



September 14, 2012

TO: Mayor and Members of Council
FROM: Denise Turner Roth, City Manager ^{SN} fo ✓
SUBJECT: Items for Your Information

IFYI HIGHLIGHTS

- Physical Exam Requirements for Youth Sports
- Panhandling Ordinance
- Municipal Solid Waste & Recycling RFP Updates
- Greensboro United Soccer Association Headquarters
- Stream Stabilization Projects

Council Follow-Up Items

- Physical Exam Requirements for Youth Sports

As a follow-up to a request from Councilmembers Bellamy-Small and Vaughan at the September 4, 2012 City Council meeting, attached is a memorandum from Interim Director of Parks and Recreation Chris Wilson, dated September 14, 2012, providing the City's protocol and facilitation of physical exams for youth participation in athletic programs.

Agenda Items for the September 18, 2012 City Council Meeting

- Agenda Item #20: Panhandling Ordinance

Attached is a memorandum from Police Attorney Jim Clark, dated September 12, 2012, regarding the proposed changes to the panhandling ordinance. This is on Council's agenda for the September 18, 2012 Council meeting.

Municipal Solid Waste and Recycling RFP Updates

Attached is a memorandum from Field Operations Director Dale Wyrick, dated September 14, 2012, providing an update on the RFP #08-12: MSW Management Services and RFP #11-12: Processing and Marketing of Recovered Recyclables.

Greensboro United Soccer Association Headquarters

Attached is a memorandum from Interim Director of Parks and Recreation Chris Wilson, dated September 13, 2012, regarding the renovation of the Greensboro United Soccer Association headquarters at Bryan Park that is expected to begin on October 1, 2012.

Stream Stabilization Projects

Attached is a memorandum from Interim Director of Parks and Recreation Chris Wilson, dated September 13, 2012, regarding stream stabilization projects at various City parks.

Contact Center Feedback

Attached is the weekly report generated by our Contact Center for the week of September 3, 2012 through September 9, 2012.

Small Group Meetings

Attached is the Small Group Meeting Summary for the week of September 7, 2012 through September 13, 2012, detailing the 3 small group meetings between City Staff and [more than two but less than five] Councilmembers.

Zoning Commission Meeting Results

Attached are the results to the September 10, 2012 Zoning Commission Meeting.

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Attachments

cc: Office of the City Manager
Global Media



September 14, 2012

TO: Denise Turner Roth, City Manager
FROM: Chris Wilson, Interim Director
SUBJECT: Physical exam requirements for youth sports

In response to the September 4, 2012, request to provide research on our protocol and facilitation of physical examinations for youth participating in athletic programs, staff does not currently require youth to provide a pre-participation physical exam (PPE) when they register for an athletic program. A PPE typically includes a medical history and a physical exam.

To ensure the safety of our youth, athletic programs such as football do require parents and/or guardians to answer questions at the time of registration, regarding the child's medical history, prior injuries or health-related concerns. The questions were compiled by our staff, Medical Services and Legal in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Our pre-season training and conditioning programs also allow staff and coaches to evaluate the fitness level and ability of each child. If staff determines that there may be a potential health risk, the concern is shared with the parent and/or guardian and a physician's medical release is required before the child can participate.

Staff is reviewing these procedures and has initiated a benchmarking process to determine common practices among other parks and recreation departments. This process is in its infancy stage; however, four local municipalities (High Point, Mecklenburg County, Pine Hurst and Greenville) have responded thus far, and all report that a PPE is not required to register for an athletic program. We will share all the findings of this report with you in the near future, once completed.

CW/ww

cc: Sandy Neerman, Assistant City Manager
Wade Walcutt, Community Recreation Services Manager

Field Operations Department
City of Greensboro



September 14, 2012

TO: Denise Turner Roth, City Manager
FROM: Dale Wyrick, P.E., Field Operations Director
SUBJECT: MSW and Recycling RFP Updates

The following is to a brief update on the ongoing RFP processes in Field Operations.

RFP #08-12: MSW Management Services

Field Operations and Legal staff have reviewed and provided comments back to outside counsel regarding a draft Hauling and a draft Disposal contract document. I am scheduling contract negotiation meetings to begin next week for both Hilco Transport and Republic Services. That process is expected to be completed with a new contract in place by October 1, 2012.

