



May 18, 2012

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Denise T. Roth, Interim City Manager *DTR*

SUBJECT: Items for Your Information

Upcoming Council Agenda Items

• May 22, 2012 Work Session Agenda

Attached is the agenda for May 22, 2012 Work Session.

• Special Events Policy

Attached is a Special Events Policy PowerPoint presentation for Tuesday, May 22, 2012 Work Session.

• 2011 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application

Attached is a memorandum from Susan Crotts, Grants Manager, dated May 11, 2012, regarding the 2011 Assistant to Firefighters Grant, which was submitted on May 4, 2012. Due to requiring a match of \$4,000, this item will be on the agenda for the June 5, 2012, Council meeting for Council's consideration.

Council Follow-up Items

• "I'm Free" Youth Program

As a follow-up to Councilmember Bellamy-Small's request at the April 16, 2012 City Council meeting, attached is a memorandum from City Clerk Betsey Richardson, dated May 17, 2012, providing staff's conclusion regarding purchasing bottled water for Council from the Guilford County Food Pantry to support the local youths "I'm Free" program.

• Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program

As a follow-up to Councilmembers Bellamy-Small and Kee, from the May 1, 2012 City Council meeting, attached is a memorandum from Planning and Community Development Director Sue Schwartz, dated May 15, 2012, regarding the cost and eligibility requirements of HUD's Housing Opportunities for Person with AIDS Program.

Economic Development Funding Methods in North Carolina

Attached is a memorandum from Budget and Evaluation Director Larry Davis, dated May 18, 2012, providing the different economic development funding methods in North Carolina.

BetterBuilding Neighborhood Sweeps

Attached is a memorandum from Planning and Community Development Division Manager Barbara Harris, dated May 11, 2012, regarding the kickoff meeting for BetterBuildings neighborhood sweeps, which was held on May 7, 2012.

Baldwin vs. City of Greensboro

Attached is a memorandum from Chief Deputy City Attorney Jo Peterson-Buie, dated May 18, 2012, regarding the Baldwin vs. City of Greensboro lawsuit, and the May 7, 2012, court dismissal of this case.

Contact Center Feedback

Attached is the weekly report generated by our Contact Center for the week of May 7, 2012 – May 13, 2012.

Small Group Meetings

For the week of May 4, 2012 through May 10, 2012, there were no small group meetings between City Staff and [more than two but less than five] Councilmembers.

Zoning Commission Meeting Results

Attached is the Zoning Commission Meeting results for the meeting on May 14, 2012.

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Attachments

cc: Office of the City Manager
Global Media



GREENSBORO CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
AGENDA
May 22, 2012 4pm
ACC Hall of Champions Boardroom, Coliseum

- 1. Performing Arts Center Update**
- 2. FY 2011-2012 General Fund 3rd Quarter Update**
 - A. Year-End Revenue Projections*
 - B. Year-End Expenditure Projections*
- 3. FY 2012-2013 Recommended Budget**
 - A. Outstanding Issues*
 1. Economic Development Funding- Reallocation
 - a. Strategies
 - b. Utilization
 2. Indoor Pools
 3. Parking Fines/Fees
 4. Compensation
 5. Police Substation
 6. Greensboro Partnership Additional Funding
 7. County Library Funding
 8. IT Security Framework and Remediation
 9. Water Rates
 - B. Other Budget Highlights*
- 4. Proposed CIP**
 - A. Review Revenue Summary by Funding Source*
 1. Authorized Bonds
 2. Unauthorized Bonds
 - C. General Capital Improvement Fund*
- 5. Special Events Policy**
- 6. Council Work Plan**



City of **GREENSBORO** North Carolina

City Council Work Session May 22, 2012

Special Events Policy



PURPOSE

The purpose of this sponsorship policy is to set forth guidelines and criteria governing the granting of City of Greensboro funds or in-kind services in response to requests for funding of special events, which is currently not in the budget.



