



May 10, 2013

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM:  Denise Turner Roth, City Manager

SUBJECT: Items for Your Information

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- May 13 @ 5:30pm District 2 Neighborhood Walk
- May 14 @ 10:30am Post RUCO Committee Meeting
- May 14 @ 5:30 pm District 3 Budget Meeting
- May 16 @ Noon Council Work Session

**Council Follow-Up Items**

• **Busking Online Application**

As a follow-up to a request from Councilmember Vaughan at the January 15, 2013 Council meeting, attached is a memorandum from Assistant to the City Manager Mary Vigue, dated May 10, 2013, regarding the launch of the online application system for buskers.

• **Cost to Close War Memorial Auditorium**

As a follow-up to a request from Councilmember Vaughan at the February 19, 2013 Council meeting, attached is a memorandum from Budget and Evaluation Director Larry Davis, dated May 10, 2013, providing financial analysis estimating the result of shutting down the War Memorial Auditorium.

• **Public Safety FTEs per Population**

As a follow-up to a request from Councilmember Matheny at the April 30, 2013 Work Session, attached is a memorandum from Budget and Evaluation Budget & Management Analyst Jon Decker, dated May 9, 2013, providing a comparison to our peer cities, to the City's number of police and fire's full time employees (FTE) per 1,000 population.

• **Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Program**

As a follow-up to a request from Councilmember Bellamy-Small at the May 7, 2013 Council meeting, attached is a memorandum from Planning and Community Development Director Sue Schwartz, dated May 9, 2013, providing an update on the impact of the HUD's Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDA (HOPWA) program funding on the community.

**Heath Community Strategic Plan**

Attached is a memorandum from Planning and Community Development Director Sue Schwartz, dated May 10, 2013, providing an update on Heath Community strategic plan.

**Transportation Bill – H817**

Attached is a memorandum from Transportation Planning Division Manager Tyler Meyer, dated May 10, 2013, providing information on the Governor's Strategic Transportation Investment Reform Bill.

**General Assembly Update**

Attached is the General Assembly Update from Assistant General Counsel Tom Carruthers.

**Public Information Request Report**

Attached is the weekly Public Information Request Report for the week of May 10, 2013.

**Contact Center Feedback**

Attached is the weekly report generated by our Contact Center for the week of April 29, 2013 through May 5, 2013.

**Small Group Meetings**

Attached is the weekly Small Group Meeting report for the week of May 3, 2013 through May 9, 2013, between City Staff and [more than two but less than five] Councilmembers.

**Grant Report**

Attached is an updated list of grants for which the City intends to apply that do not require a match. Under the policy adopted by City Council, grants that do not require a match are not required to receive formal Council action.

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Attachments

cc: Office of the City Manager  
Global Media



May 10, 2013

**TO:** Denise Turner Roth, City Manager  
**FROM:** Mary Vigue, Assistant to the City Manager  
**SUBJECT: Update on Busker's Online Application**

At the January 15, 2013 Council Meeting, City Council voted to allow busking (street performing) in designated areas downtown. Staff from Information Technology and Finance worked together to create an online registration system for buskers, which is now ready to launch.

Performers are now able to submit an application online and access the online payment portal at [www.greensboro-nc.gov/buskers](http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/buskers). They are also able to fill out and print the background check form, but will still need to submit the form in-person at the City's Collection Office at 300 W. Washington St. Applicants will be notified via phone or emailed within 7-10 business days about the results of their background check and licenses will be mailed.

Staff has been unable to incorporate the entire busking privilege license application process into an online system due to the background check. At this time, staff is not recommending eliminating the need for a background check for buskers because it is in line with similar privilege licenses like panhandling.

The current application fee for busking is \$10. Currently there have been 11 licenses issued and 3 more are approved pending payment. There are two more applications awaiting the results of their background checks. Please let me know if you require additional information.

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Budget and Evaluation  
City of Greensboro



May 10, 2013

**TO:** Denise Turner Roth, City Manager  
**FROM:** Larry Davis, Budget and Evaluation  
**SUBJECT:** War Memorial Auditorium Shutdown Analysis

Coliseum staff has reviewed recent event history for the War Memorial Auditorium to estimate direct revenue generated the facility and direct expenses incurred. This analysis is being used to project the net impact to the Coliseum Complex Operating Budget should the auditorium facility be closed.

The attached analysis is based on event activity recorded at the Auditorium during FY 11-12. The expense analysis includes actual expenses from the year plus an average annual calculation for unplanned maintenance expenses based on several years past experience.

The analysis projects an average annual net savings of approximately \$9,000 to the overall Coliseum Complex Operating Budget should the Auditorium be closed.

