

The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina convened for a Business and Zoning Meeting on Monday, June 22, 2020, at 4:12 p.m. in Room CH-14 of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Government Center with Mayor Vi Lyles presiding. Councilmembers present were Dimple Ajmera, Tariq Bokhari, Ed Driggs, Larken Egleston, Julie Eiselt, Malcolm Graham, Renee Johnson, James Mitchell, Matt Newton, Victoria Watlington, and Braxton Winston II.

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Mayor Lyles said tonight's Business and Zoning Meeting is being held as a virtual meeting in accordance with the Electronic Meeting Statute. The requirements of notice, access, and minutes are being met through electronic means. The public and the media are able to view this meeting on the Government Channel, the City's Facebook page, on the City's YouTube page.

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INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

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

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HEARINGS

ITEM NO. 31z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-004 BY BOULEVARD REAL ESTATE ADVISOR, LLC, FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 0.76 ACRES LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF FREELAND LANE, EAST OF TRYON STREET, AND WEST OF SOUTH BOULEVARD FROM R-8 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO TOD-TR (TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT-TRANSIT TRANSITION).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said it's about three-quarters of an acre. It's on Freeland land, just off of South Tryon Street and West of South Boulevard. Currently, the zoning is R-8 (single-family residential) there. Looking to go to TOD-TR (transit-oriented development-transit transition) [inaudible] district you can see quite a bit of TOD surrounding this property and within the general area. The adopted future land uses for residential up to 8 DUA (dwelling units per acre). So, this is inconsistent with that area plan from Scaleybark Station, but the staff does recommend approval. This is a conventional petition so there's no site plan associated with it. While it is inconsistent, it just over a quarter mile walk of the Scaleybark Transit Station abuts other TOD zoning within the area. We feel like it would be a reasonable transition to accommodate TOD zoning in this location within that consistency with the Scaleybark Station. We would be happy to answer any questions following our brief presentation by John Carmichael.

John Carmichael, 101 North Tryon Street here on behalf of Boulevard Real Estate. I would just reiterate that the site is just over a quarter-mile from the Scaleybark Transit Station that abuts parcel zone TOD-CC and TOD-TR. Parcel zone TOD-TR located approximately 125 feet to the North West to the site across Freeland and there's a parcel zone TOD you see is just 250 feet to the North East of the site across Freeland avenue. We appreciate the planning staff support and we are happy to answer any questions to the best of our ability.

Motion was made by Councilmember Watlington and seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 32z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-006 BY JFW REALTY, INC. AND 501 ASSOCIATES, LLC, FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 0.759 ACRES LOCATED ON THE NORTHERN SIDE OF EAST MOREHEAD STREET, SOUTH OF JOHN BELK FREEWAY, AND EAST OF SOUTH BOULEVARD FROM B-1 PED (NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS, PEDESTRIAN OVERLAY) AND UMUD (UPTOWN MIXED-USE DISTRICT, PEDESTRIAN OVERLAY) TO TOD-UC (TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT – URBAN CENTER, PEDESTRIAN OVERLAY)

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said TOD request conventional. This is located on East Morehead Street. Just at the intersection of South Caldwell. Just South of South Boulevard. Getting into the zoning, we have B- PED and UMUD on the property. The UMUD is the purple portion. B- pushes the red there looking to go to TOD-UC, which is Transit Oriented Development Urban Center. This is a piece of property that's in the Midtown Morehead Cherry Plan. It does recommend residential/office/retail land uses in that plan so this petition would be consistent with that as TOD supports all of those land uses. Again, this would be within a quarter-mile of the Carson LYNX Blue Line Station. Again, it is consistent with the area plan. We do recommend approval. We will be happy to take any questions following the petitioner's presentation.

James Wyatt, 435 East Morehead Street said we are here just to support the petition. As you all may know the Mayes House is on my property which is a historic structure. We are working very closely with Preserve Mecklenburg and the Historic Landmarks Commission to preserve it and are working on a number of different options to do that. I think both those commissions as well as Mark and I are in favor of the rezoning request. I'll be happy to answer any other questions if you have any.

Councilmember Egleston said I just want to thank everybody that's been in the works for preserving this house. It is a significant Historic Landmark and they are making sure [inaudible] for longer be on this parcel that we don't lose the structure and hopefully can find a very logical contextual site for it, not too far from its current location. So, I am greatly appreciative of that. I will just draw attention to again as we dealt with last week, this is two of three upcoming projects in this section of Morehead street, so I hope that our staff is working with all three petitioners as well as residents and property owners along that corridor to address things like the stormwater issues that were brought up last week. The construction, parking, and traffic issues that were brought up last week and all three of these are happening simultaneously those impacts will be fairly significant. So, I hope that we are planning accordingly.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 33z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-009 BALLANTYNE COUNTRY CLUB, INC. FOR A CHANE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 2.54 ACRES ALONG THE WESTERN SIDE OF JOHNSTON ROAD, AND EAST OF NOLEN LANE FROM MX-1 (MIXED USE) TO MX-1 SPA (MIXED USE, SITE PLAN AMENDMENT).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said this petition 2020-009 is about two and a half acres. It's on Johnston road. This petition is a site plan amendment. They are looking to change up a

little bit of the programming for the recreational area. So, we have a two-phased project on this. Again, this is a site plan amendment. They are looking to add an additional of six total of new tennis courts to the project. So, they would come in two different phases. Phase one you'd see two and then you'd have another additional set of courts in phase two. We do have setbacks along Johnston road as well as some additional right of way dedication. The pedestrian right of way is less than the 72 and a half feet or else I have some height limitations for light for the courts themselves and some vehicular access points that are coming in off from Ballantyne Country Club and some pedestrian access so we could have some cart path facilities that could come to the site as well. So, again this is just a site plan amendment to allow and accommodate the six additional courts. We do consider the petition consistent outdoor recreation in combination with residential development isn't allowed use within that zoning district. So, we do consider this petition to be consistent with the area plan. We have no real concerns or outstanding issues. We do recommend approve and we will be happy to answer any additional question following the petitioner presentation.

Mayor Lyles said I'm sorry I made a mistake. There's not a person signed up to represent the petition.

Councilmember Driggs said I have no further comments. I intend to support it. I hope we all do.

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

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ITEM NO. 34z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-012 BY BOWMAN SUMNER, LLC, FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 21.92 ACRES ALONG THE WESTERN SIDE OF JOHNSTON ROAD AND EAST OF NOLEN LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF EASTFIELD ROAD, NORTH OF INTERSTATE 485, AND WEST OF BROWNE ROAD. (OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS) FROM R-3 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO MX-1 INNOV (MIXED USE, INNOVATIVE).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said 2020-012 is a clear zone request just under 22 acres. It is on Eastfield road. As we mentioned outside City limits. They are requesting to go from R-3 to Mx-1. This is an interesting petition. One that we looked at. It is inconsistent with the area plan. It's a little bit over the density of 4.15 but we are right there in terms of the density recommendation. The interesting thing about this project is we are getting mixed residential product types. We've got some townhomes as well as some single-family detached homes which would provide some nice transition between the existing townhome development out there on Brown road. We have some tree save area on the back end of the property, but the intent of this project is really to preserve the historic building that is already on the site. So, they would allow some development to occur around those Historic buildings that would be out there, with the intent of that development. Allowing those buildings to be preserved and maintained long term. So, it's a project that we certainly see good benefit from and think that the land use pattern that they are proposing, mixed housing types is a good one for this area. Now, we do have some general design standards that are in place but again I think the main component of this petition is it's pretty well consistent with the plan. I'd say that it's just over 4 [inaudible] acre but at 4.15. We do recommend approval. There are some outstanding issues we still need to work through but again we are looking forward to this potential project if we get the outcome and be able to preserve that Historic property that's out there.

Matt Sumner, 15425 McAuley Road, Huntersville said that's the farm-house so just for reference, [inaudible] properties are about 20 acres which includes 2 Historic buildings. The main farm-house which you're looking at right now was built in 1840 and behind that, there is a log cabin which was actually built around 1820. They don't have the official date

on that. As mentioned, one of the goals of this is to obviously preserve this property and actually potentially bring it into [inaudible] so that it has the protection for the long term. I just have some pictures of the inside and some of the trees and some of the stuff around the bottom. You can see that log-house I was talking about. So, the current owner has been in the possession of the property for about 50 years and we are working with him and the Historic Landmarks Commission to ensure that the structure and viewshed are protected and also become a centerpiece of the project. So, if you would jump to the next slide. This is the proposed development layout that you guys already saw. Again, the Historic Landmark Commission that in November 2019, they actually unanimously approved it for being appropriate. This plan consists of about 38 single-family home, 48 townhomes and then all the properties on here, if you see all of these little roads in here, those are all alleys. Everything's alley-fed. That eliminates the garages on the facades and actually puts all of the garages in the back. It makes it a nice-looking neighborhood from the front. It also allows for more traditional architecture to blend in with the historic properties. We will go through the next slides. There's about five of them here that you can just jump through. These are just some examples of some of the architecture. The only one mention that I wanted to make was that for the actual farm-house we do want to protect that, and it is not officially protected today. It's got has Historic designation, but it did not actually get the easement on it so we going to go ahead and fully protect it and the two acres that's with it for the viewshed as well. We have provided 21% open space. No tile is required but we did agree with NC-DOT (North Carolina Department of Transportation) to install left-turn lanes at both Eastfield road and on Brown road.

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

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ITEM NO. 35z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020 – 016 BY NOLAN ELANZ FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 1.89 ACRES LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUADRANT OF THE INTERSECTION OF CHURCH STREET AND BLAND STREET FROM MUDD-O (MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT) TO TOD-UC (TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT – DEVELOPMENT – UBRAN CENTER).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said 2020-016. 1.9 acres. South Church Street and West Bland. It is a MUDD-O, they are looking to go to TOD-UC, conventional district. It is fully surrounded by TOD zoning. This would[inaudible] likely apart of the alignment if we didn't have that partial MUDD zoning that was in place. We didn't [inaudible] as MUDD optional and TOD [inaudible] optional into that alignment but that is certainly consistent with the South End Transit Area Station Plan that recommends TOD types of uses so the TOD-UC district would be consistent with that plan. The staff does recommend the approval of this petition. As we said it is consistent within a quarter of a mile of Bland Street LYNX Blue Line Station and the UC district is certainly appropriate in this area so we will be happy to take any questions. Again, this is conventional, so no site plan associated with it.

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

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ITEM NO. 36z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-018 BY HOPPER COMMUNITIES FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 0.917 ACRES LOCATED WEST OF BALTIMORE ROAD, SOUTH OF REMOUNT ROAD, AND EAST OF INTERSTATE 77 FROM R-22MF (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO UR-2 (CD) (URBAN RESIDENTIAL, CONDITIONAL).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said this is 2020-018. It is just on Baltimore and Remount road. This is a [inaudible] project looking to go from the R-22MF district to the UR-2 (CD) district. As you can see it's is pretty well surrounded by R-22MF in the area. The land-use plan for that area does recommend the majority of it to be institutional as well as [inaudible] to be a park and open space. That recommendation mainly holds for the institutional existing use off of Remount Baltimore North folk there. So, that carried over a little bit into this area on Baltimore avenue where this in the full project is looking to be proposed. The project itself is to allow up to 20 alley-fed townhomes. We are looking at a density of up to about 21.81 dwelling units per acre. So, pretty well in line with the existing R-22MF but the UR district does accommodate infill projects like this. It's a little bit better than our R-22MF district, but it would be consistent with that recommended density existing. Zoning does halt. Right now, we have had limitations on heights building up to 48 feet. We do have some possible tree-save areas you can see indicated in green here on the site plan. Two points of access on the Baltimore avenue with those alley-fed lots as well as 8-foot sidewalk and 8-foot planning strips along with Baltimore as well and some architectural features that would help to limit blank wall expanses. Also, we have a limitation on the attached single-family units to be at max per 5 building. So, you can see those aligned up there and units of 5 off of Baltimore with those alley-fed lots. The staff does recommend approval. We do have a few outstanding issues that we need to work through. It is transportation and environment and a couple of technical items. As we had mentioned it is inconsistent with the Transit Station Area Plan the density and product type is fairly well in line with the existing R-22MF zoning. So, we would see an area change in plan as a result of this rezoning is approved, but again, the development type is consistent with pretty much what's out there in terms of zoning. We will be happy to take any questions following Mr. Brown's presentation on the petition.

Collin Brown, 1420 East 7th Street said I think Dave did a nice job. Pretty thorough so, just here to answer questions. Mr. McDonald who is signed up to speak just sent a letter. He is the president of the Bethlehem Center which has been on that site and operated. Their mission there for many years. They are excited about this development and another one adjacent to it that we hope will be here with you next month. So, I'm happy to answer any questions and you would refer to the letter from Mr. McDonald to you for that plan Center.

Councilmember Watlington said I don't have any questions, Mr. Brown. Just highlighted the fact that the Bethlehem Center has been very involved since the beginning of the course and they have indicated their support from early on. So, I think we can go ahead and close the hearing on unless some have questions.

Councilmember Winston said I do have one. I guess this question would be for Taiwo. It's not so much as trouble with the proposed zoning itself, but it does sit in the middle of some pretty uniformed zoning that is 22 and R-8. I think part of the intent in what we have been dealing with when rezoning over the past couple of years is to get away from these kinds of slivers that defy the City all over town and get away from these conditional zonings. So, why would we want to do something like this that has a pretty uniform but only creates this one small puzzle piece of zoning in this logic media area?

Mr. Brown said I might be able to answer that Mr. Winston. So, you know if you can see my screen. We are talking about the rezoning for this parcel right here tonight. Additionally, next month you'll see a rezoning petition for all of this which is the rest of the land owned by the Bethlehem Center. So, I didn't want you to think it's just that piece. There's is a larger kind of vision here with several pieces working together.

Motion was made by Councilmember Watlington seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 37z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-026 BY UNION AT TRYON, LP (ADVERTISED AS ANNEX OF CHARLOTTE, LLC) FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 7.5 ACRES LOCATED BETWEEN SHOPPING CENTER DRIVE AND HAMPTON CHURCH ROAD, EAST OF NORTH TRYON STREET IN THE UNIVERSITY CITY NEIGHBORHOOD FROM B-1 (CD) (NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS, CONDITIONAL) TO MUDD-O (MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT, OPTIONAL).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said 2020-026 as they mentioned it is 7.5 acres. It's the North Shopping Center drive. Just up North Tryon and in the University City area. You can see there is quite a bit of retail surrounding this area. You have the Common, Chancler Park, Home Depot, some other uses along South Tryon as well. The current zoning is B-1 Conditional. We are looking to add the rezoning request this afternoon as a MUDD optional development. The adoptive future land use from the Blue Line Extension University City Area Plan does recommend office retail uses for the site. The proposal this afternoon that we are looking at is for a multi-family project. It does request up to 200 dwelling units at a maximum of 65 feet in terms of the building height. We are looking at a project where all 200 units would be income-restricted for households making 80% or less of AMI. Those restrictions would be in place for no less than 20 years. We'd have at least no more than 6 principal structures on the site. As well as some improvements for transportation including a 12-foot multi-use path that would go along the site's frontage along North Shopping Center Drive. There's also about 8,000 square feet of improved open space for the area residents. Some of those open space amenities within the Duke Energy easement are a little bit dependent on what Duke will allow them to do. There is quite a substantial easement running through the site but those areas that would be either open space where they will work with Duke to figure out what types of amenities, they may be able to permit in those open spaces. The staff does recommend the approval of this petition. There a few outstanding issues related to transportation while it's inconsistent with the recommendation for office and retail uses, staff feels that the existing retail uses that are in that general area would help to compliment the residential uses and vice versa. The residential uses being put in this area could help maintain some of those retail uses that are in that general area so while it's inconsistent we feel looking at from a little bit of a macro perspective it does provide a good mix of uses that could help support the area in general. So, in closing, we do recommend approval. We would be happy to answer any questions following the petitioner's presentation.

Bridget Grant, 100 North Tryon Street said Bridget Grant with Moore and Allen. I am here tonight with [inaudible] Moore and Annex Union and Dave did a great job on the presentation. I'm just going to jump ahead to our summary slide and say that we are thrilled to be bringing an affordable housing development into a stationary and we appreciate and recognize all the work that UCP has done with us throughout this process to get us where we are tonight. With that, I am happy to answer any questions.

