betancourt this past Saturday to help feed the homeless as well as. What we specifically did, we were in the medical tent, and we cleaned the feet of a number of homeless folks who entered the tent, and we brightened their Holiday Season. There is no doubt about that and particularly given the weather and the climate that many of our homeless neighbors are going to be facing over the next couple months this is very critical. If you have the opportunity, a lot of people do volunteer; donations are needed. You can go to raiseyouupministries.org to make a secured donation, and if you have the opportunity to get down to 144 Phifer Avenue, second and fourth Saturday, they will be very grateful between the hours of 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Also, I want to extend my deepest condolences and sympathies to the family of my dear friend Allen Burns, who passed away a few weeks ago. He was a continent climate fighter, someone who traveled around the world to raise awareness regarding climate change, passed away on a climate march in Slovenia a couple weeks ago. His service is going to be on December 7, 2018 at the Charlotte Friends Meeting area 570 Rocky River Road at 6:30 p.m. Come on out for that. We will miss you so much Allen, your warm open spirit, and I look forward to that remembrance, and I thank you for your friendship over the years.

Councilmember Bokhari said I share and have shared for a long time the passion around really looking at our 30 plus Boards and Commissions like we just talked about, so I look forward to next week's session and what we learn, but I would encourage us to do something about this finally. It has been decades, and I've served on three of them that many of these groups have languished and have been in a silo, and let's not rule out throwing the ball to each of them and asking them where they can provide us feedback on how to make our touchpoints more effective. I don't know that we need to solve this entire thing in a silo away from them; that is the problem right now. I just wanted to toss that over as one. Two, thanks to my colleagues all who came, particularly my District mate next to me with [inaudible] and the bronze statue now back in its place on a pedestal that will damage cars more than him by the next accident that occurs, not luckily, but for the statutes sake, so we are very glad to have it there and look forward to seeing all the decorations that will come.

Finally, for my FinTech nodes, we've all known that Charlotte was a number one relocation magnet in the nation for millennials. We also know that it was rated by [inaudible] Charlotte as a "Number One Tech Town" in the last couple months, but now most recently as these awards keep racking up, we were listed by Forbes in the "Top 10 for Rising Cities for Start-Ups. Anyone who things FinTech and Tech is something that only happens in Silicon Valley and places like that, the world is starting to take notice of all the great work out there.

Councilmember Phipps said earlier this month on November 8, 2018 to be exact, I was privileged to welcome a Delegation from China from the Szechuan Province that included chair persons of several successful companies in Chengdu, China, and before we moved up to 280 for a Strategic Alliance Partnership memorandum signing ceremony between the Szechuan Chamber of Commerce and the North American Chinese Chamber of Commerce, they had an

opportunity to tour this dais and each of the members of the Chinese Delegation had a chance to sit in each one of these seats here before we went up to have that signing ceremony, in which I was one of the signatories on that particular partnership memorandum. What this is going to do is that with this partnership alliance any time a Chinese Delegation will come to the US or even to the Carolinas that the North American Chamber of Commerce will be the gateway Chamber of Commerce that will guild and help facilitate their trip. So, thank to Ms. Jane Wu, who is the President of the North American Chamber of Commerce, and I've had a lot of meetings in Room 280, but it is never the same anymore since we had that signing ceremony there and the regalia and the Chinese Flag and the US Flag and the pomp and circumstance, exchanging of gifts and such. It was a good opportunity. I think you all were away in LA during that week.

Councilmember Mayfield said a couple of things, here is the great thing about Charlotte; we are growing to the point where we can have multiple events happening simultaneously. We have also from Surviving to Thriving Women's Conference Healing after Domestic Violence, which will be housed at the Delta House. They may still have some seats available, proceeds go to help the organization and specifically to help those who have been impacted by domestic violence and that starts at 10:00 a.m., and we also I am proud to say on Saturday evening at the H. L. McCrory YMCA we will have our internationally known Senior Drummers and Dancers Gala and celebration, so I want to give a special shout out to my aunt Barbarette, who is one of the Drummers and has been for many years now. She is one of the youngest Drummers, so she had to fight to get in with the teams Drummer circle, but we are looking forward to celebrating.

The last piece that I want to share with my colleagues and I'm really excited about; we spoke earlier, and again I thank you all for your support regarding moving the targeted rehab pilot into a full program but as Mr. Bokhari talked about FinTech, we still have conversations happening around housing, so I am happy to say that with conversations through the City Manager's Office, conversation with my new direct contract our Deputy City Manager, Sabrina Joy-Hogg, as well as our Director and as well as Mr. Fulton Meacham of the Charlotte Housing Authority, thank you for listening.

We are having a very different conversation about how we can step in and make a positive impact with some housing now because our market is quickly changing and a product is coming up on the market and is selling very quickly. We started this conversation about six months ago and in that six months at this last Thursday thank you Novant Health and Center City Partners for the Thanksgiving Day Parade. Councilmember Newton and I had a quick conversation about a company that has come into our community that is buying up properties and doing very minimal work and honestly flipping those properties and a lot of these properties have renters currently in them and those renters are being priced out of the home. Well this idea of us buying a couple of single-family properties that had current renters in them, the Manager and I started talking about more than six months ago, so we are finally almost to the place where we may be able to get some language together to bring to Committee to have real conversations around and then hopefully to full Council as well look forward and move forward to making some very real recommendations that are an [inaudible] not just built new, because that \$50 million will go very quickly. So, as the Committee is preparing for our upcoming meeting we are going to be having some very creative conversations and see about us getting on the same page of thinking outside the box and not just always looking for best practices everywhere, looking at Charlotte being that leader once again of creating the best practices that other communities are going to utilize. I just want to put that on Council's radar so that you know conversations that we've been having and conversations that I've been having and the direction that I'm hoping we can go in to make the positive impact in our community I think we all said that we want.