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Attachment

cc: Matt Brown, Coliseum Director  
Carl Deckard, Coliseum Business Office Manager

**Estimated War Memorial Close Pro-Forma**

**ACTUAL Annual Revenue:**

DEI / Rent	\$ 92,238.95
Utilities	1,733.00
Concessions	41,132.93
Parking	62,675.50
Merchandise	4,188.00
Rebates	<u>59,973.50</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 261,941.88</b>

**ESTIMATED Annual Operating Costs:**

Large, unscheduled and unpredictable repairs (annual average based on several years experience)	\$ 122,939.33
Housekeeping - Event and General	11,303.25
Event Prep - Event	8,345.03
Maintenance - Event and General	16,848.00
Security - Event and General	8,646.75
Insurance - Property	2,000.00
Gas and Electric - Annual	57,246.07
Water - Annual	9,005.37
Janitorial Supplies	10,011.11
Routine/periodic Repair Parts and Supplies	15,000.00
Other Supply Items	4,800.00
Small Tools and Equip	<u>4,800.00</u>
<b>Total Operating Cost</b>	<b>\$ 270,944.91</b>
<b>Gain / (Loss) from Operations</b>	<b>\$ (9,003.03)</b>

*Note: General Complex Overhead costs are not considered avoidable in the Event of a closure.*



May 9, 2013

**TO:** Larry Davis, Budget and Evaluation Director

**FROM:** Jon Decker, Budget & Management Analyst

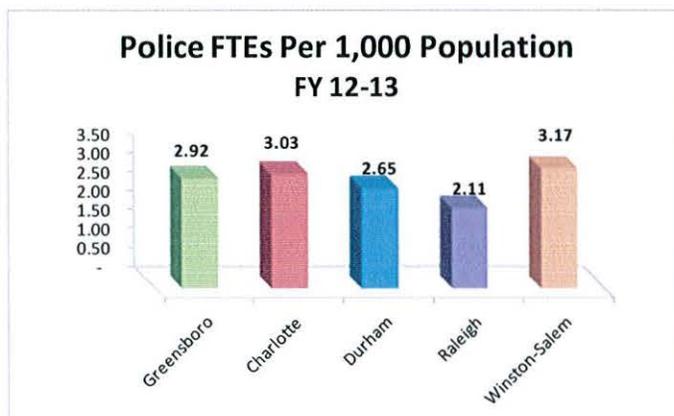
**SUBJECT:** Public Safety FTEs per 1,000 Population

In response to an information request from Council at the April 30<sup>th</sup> work session related to the City's number of Police and Fire FTEs per 1,000 as compared to our peer cities the following analysis was conducted.

For the purposes of this analysis information was collected from the cities of Charlotte, Durham, Raleigh, and Winston-Salem. All four cities provided Police and Fire FTEs, estimated populations for the 2012-13 fiscal year, and additional information as requested.

City	Population	Total FTEs	Police FTEs	Fire FTEs
Greensboro	275,000	3,142	802	544
Charlotte	743,397	6,844	2,250	1,095
Durham	238,195	2,367	631	302
Raleigh	416,000	3,826	879	575
Winston-Salem	233,000	2,663	739	344

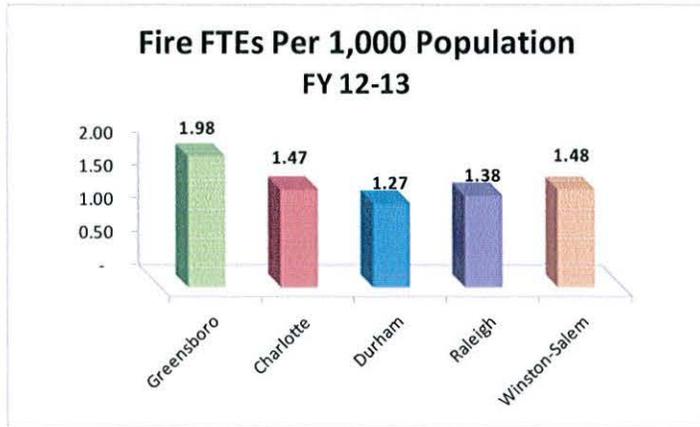
With regard to Police FTEs per 1,000 population, Greensboro has the third highest FTEs, 2.92, compared to our peers. The group average is 2.77, indicating that Greensboro is slightly higher by 0.15 FTEs.



Police FTEs Per 1,000 Population  
FY 12-13

Greensboro	2.92
Charlotte	3.03
Durham	2.65
Raleigh	2.11
Winston-Salem	3.17

With regard to Fire FTEs per 1,000 population, Greensboro has the highest FTEs, 1.98, compared to the group. Greensboro's rate is 0.46 FTEs higher than the group average of 1.52 FTEs. Greensboro also has an ISO rating of 1; all others in the peer group reported an ISO rating of 3.



	FY 12-13	ISO
Greensboro	1.98	1
Charlotte	1.47	3
Durham	1.27	3
Raleigh	1.38	3
Winston-Salem	1.48	3

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cc: Ken Miller, Greensboro Police Chief  
 Greg Grayson, Greensboro Fire Chief



May 9, 2013

**TO:** Jim Westmoreland, P E Deputy City Manager

**FROM:** Sue Schwartz, FAICP, Director

**SUBJECT:** HUD Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)  
Program Impact

Following the presentation on PCD's application for federal HUD funding (the Annual Plan) during the May 7, 2013 City Council meeting, Councilwoman Bellamy-Small requested information on the impact of HOPWA Program funding on the community.

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 the 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 current year HOPWA allocation is \$316,214. The anticipated HOPWA allocation for FY 2013-14 is \$284,593.

Eligibility for HOPWA assistance requires that an individual or family:

- 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 \$16,350 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.

The STRMU providers serving our area are Triad Health Project in Guilford County, Alamance HomeCare Providers, and Randolph HomeHealth. The Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) providers are the Greensboro, Reidsville, Asheboro, Rockingham County and Randolph County Housing Authorities.