CITY CO-SPONSORED SPECIAL EVENTS

Some recent examples of these events are:

- Biscuitville Bowl
- Friday @ Five
- WalkerFest
- Tate Street Festival
- Mosaic Festival

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- The City may provide sponsorships for educational, fundraiser, community spirit or athletic/sports events
- The City will not award sponsorships to any religion, church, creed or sectarian organization for religious purposes
- Religious organizations are not excluded from sponsorships however the special event may not serve to promote a religious message as the primary purpose
- Political organizations and/or individual campaigns are not eligible for sponsorships for events they conduct
- Organizations that discriminate on the basis of age, race, sex or national origin are not eligible for sponsorships
- Individuals are not eligible for sponsorships

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PROCESS

- The City's Special Events Manager shall serve as the City's administrator for this program and shall account for revenues and expenditures related to the distribution of sponsorships.
- The budget for the special events sponsorship program shall be limited to \$50,000, not to exceed that amount in any year.
- Sponsorships for eligible organizations and events will be considered upon filing a sponsorship application with the City's Special Events Manager no less than 60 days and no more than 180 days before the program date.

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FUNDING LIMITS

Sponsorship Limits

- Athletic/Sports, Educational and Community Spirit Events: Sponsorships shall not exceed \$5,000 per year per event
- No organization shall receive more than \$10,000 in sponsorships combined in any calendar year

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APPROVAL / AUTHORITY

- Awarded sponsorships for \$5,000 or less may be approved by the City Manager .
- Sponsorships approved by the City Manager must be reported to the Mayor and City Council within one month of approval.
- Awarded sponsorships for more than \$5,000 must be approved by City Council.

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant will be required to submit:

An application indicating:

- The program dates, times and location
- The organization's purpose/mission
- The purpose of the event
- How the organization and proposed event will benefit residents of Greensboro
- A financial affidavit showing the proposed/actual profit or loss for the event

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ACCOUNTABILITY

- Organizations requesting and receiving sponsorships must submit pre and post program financial affidavits to aid the City in screening and determining an appropriate award in compliance with this policy.
- The pre-program affidavit must accompany the sponsorship application. The post-program affidavit is due to the City within 30 days after the program. Organizations who fail to submit the post-program affidavit will not be eligible for future sponsorships.

Financial & Administrative Services
City of Greensboro



May 11, 2012

TO: Denise T. Roth, Interim City Manager

FROM: Susan Crotts, Grants Manager and Centralized Contracting Division Manager

SUBJECT: 2011 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application Approval Request

Per the City Grants Policy, grant applications requiring match funds require City Council authorization. The Fire Department applied on May 4, 2012 for a \$16,000 grant in Federal funds administered through the US Department of Homeland Security. The project budget totals \$20,000 and requires a \$4,000 match in City funds. The grant will support the purchase of smoke alarms for distribution to high risk households with low incomes.

The match funds are available for fire prevention activities in the current budget year. If the grant is awarded, the City's \$4,000 match will leverage \$16,000 to support fire prevention goals.

A request for City Council approval will be submitted for the June 5, 2012 meeting. Additional information will be provided in the Council agenda packet. Please contact Chief Grayson at 373-2356 if you have questions in advance of the agenda publication.

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cc: Greensboro Fire Chief Greg Grayson

Office of the City Clerk
City of Greensboro



May 17, 2012

TO: Denise T. Roth, Interim City Manager

FROM: Betsey Richardson, City Clerk *BR*

SUBJECT: Purchase of Bottled Water from the Guilford County Food Pantry

At the April 16, 2012 Council meeting Councilmember Bellamy-Small requested staff to research purchasing bottled water from the Food Pantry in support of the "I'm Free" event to support local youth programs.

I have spoken with Reverend Sturdivant and he advised that a 24/20 oz. case of bottled water with the "I'm Free" label may be acquired through a \$20.00 donation which allows the group a tax deduction, or through a \$10.00 purchase. As a governmental entity, the City of Greensboro cannot make donations.

Please let me know if you need additional information on this matter.