Motion was made by Councilmember Johnson seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 38z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-030 BY OZF PROPERTIES, LLC FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 1.46 ACRES LOCATED SOUTH OF GREENLAND AVENUE, BOUND ON THE EAST SIDE OF MONUMENT STREET, AND REMOUNT ROAD ON THE WEST SIDE FROM R-5 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO MUDD-O (MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, OPTIONAL).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said 2020-030 on this one is approximately 1.46 acres. It's on Monument and Remount. This is seeming to be a [inaudible] theme this evening. We have another project that has some similar significance. This project looks to adaptive reuse to preserve a Historic building on the site. That would be the Historic Dowd House. This proposal, if we could go to the actual site plan that has some of the details of it. As we mention it is a zoning request R-5 to MUDD-O, but just to get into the details of the actual project itself. Again, we are looking to preserve the existing building for adaptive reuse. One being the Dowd House and the other there is a Fire Station that's on the backside here on Remount that looks to be potentially adaptively reused and preserved as well. This petition itself would [inaudible] site development third building expansion and existing building to 16,000 square feet. You've got some optional provisions that would allow parking to be between the building and the road on Remount and we'd also have some use restrictions as apart of this petition. Some of those would be an automobile service station, Adult Establishments, Electric and Gas Substations, Warehousing within an enclosed building, drive-through Service Windows. We are also looking at some roadway improvements for foot-planning strips and sidewalks along public streets and some one-way drive access on the Remount road and then two on the Monument street as well as some height limitations on lighting for the project. The staff does recommend approval. Just some outstanding issues generally inconsistent with park open space, but again I will let Mr. Brown, I think they do have some indication of some project properties that are just next to this project that would help some of this park and open space recommendation but while it's inconsistent we do recommend approval.

Collin Brown, 1420 East 7th Street said I'm happy to be working on this project. I think it's something that been a goal of the Camp Green community for a while. Ms. Watlington has been involved as well as her predecessors and really getting the community, this is actually two development teams. We are coming together to work on this. There's a view of the site as Dave mentioned. I think he gave you a pretty good description. I was just going to spend a few minutes. Here's a look at the Dowd House and there is the Fire station. Our goal is to keep those structures and adaptively reuse them. A little bit more animated visual here. You can see the goal is that there would be Mecklenburg County Park and really developing these two Historic buildings so that it compliments that and really provide a focal point for the community. It had nice community participation and good feedback. Ms. Mortin who had signed up to speak has since said, I think she sent you a letter or an email indicating her support. She is one of the adjacent neighbors. Happy to answer any questions.

Councilmember Watlington said I don't have any questions about this one. Like Mr. Brown said I have been involved with this early on. I'm excited about this. The team really has a passion for doing great work here in the community and support. There were a couple of iterations early on previous to this particular one and the community really seems to be please to what has shaken out here. So, I don't have any questions on this one and unless someone else does I'd like to move to close this hearing.

Motion was made by Councilmember Watlington and seconded by Councilmember Egleston and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 39z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-33 BY FIFTH THIRD BANK FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 0.354 ACRES BOUND BY THE EAST SIDE OF PROVIDENCE ROAD, THE NORTH SIDE OF HUNTLEY PLACE, AND SOUTH OF PERRIN PLACE FROM B-1 (NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS) TO MUDD (CD) (MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, CONDITIONAL).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said 2020-33 is on Providence Road and Huntley Place. The site itself is currently zoned as B-1 and the proposal this afternoon we are considering is a MUDD conditional district. So, this proposal is for a redevelopment project of the site that is an existing gas station. The proposal this afternoon is for up to 2,452 square-foot financial institutions. We also are looking for nonresidential uses in MUDD. We do prohibit automotive service stations as a result of this petition and this proposal. Building height will be a cap at 50 feet as well as a lighting height cap at 20 feet. Ingress/Egress would be on Providence Road and Huntley Place as well as a 12-foot multi-use path and 8-foot planting strip along Providence Road, and a 6-foot sidewalk and 8-foot planting strip along Huntley Place.

The staff does recommend the approval of this petition. There are a few outstanding issues that we will have to continue to work through. It is consistent with the Central district Plan which recommends retail uses so, again this is a project I think the existing gas station and just transition that into a bank use. We will be happy to take any questions following the project team's presentation.

Bethany Rooney, 2100 First Avenue, Birmingham, AL said I am with BDG Architects. I represent Fifth Third Bank at the architectural firm. I have with me Bret Nerveral who is the Civil engineer and Johnathan Reed who is the architect on the project. As stated, this is a 2,452 square foot bank branch building equipped with a walk-up ATM and a night deposit box on the north side of the building. We currently have been showing 12 parking spaces, however, we have reduced the parking spaces in order to meet the tree save requirement. I believe at this time we are meeting all of the outstanding requirements that we had as far as comments on the project. We did host a community meeting and we had only positive input. Actually, only one community member attended it, but we had positive input on the project.

Councilmember Eiselt said is this the end of the last full-service gas station in Charlotte?

Mayor Lyles said I thought this was the place of the Wing shop. What's on the lot right now?

Councilmember Egleston said it's an automotive repair.

Councilmember Eiselt said ooh it's not the gas station?

Councilmember Egleston said yeah well it use to be a bank.

Mayor Lyles said I don't think they sell gas anymore.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 40z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-025 BY SUNCAP PROPERTY GROUP FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 26.34 ACRES LOCATED ALONG THE EASTERN SIDE OF MILHAVEN LANE, SOUTH OF SUNSET ROAD, AND WEST OF STATESVILLE ROAD FROM CC (COMMERCIAL CENTER), R-4 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO I-1 (CD) (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, CONDITIONAL).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said 2020-025 may look familiar. We actually had a hearing on this last month. Went through that fairly smoothly. Just had to bring it back to the hearing. You can see this small little additional square hear. Right on the bottom where Milhaven lane is. That was in an area that we did not include in our advertising for the public hearing. So, we had the acreage amount incorrect and so wanted to just come back for a public hearing this month just to clean that up and give a little additional background from the previous month. This is a petition that's going from CC to industrial. As we had mentioned this is an area that is looking to [inaudible] industrial building for development area A. We are looking at a public street between Milhaven and Statesville. We also had prohibitions on outdoor storage, eating, drinking, entertainment establishments, retail establishments, shopping centers, etc. 70 uses that would be permitted in the CC district are not included as part of this request this evening. We do have a 37.5-foot buffer around the periphery of the site to provide a little bit of screening and transition. We do have some public road improvements as we had mentioned in the public street A being the major investment in terms of public infrastructure. We do have some architectural standards for the project itself as well as some lighting requirements. We are also looking at 8-foot planning strips and six-foot sidewalks along Milhaven and some left turning lanes and improvements on Milhaven [inaudible] site. As our recommendation was the same as the last public hearing last month. We do recommend approval. The technical issue related to transportation just involves some striping on Milhaven for a turning lane. While it is inconsistent with the Northeast District Plan, we did feel that it is appropriate in terms of some of the existing industrial uses that are found in this area along Sunset road. Our zoning request will be less than the ten of the actual retail use with parcel's current Zoning. We felt that the petition was appropriate, and we do recommend approval and will be happy to take any questions following presentations by Ms. Grant and her team.

Bridget Grant, 100 North Tryon Street said with Moore & Van Allen Law Firm. [inaudible] property group. As David mentioned this is just a chance to get the acreage out to 25 acres. We are taking it out to put that new parcel to about 26.34 acres but everything else stays the same. We are happy to answer questions.

Motion was made by Councilmember Graham and seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 41z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-040 BY ALENKY SIGNATURE HOMES, LLC FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 0.398 ACRES LOCATED ON THE EASTERN SIDE OF COMMONWEALTH AVENUE, THE NORTHERN SIDE OF GOODWIN AVENUE AND OSOUTH OF WOODLAND DRIVE FROM R-4 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-8 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said is a current zoning request. It's about .398 acres. It's on the eastern side of Common Wealth. Right off Common Wealth. On Goodwin Avenue right there on the corner. The proposed zoning is from R-4 to R-8 and that would really just be to accommodate some additional development on the back portion of the parcel and allow those lots. Similar in fashion to what we see in the area on Goodwin and down on Rollins avenue we have a couple of lots where this will essentially be created into three

lots and allow some infield development while maintaining some of the general character and consistency with those existing home on Common Wealth and on Goodwin. So, it is a conventional request so there's no plan associated with it. While it's consistent with the recommendation residential usage it is inconsistent with the recommended density but again that density really is gained in terms of just subdividing those parcel out on Goodwin into the similar size of some of those other lots within the general area. So, context-wise no real concerns from us. We do recommend approval. We will take a question following the presentation by the petitioner on this item.

David Murray, 1109 Greenwood Cliff said with the Odom Firm in Charlotte on behalf of the petitioner. I want to thank the staff for their support, and I want to thank Councilmember Egleston for his time meeting with this. It's conventional rezoning but like staff said the intent is to keep the existing duplex that out on the corner while allowing us to subdivide off the rear L-shape portion of the lot. Which would match up almost exactly in lot size to what's across the street? So, it will be a single-family house that would be added to this lot. I'm happy to answer any question and I appreciate your support.

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

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ITEM NO. 42z: HEARING ON PETITION NO. 2020-064 BY TRUIST BANK FOR A CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 2.34 ACRES BOUNDED BY THE NORTHEAST SIDE OF 5TH STREET, SOUTHEAST OF NORTH TRYON STREET, SOUTHWEST OF EAST 6TH STREET, AND NORTHWEST OF NORTH COLLEGE STREET FROM UMUD-O (UPTOWN MIXED US, OPTIONAL) TO UMUD-O SPA (UPTOWN MIXED USE, OPTIONAL, SITE PLAN AMENDMENT).

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

David Pettine, Planning said 2020-64 is a rezoning request for a site plan amendment where the Hearst Tower is. It's about 2.34 acres between North College and North Tryon, sixth street. The proposal itself that we are considering this afternoon is to modify the site plan for the UMUD optional for this property. Allow for skyline signs for the building that are proportionate in height and size of the structure itself. We are looking at a total of four skyline sizes that have a maximum size of about 3,076 square feet. Those would be allocated around for side so that 3,00 square feet is the total. Each sign is not that large but that is the total of all four. You can see that each sign would be proportional to the building itself. So, building elevations are in staff analysis in your notebooks. The staff does feel like the petition is consistent with the Charlotte Center City 2020 Vision Plan (2011). We don't have any significant concerns with the request as proposed. You can see some of the signs here that look proportionate to the building itself. Particularly at this height. So, again the staff doesn't have any significant concerns with the request that's in front of us this afternoon. A few technical revisions that we need to make to the site plan but outside of that we do recommend approval. We will be happy to take any questions following Mr. Brown Presentation.

Collin Brown, 1420 East 7th Street said on behalf of the Trist team. It's a very straight forward petition. I think David has hit it. Not a lot to cover. So, happy to answer any questions you may have.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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PUBLIC FORUM

Police Brutality

Joshua Proby, 3120 Amity Pointe Road said I would like to address the ability to bridge the gap between law enforcement and community. I think that's big right now. I do also want to address the two young people who lost their life just recently yesterday because their lives matter as well. I think one of the biggest things to bridge the gap is that we have to have an understanding. There has to be understanding between law enforcement and the community and right now the trust is just not there. I think partially because that is the violence that is going on. The issues that are taking place right now. There is no trust there. I think how you begin to have that trust is we have to learn to follow sometimes the good things that are being implemented especially after the George Floyd death. Colorado has a 10.2% of Africa- Americans that are in that state in itself in Colorado and they have adopted the law of the SB20-2017, which renews the immunity from officers and puts a bigger restraint against them creating police officers to duty to intervene strengths the criminal legal standard applicable to police officers using excessive force and explicitly outlaw the choke-holds and protester from police violence. I feel like in order to be able to bridge the gap you still have to start implementing these laws that other states are. Charlotte has 39.4% of African-Americans. So, there's no reason why that shouldn't be a law that we should be following behind that to begin to build that trust so that the gap can be brought closer. Also, as you guys already know Charlotte is the second in banking, number 1 in tech but yet there are 50th in economic mobility. Which means that there is no money being passed down. That's nothing capital.

CMPD Budget & Transparency within the City

Megan Butt, 1305 Corton Drive said I am a public-school teacher and citizen of the City. I took my school closing during quarantine to recognize that schools provide almost all of the daily social services that our children receive. The budget you passed two weeks ago shows me why. You see a budget's a moral document. It tells us what a community values. We trusted you to solve problems like homelessness overdoses in mental health in school and instead you turn them over to the police to manage. Giving 40% of the budget. My own family member is a cop in this city, and you all have him arresting homeless people more than fighting actual crime. Only instead of giving him Narcan and social work training you give him a gun and say here fix it. We owe our citizens and our police better than this. Charlotte's dead last at a 50% city in upward mobility. Our schools are the number one segregated in the state. Our police kill black people 3 times more than white people. Our city is failing. We elected you to do something about it. We've been telling you for weeks that policy reforms don't work. All you have done so far is sign some proclamations, you painted a city street, these are crumbs. But I'm hearing we will do anything to make you happy just please don't make us change the system. I'm asking for three things today. One, commit to people's budget advisory committee for the fiscal year 2022 to identify divestments from CMPD. Surveys and open meetings aren't enough with only the wealthy have the meetings to find them. Two, your City Council has a transparency issue. You remember the crowd of angry Citizens who berated you in the streets two weeks ago, part of the problem is that your own rule of procedure 5d makes it so that you can hold one public forum and then bar citizens from speaking at subsequent meetings. Which is exactly what you did at the budget meeting. I teach my students that voting is important but when the folks that you elected will not listen; what's left but to yell in the streets. Amend the rule. Three, platitudes aren't enough. We want a commitment to less police funding and more funding for housing and community-based crime prevention. At least 8 major cities have already started this process. We are following behind. Only this time the citizens of the city are watching you. My students are watching you and history is watching you. Thank you I yield the rest of my time.

CMPD Budget

Cameron Pruette, 215 Mossburn Road said I rise to echo that sentiment that we have already heard this evening. I'm the president of the LGBT Democrats of Mecklenburg County and I rise. It feels like this Council is either unwilling or in order to hold CMPD

accountable or give us the transparency that we demand. I decided to look at the Citizen's Review Board because that seems like the place I should go if I'm holding CMPD accountable but three of your links don't work and I have been waiting two weeks to get a response on what exactly the Citizen's Review Board does and when a new chairperson will be appointed permanently instead of an active one. Our system is broken. It has taken a lawsuit by the ACLU for the peaceful protestors of the city to get action and protection. We know that continuing to one police will not solve the root causes of poverty and violence in the city. Just last meeting Councilwoman Johnson tried to make a more inclusive housing proposal. She was met with silence and a 10-1 vote that ignored the move. We have to do better as a city. 40% of the budget going to the police, less than 3% going to housing, while there are still homeless people on the street. We need action. Thank you and I yield the balance of my time.

CMPD Budget

Kathren Martin, 2321 Finchley Drive said. I teach at JCSU and CTC. I mention this to say I care a great deal about Charlotte's future. I am not speaking for any organization but felt compelled to address you all today in honor of all the students I have been lucky enough to teach.

Before continuing I wanted to thank you all for voting to remove tear gas from the 2021 CMPD budget. And a special thank you to councilman Braxton Winston for his demonstration of courageous leadership in the face of political opposition. During the coverage leading up to the vote, I read a lot about the lack of political will within this council to make reforms. The political will.

I had to do some research to understand this very vague phrase. I found that it had to do with political capital, a measuring of incentives and disincentives, and imagination. The imagination to envision new ways of leading and listening to the people's will.

It is the people's will that the role of police in our communities is changed drastically and immediately. Your constituents are trying to tell you that we are not safe, and you are responsible for that. Your constituents are trying to tell you what we want.

It is the will of the people that CMPD is removed from CMS schools and that capital be reinvested into CMS. We want CMPD to be demilitarized and that capital is invested in housing and neighborhood services. It is our will that officer Wende Kerl who shot and killed Danquirs Franklin in 2019 and officer Brentley Vinson who shot and killed Keith Lamont Scott, be fired immediately and their salaries for the next 5 years be invested in reentry programs and Black mental health programs. It is our will that you make the policing processes and tactics of CMPD public.

The people's will should serve as the compass for the political will of this council. It is our will that CMPD is defunded that those funds be invested in the Black communities of Charlotte. It is our will that grassroots organizations lead decisions surrounding the redistribution of these funds. Organizations like Charlotte for Black Futures, The West Boulevard Neighborhood Coalition, and Colletiva Comunidad. It is time for you to fortify your political will and get to work.