#### **HOPWA Program Impact**

During FY 2012 HOPWA funding assisted 49 persons living with HIV with rent assistance at a total cost of \$287,928.01. The HOPWA program helped 84 persons and their families maintain permanent housing. There are currently 65 eligible persons in the Guilford County area on the waiting list for TBRA housing vouchers. During FY 2011 (the first year of funding) 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. For additional information you may contact Rhonda Enoch, PCD's Housing Counselor at 373-4147.

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May 10, 2013

**TO:** Jim Westmoreland, PE Deputy City Manager  
**FROM:** Sue Schwartz, FAICP Director  
**SUBJECT:** Heath Community Strategic Plan

### **Background**

The Heath Community Strategic Plan encompasses a group of neighborhoods in southeast Greensboro located along Franklin Boulevard between McConnell Road to the south and East Market Street to the north.

Bound together by proximity and common challenges, the area is predominantly single-family residential. While each neighborhood maintains independent associations, an umbrella neighborhood organization has formed to facilitate cooperation and coordination in the area.

The Heath Community Strategic Plan was developed in a year-long process involving regular stakeholder steering committee meetings and a series of public meetings to engage neighborhood residents in setting goals and identifying key strategies to strengthen and enhance the neighborhood.

### **Public Hearing Schedule**

The City of Greensboro will hold two public hearings to consider adoption of the Heath Community Strategic Plan. The first hearing will be conducted by the Planning Board, which will make a recommendation to City Council. The hearing before City Council will result in a final decision on the plan. The dates and times for the meetings are:

- Planning Board, May 15, 2013, at 2 p.m.
- City Council, June 4, 2013, starting at 5:30 p.m.

The public hearings will be conducted in the Council Chambers on the second floor of the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 West Washington Street.

## **Plan Summary**

The goals and recommendations in the plan were developed in conjunction with neighborhood stakeholders by developing a common set of goals, identifying immediate improvements that could be made to the neighborhood during the planning process, then creating strategies to meet these goals. Finally, stakeholders prioritized the strategies to give the neighborhood associations and the City a place to begin implementation.

The goals of the plan are to:

- Increase traffic safety
- Improve community spirit in the neighborhood
- Reduce code violations
- Improve adjacent land uses
- Improve maintenance to streets, stormwater facilities, and creeks
- Encourage economic development
- Improve public safety

Upon plan adoption, City staff will engage the neighborhoods to begin implementation of the following priority strategies:

- Identify and implement new sidewalks
- Reduce speed limits where appropriate
- Engage in local economic development
- Improve Heath Park
- Provide safe activities for neighborhood youth
- Educate rental property owners
- Explore options for community-wide activities
- Identify grant funding

Greensboro Parks and Recreation partnered with Planning and Community Development to use the meetings in this process to engage community stakeholders in the development of a master plan for Heath Park, located in the center of the community.

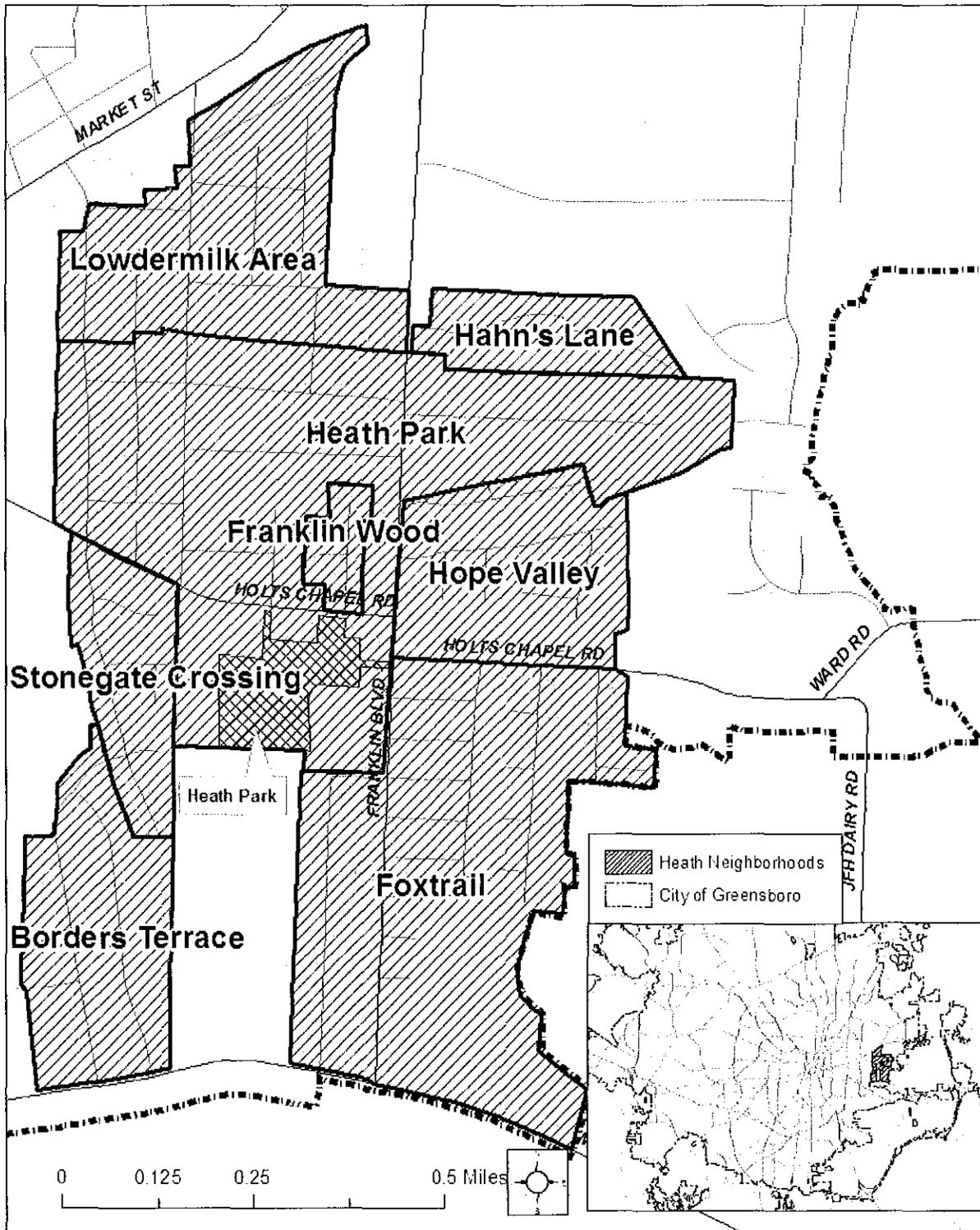
For more information, contact Russ Clegg, [russ.clegg@greensboro-nc.gov](mailto:russ.clegg@greensboro-nc.gov) or 336-373-2211, or visit [www.greensboro-nc.gov/heath](http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/heath).