BR



May 15, 2012

TO: Denise T. Roth, Interim City Manager
FROM: Sue Schwartz, FAICP, Director
SUBJECT: HUD Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Program

Following the presentation on Planning & Community Development's (PCD) application for federal Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) funding (the Annual Plan) during the May 1, 2012 City Council meeting, Councilmember Bellamy-Small requested information on the impact of HOPWA Program funding on the community. Councilmember Key followed up with a request to staff for information on HOPWA eligibility requirements.

The City of Greensboro is the lead entity for our region's Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area (EMSA). The EMSA includes the cities of Greensboro and High Point, and Guilford, Randolph and Rockingham counties. Eligibility for HOPWA funding is based on Centers for Disease Control designation that tracks cumulative AIDS cases for populations of 500,000 or greater. Central Carolina Health Network, a non-profit agency located in Greensboro, currently serves as the City's contracted agent for the administration of HOPWA funds. The FY 2012-13 HOPWA allocation for our EMSA is expected to be \$316,214.

To be eligible for HOPWA assistance an individual or family must:

- Provide documentation of HIV positivity. For families seeking assistance the infected individual can be head of household or a family member;
- Meet the financial eligibility requirement of having an income at or below 30% of Area Medium Income (currently \$16,600 for a four person household in Guilford County); and
- Live in the area served by the Short Term Rental and Mortgage Utilities (STRMU) provider or, if seeking rent assistance, live in an area served by the Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) administered by the local housing authority.

In our region, the STRMU providers are Triad Health Project in Guilford County, Alamance HomeCare Providers, and Randolph HomeHealth. The TBRA providers are the Greensboro, Reidsville, Asheboro, Rockingham County and Randolph County Housing Authorities.

HOPWA Impact

During FY 2011 HOPWA funding assisted 93 persons living with HIV with rent assistance at a total cost of \$372,441. The HOPWA program helped 156 persons and their families maintain permanent housing. There are currently 81 eligible persons on the waiting list for TBRA housing vouchers. That breaks down as follows by county: Guilford 73, Randolph 5, Rockingham, 3. For additional information you may contact Rhonda Enoch, PCD's Housing Counselor at 373-4147.



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TO: Denise T. Roth, Interim City Manager

FROM: Larry Davis, Budget and Evaluation Director
Creighton Avila, Budget and Evaluation Analyst

SUBJECT: Economic Development Funding Methods in North Carolina

Below you will find different economic development funding programs from different organizations like the federal government, state government, and nonprofits. In addition, the information below includes tools that local governments can use directly for economic development. The information below was obtained from the School of Government website and from conversations with the School of Government staff. The information below does not contain every method but broadly highlights some of the financing methods covered by the School of Government.

Economic Development Funding Methods in North Carolina

Federal Programs

- 1) **Economic Development Administration (EDA)** – is part of the U.S. Department of Commerce – EDA provides funding for local governments to engage in economic development planning and to implement projects. EDA targets its funding to communities and regions that are economically distressed by making grants in four areas: 1) public works (infrastructure), 2) technical assistance, 3) economic adjustment assistance, and 4) strategic planning. EDA has recently funded a number of multicounty strategic development planning efforts around the state.
- 2) **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** – CDBG is primarily geared to affordable housing, but it also funds economic development activities.
- 3) **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** – Economic development opportunities can be primarily found in the department’s Brownfields Program. Brownfields are real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. Cleaning up and reinvesting in these properties protects the environment, reduces blight, and takes development pressures off greenspaces and working lands. It is estimated that there are more than 450,000 brownfields in the U.S. Cleaning up and reinvesting in these properties increases local tax bases, facilitates job growth, utilizes existing infrastructure, takes development pressures off of undeveloped, open land, and both improves and protects the environment.