RFP #11-12: Processing and Marketing of Recovered Recyclables

Staff is currently gathering the required information necessary to answer several Council questions raised at the September 10, 2012 City Council Work Session. Additionally, presentations given by both ReCommunity and Waste Management require additional clarifying questions from staff and HDR that will be sent to both companies today or the first of next week. I anticipate having that information for an IFYI for next Friday, 9/21/12. Therefore, we have moved the vendor selection item from the 9/18 to the 10/2 City Council meeting.

If further is required, please advise.

DDW

Parks and Recreation Department
City of Greensboro



September 13, 2012

TO: Denise Turner Roth, City Manager

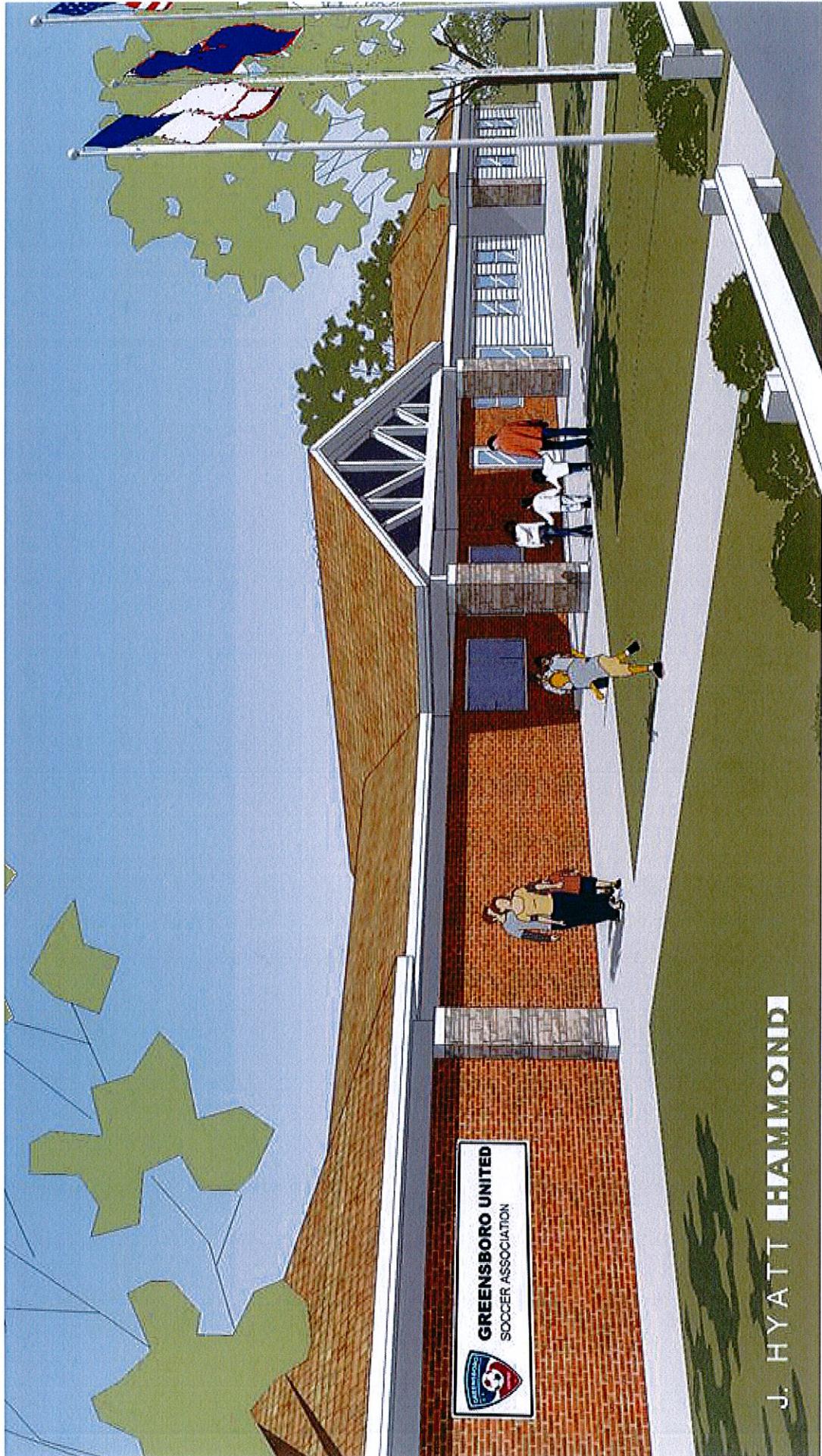
FROM: Chris Wilson, Interim Director

SUBJECT: Greensboro United Soccer Association Headquarters

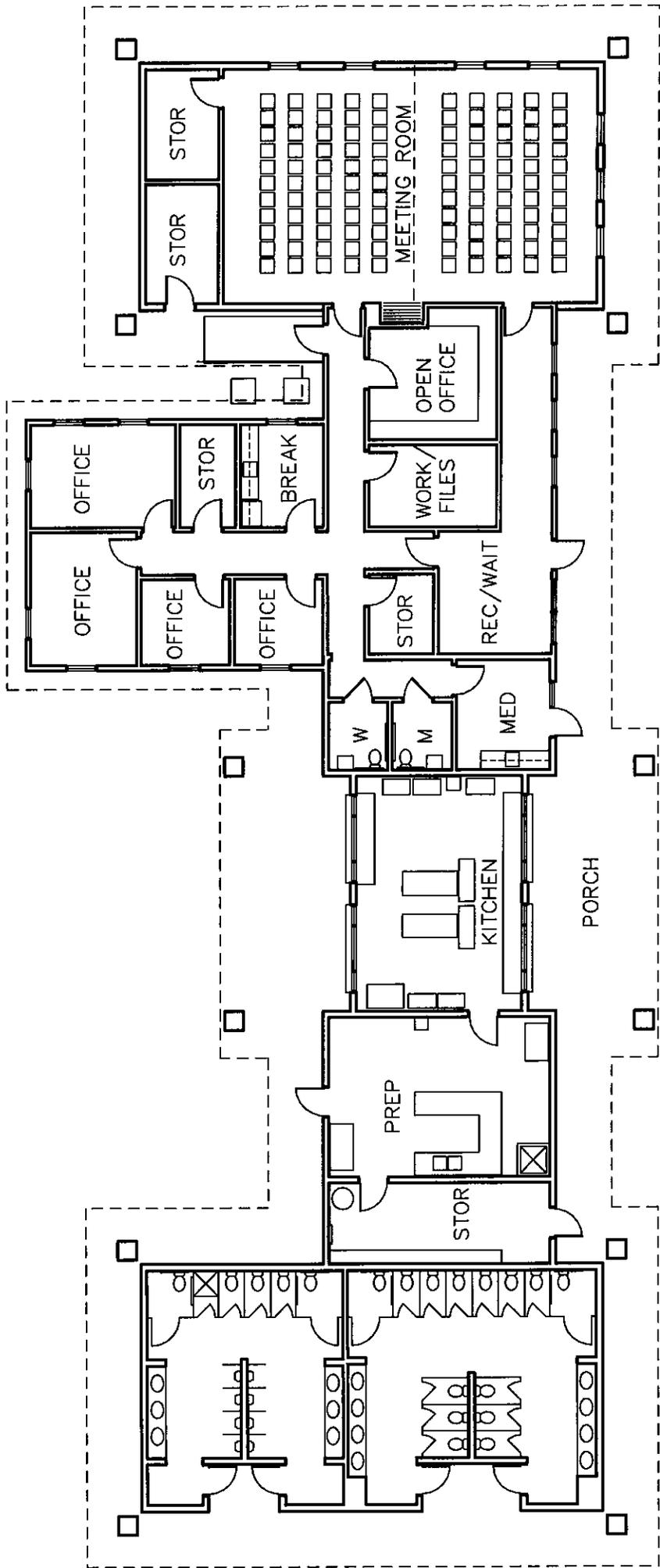
We are excited to announce the renovation of the Greensboro United Soccer Association (GUSA) headquarters at Bryan Park. Construction is expected to begin on October 1. Renovations will include restroom improvements, a new meeting room and facade. Per the attached drawing, this project will greatly enhance the aesthetics of the Bryan Park Soccer Complex and demonstrate a continued positive relationship between our department and GUSA.