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Attachment A: Heath Community Plan Boundary

cc: Hannah Cockburn

**Attachment A.  
Heath Community Plan Boundary**



Department of Transportation  
City of Greensboro



May 10, 2013

**TO:** Adam Fischer, Director of Transportation  
**FROM:** Tyler Meyer, Transportation Planning Division Manager  
**SUBJECT:** H817 Strategic Mobility Formula legislation

The Governor's Strategic Transportation Investment Reform bill is moving quickly through the legislature. House approval was secured on May 9, 2013. Senate consideration will come next. It is not clear how long consideration in the Senate will take, but it is expected to move quickly as well.

Local officials are involved in discussion on this legislation and its implementation. David Parrish attended a Technical Briefing and Discussion of Governor's Transportation Proposal hosted by NCDOT on May 6, 2013. In addition, I serve as a representative of NC Metropolitan Planning Organizations on the NCDOT's advisory committee tasked with developing the prioritization formulas that will be used to implement the Strategic Transportation Investment program.

**Key aspects of the proposal are as follows:**

- Creates a Strategic Mobility Fund combining state Highway Trust Funds and most of the Federal Highway Funding programs.
- All modes must compete for funds under the Strategic Mobility Fund.
- Eliminates the equity formula that governed the distribution of funds across the state since 1989.
- Purges the listing of specific transportation projects named in statute (Urban Loops, Intrastate Projects, Toll Projects). Those projects will compete for funding against other needs.
- Project commitments awarded before the end of SFY 2015 will be honored; all projects or project phases scheduled for construction in SFY 2016 or later will be subject to reprioritization. *See attached list of Greensboro area projects for more information on effected projects.*

**The program would establish three tiers of funding as follows:**

- Statewide (40%): Interstates, major US & NC routes, PTIA, NS Rail lines. Distributed statewide. Prioritized based 100% on needs-based criteria.
- Regional (30%): Other US & NC routes, PART capital needs. Distributed to pairs of NCDOT highway divisions (7&9 in this area) based on population. Prioritized based 70% on needs-based criteria, and 30% local rankings.

- Division (30%): Other roadways, GTA capital needs, pedestrian and bicycle projects. Distributed in each highway Division on an equal share basis: all Divisions get the same funding level EXCEPT as currently written urban Division would be penalized for STP-DA and Transportation Alternatives Program funding directed by the MPO under Federal Law. The currently proposed funding level would provide \$32 million per year for Division 7. Prioritized based 70% on needs-based criteria, and 30% local rankings.
- Statewide projects could also compete in the Regional and Division tiers. Regional projects could also complete in the Division tier.

**Changes needed to the legislation to effectively serve Greensboro and other Metropolitan area needs include.**

**1. STP-DA and Transportation Alternatives Program funds should be exempted from the funds allocated to the NCDOT Divisions.**

*STP-DA and Transportation Alternatives Program funds are allocated directly to MPOs with urbanized populations exceeding 200,000. Including STP-DA funds in the Division share reduces other funding available for the Division by an amount equal to the amount received by the MPOs. The Greensboro MPO is expected to receive \$4.2 million in STP-DA funds per year, thereby reducing the amount available to Division 7 by at least \$4 million per year. (The Durham-Chapel Hill MPO also receives STP-DA funds, so the amount they receive will further reduce funds available in Division 7.)*

**2. Regional tier highways should include all urban principal arterials.**

*The current proposal includes only those roads designated as NC and US highways. There are many important roads in the region that are not designated as NC or US highways, but serve regional travel. Under the current proposal, they would be viewed as "sub-regional." Two good examples are Bryan Boulevard and West Wendover Avenue.*

**3. The NCDOT Division funds should be allocated as follows: 50% equal share and 50% population.**

*The current proposal is to allocate an equal share to each NCDOT Division, and does not recognize the significant population differences between Divisions.*

A summary presentation of the initial proposal is attached, as is a list of projects under the Draft 2014-2020 Transportation Improvement Program that will be subject to reprioritization after 2015.