State Programs

- 1) **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** – The North Carolina Commerce Finance Center administers the economic development portion of the CDBG program. Units of local government (city or county, except HUD entitlement cities and designated urban counties) may apply for these funds on behalf of a business that will create or retain jobs. Eligible projects must benefit low or moderate-income individuals as designated by policy guidelines.
- 2) **Job Development Investment Grants (JDIG)** – The General Assembly created the Job Development Investment Grant in 2002. The JDIG program provides discretionary grants directly to new and expanding companies that increase employment in the state. The amount of the grant ranges from 10 to 75 percent of taxes withheld for each eligible position created over a period of time. Grants payments are disbursed annually for up to twelve years.
- 3) **Tax Credits and Exemptions** – The state’s tax system is used to encourage development. Until, 2006 the centerpiece of state efforts has been a series of corporate income tax credits, offered to companies that create jobs, invest in machinery or equipment, invest in research and development, place a central administrative facility in the state, or provide worker training. The tax credit enhancements are available for companies that locate in certain geographic areas that meet the criteria for designation as a state development zone. A development zone must be a high poverty area within a municipality that has a population of at least 5,000.
- 4) **Industrial Development Fund (IDF)** – The IDF helps local governments in the most economically distressed counties (enterprise tiers 1-3) provide incentives to new and expanding companies that create jobs. A county or city government may receive grants to make public infrastructure improvements or use funds to offer loans for building renovation and equipment purchases. IDF funds cannot be used to acquire land or buildings or new facilities construction.
- 5) **One North Carolina Fund** – One North Carolina Fund provides a limited number of cash grants annually. The General Assembly funds this grant program through non-recurring appropriations and the amount available each year varies. The governor awards grants from the fund on an “as needed” basis.
- 6) **Workforce Training and Small Business Services** – Along with the programs administered by the Commerce Department, additional critical services are provided by other agencies. The North Carolina Community College System participates in economic development by providing customized training for the employees of new and expanding industries. The Community College System also coordinates a network of 58 Small Business Centers on its campuses that assists new and existing small firms.

State-Funded Nonprofit

- 1) **Golden Leaf Foundation** – The Foundation was created by the state in 1999 to receive half of the state’s tobacco settlement funds to be used to assist tobacco-dependent and economically distressed counties. The foundation provides “Economic Catalyst” grants on a competitive basis to eligible applicants including local units of governments.

Traditional Local Government Authority for Economic Development

- 1) **Industrial Revenue Bond Financing** (can also be categorized as a debt financing tool) – This financing is permitted for counties (**but not cities**) to create special authorities that issue industrial revenue bonds, subject to approval by the Department of Commerce and the Local Government Commission. These bonds finance the construction of factories and other industrial facilities and are paid by the companies using the facilities.
- 2) **Direct Incentives** – The basic authorization to provide incentives is found in G.S. 158-7.1 Subsection (b) specifically permits a number of industrial and commercial assistance activities, including developing industrial parks, assembling other potential industrial sites, constructing and leasing or selling shell buildings, helping extend public and private utility lines to private facilities, and preparing sites for industrial properties or facilities. Subsection (d2) permits a local government to convey real property to a private company, accepting as consideration for the conveyance the increased property and sales tax revenues that will accrue to the government over the succeeding ten years as a result of improvements by the company to the property. Finally, subsection (a), which has been in the statute since 1925, grants broad authority to “make appropriations for the purposes of aiding and encouraging the location of manufacturing enterprises.” Local governments have relied on this last provision as support for specific incentives not included in subsections (b) or (d2), especially the making of direct cash grants to companies.
- 3) **Tax Abatement** – Under Article V, Section 2 of the state constitution, property tax exemptions and classifications may **be made only by the General Assembly and then only on a statewide basis. A local government may not constitutionally offer a special classification to a property owner if it is not available statewide.** The legislature has not enacted any special classifications for new industrial or commercial development; therefore, none can be offered by local economic development officials.
- 4) **Cash Incentive** – In recent years, a number of counties (and cities in those counties) have developed a cash grant incentive policy that very much resembles tax abatements. These policies follow a common pattern: local government offers to make annual cash grants over a number of years (most often five years) to industrial companies that make investments of certain minimum amounts in the county or city. The amount of the cash grant is specifically tied to the amount of property taxes paid by the company.