Mental Health Resources

De'Les Green-Morris, 12304 Bending Branch Road said I'm a proud educator at West Charlotte High school. Giving everything happening in our city I would like to share my thoughts. The Charlotte Mecklenburg police department supplies full-time school resource officers to all high school and middle schools in CMS. According to the City of Charlotte's website that is 55 schools. In those schools, there are 60 school resources officers so that means that in some schools there are two police officers. This is all to supply a safe and productive learning environment but for our black, brown, and disabled or LGBT plus students; police presents actually do the opposite. It causes disproportionate harm. Now let's compare that to the presents of mental health

professionals in our schools. We have 70 school psychologists that serve 176 schools in CMS. That means each school psychologist serves 2-3 schools. Potentially over 1,000 students. 1 in 4 people suffer from mental disorders. Mental health problems can affect a student's energy levels, concentration, and processing skills. Which hinders their academic performance, physical health, a relationship that has long term consequences for their future employment and earning potential. Additionally, the suicide rate for African-Americans to ages 10-14 has increased over 200% over the past 20 years. So, back to the rationale of having 60 school resources officers. Wouldn't allocating sufficient mental health resources help to provide a safe and healthy learning environment? There are so many needs that your citizens, your people are loudly proclaiming to you right now. I want to encourage the City Council to rethink and reallocate funds in the City Budget. Prioritize preventive measures that are an investment in mental health resources. Resources for youth support and for CMPD to reimagine the roles that currently occupy in our communities. They should also invite educators and community members to the table to implement solutions. I yield the rest of my time.

Defunding Police

Gabriela Umanzor, 1118 Scaleybark Road said I am a twenty-year-old native of Charlotte. I need you to listen to every word I say. As a native of Charlotte, both born and raised I'm absolutely tired. You have failed to listen to our time and time again. All of you. You failed to listen to the organizers. You fail to listen to those at the labor union. You have failed to listen to the community. You have chosen to ignore us. You chose money over us. You chose optics over us. City Council you are just as bad as CMPD. 40% of the budget going to the police, enforces violence. Listen to me. You are going to redistribute and allocate the money directly into our community. You are going to give workers better care. You are going to defund the police which means dismember CMPD completely. Allocate the funds immediately to housing. This goes out to you Mayor Lyles. You are not one of us. No of you is one of us. You have proved where you stand time and time again. What have you done? What have any of you done? Nothing. This is not about your ego or your pride. This is not about you. This is about us. Mayor V. Lyles, being the first black woman to be a mayor in Charlotte doesn't mean shit if you aren't protecting us. It doesn't mean anything if you are portraying the working class. The working class has to deal with this pandemic. They have to deal with the police targeting and murdering them. They have to deal with a low minimum wage. They have sacrificed everything while all of you have sacrificed us to get a seat at the table quite literally. Yesterday two people died and the response CMPD had was to aim their guns at our people. There is nothing reform that has changed. You can not reform your way out of this. To enforcing more police and making a City more [inaudible]. You are putting people's lives at risk. Listen to me once more. The people do not want the police. The people do not want prison. The people do not want jails. You are to no longer fund the police. We don't want money to pay for the largest group of white supremacists. The money instead needs to go directly to those who don't have housing. It needs to go to the areas in need. We don't want preconceived [inaudible]. In fact, we don't replace violence with more violence.

Police Reform

Dorne Pentes, 2121 Mecklenburg Avenue said I recently looked at the Charlotte City budget for 2020 and 2021, and when I saw that it was really shocking. In the fiscal year 2020, the budget for the CMPD was 39% or \$285.1 million. In the fiscal year 2021, it's 40.4% or \$290.2 million. 40% of this city's budget is going to the police department. I contrast the budget for Housing and Neighborhood services was \$20.6 million and then it went down to \$19.9 million in 2021. Your spending \$19 million on housing people and \$290 million to arrest them? [inaudible] from the police and adequately fund the services that they need. Please redirect the millions that are for CMPD towards health care, housing, education, and good jobs. Paying community care workers to do minimal health checks if someone needs health. Restore the justice models instead of throwing people in prison. Please get creative to fix the inequality in our city. The legislator says you can't set the minimum wage. Then give the company the tax incentives that pay their workers \$15 an hour. Take \$30 million from the CMPD and put that money towards rent subsidies or free child care. Dig into CMPD's budget and figure out how and where to shift that \$30

million worth of the responsibility away from the CMPD. Think differently and then act. Please don't just make some tweets or change the guidelines and expectations for everything to get fixed. It won't because as long as you have 40%, the city budget tied up in an entrenched bureaucracy that exists to perpetuate and protect itself; you will have more people [inaudible], shootings, more [inaudible], and more unrest. If we don't change, the next time a police officer murders an unarmed black person, that fire won't be like this last one. It will be far, far worse.

Mayor Lyles said I would just like to point out that two years ago, you voters approved \$50 million for affordable housing and we have another \$50 million on the ballot this fall and I hope that the public and need for affordable housing will be met by the voters again this year. So, just a little bit of information about our operating budgets is different for our capital budget and it's like you know too much to try to think about right now because I think your point is very well received and understood by the Council around the policing budget. So, with that, we will go to James Bauman.

Police Reform

James Bauman, 4940 Oak Pasture Lane said It's like it's not us versus you. The system is so entrenched like that last speaker said. Nobody seemingly where we starts. I just want to say as a white person my safety is not worth the system. Just like the last speakers have said. I would rather have no police than the police that, even though the vast majority of the time they deescalate very nicely, it's enough. It has to be perfect. So, I would rather have no police than a system where people get shot with mistaken identities or mistaken weapons that aren't there. We just can't have any more of this. I was wondering instead of all this talking you know from both sides, could we actually experiment just in a few parts of town. In a few precincts, can we just have maybe a vote? Where I live on Sugar Creek road. Could whatever our division is, where the police monitor and protect. Could we vote to have a whole different system? Where it's non-lethal, and perhaps even allow some CMPD officers to leave the CMPD system and join a new system that's a nonviolent system?

Mayor Lyles said I'm not sure how we could respond to that. We will get back to you after we look at how we could do that or if we could do that.

Mr. Bauman said I would love that if we could have some discussions. Just community versus actual police that is not under their union. I just don't even see a lot of chance for input and I would surely appreciate Mayor Lyles if you could somehow fix that.

Mayor Lyles said I think we are going to have a meeting beginning tomorrow with a safe community committee, where they are going to outline a work plan. I would also say to you that it's really important that participation comes on this work plan from every part of it. So, feel free and everything will be on the internet. It will be on our Facebook page, on our government channel, and all of those things, and there will be opportunities to comment all the way through that during this COVID period. I want to mention one other thing. We do not have a union. North Carolina is the right direct work state and we are not allowed to engage in collective bargaining as a government. I know that sometimes we had a lot of people that have moved from a place that where collective bargaining and public unions are here but in this state, the right to work prevents us from having a union. I just want to pass that along, but again Mr. Egleston, what time is the community safety committee meeting?

Councilmember Egleston said 2 pm and it will be on Facebook and YouTube.

Mayor Lyles said what time tomorrow?

Mr. Egleston said at 2pm.

Creating a Safe Community

Dyrrie Osborne, 2219 Heywood Avenue said I know that you all have come under fire. I mean fire that you may not want to be in, in your position at this time. What I'm going to do is offer my services to the City Council and this City to bring about change in the Police department to take a close look at their training. To also take a close look at how they communicate with the community at large. What I would like to do is offer my knowledge, skills, and abilities to work with the Police department and their overall training. To take a look at their training manuals to see whether or not each police officer or whoever is there are abiding by the protocols as to which they are trained. That's what I offer.

Affordable Housing

Steven Cohen, 4001 Doves Roost Court said I'm an affordable housing advocate and today I am here as a member of the one Meck affordable housing committee. So much has changed since the heinous murder of George Floyd on May 25th. In this context, I want to briefly address two development projects where the issue of affordable housing is front and center before the City Council. First, Seventh and Tryon and its sister project Eight and Tryon, otherwise known as the Inlivan proposal. The history of these projects is tortured. I won't rehash it here. The Inlivan project provides for 110 units of affordable housing in the heart of uptown, divided evenly among families of 30, 60, and 80% of AMI. 70% of the project will be market rate and there will be no difference between the affordable units and market-rate units and no side door for those who can't afford the market-rate apartments. It's hard for me to imagine a better use of public funding. To bring true mixed-income housing to one of the most desirable places to live in Charlotte. So why talk about this tonight? At you, last public meeting Council member Egleston stated that as a preservationist, he wanted to be on the record the tearing down the Hall House to build the Inlivan project is unacceptable. With all due respect in these times, there are a lot of formally Sacro saints' workers that are tumbling down and let Hall House be one of them. Second, in the case of the Ballantyne Reimagining development in district seven, that's actually a lot to celebrate and yet with no real explanation, people earning below 50% of AMI are excluded from this opportunity to live in Ballantyne. Some of my colleagues refer to this as economic redlining. Think about what that means for a moment and what that means at this moment. Thank you.

Defunding CMPD

Amanda Wright, 3210 Dunaire Drive said I am speaking not only as a resident of Charlotte but also an attorney here in Charlotte, who has been assisting the folks who have been arrested by CMPD during the protest. I've also listened to the conversation that occurred I believe on the 19th with City Councilman Braxton Winston, Madam Mayor, and Judge Trosh, and other community leaders. It has heavy on me to speak up and speak out because we here that the people of the community are being told to show up to speak out, but it feels as though our elected officials such as City Council who has the ability to impact policy and protocol and hold CMPD accountable for their actions and it's not happening. We continue to find CMPD 40% of the budget and when you see the events that occur in our streets and the needs of this community and we hear these empty words, people are tired, and we need action. I'm really calling to every City Councilmember to get the political will to do something more than create meetings more than task forces, but to actually make meaningful change through CMPD. So, that we can refund social services and allocate meaningful monies.

Mayor Lyles said that concludes our waiting list.

The following persons submitted written comments regarding this item pursuant to S.L. 2020-3, SB 704. To review comments in their entirety, contact the City Clerk's Office.

James Bauman, 4940 Oak Pasture Lane

Kathren Martin, kathren.martin@gmail.com

Stephen Cohen, 4001 Doves Roost Court

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ITEM NO. 2: Mayor and Council Consent Item Questions and Answers

There were no consent agenda item questions.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Driggs, and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with the exception of Item No. 17 and 56 which were deferred to July 13, 2020; and Item No. 42 pulled for a separate vote.

Councilmember Eiselt said for item number 43, for the light rail vehicle truck overall project, I want to ask is Mr. Lewis on the line or anybody from CATS (Charlotte Area Transit System)?

Marcus Jones, City Manager said we do have John.

Ms. Eiselt said Mr. Lewis can you just talk a little bit about the impact to service will be of taking the 20 vehicles out of the fleet for repair. Is it a five-year process for all 20 or do they all go at the same time, staggered? How is that going to work and how will that impact service?

Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Assistant City Manager said what I can tell you is that it will not impact service overall because this has been in the plan for quite a while. So, to take those out for service will not affect how we are currently running and will not affect our plan to move us forward to the 9 minutes and some of second in terms of service request. So, the answer really is no. There's no impact.

Ms. Eiselt said no additional impact beyond- I think Mr. Lewis said to us that they were going to increase the time between the car a little bit.

Mr. Jaiyeoba said yes, it does. That's why I said there will be no time beyond 9 minutes and some seconds.

Ms. Eiselt said how many of the vehicles would be out of service at one time out of the 20?

Mr. Jaiyeoba said there were phase them to make sure that they don't go at the same time. So, there will be a number of vehicles during the fiscal year and then there will be another set of vehicles. Actually, they will send one for testing first to see how long it takes and the more you send the shorter the time it comes to finish working on them. So, not a lot of them will go at the same time. They will go and fix them and then return them.

Ms. Eiselt said thank you.

Mayor Lyles said during the MTC meeting there was also the idea of when do we get to the side that they would actually build a facility closer to us but that's a real goal, in the long run, is to have so that it's a lot easier than having to send out and I don't think that we are there yet, but we could if we got our full rail line in place.

The following items were approved:

Item No. 35: Construct Cross Charlotte Trail – 7th to 10th street Connector

Approve a contract in the amount of \$1,498,198.47 to the lowest responsive bidder J. D. Goodrum Co. Inc. for the Cross-Charlotte Trail -7th Street to 10th Street Connector Project.

Summary of Bids

J.D Goodrum Company, Inc.	\$ 1,498,198.47
Dane Construction, Inc.	\$ 1,569,766.57
Sealand Contractors Corp.	\$ 1,667,543.90
United Construction Company, Inc	\$ 1,789,979.40
Blythe Development Company	\$ 1,861,049.30
Zoladz Construction Co. Inc	\$ 1,864,789.30
Nassiri Development, LLC	\$ 1,914,485.10
United of Carolinas, Inc.	\$ 1,988,728.17

Item No. 36: Construct Northeast Equipment Maintenance Facility.

Approve a contract in the amount of \$8,543,453.20 to the lowest responsive bidder Southside Constructors, Inc. for the Northeast Equipment Maintenance Facility.

Summary of Bids

Southside Constructors, Inc.	\$8,543,453.20
Edison Foard, Inc.	\$8,693,450.00
Path Construction Northeast, Inc.	\$8,817,050.00
J.M. Cope, Inc.	\$8,885,669.65
Encompass Building Group, Inc.	\$8,934,500.00
Matthews Construction Co., Inc.	\$9,167,328.00
Elford, Inc.	\$9,188,300.00
Walbridge Southeast LLC	\$9,399,650.00
Messer Construction Company	\$9,474,500.00
Shiel Sexton Company, Inc.	\$9,505,550.00
J.E. Dunn Construction Company	\$9,606,438.50
Turner Construction	\$9,664,396.45

Item No. 37: Electrical Services

(A) Approve unit price contracts with the following companies for electrical services for an the initial term of three years: A & C Electrical Services, Inc. (SBE), AKW Electrical Contractors, LLC, A & W Electric, Inc., American Tec Electric Company (MBE, SBE), Besco Electric Corporation (MBE), Blew, Inc. (SBE), Electric System Specialists, Inc. (SBE), Millennium Lighting Solutions, Inc. (SBE), and O’Kelly Electric, Inc., and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 38: General Contractor Services

(A) Approve unit price contracts with the following companies for general contractor services for an initial term of three years: Corner Stone Construction Services, Inc. (SBE), D.E. Brown Construction, Inc. (SBE), Gaddis Bros., Inc., HRGC, LLC, (WBE, SBE), McFarland Building Group, LLC (MBE, SBE, DBE), D.L. Peoples Construction, Inc. (SBE), and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 39: Air Purification Solution for City Facilities

(A) Approve the purchase of a Bi-Polar Ionization System, by the sole source exemption, (B) Approve a contract with Hoffman and Hoffman for the purchase of a Global Plasma Solution Bi-Polar Ionization System for the term of two years, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year renewal terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 40: Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Services

(A) Approve unit price contracts with the following companies for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning services for an initial term of three years: Armstrong Mechanical Services, Inc. (SBE), Climate Control of Charlotte, Inc., Digitrol, Inc., Johnson Controls, Inc., Redblue, Inc., Steeles Mechanical LLC, STR Mechanical, LLC., and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 41: Plumbing Services

(A) Approve unit price contracts with the following companies for plumbing services for an initial term of three years: Marvin Plumbing, Inc. (SBE), After Hours Plumbing, Inc. (SBE), W. H. Hobbs Plumbing, LLC, CS Plumbing NC, Inc. (MBE, SBE), and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 43: Light Rail Vehicle Truck Overhaul Project

(A) Approve a contract for up to \$12,923,365 with Siemens Mobility Inc. for the Light Rail Vehicle Overhaul of Truck and Braking Systems project, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Item No. 44: 5400 Airport Drive Hangar Lease

(A) Approve a 10-year lease agreement with Building Investments Products, Inc. for a hangar facility at the Fixed Based Operator site located at Charlotte Douglas International Airport, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to approve one additional 10-year lease extension consistent with the purpose for which the agreement was approved.

Item No. 45: Airport Aircraft Preconditioned Air System Part

(A) Approve the purchase of pre-conditioned air system parts, by the sole source exemption, (B) Approve a contract with Cavotec USA Inc. for the purchase of aircraft pre-conditioned air system 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. 46: Airport Electric Power Services

(A) Approve a master services agreement for a term of 10 years with Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for new electric power services, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to amend the agreement consistent with the purpose for which the agreement was approved.

Item No. 47: Airport Runway Rehabilitation and Taxiway Removal – Change Order

Approve change order #1 for \$1,499,700 to Blythe Brothers Asphalt, LLC for the Runway 18L/36R Rehabilitation and Taxiway C7 Removal project.

Item No. 48: Flooring Services

(A) Approve unit price contracts with the following companies for flooring services for an initial term of three years: Mekki Modular Systems, Inc. (MBE, SBE), Queen City Commercial Floor Services, LLC, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Item No. 49: Set Public Hearing on Cameron Commons Area Voluntary Annexation

Adopt a resolution setting the public hearing for July 27, 2020, for the Cameron Commons Area voluntary annexation petition.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 718-721.