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Attachments

cc: David Parrish, Assistant City Manager

## Draft 2014 - 2020 MTIP Major Project Summary

TIP #	Project Description	Current Schedule	Proposed Schedule
<b>Urban Loop</b>			
U-2524	Western Urban Loop \$1,237,000 funding increase Section C (Bryan to Battleground) Section D (Battleground to Lawndale)	(C) CST 13-16 (D) CST 17-19	No change
U-2525	Eastern Urban Loop \$19,906,000 funding increase Sections B (US 70 to US 29) Section C (US 29 to Lawndale)	(B) CST 14-17 (C) CST 19-22	No change
<b>Interstate Projects</b>			
I-5110	I-73 Connector (NC 68 to I-73/I-840) \$17,700,000 funding increase	R/W 14,15 CST 16, 17, 18	No change
R-2413	US 220/NC 68 Connector - Future I-73 - Sections A & B (US 220 to NC 68) \$8,276,000 funding increase	CST 14-17	No change
<b>New Projects</b>			
U-5607	NC 68 Widening (south of West Market Street to south of Pleasant Ridge Road) \$23,650,000		R/W 22 CST 23-PY
U-5601	Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects \$7,700,000		R/W 14-17 CST 14-17
U-5610	Battleground Avenue Widening (Westridge to Cotswold) \$13,300,000		R/W 21 CST 22
U-5613	Aycock Street Rail Underpass \$8,800,000		R/W 22 CST 23
EB-5602	Hill Street Trail Connector \$190,000		CST 15
B-XXXX	8 New Bridge Replacment Projects \$17,280,000		R/W 20-22 CST 21-23
<b>Advanced Projects</b>			
R-2580	US 158 Widening (US 220 to Reidsville) \$87,200,000	Unfunded	R/W 21-22 CST 23-PY
U-5326	Market-College-Guilford College Intersection Improvments \$2,200,000	CST PY	CST 22
U-5306	Battleground Intersections Improvements A: Battleground - Benjamin-Cone B: Battleground - Westridge C: Battleground - New Garden D: Battleground - Brassfield	(A) CST 14 (B) CST 14 (C) CST 14 (D) CST 13	CST 13 No change No change No change
<b>Delayed Projects</b>			
EB-4709	Battleground Rail Trail (Markland to Spring Garden) \$3,538,000	CST 12-13	CST PY
<b>On-Schedule Projects</b>			
R-2309AB R-2413C	US 220 (Battleground Avenue) Widening - Horse Pen Creek Rd to Winfree Rd Under Construction	CST thru 17	No change
R-2412B	High Point Road Widening & Relocation - Hilltop/Groometown to Vickery Chapel Rd Under Construction	CST thru 15	No change
R-2611	West Market Street Widening - NC 68 to Bunker Hill Rd Under Construction	CST thru 13	No change
R-2910 U-2851B	US 70 Widening - Mt. Hope Ch Rd to Westbrook Ave Under Study	R/W 19 - 20 CST 21 - 23	No change
	<i>Projects To Be Reprioritized By Current Legislation</i>		
	<i>Combined Design/Build Project Starting in FY 14</i>		
	<i>Protion of Project To Be Reprioritized By Current Legislation</i>		



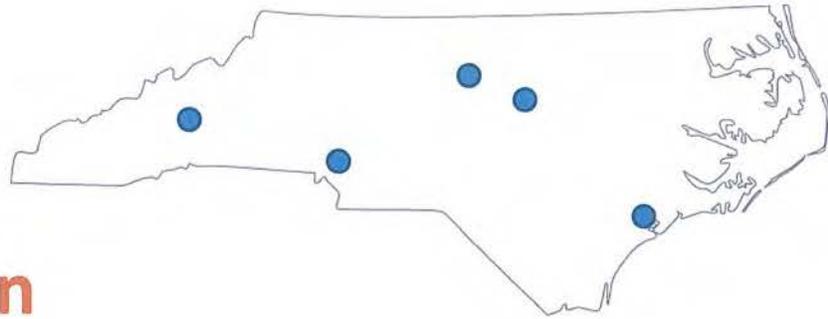
## NCDOT – Strategic Mobility Formula For Metro Mayors Technical Briefing