Debt Financing

- 1) **Project Development Financing (TIF)** – During the 2008 legislative session, the General Assembly temporarily authorized a new form of security as collateral for revenue bonds—a pledge of the revenue generated from special assessments on properties that directly benefit from the debt-financed project. The authority comes as part of a new economic development tool for local governments to fund certain infrastructure projects to attract and secure private development. Articles 9A and 10A of G.S. 153A and G.S. 160A, respectively, authorize counties and cities to make special assessments against benefitted property to fund the capital costs of the following projects:

- sanitary sewer systems
- storm sewers and flood control facilities
- water systems
- public transportation facilities
- school facilities
- streets and sidewalks

The projects must be financed solely from revenue bonds or from a combination of financing sources that include revenue bonds. Examples of other financing sources are general obligation bonds and unrestricted general fund revenues. The borrowings are governed by the State and Local Government Revenue Bond Act (Article 5 of G.S. 159). Before a local unit imposes a special assessment, it must receive a petition for the project to be financed by the assessment that is signed by a majority of the owners of real property to be assessed who also represent at least 66 percent of the assessed value of all real property to be assessed. The governing board then must select a basis upon which to make the assessment that accurately assesses each lot or parcel of land according to the benefits conferred upon it by the project and follow a series of procedural requirements for adopting and confirming an assessment resolution and an assessment roll based on the estimated costs of the project being financed. The special assessment may be imposed before the costs of the project are incurred by the unit, based on the governing board's cost estimates. The assessments may be paid in up to thirty annual installments, if so authorized by the governing board.

The authority to make special assessments on the listed projects and to fund those projects, at least partially, with **revenue bonds currently expires on July 1, 2013**. The expiration date will not affect the validity of any existing assessments as of that date or any revenue bonds issued prior to that date.

- 2) **Synthetic Project Development Financing (TIF)** – A synthetic project development financing occurs when a local government determines that the projected increment revenue from new development in the unit justifies issuing debt to fund a public investment project in the unit. The unit does not issue project development bonds, however. It uses another form of financing, usually an installment-purchase financing. In this case, the debt is secured by the real property or asset being financed and repaid based on projected incremental tax revenues. Unlike installment/COPs financing, TIF does not require a mortgage or lien, which can facilitate property transfers.

- 3) **Special Assessment Districts (Dirt Bonds)** – In general, a Special Assessment District is a local, special purpose government authorized by the state as an alternative method for managing and financing infrastructure required to support community development. In most cases, the community development is water, sewer, and drainage infrastructure to raw undeveloped lots. The Special Assessment District then levies assessments on the property (the source for this information is Reuters News Service and not the School of Government).

In North Carolina they are authorized by NCGS§153A-210.7 and are tied to discreet “Special Assessment Districts. The City, Town, or County establishes the district with the consent of the property owners (representing at least 66% of assessed value). Tax-free municipal bonds are sold to finance eligible infrastructure that benefits the district. The cost of debt service is assessed to the property and amortized of the life of the bonds.

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May 18, 2012

TO: Denise T. Roth, Interim City Manager
FROM: Barbara Harris, Development Division Manager
SUBJECT: BetterBuildings Neighborhood Sweeps

A very successful kickoff meeting for BetterBuildings neighborhood sweeps was held on Monday, May 7, 2012 with 28 residents in attendance representing the 5 selected neighborhoods. The meeting included break-out sessions with participants sharing ideas about how to get the message out about the opportunity to participate in this energy conservation program and how to engage the residents in their neighborhoods.

Neighborhood participants had the opportunity to select dates for sweeps and their preferences are reflected in the schedule below.

May 26 – June 18	Kirkwood	District 3
June 19 – July 9	Nealtown/Phillips Ave.	District 2
July 10 – July 30	Random Woods (Fairview)	District 5
July 31 – August 20	Ardmore	District 4
August 31 – September 10	Cottage Grove	District 1

The following special events are scheduled for the **Kirkwood neighborhood**:

Kickoff Event	Saturday, May 26 th 3:00 – 5:00 pm	Guilford Park Presbyterian Church 2100 Fernwood Drive
Energy Education Event	Tuesday, May 29 th 7:00 – 9:00 pm	Irving Park Elementary School (tentative) 1310 Sunset Drive

We will keep you informed of details related to date, time and location of special events as they are scheduled in the other neighborhoods.