Item No. 50: Set Public Hearing on Carsen Glen Area Voluntary Annexation

Adopt a resolution setting the public hearing for July 27, 2020, for the Carson Glen Area voluntary annexation petition.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 722-723.

Item No. 51: Set Public Hearing on McGee Place Area Voluntary Annexation

Adopt a resolution setting the public hearing for July 27, 2020, for the McGee Place Area voluntary annexation petition.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 724-725.

Item No. 52: Refund of Property Taxes

Adopt a resolution authorizing the refund of property taxes assessed through clerical or assessment error in the amount of \$114.57.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 726-727.

Item No. 53: Meeting Minutes

Approve the titles, motions, and votes reflected in the Clerk's record as the minutes of, May 11, 2020, Business Meeting, May 18, 2020 Zoning Meeting, May 20, 2020, Budget, Workshop, May 26, 2020, Business Meeting, and May 27, 2020, Straw Votes.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

Item No. 54: Property Transactions – Cross Charlotte Trail 7th Street to 10th Street Connector, Parcel #7

Acquisition of 1,421 sq. ft. (0.033 acres), Greenway Easement, 392 sq. ft. (0.009 acres) Temporary Construction Easement at 615 Seigle Avenue from Crown Castle South LLC, for \$102,100 for Cross Charlotte Trail 7th Street to 10th Street Connector, Parcel #7.

Item No. 55: Property Transactions – Kilborne Drive Streetscape, Parcel #66

Acquisition of 172 sq. ft. (0.004 acres) Utility Easement, 297 sq. ft. (0.007 acres) Sidewalk Utility Easement, 1,698 sq. ft. (0.039 acres) Temporary Construction Easement at 2101 Eastway Drive from Nisbet Oil Company for \$16,000 for Kilborne Drive Streetscape, Parcel #66.

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Item No. 42: CITYLYNX GOLD LINE PHASE 2 FARE EQUIPMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, seconded by Councilmember Watlington, and carried to (A) Approve the purchase of fare equipment and programming, by the sole source exemption, (B) Approve a contract for up to \$307,155 with Genfare for the purchase of 15 autonomous fare boxes and related fare equipment, and (C) Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

Councilmember Winston said I will be voting against this; we are spending \$307,000 on 15 fare boxes. We could be putting that \$300,000 into the system to make it rideable and affordable for everybody. We do not need fares on our public transportation system. There are models that we can employ to make them rideable by all people at all times. This could be a step that we could take towards that. So, I will not be supporting this consent agenda item.

Councilmember Watlington said is in follow up to what Mr. Winston just said. I just want to understand what is the urgency [inaudible] the farebox is currently. Is this something that we could table?

Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Assistant City Manager said There is no necessary urgency to make sure that we have all standardized fare boxes that we use for all bus services right now. Our equipment is consistent. So, they're why we are updating them, and I see we have the conversation is going in council. If we don't do it right now. What happens if we do it now it allows for [inaudible] of payment of fares on our bus services especially as we came to back up to service and we have more people ride in the services. That's why.

Mr. Watlington said but is something broken currently? I had a standardization justification?

Mr. Jaiyeoba said yes standardization. So, nothing is broken as I stated. It's really more thinking of them to standard and to be consistent with how when equipment currently does it [inaudible]. Once you have that it puts you in place definitely to be able to synchronize this once you have the Gold Line also in place in a few months' time.

Councilmember Ajmera said I have a question in regard to comments that were made by Councilmember Winston. This question is for Mr. Lewis. How much of our budget comes from fares that we collect?

Mr. Jaiyeoba said I can come back with that answer if we keep going.

Councilmember Driggs said I just want to say in the past we have been advised that the farebox account for about a quarter of the operating cost of CATS.

Mayor Lyles said 25% of the operating budget by Mr. Driggs recall.

Ms. Ajmera said I know that we have had sales tax being impacted heavily with COVID-19; I know that with our sales tax revenue, how has that had an impact on our CATS budget and in addition to getting the funds we have gotten from the CARES Act, how does our operating budget look at this point?

John Lewis, CATS said our operating budget for FY21 is secure. We will not as a result of the loss of fares, we are able to cover that for FY21 with CARES funding.

Mayor Lyles said I think the question though, without the CARES funding how much would our operating budget have been?

Mr. Lewis said the fares associated with our operating budget is \$25 million annually. That's total. Our ridership has been down about 40% during the pandemic [inaudible] 40%. So, we can associate a loss of fares somewhere between \$12 and \$14 million on an annualized fashion. The sales tax we have estimated that we will lose somewhere between 25% and 30% of our sales tax but that's just an estimate moving forward until we get a good understanding of the actual sales tax revenue is. That's the estimate that we have so, that is covered. We have received close to \$60 million in CARES funding. So, that more than covers more than those eventualities.

Mayor Lyles said but is CARES money an onetime expense right now to cover the onetime expense of COVID?

Mr. Lewis said CARES funding for SBA is not, once we receive it, we can use it for three years.

Ms. Ajmera said thank you. Yes, I was able to hear him. So, the gap that we currently have because of the sales tax decrease is being addressed by the COVID-19 resources by CARES Act funding. But I guess if you were able to eliminate any fares, would that put us in a position where we might not be able to continue to operate?

Mayor Lyles said the question was if we discontinued fares where would that put us in a position for operations?

Mr. Lewis, it depends on how long we wanted to eliminate fares. We did eliminate fares. We went fare-free in order for it to support social distancing on board our vehicles for our operators. So, we did that for two months. That's probably about a \$2-\$3 million impacts from a fare revenue standpoint. Again, if we wanted to annualize that. We wanted to go fare-free for a year, our estimates that we would lose about \$20-\$25 million and fare revenue. That would be close to about half of our CARES funding. Now I think we still have to make the connection between our fare elimination and the health pandemic. Doing that in the short term to promote social distancing was not a problem if we want to do that for some other reason, we would have to run that through the federal transit administration to make sure that the goal is for coverage and funding.

Ms. Ajmera said thank, Mr. Lewis. How long could we use CARES funding to not collect fares? I guess could we use it for the next two months or three months or four months? I am trying to find out the time frame that we could use the CARES funding to address the gap if we were to eliminate fares.

Mr. Lewis said we have already reinstated fares. That happened on June 8th, 2020 and so we've already told the FDA that our reason for going fare-free for social distancing was no longer need. So, again if we wanted to reinstitute fare-free, we would have to get the permission of the Federal Transit Administration and give them the reasons why. But outside of our COVID Funding has a three-year window.

Ms. Ajmera said I understand Mr. Lewis. So, could we ask FDA to extend the grace period because COVID-19 going up and more than ever before we need to continue to have social distancing? Could we get an answer if you were to request additional time to extend the fare elimination?

Mr. Lewis said sure we will have that conversation with the FDA.

Ajmera said thank you, sir.

Marcus Jones, City Manager said So, I'd like to go back a little in time of how we got here. Because of COVID-19, what John had to do was to change from his normal schedule to a Saturday schedule, and with that no fare increase. As the State has begun to open back up; what John did was reinstitute the fare increase June 8th, 2020. As well as, I'm not sure that we have done a good enough job of explaining, that is, he took the top 10 routes and put enough vehicles in play to try to take care of both social distancing but also 15 minutes frequencies. So, what interesting, something that this Council wanted to get to back in January at the annual strategy meeting; the 15-minute frequencies. We have a chance now to see that in our top 10 routes. Part of putting the farebox back into play was true because of the concept of people now that we are going back to work. So, I just wanted to set the stage, and also with this, we have missed the opportunity to share with you that we received a grant where I believe John it's either five or six electric buses that we will have in the CATS fleet. So, there are some things that have occurred because of COVID-19 that have given us an opportunity to rethink how we go about transportation. So, if we go back to January, absolutely we were thinking about concepts as no fare for maybe some routes as well as how we could get to 15-minute frequencies, and some of that is playing out over the course of the last 30 days.

Ms. Ajmera said Mr. Manager can we with the extension of the CARES funding, can we do both? Can we do 15-minute frequencies as well as no fare because COVID-19 is still here? You may not have an answer, but I think that is something for us to think about.

Councilmember Johnson said this is in regard to CATS also. What safety precaution are we implementing for our drivers and our passengers on the busses?

Mr. Lewis said if I understand the question, what precaution are we taking to protect our operators. There are several areas that we have implemented or in the process of implementing. Number one, we have taken seats out of our vehicles and we have instituted a six-foot barrier between the passengers and the operator area. There is a stand D line that is six feet away from the operator area that all customers have to be

behind. Number two, we have also given all of our operator's personal protective equipment. They have both, gloves and mask for all of our operators. Third, we are in the process of installing plexiglass shielding for the operator area. This was in an area of an issue we have explored over a year ago for the physical protection of our operators. They were hesitant to move forward because of the closed nature of being in that enclosed area but as a result of the pandemic, talking with our operators they were interested in us revisiting that. So, we will be installing the plexiglass barriers that will completely enclose the operator area. Then lastly, we have contracted with a third-party cleaning company that will be performing midday and at the end of the lines on both rail and bus for additional cleanings during the day of all of our vehicles.

Ms. Johnson said the enclosures of the plexiglass; do you have an estimate of when that will be complete?

Mr. Lewis said we are going through the emergency procurement process right now. I can get to the estimated completion date information.

Ms. Johnson said will that be on all of the busses?

Mr. Lewis said yes, on all of our busses.

Ms. Johnson said ok because right now I did hear from an advocate from some of the bus drivers and that was a concern that they didn't feel the protection from the riders. So, I had a specific example of one driver really feeling not safe and we can talk about that. Are the riders being given temperature checks?

Mr. Lewis said no ma'am.

Ms. Johnson said what about the drivers?

Mr. Lewis said we are not doing that for our operators either. No ma'am. Following the health department's best practices and looking at our experience, we've had total employees who tested positive. Of those 14, only two were symptomatic and so what some other institutions have done fever testing and temperature testing, the temperature testing would not have caught the other 12 people who have ended up testing positive.

Ms. Johnson okay. So, will part of that COVID funding go towards the plexiglass installation?

Mr. Lewis said yes, Councilmember. WE are using the COVID funding for all of the retrofitting of our vehicles for protection for the operators.

Ms. Johnson said okay. So, they have gloves and masks of enough supply to last them for a while?

Mr. Lewis said we have more than enough masks and glove for our operators. We have since last week, started giving out a mask to our customers. So, the supply is no longer an issue for us.

Ms. Johnson said so, are customers required to wear a mask on the busses?

Mr. Lewis said we are not requiring that, but we are encouraging it and we are [inaudible] all of our customer service safety and [inaudible] security, personnel carry mask with them and any time we see someone that is not wearing a mask we offer them a free mask from CATS.

Councilmember Egleston said so, the issue of fare boxes, I have said before and will continue to say that I do think Mr. Winston's point is one that I'd to see us work towards, which is free transit. I don't think the way that we do that is through not approving fare boxes that we need now. This to me is a policy discussion and this is a purchase matter that by turning it down we not suddenly going to have free transit. So, I do hope that we

will continue to have this conversation. I don't know that we need to have that or other conversations tonight on these agenda items.

Councilmember Eiselt said just two things; one I also pre-COVID we have had this discussion about whether we make transit free which would be fantastic, but if it's 45 minutes between trips than people aren't going to ride it unless you absolutely have to and then it's still not a sufficient way to get around? So, I would rather see us invest in our transit system to the manager's point. We knew going back to the retreat that looks like roughly \$34 million to cut our Headways in having and really make it a system that people who can afford will choose to ride the bus because it will get them where they want to go faster. So, investing in that and investing bus rapid transit type strategies. So, it is a policy discussion. We had started it in the Transportation Transit planning Committee. We talked about it at the retreat. We need to continue to talk about it. I don't like to see it come up at the last minute like this because we really need to go back to what we as a Council talked about and where we are going to place our priorities. With regards to the farebox; John are we going to get to a point where we combine our apps? So, that the real-time app which I think you said we could have by the end of the year?

Mr. Lewis said yes, that is correct.

Ms. Eiselt said so, can that real-time app have the payment ability on that app so that it truly is something that more people would use?

Mr. Lewis said well, right now those are two separate procurements. We are updating our real-time app so that our customers could go to the application and see the actual positions of the vehicle rather than miss schedules guesstimate of where it will be. That will be completed by the end of this year. The cash payment app is a separate procurement and it is possible that we may be able to combine the two but right now they are on a separate task.

Ms. Eiselt said because it seems to me that if you see the bus is coming or the next light rail car is coming then you have to get out of that app and switch over to the other payment app and then people might just get on and fare hop. I understand that we need to have fare boxes on especially if you are moving from the light rail to the streetcar, but I just hope that we are moving in the direction to make this sophisticated so that's all on one app and people are making decisions in real-time and paying for it.

Mr. Lewis said If I could offer, we have been piloting the mobile payment app over the last year and the vast majority of people who are utilizing the payment app or buying either day passes, weekly passes, or monthly passes. So, they have made the decision well ahead of time to handle their fare payment. So, that isn't that hurry up and scramble to make one ride or a round-trip buy. But I understand your point. We are trying to get theses two endeavors done as quickly as possible and then we can look at combining the two after they are here.

The vote was taken on the motion and recorded as follows

YEAS: Councilmembers Eiselt, Ajmera, Mitchell, Egleston, Graham, Watlington, Johnson, Newton, Bokhari, and Driggs

NAYS: Councilmember Winston

Mayor Lyles said I think that Ms. Ajmera and Mr. Winston wanted to address CATS again. If we could go through the rest of our agenda and then we could come back to that, we could do that. After we finish up some of the topics that we have. The public hearings that we have today.

Ms. Ajmer said while waiting for Mr. Winston, may I just make a comment on CATS? Mr. Manager, if you could bring us back on the COVID funding on rather we can extend the COVID funding support for our CATS and see if we can extend the fare elimination before our next meeting that will be great.

Mr. Jones said we'll have that for you.

PUBLIC HEARING

ITEM NO. 5: PUBLIC HEARING ON THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FISCAL YEARS 2021-2025 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND FISCAL YEAR 2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

There being no speakers, either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Egleston, and seconded by Councilmember Driggs, and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

ITEM NO. 6: PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION TO CLOSE AN ALLEYWAY OFF WEST HILL STREET

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

There being no speakers, either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Newton and seconded by Councilmember Eiselt and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

ITEM NO. 7: PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUTLER HOUSE HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

There being no speakers, either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Eiselt and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

ITEM NO. 8: PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DERITA HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM HISTORIC LANDMARK DESTINATION

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

There being no speakers, either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Eiselt and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

ITEM NO. 9: PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FORD MOTOR COMPANY ASSEMBLY PLANT HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

Tommy Man, 6611 Gardner Lane said I the development director with ATCO Properties and Management. Overseeing the development [inaudible] North End and I just want to thank you for your consideration of this application, and I wanted to be here to be available for any question. Otherwise, I yield the rest of my time.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Graham and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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ITEM NO. 10: PUBLIC HEARING ON THE NEVIN SCHOOL HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION

Mayor Lyles declared the hearing open.

There being no speakers, either for or against, a motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Eiselt and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

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POLICY

ITEM NO. 11: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

COVID-19 Reponses Updates

Marcus Jones, City Manager said I'd like to start off by turning this over to Chief Johnson and Chief Graham to give us our typical COVID-19 update. There has been a lot of information that has circulated throughout the community and we thought it would be a good opportunity to talk about some of those issues.

Mayor Lyles said before we hear the two chiefs virtually, If I could I'd like to give an update on my conversation along with several of the other Metro areas Mayors with the Governor on his recommendation on how we are going to continue to deal with COVID-19. The Governor's presentation will be on Thursday of this week. There was a specific question because, in Raleigh and Durham, they have a resolution voluntarily asking people to wear their mask and the Governors in those conversations, both of those communities indicated that it would be better if there was a State requirement around the use if mask so that there could actually be no consequences but education to say here is a mask and you should use it. The Governor said that the studies that were coming out and they were particularly troubling. Especially as our numbers are going up, he made no guarantee, but he said that they would be addressing this issue of a mask on Thursday during his COVID statewide briefing. I say that because I believe that we in this community have to look at this if it's not done by a state standard. I just wanted to make sure but talking with the Governor, he asked that we look at it. That we allow him the time to look at it before we made any decisions on particularly as other communities that have those resolutions for seeing a lack of implementation just by the workforce and the workforce demand areas. The way people come into their communities and complete their work. So, with that I just wanted to present, we have regular communications with the Governor's office around COVID and I want to say that I really appreciate his willingness to look at our communities of areas where we have larger cities and communities as he's making his decisions as we move forward to his decisions for this Thursday.

Councilmember Winston said I have a question just about what you just stated Mayor Lyles. I just want to understand this. I know we don't know what the Governor going to say but do we expect him to make a statement on whether or not there will be a statewide mask band or face covering band announced on Thursday?