May 6, 2013

# Accelerating Infrastructure Investments for Economic Growth

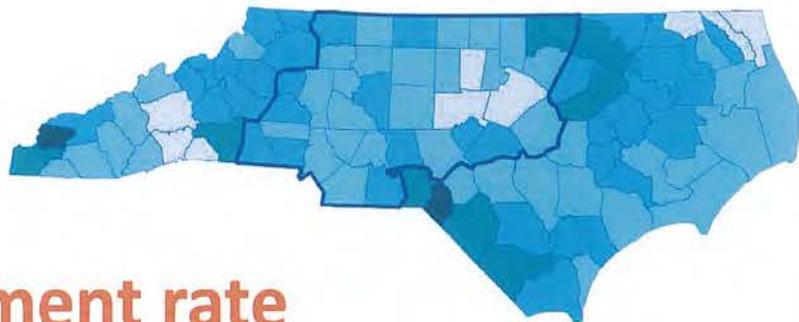
## strategic mobility formula





## population

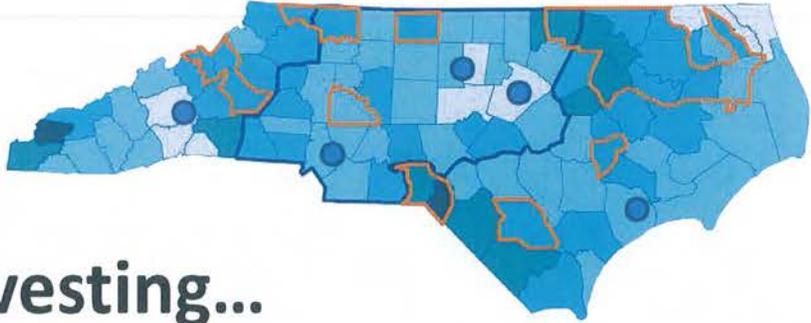
fourth largest net growth  
in the nation



## unemployment rate

State = **9.4 %**  
National = 7.6%

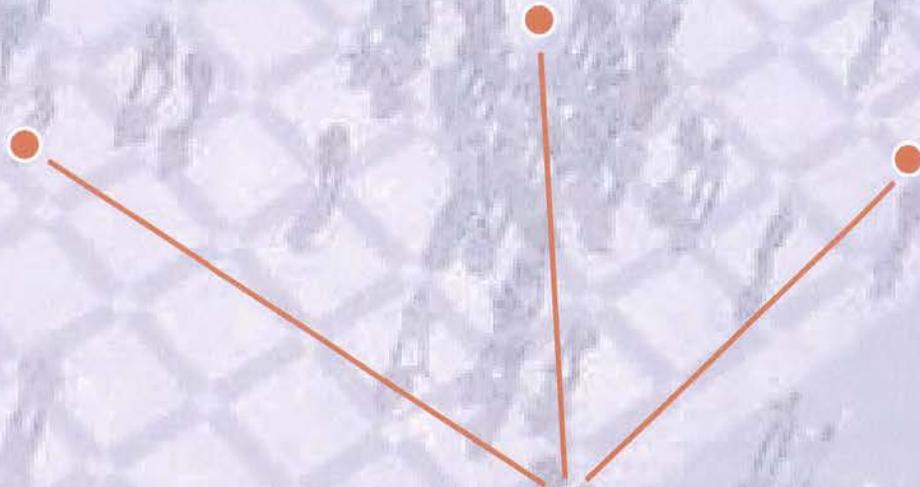




Are we investing...  
in the **right** way?



connect people



use infrastructure to catalyze  
economic development

*high impact*

**need to change**

how we **fund.**  
how we **distribute.**  
how we **prioritize.**



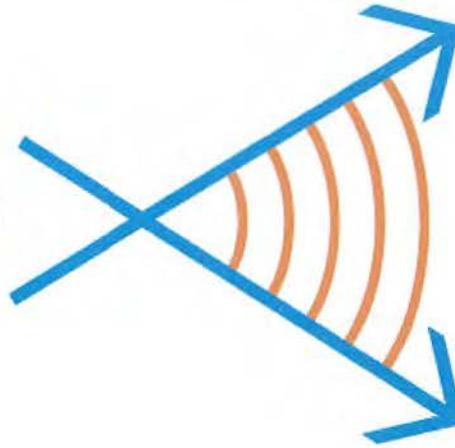
**current funding**

**state resources are declining,  
future federal resources uncertain**



Increased population + 1.3m  
= Infrastructure need

## problem



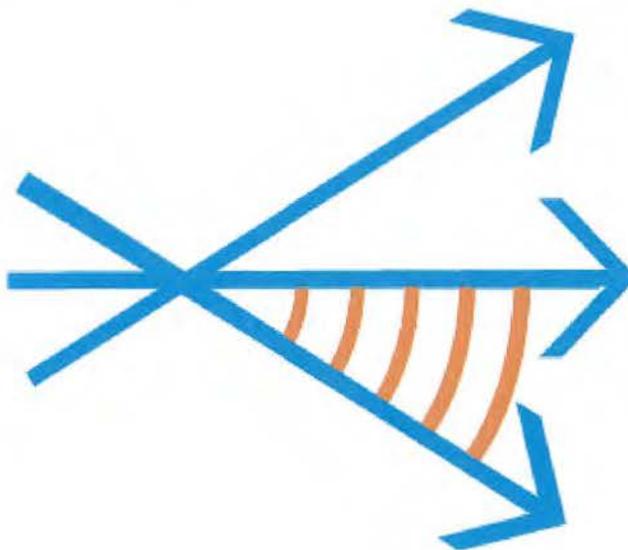
**Infrastructure gap.**  
Decline in businesses and jobs.