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cc: Sue Schwartz, Director

Office of the City Attorney
City of Greensboro



May 18, 2012

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Jo Peterson-Buie, Chief Deputy City Attorney

SUBJECT: Dean Baldwin v. City of Greensboro, Mitchell Johnson and Jeryl W. Covington

On September 29, 2009, Dean Baldwin, former City of Greensboro Solid Waste Division Manager, filed an action against the City of Greensboro, Mitchell Johnson and Jeryl Covington. The lawsuit alleged that Mr. Baldwin was terminated from the City of Greensboro because he was called to active duty with the United States Coast Guard Reserve. The City denied any wrongdoing and vigorously defended the lawsuit. On October 3, 2011, a Motion for Summary Judgment was filed on behalf of all defendants.

We are pleased to advise that Judge William L. Osteen, Jr. granted the City's motion for summary judgment in federal court on May 7, 2012. The court dismissed the case because the court agreed that there is no genuine issue as to any material fact. A copy of Judge Osteen's Order is attached.

The federal rules of civil procedure allow thirty days to appeal the decision in this matter to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals. We will inform you of any efforts to appeal the decision.

Feel free to contact Jamiah Waterman, Interim City Attorney, if you have any questions about this matter.

cc: Denise Turner Roth, Interim City Manager

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proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). This court "may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the [M]agistrate [J]udge. . . . [O]r recommit the matter to the [M]agistrate [J]udge with instructions." Id.

This court has appropriately reviewed the portions of the Recommendation to which objection was made and has made a de novo determination which is in accord with the Magistrate Judge's Recommendation. This court therefore adopts the Recommendation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Magistrate Judge's Recommendation (Doc. 62) is **ADOPTED**. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment (Doc. 50) is **GRANTED**, that Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Discovery (Doc. 47) is **DENIED** as moot, and that Defendants' Motion to Strike (Doc. 56) is **DENIED** as moot.

Furthermore, in support of his objections, Plaintiff has filed an Amended Motion for Leave to Submit Additional Affidavit (Doc. 71). Because the affidavit sought to be admitted would have no effect on this court's present ruling, and thus no effect on the outcome of this litigation, Plaintiff's Amended Motion for Leave to Submit Additional Affidavit (Doc. 71) is **DENIED**.

A Judgment dismissing this action will be entered contemporaneously with this Order.

This the 7th day of May, 2012.

William L. Osburn, Jr.
United States District Judge

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

CWO3 OAKLEY DEAN BALDWIN,
USCGR,

Plaintiff,

v.

1:09CV742

CITY OF GREENSBORO, a North
Carolina municipality,
MITCHELL JOHNSON, in his
personal capacity, and
JERYL W. COVINGTON, in her
personal capacity,

Defendants.

JUDGMENT

For the reasons set forth in the Order filed contemporaneously with this Judgment,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment (Doc. 50) is **GRANTED**, that Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Discovery (Doc. 47) is **DENIED** as moot, and that Defendants' Motion to Strike (Doc. 56) is **DENIED** as moot.

This the 7th day of May, 2012.


United States District Judge

**Public Affairs
Contact Center Weekly Report
Week of 5/7/12 - 5/13/12**

Contact Center

4593 calls answered this week

Top 5 calls by area

Water Resources

Balance Inquiry – 1077
General Info – 147
New Sign up – 130
Sign up/Owners – 112
Cutoff Requests – 101

Field Operations

Bulk Guidelines – 117
HHW/Landfill/Transfer – 106
Repair Can/Garbage – 62
E-Waste Pick up – 60
No Service/Garbage – 51

All others

Police/Watch Operations – 304
Overgrown Lots – 102
Police Records – 92
Privilege License – 64
Courts – 36

Comments

We received a total of 4 comments this week:

Field Operations – 2 comments:

- Customer wants to say thank you. She called yesterday about roofing material in a personal trash can at the curb. She was pleased that we picked it up today.
- New home owner on Schisler Drive called to thank the storm water crew. Customer originally called because water was backing up in a ditch. They returned home to find the storm water crew working on the ditch and were very impressed with the completed job and the positive influence the work had on the appearance of the entire neighborhood.