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Attachment

cc: Sandy Neerman, Assistant City Manager



J. HYATT **HAMMOND**



PROPOSED FLOOR PLAN



September 14, 2012

TO: Denise Turner Roth, City Manager

FROM: Chris Wilson, Interim Director

SUBJECT: Stream Stabilization Projects at Various Park Facilities

In early 2011, Parks and Recreation, and Water Resources Staff began collaboration efforts to address streams within various parks that, over time, have developed erosion and water quality issues. Since a large number of parks in our system are impacted by streams and/or creeks, this joint initiative allows both Departments to work together to complete the design and construction of small-scale point repairs, as well as, larger restoration/stabilization. Through these projects, our hope is to not only address stream erosion and water quality, but also to improve park aesthetics, safety, and to incorporate an environmental educational component as water quality improves.

As part of the collaboration, two projects have been scheduled to move forward in the near future. Construction is scheduled to begin at Hunter Hills Park on September 17, 2012 and will last until mid-November. During this time, park access will be impacted, and in particular, the playground will be closed to ensure public safety near the construction area. Construction at Latham Park will begin on September 24, 2012 and will last to the end of November. There may be periodic interruptions to trail traffic between the Hill Street and Wendover Avenue area. During these times, a detour will be provided, although we hope to keep the trail open as much as possible.

Additional information will be provided to the public regarding each of these projects, as there will be an impact on access to certain areas of the parks and/or amenities within them. Design and construction of the remaining projects will occur as time and funding permits. City staff will continue to work with Public Affairs to provide information and notice to citizens as appropriate.

CW/nm

cc: Sandy Neerman, Assistant City Manager
David Phlegar, Water Resources
Nasha McCray, Division Manager, Planning and Project Development

Office of the City Attorney
City of Greensboro



Wednesday, September 12, 2012

TO: Denise Turner Roth, City Manager

FROM: Jim Clark, Police Attorney

SUBJECT: Executive summary of changes to panhandling ordinance

Currently before the City Council for amendment is Chapter 20, Article IV, which concerns licensing of panhandlers and safety regulations for panhandling. Article IV was enacted in 2003, and it established a registration and licensing program, which regulates panhandling in order to promote and protect traffic and pedestrian safety.

In 2010, City Council made three amendments to Article IV. Those amendments include:

- Ord. 10-47 which clarified that public or private educational facilities include primary or secondary education facilities, job training or continuing education facilities
- Ord. 10-120 which requires Chief of Police review of a criminal background history check to determine an applicant's eligibility for a panhandling license, and clarifies that applicants would be disqualified for 2 or more violent offense convictions including misdemeanors and illegal use of weapons
- Ord. 10-137 which requires all panhandlers to display their licenses by a lanyard around the neck, or clipped to clothing, in a manner that is visible at all times

Earlier this year, law enforcement, concerned citizens and Councilwoman Vaughan met to discuss continuing concerns regarding panhandlers. As a result of these meetings and complaints related to Councilwoman Vaughan, City Staff researched the matter and prepared additional changes to Article IV. The changes in the currently proposed text amendment are:

- Limit panhandling to sidewalks
- Prohibit panhandling from medians, curbs, shoulders, crosswalks or while standing in the roadway
- Prohibit panhandling within 1,000 feet of any entrance or exit from a U.S. Highway or Interstate
- Increase the distance where panhandling is forbidden from 20 feet to 100 feet from banks, financial institutions, ATM's and check-cashing or loan offices
- Prohibit panhandling while under the influence of drugs or alcohol

- For applicants who are violent crime offenders, increase the period of time for denial of a license on a graduating scale based on the severity of the violent crime

Several of the proposed changes relate to roadside panhandling activity, and the changes conform to North Carolina General Statutes regulating pedestrian and panhandling activities. The remaining amendments are changes reasonably and specifically related to pedestrian and public safety.