Mayor Lyles said what he indicated to the Metro Mayors is that they were looking at the studies and that would be a part of that consideration, but he did not make a definitive commitment of what he is going to do but he said that he was looking at the studies. So, he will be making a statement on Thursday about the mask. I just don't know what it will say.

Mr. Winston said so, if there is no statewide mandate, there is no North Carolina Metro Cities decision by the Governor, will we be instituting our own mask or face covering requirement in the City of Charlotte?

Mayor Lyles said I don't know the answer to that to tell you the truth. We have worked with Gibbie Harris and they are looking at it. I think that they are waiting to see what the Governor is saying. I would say we will just have to wait and see. I don't know what the answer to that is.

Mr. Winston said the decision is the Mayors to make. So, what would we have to see or hear for you to implement a citywide mask or face covering mandates for the City of Charlotte?

Mayor Lyles said well first of all; I think it's a little more complex than me. I would have to work with the public health director to see that the studies agree with that and then we would have to start talking about where is the best way and how we would want to do it. Then how we would enforce it? Is it indoors or outdoors? If you're out for a run or a walk do you wear a mask? If your inside of a restaurant do you wear a mask? Do workers require who is going to enforce it? I think it would be a conversation that we should have. I wear a mask, and I believe if I wear one it really makes a difference. First, I think going back to the public health director and working with the six towns. As well as, do we have a Mecklenburg ban? Which would be more effective than a Charlotte ban. Would we have a statewide ban? Which is the point that we all made to the Governor?

Mr. Winston said now is the time to have the conversation since we are in the update about COVID. Legally that conversation doesn't have to happen with the other Mayors or the public health director.

Mayor Lyles said I'm sorry I probably did not say that it was required. I said I hope that we would work with them, to make a good decision for our entire County. We've been most successful with compliance with things that have not had consequences when we've done it all. The more people that we can get to do it, the better we would be. So, I think that we really ought to try. That doesn't mean that if it doesn't work, but at least have the opportunity to reach out to see what we would do countywide first. So, I didn't mean to imply it was a requirement. I meant that it would be something that would be more effective.

Mr. Winston said I would hope that we have been having these conversations with the Mayors and the County at this point and time to figure out where we are at. I just would like to know what it is going to take to get a mask or face covering requirements in Charlotte. I know City Council we can pass a resolution perhaps saying where we are at on it but that doesn't create that mandate. So, I would like to know what is going to be needed so that we can go out to the constituents in telling them why we will or will not have a mask or face covering requirements in the city of Charlotte.

Councilmember Eiselt said So, I think where you're going with that; I agree with that. I personally am a supporter around having some sort of rule around wearing a face mask, but I think it's important to find out also what the Governor has in mind with phase three because if we were to say something before his announcement on Thursday, that has to do with phase three, we might have to change what those requirements look would look like if, in fact, that's where we are going. I'm certainly open to that conversation after we know what the Governor's plan is on Thursday.

Chief Johnson, Charlotte Fire Department said Sorry that conversation [inaudible] before I could get in and start talking about it. Over the past several weeks our attention has been taken by the wave of COVID-19 and continues to be a threat to our community.

We continue to try to manage and build that. I like for Chief Graham to give us a brief EOC (Emergency Operations Center) update and then I'll come back and answer some of the questions that Councilmember Winston may have.

Chief Graham, Emergency Management said I'm excited to be here in all ways. I do want to say this for the record; Gibbie Harris is with us just about every single day. She is providing tremendous leadership within the emergency operation [inaudible], Angela Charles is part of that. We could not ask for a more solid [inaudible]. She has vast experience, just a ton of information [inaudible]. We are blessed beyond what I can communicate to have her on what she does. Today is day 1 of 3 of the Emergency Operation Center activation. The longest the Emergency Operation Center has ever been activated. Had changed numbers for a total [inaudible] cumulative bases. More [inaudible] get ready for this. This evening we are currently at 8,510 cumulative cases, with 143 deaths. COVID hospitalization is up. Percent positive trend is also currently trending up. It doesn't mean it won't trend down tomorrow or the next day. It will go up and down, but [inaudible] won't. There will be a drive-through testing initiative taking place this weekend on Saturday and Sunday. There will be more to come from public health, however, the Emergency Operation Center and Emergency Management will assist the health department with those two dates, and there may be more after that. They believe that they could test up to 1,000 per day at those sites so we are excited about that. The Carolina Panther have contacted us, and they are working on what it looks like when they are ready to open. So, in the next few days, we will be working with them on the exercise at the Bank of America Stadium. We will talk about how important it is to have the Panthers, but more importantly, how important it is to have a [inaudible]. So, we are excited about that. [Inaudible] DOC numbers and Emergency Management will both do a site visit with the [inaudible] food pantry. [Inaudible] communicated to me about my staff in order to get out and see what occurs at the actual pantries. So, we are very excited about that and seeing what we are [inaudible]. Today, and I think this number is not discussed enough but needs to be, The total meal provided within Mecklenburg County is [inaudible] since the beginning of COVID-19. Mecklenburg county with the assistance of the EOC continues to maintain Hotels for isolation an quarantine for the general public and social distancing Hotel options and response [inaudible] homeless shelters. We do know, we continue to have [inaudible] in our homeless shelter operations within the County as we move to the deep Summer months where it is extremely hot, there challenges [inaudible].

CharMeck's response plan, the latest grant distribution is on June 24, 2020. We are then, expected \$4 million in distribution [inaudible]. A Contribution of the [inaudible] The nations in our community. Today they raised over \$20 million. We continue to ask people to give to that fund. Now, want to be clear on this and so, for our planning purposes of the EOC, and we could discuss this, we are looking at [inaudible] at the end of 2022 as far as the planning. That includes our [inaudible] in our departments. Also, what it looks like as we move through this event. As you are aware. We currently do not have a vaccine. However, the Emergency Operation Center and Emergency Management are currently, as we talked about it today, planning on Flu-Shot vaccinations. If you want to do that, we are going to encourage everybody to do that this Fall. Specifically, to [inaudible] Hospitals but also more importantly, when we do get a vaccine, what does it look like for us to deliver the vaccines to 1.1 million residents of Mecklenburg County. So, those are planning operations are in the works and we continue to watch national trends. We are seeing steep increases in Texas, Arizona, Florida, South Carolina, and some other States. Those can change day to day. We are seeing some daily new cases that we are concerned about. So, we don't know what that means, but we are analyzing those as more data comes in. [inaudible] on a national level are decreasing so again we are not sure what that looks like. We are not sure what that looks like going into the Fall. [inaudible] analyze COVID-19 and see what it [inaudible] number during the time that they said [inaudible] State I just mentioned are hot when it's summer, their numbers are going up [inaudible].

Chief Johnson said Councilmember Winston brought up some very good points and I think the Mayor also made some good points. We have operated as one group. As the policy group with the City, County, and the Town with consistency across the County at a very successful [inaudible] as of three-plus months. We have had several discussions

about mandating face mask. We want to make sure we do that as a group. We want to make sure that we are engaged with the Governor's office as the Mayor had stated. A decision from his office, statewide. Sometimes there are a number of things that we would need to review ahead of time. We have reviewed several of the proclamations from the local jurisdiction. We also had conversations with CMPD. Mandating face coverings in that manner will be difficult but it's not impossible to enforce. So, we would like to at least have the opportunity to talk with the City Manager as well as the County Manager and Town Manager to engage the business to determine how they can help us with this endeavor. I think they play a vital role in the face-covering mandate. So, until we have the opportunity to talk to them so that we don't cause them any harm, I would like to wait until later to that. That would be my recommendation to the Mayor.

Ms. Eiselt said what is the process for engaging the business community? I guess the way you said that it would sort of indicate you don't want to hurt them but in my mind, I keep thinking if we really want to help them in the long term to stay reopened that, and I don't know, but it would seem like face mask would be a good idea, because you see these businesses not that are having to shut down again because of more infections. So, A, how are you going to engage the business community? B, are you engaging CMS because of course the goal would be to have kids get back into school in the Fall?

Chief Johnson said CMS, and I'll just take that one first, CMS is in our EOC and continues to work with us. The Superintendent is on our policy calls every morning. He is engaged in our conversation. So, we will be there to work with them when we move forward to ensure the safety of our kids. As far as the business community, as I stated I would like to sit down with the City Manager and the County Manager. Sit down with the business round table and I think that where you start to have the conversations. Some of the larger companies may not have an issue with mandating face masks in their [inaudible]. John Lewis mentioned, they're handing out face covering to those that don't have them. Our mom and pop stores wouldn't be able to do that. I think that we can have that conversation before we pick a date to create an effective date for mandating face coverings.

Councilmember Ajmera said I have a couple of questions. I know this conversation has been going on for a while. Even County Commissioners have had this conversation at their meeting, where they do not have the support of all the Mayors in Mecklenburg County. So, I guess what additional conversation do we need to have that we have not heard so far from business owners?

Chief Johnson said as I stated I think that one of the things we were able to look at in the other localities' proclamations. It is very hard to enforce that. When you look around the country there are a few companies that require you to wear a face mask, but they provide a face mask. I think it would only be fair to the businesses here in this city as well as the County that we actually have a conversation with them before arbitrarily [inaudible] date of how it would impact them.

Ms. Ajmera said I understand that enforcement is the real challenge. What I have heard from businesses, particularly mom and pop business owner that they are unable to voluntarily require a customer to wear masks and potentially lose business without a government mandate. They are asking for us to step in and have some sort of mandate. To protect not just the business owners but the employees that are work there. We can not wait for others to take any action because Mecklenburg County has the most amount of cases in the State and that is continuing to rise. I'm concerned about the capacity in Hospitals. Also, the safety of our health care workers. We need to take action sooner rather than later. So, what is the time frame you are looking at the chief in having those conversations with small business owners?

Chief Johnson said again I will have to have a conversation with the City Manager and the best way to do that, we do have policy group calls at least a minimum of three times a week. All the City County and all of the Town Managers, CMPD, Emergency Management, CMS, and a number of groups are on there to have that conversation. Again, I think the Mayor hit the nail on the head that we also want to be in line with the

Governor so, I think that addition conversations [inaudible]. I know that a number of town-meetings also [inaudible] have the same conversation.

Ms. Ajmera said So, a follow-up conversation for Mr. Manager. What is the timeframe we are looking at in the City of Charlotte on having this conversation with business owners and how enforcement will look like?

Mr. Jones said I want to start off by saying that being a manager on that policy call, I have all ways represented what I believe the feel of the Council is and the Mayor is that facial coverings are a good thing. So, that's been the representation from Charlotte. Deanna does have a business roundtable that she confers with. Which also I am on that and live by the County Manager but for Austin, I believe the County is going to take this up again tomorrow night. We've been consistent that Charlotte would love for all of the Municipalities within Mecklenburg County to be together on this and that Charlotte is in favor of facial coverings.

Ms. Ajmera said I know that Mr. Manager [inaudible] on that. I know that Counties continuing to have a conversation but what I hear the challenges that in order for them to pass a mandate they will need the approval of all of the Mayors in the County. Am I correct?

Mr. Jones said not necessarily. What Chief Johnson said earlier, and we believe that one of the reasons we have been successful as a County with all the jurisdictions is because we have gone with this together or gone at it together. Sometimes it takes just a little bit more of discussions to get everybody on board but right now I can't tell where this will end up, but I do believe there are a number of Jurisdictions that would move forward with facial covering. The other thing that I do want to say that I bring to the table, the law enforcement problem if you will with this. In terms of being able to enforce it but that does not detour us from having a stance that facial coverings are good not only for the City of Charlotte but the entire County.

Mayor Lyles said one of the examples, one of the Mayors used is that they had; what would happen if someone came into your restaurant or your store and they didn't have one and they said you're required to have it. Then you get into a disagreement and then do you call the police department. How does it escalate? So, they have been wrestling with this. Which is why theirs is a resolution that just asked for it. I think to wait until the Governor decides gives us a starting point after Thursday to know what we need to do. I believe truly that we ought to be wearing masks indoors and outdoors as well, but I think our issue for businesses if they are not enforcing it who would. I think we need to think about that as we go through it.

Ms. Ajmera said I agree we should wait until Thursday to hear from the Governor's office on what this state mandate may or may not look like but just so that I'm clear on this; Mr. Manager are you saying that County Commissioners or the County, they could pass a mandate without the approval of all of the Mayors in the County?

Mr. Jones said Ms. Ajmera if I understand the question. What we are trying to do is be unified but there could be something where you have several jurisdictions signed that have signed on, but not everybody. Yes.

Ms. Ajmera said got it. The more the merrier.

Councilmember Johnson said Chief Johnson can you give us update the plan for the homeless population?

Chief Johnson said what do you mean by a plan for the homeless?

Ms. Johnson said what are the accommodations or what's going on with the homeless populations. I know that we have a safe distancing hotel to prevent shelter overcrowding. Is that correct?

Chief Johnson said that is correct.

Ms. Johnson said is that the only accommodation we have for the homeless population right now.

Chief Johnson said we do have an isolation hotel for those that need to be isolated. Whether they are showing symptoms or have tested positive. We have nearly 300 residents in the overflow hotel. As far as I know, that is the extent of the planning at this time.

Ms. Johnson said so, there is an isolation hotel for individuals who are showing symptoms or have test positive right?

Chief Johnson that is correct.

Ms. Johnson said so, are we routinely testing the homeless population? The reason I asked because there is a tent-city here in Charlotte. College and 12th street. I know I sent the other Councilmembers the video. It's really really sad. Are we testing over in that area? I think that would be a nice spot for Atrium or Novant or someone to have tested. When you talk about public health crises, you know social distancing, it's sad. It's a crisis. Are we addressing that at all from a public health perspective?

Chief Graham said first and foremost we are under a very thoughtful morning so, if your outside or [inaudible] do to [inaudible], I think I saw Mr. Graham outside. [Inaudible]. We work with our homeless advocates, Social Services on a weekly basis. So, the Emergency Management works on a sheltering house force in particular, and as you know homelessness is [inaudible] and that we are always looking for solutions for but that's one of those things that nobody, unfortunately, has the perfect solution for. However, from my understanding the homeless advocates and the Social Services [inaudible] our resources [inaudible] that population as safe as possible but also to ensure that they access to testing. So, I think the message I would give you is that as much as it weighs on the Council, it weighs on us. It weighs on us on a daily basis and so we are doing everything we possibly can within our scope but also to ensure that we do everything we can. I wish I had a solution.

Ms. Johnson said thank you. Well, there is any way that, this may be a County issue, but we can ensure that there is testing over in that area I think could address or prevent getting some of those folks off of the street and spreading it.

Chief Graham said well we can have a conversation with Ms. Harris tomorrow and see what could be done and what the plans are in that area.

Mr. Winston said I just think that this face-covering issue is a prime example of how we have to change our approach to policymaking. Our number priority is public safety and I just want to correct one thing that you said Mr. Manager; our county has worked very well together to get us through a national mess, but we have avoidable losses in our County and in our City if we were able to have the same type of cooperation on a national scale as we have been able to have Mecklenburg County and across the State. You can't wait to implement rules until you figure out how to police them. Wearing face covering will save lives. It would have already saved a life, had it been a mandate. It would just be a good piece of public policy to set the mandate that there is an expectation that face covering should be worn in Charlotte. So, many of the conventions that keep us safe right now truly couldn't be policed if people violated them. Take the double yellow line. You know if everybody decided to drive on the other side of them; they couldn't be policed, but it is something that we can point to. That people know as a baseline. That is where they stand so that they can get to places safely and they can keep other people safe. It's something that should have been done. It's something that we can do. I understand the teamwork part, but we are talking about saving lives here, and their plenty of data out there that shows the mandating of face coverings and increase use of face-covering will save people's lives. Will stop them from getting sick and will help us to get back to opening up our economy faster in the long term.