Parks and Recreation – 1 comment:

- Owners of dogs have entirely too much to say. I go to the bark park with my dog who is a Jack Russell mix. He is quite the energetic dog and loves to run. He somehow picks one dog and plays with it and I start to hear comments from the owner. More than once I informed the owner that if her dog didn't like it, he didn't have to tolerate it. There has been many a time when I have seen the bigger dogs have a fracas. When my dog joins in, the barking and biting (play biting) starts with many growls, he gets cited. It seems to be the same group of people. Well, I am fed up with it. You either send someone over there to supervise the bark park. I actually had one owner say to me today that my dog wasn't allowed to have water after the run in with the other dogs and that I was to punish my dog by keeping him on a leash to watch the others. What kind of people do you send there? If they are not ready to have their dogs play in the park, then they shouldn't come! Get on the ball, Greensboro Parks and Recreation.

Planning and Community Development – 1 comment:

- House next to caller is in foreclosure and the property is constantly overgrown. They call about this house all the time. Local Ordinance Enforcement should have the authority to inspect, and if the owner hasn't complied, they can fine them immediately. Instead, the owner is given all the time in the world and the property sits there overgrown most of the time. It's an eyesore and brings down the property value in the neighborhood.

Overall

Calls about overgrown lots and for Police Records continued to increase last week. Call volume remained steady through the end of the week.

ZONING COMMISSION RESULTS

MEETING OF MAY 14, 2012

AGENDA ITEM	REQUEST/LOCATION	**PROPOSED USE <small>* (Not binding if not stated as a condition)</small>	ACTION/VOTE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION	STATUS	SPEAKERS
Z-12-04-005	County RS-30 to City PI	All uses permitted in the PI zoning district	Continued	Approval	Continued to the June 11, 2012 Zoning Commission Meeting	1 for; 0 opposed
	4229 Short Farm Road		8 to 0			
	City of Greensboro					
Z-12-05-001	O to CD-C-M	All uses allowed in the C-M (Commercial-Medium) zoning district except bars, any use with a drive-thru and any use involving fuel pumps.	Approved	Approval	Final unless appealed	1 for; 0 opposed
	3925 Battleground Avenue		8 to 0			
	William P. Benjamin for Nostra Property, LLC					
Z-12-05-002	County CU-PI to City PUD	All uses allowed in the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning district except any use with a drive thru facility, correctional institutions, shooting ranges, bars, nightclubs, brew pubs, banks, savings & loans, and credit unions, funeral homes and crematoriums, taxi dispatch terminals, taxidermists, all retail sales and services (as principal use), self storage facilities, all vehicle sales and services, all wholesale trade, warehousing, storage and freight handling	Favorable Recommendation	Approval	June 5, 2012 City Council Meeting	3 for; 1 opposed
	2316-2320 Sharpe Road		5 to 3			
	Bridge Over Troubled Waters Ministry Inc.					
Z-12-05-003	PNR to CD-O	Physical fitness center/sports instructional school, day care center, outdoor recreation (accessory use) and all governmental facilities.	Approved	Approval	Final unless appealed	4 for; 0 opposed
	A portion of 1500 Dans Road		8 to 0			
	City of Greensboro					
Z-12-05-004	County LI to City LI	All uses permitted in the LI zoning district	Favorable Recommendation	Approval	June 5, 2012 City Council Meeting	1 for; 0 opposed
	4306 Burlington Road		8 to 0			
	City of Greensboro					

** Please see staff report for full list of conditions and uses

If you have any questions about these results, please contact Frederick Boateng or Mike Kirkman at 336-373-2144