Councilmember Ajmera said over the holidays last week, Federal Climate Change Report was released, and I had an opportunity to review the summary of the report. The report warns us around declining climate change especially around shrinking US economy and it encouraged us to take some very bold steps around climate change. I think back in June or July of this year, Council took a bold step around approving a sustainable resilient Charlotte resolution and since then our Environment Committee has been working to put together the SEAP, which includes short-term, mid-term and long-term plans to address some of our sustainability initiatives and help us get towards no carbon, especially to meet our 2030 goals for our City and 2050 goals for our community. After reviewing the report that was released it was really shocking to see that the report clearly lays out that if you don't take any good actions there will be thousands that

will be killed, our US economy will be impacted at such a significant number and I'm looking forward to seeing the SEAP being approved so we can get to work. At the committee level, the SEAP has been approved, and it will be in front of full Council towards mid-December, and I think it lays out clear steps as to what we can do at the local level to clearly take leadership in insuring that we do our part in creating a sustainable City for not just five or ten years but for generations to come. I think there is some urgency behind it and I would encourage all of you if you have not had an opportunity to review the report that was released last week by our Federal Agency I encourage you all to read that report. We need to take some actions with clear urgency to save our planet.

Councilmember Mitchell said we have the Pearl Park Opening scheduled for Wednesday, November 28, 2018. Pearl Parkway is the infrastructure dollars we provided for that project right there near Charlotte Regional Realtor Association; the ribbon cutting is at 10:00 a.m. and my favorite part, breakfast starts at 9:15 a.m.

Secondly, we had some discussion around the dais about Boards and Commissions, so I want to thank the Business Advisory Council headed up by DeAlva Glen and the Charlotte Business INClusion Advisory Council headed up by Stephanie [inaudible]. I use these two Boards and Commissions to help me have a Town Hall Meeting. Thank you Mr. Bokhari for attending but because of their leadership and their passion. We had over 200 people to attend at Town Hall Meeting talking about disparity study and small business. The only comment I would say to us if we use our Boards and Commissions effectively, they can help us do the business at hand for our community

Mayor Lyles said I want to make a few announcements. First, Happy Thanksgiving, I hope everyone had a good one. Before Thanksgiving, I want to congratulate Dale Mullinax, who is retired from the Urban Ministries Program. He has done a great job with that, and I was fortunate enough to present him with a Long Leaf Pine Award at one of his ceremonies for retirement. Also, want to thank the Cameron Woods Women's Association; I had the opportunity to go and help— they raised a truck load of food for Thanksgiving for Second Harvest Food Bank and Ms. Mayfield and I attended the Lean Age Charlotte Program for Women and it was a fabulous way for women to connect and think about how they can contribute to our business community and starting fresh and leaning in. It is one of the many chapters that are being formed around the nation after Cheryl Sandburg has written her book, but this is now an organizational effort to connect women and having the opportunity to see all of those women, Bank of America supported the effort and I know many other businesses will.

I also want to say Mr. Manager, I have to say the gentlemen that talked about STS or Special Transportation Services, I find that to be very real. I've seen the buses go through communities and stopped them and gotten on. I don't know about the new equipment because I haven't seen that as much, but I know that they work extremely hard and often in ways that I find more related to not just driving someone but actually almost being a caregiver. We often talked about the opportunity to interact with someone and communicate with someone on a daily basis. Those rides are very important, so I hope that we will take a look at it. I saw the staff report and that was just a very short blurb, and I believe that we ought to pay people well enough and so market rate ought to be better and that report said that they were at almost minimum, and that to me bothers me. I know that is a tough job, so I would really like for us to move quickly for a pay analysis study for those drivers, as well as look at the equipment. I believe we ought to be the employer that sets that example, and that job is not an easy job.

The only other thing I wanted to say is sometimes we have people in our communities that we don't really think about, but this past week Thelma Clinton Todd passed away and her services were conducted and many people probably don't know her but she lived off of Beatties Ford Road on the west side. She was one of those people that her home was always open to people, but more importantly she had a number of children that are extremely successful and one of those being a good friend of all of ours, the Honorable T. Michael Todd of Charlotte, who is an attorney here, who has his nieces and nephews working as attorneys in his firm. These are the kinds of families and what Ms. Todd did was raise a family committed to this community. Members of her Church at Mount Calvary in Gastonia, but being a member of the church here in Charlotte, her funny story was that she was employed at Lance Packing Company when she first moved to Charlotte, and she displayed the courage and civil rights advocacy by refusing to use the colored only restroom when she was there. Sometimes we don't recognize the legacy

when we know them, but I want to recognize Ms. Thelma Clinton Todd for her service and devotion to this community.


The final thing that I would like to say is the City Attorney meeting is tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. at the Airport and all Councilmembers need to be in attendance. It is our first session on finding another City Attorney to serve this Council. It is an important meeting and we need to do this as a decision of the Council as a whole. I believe that parking is going to be in the valet parking lot; you can park in there, and we are going to be in the Administration Building across the street from the lot. This is the beginning of the Holiday Season, and I know we have a new Fire Chief; let's just remember when we are talking about the Holidays we are often busy, but we need to watch out for things that keep us safe as well. Ladies and gentlemen should be careful shopping and our parking lots having lighting and being in a group often when we have our trees in our homes we need to make sure that we water them and that we need to lock our doors, turn on those alarms if you have them, because this is the time that you want to be safe and comfortable and that sometimes takes a little bit more effort on our own individual part. This is the beginning of our Holiday Season, and I'm glad to be in Charlotte as a part of it.

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ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.


Emily A. Kunze, Deputy City Clerk, NCCMC

Length of Meeting: 3 Hours, 54 Minutes
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