Return to Work Updates

Marcus Jones, City Manager said I would like to, on the COVID response update, do a quick update on the return to work. So, I think many of you may have received some questions from your ACM in terms of some of your thoughts about how we return to work, not just from the operation standpoint but what would work well for the Councilmembers. Again, we will get an update from the Governor this week as to whether or not we move from phase 2 to phase 3 or something in between. That will dictate a little bit about what we do also as a City as we move forward. Many of you have said that you welcome the time that we can get back together in a room and start to work together and so do I. As I start with the return to work it basically, I want to talk a little bit about the overview of the CARES Act to remind everybody how some of the funds have flown in. Share an approach to restoring operations review of FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) reimbursement which is a part of the docket tonight. As well as discuss a bit of the family folk initiatives that could be moved forward. So, in terms of the funding, this is a little bit of going back in time, but what we have with the CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) funding to date, we have talked a lot about CATS tonight with it's almost \$57 million, Aviation \$135 million, and in CATS that can be used for revenue replacement as well as personnel and PPE (Personal Protective Equipment). With Aviation the key there is operations, maintenance, and some of its capital projects. There is a \$154.5 million that came directly to the City of Charlotte. We will talk more about that. But even before those funds came in there was \$5.7 million with CDBD, ESG (Emergency Solution Grant), and HOPWA (Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS) funds that the City Council voted on to put back into the community and on top of that additional \$1 million of CDBG funds were put for grants and some of our low MOD areas. There's been a lot of distribution of these COVID funds. Which new today is that blue dot that we have a new allocation of ESG funds? That's another \$6.9 million. I'm sure that the Housing Task Force and the Council would love to discuss how those funds could be used but that something that we talked about back in April. The expectation that there could be different rounds of funding but again another all most \$7 million that could be used for homeless and housing efforts related to COVID. So, I just want to talk tonight about the City funds that came in. The \$154 million and you may recall that \$70 million of that was set aside for community support. Another \$70 million for City operations and the contingency of \$14.5 million. If we fast forward, a lot of great work from the various Task Forces. If we look to the left of the pie chart and dissect that \$70 million, there's been \$10 million allocated to housing. Up to \$8 million for a mortgage and rental assistance and another \$2 million for a supportive housing program. Which still leaves another \$10 million to be dispersed. The small Business Task Force allocation of \$35 million of the \$50 million with \$30 million for Small Business access to capital. Another \$2 million for the Small Business partner grant support program and the remanding funds were for the career Cohorts as well as some additional support.

So, a lot has been going on and then there's there right side of the pie chart. Which is for City operations and what I have learned it's important to keep the Council engaged about what our thoughts are with those funds. So, what we have done is really thought about in these two ways. How can we respond? In other words, how can we protect employees in the public while attempting to mitigate the service impacts and adapt? Because we know that we will be in this new normal. This new you fill in the blank for a while. What we are trying to do is get our operations back up but also adapt so that we can still provide exceptional services to our community in the new normal. So, how have we responded? I think the key is the priority and that's the base of this slide here is that it's always been our employee's safety. Providing PPE. Encouraging social distancing and limiting this in-person interaction so, our first responders have continued to respond in operation move to staggered shifts. We modified our operation and we focused on the Central services and administrative we moved to remote work and we've been able to identify alternative methods to have our work done. What's interesting; is that in many cases we haven't missed a beat and so that's important as we start to move forward as we try to design operations such that they could continue to provide exceptional services. So, here's what I would say our blended approach is. When you think about our first responders, which all together that's almost more than 2,700 of our employees, they stayed at full capacity all through the pandemic. Operations, we did pull these back towards the end of March,

but as it was mentioned today, starting June 1st, 2020, operations such as CATS, Solid Waste, and water started to get back to what we would call full capacity operations. Which leaves us really the administrative piece right now as you can see by this blended approach, we believe that we will be in a level similar to where we are today all the way through September to an administrative standpoint. We will go into a little more detail of why this is what I am recommending. So, the total operation is \$70 million that's been set aside. For the most part, we have about \$30 million that is associated with laptops, network security upgrades, capital enhancements in IT, HVAC improvements. Which is also on the docket tonight and facility renovation. So, what I mean by that, for the HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) improvements we are going through all of our facilities to purchase and install bipolar ionization units and that's going to help us in terms of the circulation of air and keeping our employees healthy.

In terms of this building, there are renovations that we are doing on the floors. There are some things that we have already done in terms of bathrooms, but we believe that we are able to take some of our staff who have been in spaces that are leased and bring them back into this building and we can still have a staggered approach in terms of staffing the building. Right now, it's almost around 20%-25% of capacity on any given day. We think that's accurate for where we are right now. What that allows us to do is still function at a high level with some of the remote access but also gives us opportunities to continue to renovate some of the spaces as well as get some of the departments consolidated on the same floor. On the other side of the City operations, in terms of responding to COVID, we have a number of items that we know we can charge to the CARES Act and that includes overtime. The PPE enhanced cleaning and some of our contractual costs. There's that grey area which is about \$24 million that, while nothing has been allocated to it, what we are doing is following all of the federal guidelines in seeing how these funds can be spent. I will tell you I'm very comfortable where we are with what we are doing in those first two slices. It does allow us to bring people back to work safely and be able to operate in this new normal. We have new guidance from FEMA that came towards the end of last month that basically allows us some of the items that we would have charged to the CARES Act bucket that we can charge to FEMA for reimbursement. We have determined that is \$3.5 million of eligible reimbursements to date and when you identify those as a percentage of those funds that come to the City almost immediately. So, what that does for us, it frees up about \$3.5 million in CARES Act funding and so what I'd like to present to Council tonight a couple of opportunities with that additional \$3.5 million that has been freed up.

During the budget discussions I believe that Councilmember Winston brought up the bridging the Digital Divide and while there was an item in the budget that helps move us along, We believe that we know that we can use some of this CARES Act funds for enhanced Wi-fi on our building. The building that we own. Those buildings that we own are in communities and that allows us to have W-fi access in some of our communities in the opportunity corridors which we think is huge. Also, with some of this money that is freed up because it's able to be charged to FEMA is youth and teen opportunities. During this time each year, we have a conversation about what is available for our teens and our youth during the Summer. Because of COVID-19, we have a double whammy in the sense that with social distancing and the capacity with some of the rec centers that there isn't the opportunity that typically exists. Even with the Mayor's youth employment program, we weren't able to have as many participants as the wave had in the past. So, we believe that the youth and teen opportunity center with a minimum of the four YMCA' that are in our opportunity corridors as well as some other opportunities with some Y's would be of good use of this \$3.5 million. What I do have is if there are any questions, I have our CIO that's available to talk about the bridging the digital divide and I also have Sarah Hazel that's available to talk about youth and teen opportunities but simply put, in terms of bridging the Digital Divide I mentioned we have our buildings. We would have the Wi-fi that enhances our services within the buildings and there would be a benefit to the community in terms of the youth and teen opportunity centers. We would partner with the YMCA. The key is youth and teen programming, job skills training. We also have partnerships with Atrium Partnerships with Charlotte Works that would give some of our youth and some of the folks in our community opportunities that may not exist but for this. In the budget that just was approved, there were \$24.5 million set aside for our opportunity corridors. Within that, there are dollars that are associated with violence interrupters,

associated with jump-start grants, placemaking, economic development opportunities that have not been done before at that level of funding. So, I just took a cue from what I heard from the Council about our opportunity corridors as well as bridging the Digital Divide to make these recommendations tonight.

Mayor Lyles said I have to say Mr. Jones that we are very fortunate to be able to take advantage of this money and particularly in the way and in the areas that you focused on because you have taken what we have said for many months ago at our retreat where we were going to focus and yet while we were trying to do that the idea of youth opportunities and the Digital Divide areas are things that keep us moving forward in a way that we probably don't think about. Think about if you have the opportunity for Wi-fi, what it means for you as a young person, and as an adult nowadays. Everything is going to be based on that technology and then the youth and teen opportunity program, I remember last year I heard from a person that participated in the program, 17 years old, and that hot meal that was served every day was what made his ability to actually eat. So, we are doing things that impact people and real-time and their real lives. This is just I think a great opportunity for us to participate in a way that I think the community sees the connection that we are trying to make.

Councilmember Ajmera said City Manager I appreciate you providing your recommendation especially to address the Digital Divide and providing opportunities for our youth. I think that great. I do want to just understand, can CARES funding be used hazard pay for our front-line workers?

Mr. Jones said I will make sure that Ryan or Kelly are in the other conference room. I want to make sure that I don't misstep. We know that there are some funds that are reimbursable by the CARES Act funding and those are the items that I showed initially. There's still about \$24 million that's still out there. We want to make sure that we are clear on, but we are able to have reimbursements for public safety. There's is special pay that is overtime that's related to our front-line workers and even the contractual cost. So, for instance, when we brought in contractors to help us with yard waste, that was something that could be reimbursed by CARES Act funding and unlike the first time, we tried to pick up yard waste which took us a month. We were able with the contractors to wipe it out in almost a week. So, Ryan in terms of what we can reimburse let's make sure that I do not misstep. What else is out there Ryan?

Ryan Berman, Planning said you're correct. We are able to reimburse first responders special pay which hazard pay and then Aviation and CATS, they can use there buckets for special pay as well. The only special pay that will not be reimbursable right now would be solid waste and things like that. That was actually recent guidance that came out. So, that may change so the vast majority of special pay will be reimbursable under the CARES Act.

Ms. Ajmera said thank you, Ryan. So, how about Charlotte Water?

Mr. Bergman said they did not get any direct CARES funding so that would be the same as Solid Waste. So, they wouldn't be able to use the CARES Act as of now.

Ms. Ajmera said can City Operations CARES Act funding be used for hazard pay for our Solid Waste or Charlotte Water or any front-line workers?

Mr. Bergman said so, we started the special process a couple of months ago. We were hopeful but not certain that we would be able to get it all reimbursable. The Manager just felt like it was the right thing to do and when the CARES Act guidance initially came out it looked like we would probably be able to cover all cost, however, recent guidance did come out to clarify that it's geared more towards first-responders. So, as of right now the guidance does not allow us to use is for Solid Waste workers but that doesn't impact the actual worker themselves who have received the pay it's just in accounting.

Ms. Ajmera said so was that discontinued?

Mr. Bergman said as of right now it is still going on. The message when we started it, is that it would likely to the Governors' phases, and I know there's still some uncertainty about when we would go into phase 3.

Ms. Ajmera said so currently still in effect?

Mr. Berman said yes, correct.

Ms. Ajmera said are any of these purchases that we have under \$29 million of \$17 million that we had anticipated in our budget?

Mr. Bergman said no, so we are doing things that would not have been covered with the budget. Which is in compliance with the CARES Act.

Councilmember Newton said So, the hazard pay, and special pay is a question I had as well. So, Councilmember Ajmera raising that and getting some answer there. I wanted to know, so I wasn't aware that we were going to be voting on this tonight. Maybe I'm the only one but I want to know what exactly are we voting on here? I was aware of the \$3.5 million to the YMCA, My Brothers Keeper, The Digital Divide, I'm very much in support of funding those initiatives but If we are talking about the remaining amount here and I have the pie chart in front of me. We are talking about the \$29 million and also the \$17 million. We had a real bright itemization break down of how the money would be spent when came to the other \$70 million on economic development, housing, etc. I'm not seeing any of that here. I'm just wondering are we being asked to approve for example; How much are we talking about on laptop purchases? That was clearly defined before. I'm not seeing that type of itemization. Is that what we are talking about approving tonight?

Mr. Jones said no, Mr. Newton. What I tried to do tonight is to give a Council maybe with the month-end to where we are, an update of the thinking as it relates to using the \$70 million around operations. With the whole key of keeping employees safe. Trying to get back up to full capacity, whatever full capacity could be. The other thing that I tried to put in front of Council tonight is because we have this FEMA reimbursement that could be used there is this \$3.5 million that is freed up and what I would like to recommend to Council is to give us the go-ahead to engage with the YMCA and you mentioned my Brother's Keeper, who's a group that we've worked with before, that they would be apart of this. The YMCA because in the last few years we have worked with them as well as public Wi-fi. So, it seems like based on some of the issues that the Council has brought up that this could be some immediate action. Especially with the \$3.5 million. The other funds, I wasn't asking for a vote on laptops or HVAC system or things like that, but I didn't want to go too far down this pathway without bringing Council up to speed on what the thinking is around operations.

Mr. Newton said thank you for that background. So, we will be giving approval tonight on that \$3.5 million is what you are saying?

Mr. Jones said that's what I would like, yes.

Motion was made by Councilmember Graham and seconded by Councilmember Eiselt and carried unanimously to authorize the City Manager to allocate \$3.5 million, as stated in the manager's report write up, for the Digital Divide and youth programs.
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Councilmember Graham said I think this is a really good use of the funds especially in light of the Summer youth programs along the corridors that were mentioned in the various districts. I think both organizations are very credible in terms of working with our youth during Summer. Certainly, COVID-19 has impacted the level of their operation and their delivery of service and I think this goes a long way to ensure as we move forward in the Summer months that we could ensure that our young people have constructive things to do and both organization again are well managed and well supported and good community partners. Again, I like to thank the City Manager for bringing forth those recommendations. My only question to the Manager though is housing relate. I know we

had some conversations earlier in the month in reference to how some of the housing dollars could be utilized. Whether it could be used for construction. Can you answer any of those questions as we move forward in terms of working with the Task Force? In terms of how an additional \$10 million could possibly be spent [inaudible]?

Mr. Jones said yes, Mr. Graham. So, two-fold; one is that as Ryan discussed earlier how as we get new guidance; sometimes what we think we can do, we can't, and sometimes what we think we can't do, we find out that we can. What I will tell you is that no additional updates in terms of what we learned earlier about the CARES Act funding. What I would suggest though is, we can be a bit creative in the sense of there is an additional \$6.9 million of ESG funds and we do have our CDBG funding also. So, some dollars are flexible, and some dollars are not as flexible. So, if we can better understand appreciate what the Council wants to do in terms of the policy or what the Councils trying to accomplish, we can look at these federal dollars a bit differently and maybe use some of them for some of the things that you're trying to achieve.

Mr. Graham said yes what I'm looking for is maximal flexibility.

Councilmember Mitchell said let me echo some of Mr. Graham's comments about the City Manager. I think this is just great leadership and providing the service. I'm a big fan of the YMCA and I think through the Summer months to be a partner with them and to provide some services to our youth is very important. City Manager doesn't see your reference to My Brother's Keeper. Do you have that in this presentation?

Mr. Jones said I don't have it in this presentation, but as I was talking with the CEO of the YMCA, the concept is being able to make sure that we can use these CARES Act dollars the appropriate way. In terms of My Brother's Keeper, there's the concept of up to \$100,000 that would be used in terms of the mentoring, the training to help us get through the program. Yes Sir.

Mr. Mitchell said okay, thank you. There's total transparency, Councilmember Winston and I have been very passionate about My Brother's Keeper and really using this Summer as a way to be impactful to our youth. So, I'm glad to see that we will be a to mark \$100,000 for My Brother's Keeper to be a participant in special relation to men and boys of color. Particularly African American and Latino.

Councilmember Winston said I just want to thank Mr. Jones for figuring a big chunk of this Digital Dive out. It's obvious that we still have much more work to do but this will improve the opportunities for so many corridors. It will benefit all. It also presents a model for how we as a City can help and invest in our opportunity zones to benefit the people who already live there. I hope current residents and businesses are able to recognize that the opportunities to partner with us and furthering those existing partnerships but also forging ahead on new ventures and new opportunities as we bridge this Digital Divide. So, I think this is really excited stuff and I hope the folks in the media really realize that and really champion that message because this is important stuff for so many people along our opportunity corridors.

Mayor Lyles, so we have a motion on the floor to approve the Manager's recommendation for the use of a \$3.5 million fund for The Digital Divide and for youth programs this summer. When we define youth Mr. Jones, how old is it? What are the age ranges?

Mr. Jones said yes, and so Sarah if I mess this up let me know. So, there would be opportunities for Summer Camps. Which you would get those youth up to 12 years of age, but them much like level up in the past; you would have those individuals, the teenagers, even go a little bit into those folks who have been our target for a while. That 18-20-year-old group. So, it would be very consistent with what we have done in the past.

Mayor Lyles said that's so important for us to engage kids this Summer and young people overall. So, with that we have motion.

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

Beatties Ford Road Incident

Mayor Lyles said today I think all of us woke up to what was perhaps one of the toughest messages that we heard about our community in a while. That was the loss of Beatties Ford Road. My understanding now is that four people died as a result of that incident. It's seemed that it was just one of those difficult times to really wake up and say how did something go from Juneteenth to the loss of life on Beatties Ford road. So, I'd like to recognize Mr. Graham, who's asked to speak to this and then we are going to hear from Mr. Jones.