JAC/

cc: S. Mujeeb Shah-Khan, City Attorney
Michael Speedling, Assistant City Manager
Kenneth C. Miller, Chief of Police

Public Affairs
Contact Center Weekly Report
Week of 9/3/12 – 9/9/12

Contact Center

4631 calls answered this week

Top 5 calls by area

Water Resources

Balance Inquiry – 1167
New Sign up – 181
Bill Extension – 175
General Info – 170
Cutoff Requests – 131

Field Operations

Bulk Guidelines – 89
E-Waste – 48
Repair Can/Garbage – 46
General Info – 36
Appliance Collection - 35

All others

Police/Watch Operations – 221
Overgrown Lots – 71
Courts/Sheriff - 65
Privilege License - 41
GTA - 29

Comments

We received a total of 4 comments this week:

Executive – 1 comment:

- Good Morning, I was disappointed in your vote regarding last week's consideration of additional R&D money for GPAC. As the representative for part of downtown, and my district, you know full well that it's the heart (of any city) that makes everything else function. Simply look at the success and the failures among cities of our size and then look at their downtown development or lack thereof - a direct correlation. GPAC needs to go downtown for the benefit of all of Greensboro and the project needs development/planning funds to insure its success. I've followed Council activities for several years and your votes are usually thoughtful and well reasoned. I hope you are not leaning toward following disruptive "petty issues" or "us against them" philosophies of several of your colleagues.

Field Operations– 1 comment:

- Last Thursday when we came by to get her trash, the truck had already passed her house and was getting the trash at the next place. The driver saw her struggling with the can, stopped, backed up the truck, and waited patiently until she got it to the curbside. She was so grateful for his patience and understands that he didn't need to do that. He went over and above. This has been her experience with all of the Solid Waste folks. She wanted to make sure that the driver was recognized.

Fire Department – 1 comment:

- Customer says she was very pleased to see such professionalism and helpfulness when the Fire Department sent a fire truck to her niece's birthday party. She wants to compliment the excellent, superb job they did in working with the children.

Library – 1 comment:

- The "Suggest a Purchase" form only seems to be for physical books. It would be helpful to provide a mechanism for suggesting e-books. For example, following your links to the North Carolina Digital Library...there are e-books for the Hainish Cycle Series: Book 1, 4, and 7 but not 2, 3, 5, and 6. Therefore, an obvious suggestion would be to complete the series by filling in gaps with those missing books. But I've been unable to find a way to pass along that suggestion. So, hopefully you will do so for these specific books as well as passing along a more general suggestion to provide a mechanism for also suggesting e-book purchases. Thank you!

Overall

Calls about overgrown lots and bus schedules increased last week. Call volume was busy through the end of the week.



SMALL GROUP MEETINGS

Date	Councilmember	Department / Person Contacted	Subject	Council Notification Date
September 13, 2012	Councilmember Matheny Councilmember Hoffman Councilmember Vaughan	Executive / City Manager Roth PCD Director Sue Schwartz	Western Area Update	September 14, 2012
September 13, 2012	Councilmember Abuzuaiter Councilmember Kee	Executive / City Manager Roth PCD Director Sue Schwartz	Western Area Update	September 14, 2012

ZONING COMMISSION RESULTS						
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2012						
AGENDA ITEM	REQUEST/LOCATION	**PROPOSED USE <small>* (Not binding if not stated as a condition)</small>	ACTION/VOTE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION	STATUS	SPEAKERS
Z-12-08-002	CD-O to CD-O 709 Green Valley Road Charles E. Melvin for SEBR 715, LLC.	Uses: All uses permitted in the O (Office) zoning district except any use in the Residential uses category and the Social Service Facilities subcategory of the Permitted Use Table of the Land Development Ordinance	Approved 9 to 0	Approval	Final unless appealed	2 for; 0 opposed
	O to CB 435 Arlington Street Sidney C. Gray for Michael B. Gray		Denied 7 to 2	Approval	Final unless appealed	1 for; 2 opposed
Z-12-09-002	CD-RM-8 and CD-LI to CD-LI 717 North Regional Road Brian A. Hall for S & S Investment Properties, LLC.	All uses allowed in the LI (Light Industrial) zoning district except landfills, flea markets and cemeteries.	Approved 9 to 0	Approval	Final unless appealed	1 for; 0 opposed
	CD-C-M to PUD 3358 West Friendly Avenue Michael S. Fox for Somerset at Friendly Center, LLC.		Approved 9 to 0	Approval	Final unless appealed	3 for; 3 opposed

** 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