Decreased  
Revenue projections - \$1.7b  
MFT, DMV, Highway

2013-2023



## solutions



Yet, we can address  
part of the problem  
through a strategic  
mobility formula

**Address shrinking  
revenue**



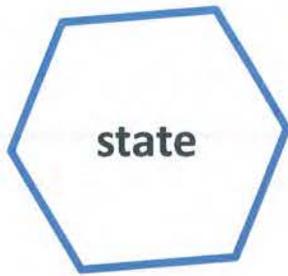
## how is it distributed?

(in)equity formula based on % population and equally shared across 14 divisions



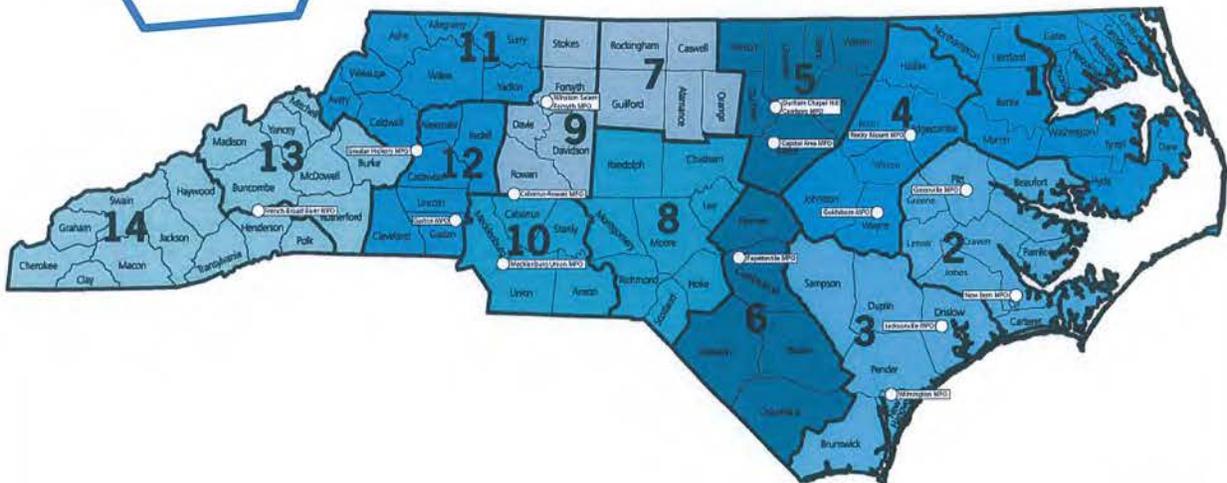
strategically invest resources to ensure state, regional, and local priorities are met





**40% of revenue or \$6.4 billion statewide (over 10 years)**

- **Address statewide and regionally significant congestion/bottlenecks**
  - Statewide ONLY
  - All modes compete (hwy and non-hwy projects)
- **100% data driven**
  - Benefit-cost (*reduced travel time /project costs*)
  - Existing congestion
  - Economic competitiveness
  - Freight
  - Multi-modal





**40% of revenue or  
\$6.4 billion over  
all regions  
(over 10 years)**

- **Address projects with regionally significant impact**
  - Statewide and regional needs
  - Paired divisions: (1&4), (2&3), (5&6), (7&9), (8&10), (11&12), (13&14)
  - All modes compete
- **70% data; 30% local ranking**
  - Benefit-cost
  - Connectivity
  - Congestion
  - Economic competitiveness
  - Safety



**Equal share over 14  
divisions.**

- **Address localized congestion & safety concerns**
  - All modes compete
- **50% data; 50% local ranking**
  - Benefit-cost
  - Connectivity
  - Shoulder width
  - Safety