Councilmember Graham said I guess the I will use is just frustrated in reference to waking up this morning and hearing about what occurred on Beatties Ford road last night. The Mayor's absolutely right account on for dead and hurt. It's still with us and thoughts and prayer go out to the families of those involved but I would be remiss to say that what happened last night does not reflect the values and the commitment of [inaudible] the community [inaudible], the business owners and the resident's that call West Trade street, Beatties Ford road home, that's a lot of good work being done on that corridor. A major economic development announcement will be announced relatively soon that impact that corridor specifically the Council has been working in terms of Urban Main Street initiative that talked about community prioritization, [inaudible], commercial revitalization, etc. for a number of months and that is teed up and ready to go. We have been working for a long time in terms of establishing Beatties Ford road as a hot spot and working with Mecklenburg County to bring [inaudible] enforcement to the area but also, I wrap around services working with mental health and the County and our homeless providers, etc. Trying to get those who want help, the help that they need, and is a very active community association up and down the corridor all are doing really good work. There was a press conference today at 4'oclock with those who planned, coordinated and executed a very fine Juneteenth celebration on Friday. What happened last night had nothing to do with what they did on Friday night. They had an excellent even. Well attended. No security was necessary because people came to celebrate history, tradition, and progress. What happened last night had nothing to do with history, tradition, or progress. I just wanted to thank the Mayor for meeting me out there today and talked with the residents and business owners as well. Thank Councilmember Mitchell and others for reaching out and asking what they can do. I just encourage the residents of the community to keep the faith and continue to do the work necessary to build the community and build the infrastructure necessary, but we have some hard work to do ahead of us interns of dealing with issues relating to guns in this community. Hard work to do in terms of doing what is really hard which is from our community, the African American community is taking a look at the man in the mirror and critiquing what we see. The good, the bad, the ugly, and areas for improvement. Last night was certainly not our finesse hour and it's certainly we want to keep the focus on why people are on the street marching and peacefully protesting because they have a very very right to be marching and peacefully protesting and celebrating. So, we want to keep the focus on why they're doing that versus people acting very irresponsibly. Jeopardizing the lives of their friends and their residents and damaging the community's reputation, ever for one night but still something that we all have to deal with. This is not a district two issue. This is the community-wide issue that we all have to deal with in one form or another. I just am posed to work with all of my at large colleagues, Councilmembers throughout the other districts to see what we can do. Two things, one, the [inaudible] relationship with the police department, I think we see loud and clear on why have a police department that's well funded is necessary. Making sure that they have what they need to protect and serve and being able to distinguish things that they want that could be probably placed somewhere else. So, that's a big discussion. I look forward to learning and listening to Councilmember Larken as he begins that job tomorrow. But these are delicate, the complicated issue in reference to policing and these are delicate, complicated issues and terms of building a community and making sure that everyone is going along for the ride. So, I will pause and say that we have work to do. I appreciate everybody who has been reaching out. The residents of district two, business owners, and everyone who is concerned about what happened and everyone who is committed to dusting themselves off, picking up the pieces, and progressively moving forward to build a better community.

Mayor Lyles said you know Councilmember Graham and I attend Friendship Missionary Baptist Church and the toughest part of today was going over to a community that our church and Affordable Housing that our church put in place on Katherine Simmons Avenue and to hear those people say that they were afraid and here we are doing all of the right things and they are doing all of the right things and just the thought that they felt like they had so little control over their ability or to feel that security that we all want to have. So, to each of them as I said, keep organizing, keep working, and that we would be there to help in any way possible. So, with that, I think we will turn it over to Mr. Jones and learn more about the incident.

Marcus Jones, City Manager said I have Deputy Chief Johnny Jennings, who is queued up to provide Council with more information. I know Deputy Chief Smith provided, I believe an 11 a.m. briefing and we sent some information to Council, but we thought it would be important this evening for Deputy Chief Jennings to bring you the most up to date information that we have. With that said I have to turn it over to Mr. Jennings.

Deputy Chief Jennings said I want to clarify. I just got off the phone with Deputy Chief Smith as well. Right now, we are still saying that there are 3 deceased and there are two in gravely critical conditions. So, there is a total of nine gunshot victims and five victims who are non-life-threatening injuries due to traffic-related, being hit by vehicles out on the scene. So, we currently are going through several videos from different sources. Our detectives are working really hard to try and identify suspects. We still don't have any suspect information. We still with 300-400 people who were out there, and we only have one witness who has come forward at this point. So, we are in an up-heel battle to try and get more information about what exactly occurred. But I'm sure that we go through a lot of videos and try to gather more information, that we will have more details that we can follow up on and hopefully resolve this pretty quickly. So, with that, we are certainly praying that better outcome for the victims who are in the hospital at this point. We are going to do our due diligence to ensure that we investigate this fully.

Councilmember Mitchell said let me say thank you to Councilman Graham. When I spoke to him earlier today Councilman Graham you could tell was shaken by what happened. So, Councilman Graham, thank you for your passion. Being out there today. I got a lot of calls. It was good the City Council out there and being very concerned so anyway I can help you, sir, let me know. Deputy Chief, let's talk about the Metro division presence. Can you just give me some information? This incident started around 12:30 a.m. Sunday morning. When was the Metro police officer present?

Chief Jennings said Yes, just after midnight. The call initiated when a female was struck by a vehicle on the scene. Medic arrived on the Scene along with CMPD and just as you saw the medic truck, I think there is a video depicting this, as they were arriving to assist the female is when the first gunshots ring ours. Our officers were on the scene very quickly after that as well with the 911 call for service.

Mr. Mitchell said so, there's was a gathering with over 100 people and was it the cars donut and doing that particular activity, was there any police presence at that time?

Chief Jennings said not on the inside perimeter of that. Officers were aware of what was going on. However, we did not take any enforcement action if that's your question, but officers were aware, and they were planning that they knew that this event was going to kind of mirror what we have seen the previous two nights.

Councilmember Winston said Chief Jennings how many CMDP officers were on the scene at the time of when the shooting started?

Chief Jennings said I can't answer exact numbers. I can certainly get that. I'm not real sure what the response was with the call for services. I can go by some of the videos that it did appear that there were several officers that were on the scenes shortly after there were shots, a call for service came out.

Mr. Winston said so, is that there was a gathering, how many CMPD officers, you said that they weren't inside the perimeter. I am assuming that you mean where the cars were doing donuts. But, dispersed amongst the crowd, how many CMPD officers were at this mass gathering at the time the shooting started?

Chief Jennings said are you referring to in the crowd, while the crowd was out there?

Mr. Winston said within the vicinity and the observable space of the event that was going on?

Chief Jennings said I can certainly get that for you. I don't have the answer right now.

Mr. Winston said do we not know, the police officers would have been potential witnesses, we don't know how many were on the scene?

Chief Jennings said well, I can tell you there were no police officers that were witnesses to the incident other than after what had occurred with the officers arrived on the scene. But other than that, we don't have any police officers who were witnesses to the incident itself.

Mr. Winston do we know how many or were there multiple shooters? Where there multiple types of calibers of weapons that were used.

Chief Jennings said that is exactly what the evidence shows right now and in multiple locations as well. So, I think you saw the crime scene area. I was spread out over a great deal, the majority of that block area in different locations. So, within those locations, that's what took the crime scene search so long to process it. Because there were multiple locations with multiple shell casing and multiple different kinds of shell casings. That's including different caliber and rifle rounds as well.

Mr. Winston said what calibers are we talking about?

Chief Jennings said I don't want to misspeak on that so, I know there were some different caliber rounds that were collected on the scene, but I don't what to speculate as to what exactly caliber those were.

Mr. Winston said you mentioned that there were different locations that are shots were being fired. Is there thinking that there were shootings at different locations or that shooters were moving and that is the reason for the many different areas?

Chief Jennings said I don't want to speculate too much but from what me being on the scene and seeing what was going on, I would imagine that the answer to your question would be both that they were moving as well as different locations.

Mr. Winston said with there being so many parties in different locations, do we think that this was premeditated, or is this something that was sporadic and random?

Chief Jennings said I don't know. I hope that the evidence will show us that as we move into the investigation and maybe possibly identify some suspects and make some arrest in these cases. Given the totality of the circumstances out there to me, it just seemed random when the ambulance pulled up to the scene the shots start ringing out. Then you saw people dispersing at that point. So, I would hope that that would be something that the investigation on covers as we start to identify suspects.

Mr. Winston said my last question is do you know how the calls for help were rung in? Was it a 911 call from somebody out there? Was there some of our CMPD officers or medics that called?

Chief Jennings said the call came in as a 911 call for the female who was struck by a vehicle and that was prior to when the shot rang out. So, upon medic arriving at the scene and Police arriving at the scene is when the shots begin to ring out amongst the crowd.

Mr. Winston so, since we did have a car accident, were there no police officers there with an accident report that was responding to the scene?

Chief Jennings said yes sir. That was when they were responding. We hadn't arrived on the scene. It had just occurred. The call came in and as a medic was arriving as you see on the video, the medic was arriving the shot rang out and CMPD was not far behind medic.

Councilmember Egleston said just a couple of questions. One, I read in one recount of the story, but I have not seen in others, something to the effect of Firefighters or Medic as they arrived on the scene being accosted. Can you speak to that?

Chief Jennings said I heard the same thing. I am just as knowledgeable on that like you, but I did hear some information and wanted [inaudible] that CMPD did have to assist medic to make sure that people stayed off of them. I will say emotions were running very high even while I was on the scene. There are loved ones of the victims, so you know that's one of the things that we deal with often when emotions are running high and someone's love one has been injured or killed. So, I don't have any information. I don't think there was any arrest related to anything like that. But we did have to ensure that medic could do their job and try to save the lives out there with the victims.

Mr. Egleston said so, it might have been a situation of someone trying to get to their falling loved one and someone making a point to attack first responders?

Chief Jennings said that's my understanding of the briefing that I received. Yes sir.

Mr. Egleston said thank you. That's much clearer than the version of it that I had read which was very vague. The other thing is, you had said that there was some illegal activity as it related to people doing donuts or burnouts. I've heard on a couple of accounts possible street racing activity, and then you made mention of that it appeared that it was going to go the direction of Friday and Saturday had gone. What direction did you mean?

Chief Jennings said I'm sorry I didn't know I said direction. I think it was similar.

Mr. Egleston said you might not have said direction, but you said something like going the way of Friday and Saturday.

Chief Jennings said what I meant was Friday and Saturday had similar incidents of the celebration in the street and that the expectations we had Friday and Saturday, there was one incident on one of those days. However, we obviously could not expect what did happen. Which is very tragic and something that we never want to get that call when you start talking about the amount of victimization here that occurred on that night.

Mr. Egleston said what was the incident you referred to on one of the previous evenings that was a gunshot as well?

Chief Jennings said yes sir. That is correct. On one of the evenings and I apologize. I don't know if it was Friday or Saturday.

Mr. Egleston said I think Friday.

Chief Jennings said yes. So, Friday night there were several gunshots that did ring out towards the end of the event and then it pretty much ended abruptly after those gunshots occurred.

Mr. Egleston said so I guess a couple of questions and some of it's for the Manager. I think since Safe Coalition and others have pointed out today, this is where this Violence Interrupted program that we had started to talk about at the beginning of the year comes into play. Unfortunately, COVID-19 derailed a lot of the work that we were doing in all of our Committees and we had to pivot and focus on the impacts of that. But I think as we kick back up this work, we have to act quickly because I think the definition or the poster

child of the case for Violence Interrupted program is when you have three nights worth of gatherings back to back to back in the same place and on night one, something that is a wonderful peaceful gathering takes a turn at the very end. That's where the Violence Interrupted would step in and be on the scene Saturday and Sunday to try to help and make sure that it doesn't take that same turn at the end of the night. So, I hope that among other things we can move quickly on that. No, we could have never expected the level of damage and the cost and human life and just people's sense of safety that this cause last night, it was particularly egregious; but I do think that it's something that we shouldn't have been caught off guard by. Particularly given that there had been an incident Friday night that thankfully did not result in the same sort of catastrophic loss of life. But that did indicate that the potential was there so, I guess my other thing and final thing is just if we knew that some of those activities were taking place of donuts, burnouts, and there's a big concentration of people there, obviously, that becomes a safety risk pretty quickly, where are we taking a passive role of taking that because that's our policy or because of the current circumstance that we were worried that might escalate tensions that we might have? Were we planning to intervene at some point with the acts that people were doing with their cars and could endanger all of the people that were on foot?

Chief Jennings said yes, I think that anytime you deal with, you know it's not anything that we are saying that is a policy or anything like that. But I think you kind of touched on it that we have to look at different ways of dealing with an incident or large gatherings. I think by police going in at that point and trying to move them out or stop the activities as long as it was taking place and things were pretty much in control, we felt like the best course of action for us was to allow for it to occur. We did have other means of particularly another night. Saturday night we had blocked the roads to avoid vehicles going into the crowd. Then there was the use of our helicopter and the vehicles leaving the location and so that was successful and the crowds being able to basically end it for the night and go home once they saw that the police protection of the street and all that we're leaving. Then vehicles that were driving recklessly the helicopter would tell them for a little bit and things like that were successful in breaking up the crowd. So, we were hoping that we could have similar success on Sunday night as well as doing that.

Mr. Egleston said Mr. Manager, final thing. I hope we will take a more proactive approach to close streets as needed for planned events and frankly be nimble enough to address unplanned events because I know the Juneteenth festival happened on Thomas avenue at the House of Africa. Which is a long-standing tradition? They have had this event for years now and were all weekend and did not have Thomas avenue closed. That's a simple street to close. It doesn't cause a lot of impacts on traffic but from a safety perspective there were vendors right up on the edge of the road and cars were allowed to pass right by them. It made it difficult for people to browse those vendors. It made it unsafe for people to be wandering around at that festival. Again, not having been out at Beatties Ford last night, I can't speak to exactly what the circumstances were in terms of where we could have closed the roads, but the finding was to redirect traffic away from large gatherings of people. You and I discussed this as some of the larger marches were going on and the wake of the George Floyd killing. So, I hope we will get more aggressive on creating safe spaces for people on foot because we certainly don't want to end up in a situation like that had in Charlottesville, where they had someone intentionally does something to harm somebody. Regardless of if it was intentional or not people were struck by vehicles last night in a panic situation and I just think that it is a recipe for a disaster when we've got cars moving around such large groups and gathering of people.

Chief Jennings said Council if I may clarify one thing. You had mentioned that you heard another version of medic being accosted while they were trying to be treated. I'll look into that more but again like I was saying I don't want to give misinformation but the report that I had got was it didn't take place that way, but I'll definitely look into it and get back with you.

Mr. Egleston said yes, I certainly hope that it's your version, but I appreciate the clarification.

Councilmember Driggs said so, chief about how long did it take for the police to arrive at the scene in numbers that were appropriate to what had happened there? So, the first people arrive in response to a call for an accident, the shots were fired, and what was the response time than for more officers to arrive?

Chief Jennings said I can tell you from what I've been told and seen on video and some of the other things that we have looked at that five minutes into the incident I saw several officers on the scene and several officers dealing with the crowd as well. So, I certainly don't have that in front of me but that's something that we can easily find out.

Mr. Driggs said I hope we all can appreciate some of the ironies of the police trying to be sensitive to the current environment and holding back and not being in a position when this situation developed to react as instantly as they might have under normal kind of safety consideration and crowd control. I mean it's kind of a no-win. The question I also have for you was, how many names of people who were just there do you have? As you look for witnesses, do you have an idea of who you need to talk to, or did the crowd disperse and you really don't know who was there?

Chief Jennings said just having one witness can create a domino effect to where that witness also names others. So, some of the process that we are working through right now. So, it's unfortunate out of hundreds of people that were there, I'm talking about a single witness that has come forward, but my hope is that out of that we develop additional witnesses and as we are able to speak with the victims. That also can create additional witnesses. As well as the videos if we can identify people who were out there. At this point, we are priming up-hill battle with one witness who's come forward. I'm sure there will be additional and that's what I'm hoping will happen very soon so, we can help resolve this case and identify who was out there doing the shooting.

Mr. Driggs, so you don't have a lot of names yet of people that were there that you can talk to and ask questions?

Chief Jennings said as of just a few minutes ago, we have 14 victim names and on witness name and that's I can say. Now as we speak there could be more coming in. There are some more people that I thin we want to speak with based on some information that we've already gotten from victims and witnesses.

Councilmember Bokhari said thank you Chief for the updates. I watched the videos today and I mean it's tragic. It's tragic to watch and look at. It's tragic to see the fear of everyone scrambling and of those trying to help those who clearly were dead at that point. So, I would just say that it is disturbing to me that there is one witness right now speaking. Whatever we have to do to press on that, if it's some kind of reward or if it's something for coming forward, this mass shooting needs justice. That is the only way I can put it. So, I would ask you guys and encourage you guys to think about ways to encourage the community to come forward because these folks that have died from this mass shooting deserve justice and I can't say it any more plainly than that. Number two, I would just say as a message to you, the rank and file, everyone's out there over these last weeks, it's been difficult, it's been complicated. I've heard from so many constituents in the last 24 hours and I just want to relay this message to you and the rank and file. Which is, it is not lost upon the silent majority; of the inconsistency here of one day it's defunding. It's disbanding the police department and the next day it's asking you well why weren't you there? The silent majority understands that and hears it and appreciates you and knows that the balance is somewhere between those things. We appreciate the lives you probably did save by coming into action so quickly.

Chief Jennings said thank you and my hope is that we do find that balance.

Councilmember Ajmera said It's heartbreaking what happened in our city yesterday. This senseless act of violence needs to stop. I talked to several community leaders in the last 5-6 hours and there is a lot of fear in the community. Especially among residents who live in that corridor and a lot of small business owners that have been hit hard by COVID-19 and this tragedy. We need to have community conversations with business owners in

that corridor and neighborhood leaders and address the fear that currently exists there. I hope that we continue to work with Councilmember Graham to address the fear that we have in the community. People are afraid to go out to stores. They are afraid to go to the grocery stores. They're just afraid to go out of the house and that's not who we are, and I think that as a community we need to be there for them, and I do look forward to having those community conversations virtually with our residents.

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BUSINESS

ITEM NO. 12: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY'S PUBLIC ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt and seconded by Councilmember Egleston and carried unanimously to Adopt a Budget Ordinance No. 9830-X appropriating \$3.5 million from FEMA for eligible cost associated with first-responder over time and personal protective equipment.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 63, at Page(s) 187.

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ITEM NO. 13: GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND REFERENDUM

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Watlington and carried unanimously to (A) Introduce each of the three bond orders required for a General Obligation Bond Referendum which includes \$102,732, 000 of Street Bonds, \$44,500,000 of Neighborhood Improvement Bonds, and \$50,000,000 of Housing Bonds; and (B) Approve a resolution setting public hearings for July 13, 2020.

Councilmember Egleston said I know we've been going for a while and want to keep moving but I don't want this to get lost. \$50 million for affordable housing along with all of the other things that we've got on her to approve our infrastructure and invest in our community, our neighborhood. This is significant. We said two years ago. We were going to put forward an unprecedented housing bond. We did. Voters passed it and we are doing that again. So, just to underscore the commitment that this Council has to issue affordable housing, I think it's important that we pause and let people know what we are voting on here.

Mayor Lyles said sometimes we do forget to celebrate our successes and to realize how we are moving towards our goal post. So, thank you.

Councilmember Mitchell said Mayor I reached out to our CFO today earlier today and asked her if she could give us feedback if we raised that \$50 million housing bond to \$100 million housing bond, what impact it would have. Is Kelly available?

Kelly Flannery, Finance said I think the first aspect [inaudible] administratively. If you wanted a number larger than \$50 million you would have to get the budget that was approved on June 8, 2020, amended. That will be the first step. The second step and have recruited Patrick Baker to help me if I get off the rails for this one. The referendums really a four-step process. The fourth step was approved at the same time as the budget on June 8, 2020. Which provided Council the ability to pick bond orders to the public. Which is what you approved on June 8, 2020. At that time, you included the amounts that were in the budget and if you had wanted to change those amounts, that would have needed to happen then. You can go down, but you cannot go up at this point.

Mr. Mitchell said Kelly were you saying on June 8, 2020, when we approved the budget, that was the time we should have made the adjustment to \$100 million if it was an appetite

and you say it is a four-step process. So, let me ask you from the financial standpoint of the CFO. A \$100 million housing bond, does it impact our credit rating or anything of that nature?

Ms. Flannery said I wouldn't expect it to affect our credit rating unless [inaudible] the frequency. [inaudible] that is a metric that we [inaudible] look at. So, if you wanted to do \$100 million in perpetuities that would like [inaudible] the impact but if you're talking about a stand-alone, I don't know that would be the case.

Mr. Mitchell said elaborately. You said a stand-alone. What do you mean by stand-alone?

Ms. Flannery said one referendum at \$100 million and go back to the \$50 million that had been contemplated, I think that it's something that could be [inaudible] if you wanted to do \$100 million every other year the rest of the time, that would change our outstanding debt portfolio and the and other metrics to [inaudible].

Mr. Mitchell said okay thank you, Mayor. Thank you, Kelly. I might have some more dialogue later I think because that is helpful.

Councilmember Winston said just to kind of follow up on what Mr. Mitchell was referring to, The \$100 million is the number we should be at, but I do think that we should consider maybe not necessarily looking at future bonds the same way we look at things from the [inaudible] State mop. One I will say while increasing the bond from \$15 million to \$50 million is something that we could point to. We really don't know the total need right. If we are getting \$50 million bonds, is the goals over 10 years to get to \$250 million invested publicly in affordable housing? We have not defined these things. How do we know if the number that we are putting on the ballot-, Would it be better if it was \$52 million or are, we able to do something with \$48 and put some more to some other type of infrastructure? I think we should think about moving forward. Obviously, I'm going to vote in favor of this, but I do think our number is arbitrary and we can get more specific if we do approach it differently moving forward.

Mayor Lyles said I look forward to that conversation. I'd love to go to \$100 million. That would be great.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 680-682.

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ITEM NO. 14: INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE I-277 RAIL TRAIL BRIDGE PROJECT

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Watlington and carried unanimously to (A) Adopt a resolution approving an interlocal agreement between the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County for the contribution of \$3.1 million from Mecklenburg County for the I-277 Rail Trail Bridge Project, and (B) Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary to complete the interlocal agreement.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 683-683.

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ITEM NO. 15: PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTH END AROUND TAXIWAY PROJECT

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt and seconded by Councilmember Egleston and carried unanimously to (A) Approve the Property Acquisition of 3115 Sears Road for the Charlotte Airport North End Around Taxiway Project, and (B) Adopt a resolution approving the sale of 14.16 acres of city-owned property located on Old Dowd Road (parcel identification numbers 113-111-18, 113-111-02, 113-111-03, 113-111-04, 113-111-05, and 113-122-54) to Quest Four Investments for \$675,000.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 684-685.

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ITEM NO. 16: MIDTOWN/PEARL PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT INFRASTRUCTURE REIMBURSEMENT AMENDMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Mitchell and carried unanimously to (A) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to negotiate and execute an amendment to the 2016 Infrastructure Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, and Pappas Midtown, LLC for the Midtown/Pearl Park Redevelopment Project as follows: Increase the maximum not-to-exceed grant amount to \$7,174,193, Expand the tax increment area, Expand the scope of infrastructure improvements to be completed by Pappas Midtown LLC, and (B) Adopt a resolution approving an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Mecklenburg County to reflect the amendment to the Infrastructure Reimbursement Agreement.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 686-694.

Councilmember Winston said I was talking to Ms. Dodson about this while believing in the project, I believe in increasing the connectivity over there. I just remain ironic that these improvements are happening at Pearl Street Park. Which was the first public recreation structure for African Americans in the City of Charlotte? It sits in the neighborhood of Brooklyn that has been displaced because of pass councils' action and urban renewal. There have been promises of restorative justice. Promises of things that have still not been fulfilled but we can find ways to provide funding for the investments that we do deem necessary to developer to our infrastructure's investment. This is a good project but there's still the irony that we can not get the restoration and reparations that we owe the original neighbors of that neighborhood.

Mayor Lyles said to add to Mr. Winston's comments; this was optic of a court hearing where judge McMillan ruled in favor of the residence and stopped the urban renewal to save the park. So, a very important part of our history.

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ITEM NO. 18: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – PGA OF AMERICA

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Understanding for up to \$1,500,000 of tourism funds reimbursements with Quail Hollow Club to partner with PGA of America to host the PGA Championship in 2025.

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ITEM NO. 19: RESOLUTION TO CLOSE AN ALLEYWAY BETWEEN WESTWOOD AVENUE AND WEST SUMMIT AVENUE

Motion was made by Councilmember Watlington and seconded by Councilmember Eiselt and carried unanimously to Adopt a resolution and close an alleyway between Westwood Avenue and West Summit Avenue.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 695-699.

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ITEM NO. 20: RESOLUTION TO CLOSE A PORTION OF AN ALLEYWAY BETWEEN WAVERLY AVENUE, PIERCE STREET, AND KENILWORTH AVENUE

Motion was made by Councilmember Driggs and seconded by Councilmember Graham and carried unanimously to Adopt a resolution and close a portion of an alleyway between Waverly Avenue, Pierce Street, and Kenilworth Avenue.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 700-702.

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ITEM NO. 21: RESOLUTION TO CLOSE A PORTION OF CHARLES AVENUE

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt and seconded by Councilmember Graham and carried unanimously to Adopt a resolution and close a portion of Charles Avenue.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 703-705.

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ITEM NO. 22: RESOLUTION TO CLOSE A PORTION OF MT. HOLLY ROAD EXTENSION

Motion was made by Councilmember Driggs and seconded by Councilmember Eiselt and carried unanimously to Adopt a resolution and close a portion of Mt. Holly Road Extension.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 706-710.

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ITEM NO. 23: RESOLUTION TO CLOSE A PORTION OF WALLACE ROAD

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt and seconded by Councilmember Watlington and carried unanimously to Adopt a resolution and close a portion of Wallace Road.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 711-714.

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ITEM NO. 24: RESOLUTION TO CLOSE AN UNOPENED PORTION OF BRYANT STREET

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt and seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to Adopt a resolution and close an unopened portion of Bryant Street.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 50, at Page(s) 715-717.

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ITEM NO. 25: JULY 2020 CITY COUNCIL AUGMENTED MEETING SCHEDULE

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt and seconded by Councilmember Driggs and carried unanimously to (A) Approve the July 2020 City Council Augmented Virtual Regular Meeting Schedule, and (B) Authorize the City Clerk, or her designee, to adjust the July 2020 City Council Augmented Virtual Regular Meeting Schedule in accordance to the status of North Carolina's phased reopening.

Councilmember Bokhari said I mentioned this to the City Manager today in our conversation and I mentioned it again. I think it's wise for us at this point and time to stop kind of treating this phase we are in as a storm that's going to pass and instead figure out how we operate within the new normal. I would love for us to figure out, especially as loose more physical touchpoints with each other's as colleagues to figure out a new normal way we can figure out how to communicate. Some people may be able to go in and be social distance. Others may still need, based on other factors to be remote. So, I think that would be a really good thing for us to start contemplating now. As well as we have lost the element which we all get pretty tired and I understand why of where we can each say things that we need to in Council, Mayor topic. So, I just encourage us to think about that new future as we move forward because I really want, and I'll use this opportunity now to say personally to our City and everyone who served in World War II or having a family member who did, that I am sorry that over other Counties residence names that were the Evergreen Cemetery memorial. The 20-foot tall Memorial that was defaced in the last couple of days. I am personally sorry for that.

Mayor Lyles said I think that's a great idea to have a conversation with each other about, you know maybe we need to meet earlier in the day. Since now you can replay it at any time. All hours of the night. I think that it is pretty exhausting to have an agenda like this that's so important and not be able-. We still have a closed session after we do the nominations tonight. So, let's think about how we can do that, and it would be great. Maybe we will just ask each other for ideas and see what happens.

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APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Lyles explained the rules and procedures of the appointment process.

ITEM NO. 26: APPOINTMENT TO THE ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

The following nominees were considered for one appointment for a three-year term for a Community Representative beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023.

- Michael Bridges, nominated by Councilmembers Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, and Watlington
- Bryant Gilmore, nominated by Councilmember Driggs
- Samuel Grundman, nominated by Councilmember Ajmera, Eiselt, and Newton

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Hermes Goudes received six votes for the nomination but is not seeking reappointment.

Motion was made by Councilmember Egleston and seconded by Councilmember Newton and carried unanimously to appoint Michael Bridges.

Michael Bridges was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 27: APPOINTMENT TO BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following nominee was considered for one appointment for a three-year term beginning upon appointment and ending April 28, 2023.

- Div Bhingradia, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, Newton, and Watlington

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Div Bhingradia, 2 votes – Councilmembers Ajmera and Johnson

Div Bhingradia was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 28: APPOINTMENT TO THE CHARLOTTE INTERNATIONAL CABINET

The following nominee was considered for one appointment for a partial term for an At-Large representative beginning upon appointment and ending July 30, 2023.

- Johnell Holman nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, Newton, and Watlington

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Johnell Holman, 6 votes – Councilmembers Driggs, Eiselt, Johnson, Newton, and Watlington

Johnell Homan was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 29: APPOINTMENTS TO THE CHARLOTTE REGIONAL VISITORS AUTHORITY

The following nominees were considered for one appointment for an At-Large representative for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023.

- Ervin Gourdine, nominated by Councilmembers Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, Newton and Watlington
- Russell Sizemore, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, and Eiselt

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- John Dressler, 2 votes – nominated by Council members Driggs and Egleston

- Ervin Gourdine, 4 votes – nominated by Council members Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, and Watlington
- Lloyd Scher, 2 votes – nominated by Council members Ajmera and Newton
- Russell Sizemore, 2 votes – nominated by Council members Driggs and Egleston

Motion was made by Councilmember Graham and seconded by Councilmember Watlington and carried unanimously to appoint Ervin Gourdine.

Ervin Gourdine was appointed.

The following nominee was considered for one appointment for a Full-Service Hotel representative for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023.

- Thomas Dolan, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, Newton, and Watlington

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Thomas Dolan, 5 votes - Councilmembers Ajmera, Egleston, Graham, Johnson, and Newton

Thomas Dolan was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 30: APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The following nominee was considered for one appointment for a partial term beginning upon appointment and ending on June 30, 2020, and a three-year term beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2023.

- Charlene Henderson, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Eiselt, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, and Newton

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Charlene Henderson, 2 votes, Councilmembers Eiselt and Newton

Charlene Henderson was appointed

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ITEM NO. 31: APPOINTMENT TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The following nominees were considered for one appointment for an At-Large representative for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023.

- Nichelle Bonaparte, nominated by Councilmembers Eiselt, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, and Watlington
- Phillip Goodwin nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, and Newton

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Nichelle Bonaparte, 3 votes - Councilmembers Graham, Johnson, and Watlington
- Philip Goodwin, 3 votes - Councilmembers Ajmera, Egleston, and Newton

Motion was made by Councilmember Mitchell and seconded by Councilmember Eiselt and carried unanimously to appoint Nichelle Bonaparte.

Nichelle Bonaparte was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 32: APPOINTMENT TO THE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

The following nominees were considered for one appointment for a three-year term beginning July 17, 2020 and ending July 16, 2023.

- Leila Farsiani, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Graham, Mitchell, Newton, and Watlington
- Bettie Ann Fry, nominated by Councilmember Johnson

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Leila Farsiani, 3 votes, Councilmembers Ajmera, Egleston, and Newton

Leila Farsiani was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 33: APPOINTMENTS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD MATCHING GRANTS FUND

The following nominee was considered for one appointment for a two-year term for a Neighborhood Representative beginning upon appointment and ending April 15, 2022.

- Debbie Rubenstein, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, Newton, and Watlington

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Debbie Rubenstein, 2 votes, Councilmembers Ajmera and Driggs

Debbie Rubenstein was appointed.

The following nominee was considered for one appointment for a two-year term for a School Superintendent Recommendation beginning upon appointment and ending April 15, 2022.

- Doris Shivers, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, Newton, and Watlington

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Doris Shivers, 6 votes, Councilmembers Egleston, Graham, Johnson, Newton, and Watlington

Doris Shivers was appointed.

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ITEM NO. 34: APPOINTMENTS TO THE TRANSIT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following nominee was considered for one appointment for a three-year term for an Express Service Passenger beginning upon appointment and ending January 31, 2023.

- Antonette Love, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, Newton, and Watlington.

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

Antonette Love, 4 votes, Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

Antonette Love was appointed.

The following nominee was considered for one appointment for a partial term for a Suburban Employer Served by Charlotte Transit beginning upon appointment and ending January 31, 2021.

- Leroy Field, nominated by Councilmembers Ajmera, Driggs, Egleston, Graham, Johnson, Mitchell, Newton, and Watlington

Results of the first ballot were recorded as follows:

- Leroy Fields, 5 votes, nominated by Council members Ajmera, Driggs, Graham, Johnson, and Newton

Leroy Field was appointed

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ITEM NO. 3: CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Councilmember Watlington, seconded by Councilmember Driggs, and carried unanimously to go into closed session pursuant to NC General Statute § 143.318.11 (a) (4) to discuss matters relating to the location of industries or business in the City of Charlotte, including potential economic development incentives that may be offered in negotiations.

Motion was made by Councilmember Watlington, seconded by Councilmember Driggs, and carried unanimously to go into closed session pursuant to NC General Statute § 143.318.11 (a) (3) to consult with the City Attorney in order to preserve the Attorney, Client privilege between the Attorney and the City Council and in the matter of Rivers versus the City of Charlotte.

The meeting was recessed at 8:17 p.m. to go into a closed session. The closed session recessed at 9:22 p.m. to move to the regularly scheduled Business Meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Eiselt and seconded by Councilmember Egleston and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.



Stephanie C. Kelly, City Clerk, MMC, NCCMC

Length of Meeting: 4 Hours, 47 Minutes
Minutes Completed: July 24, 2020