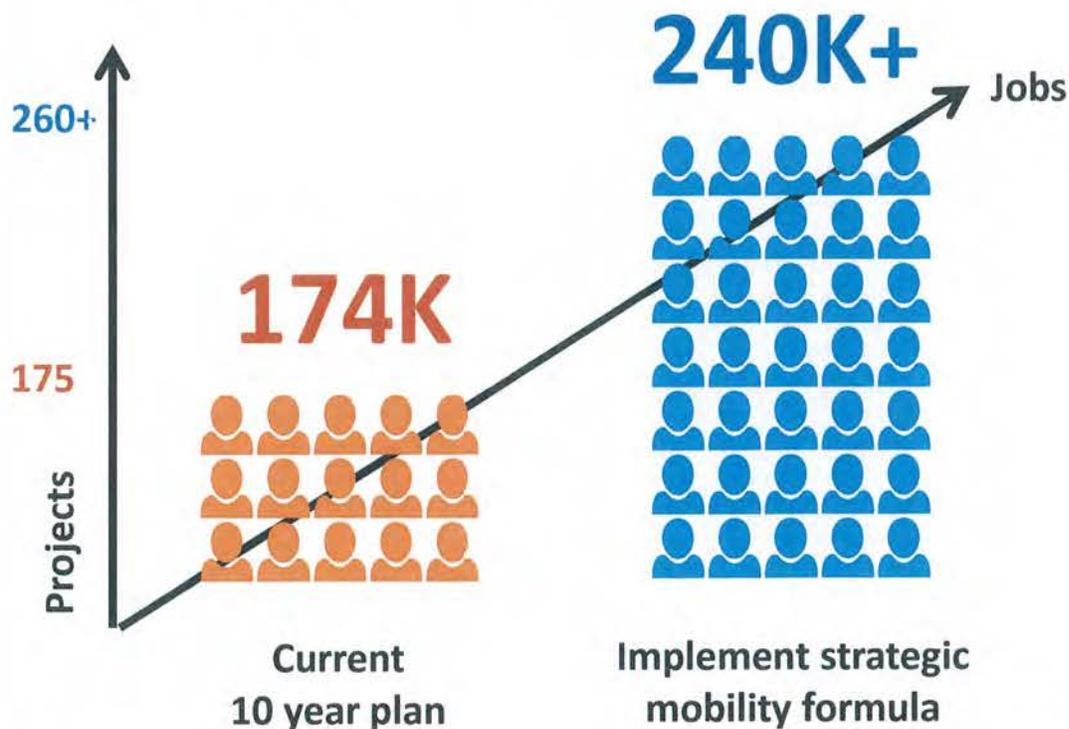


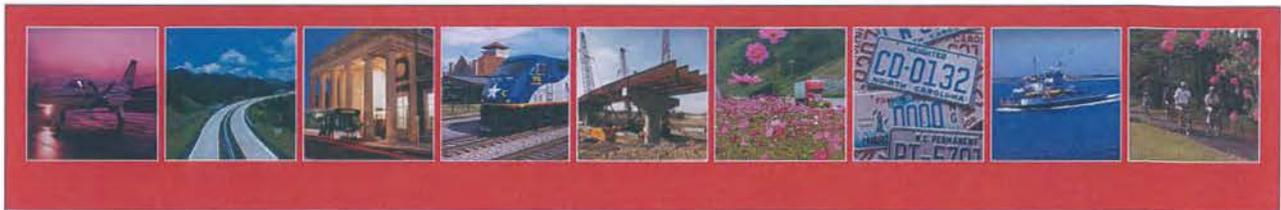
## strategic mobility formula

- **uses quantitative data**, local input, multi-modal scoring  
>> *cascading effect*
- **eliminates special project categories** & equity/non-equity provisions
- **reduces need for projects in legislation** for funding eligibility

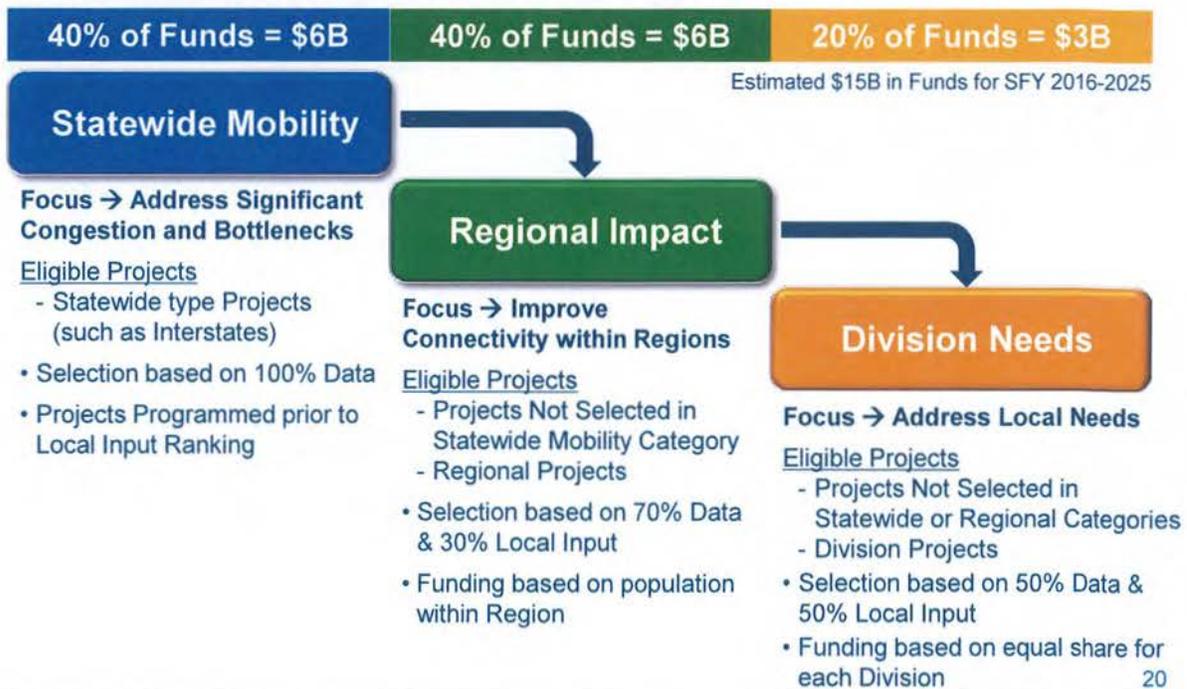


## strategic mobility formula





## How the Strategic Mobility Formula Works





## Proposed Requirements – Strategic Mobility Formula

Projects funded from these categories will be excluded and will be evaluated through separate prioritization processes

- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ)
- Competitive/Discretionary grants
- Appalachian Development Highway System projects

Funds included in the applicable category (Statewide, Regional, Division) but not subject to prioritization criteria:

- Bridge Replacement
- Interstate Maintenance
- Highway Safety Improvements

Funds included in the computation of Division equal share but will be evaluated through separate prioritization processes:

- STP-DA
- Transportation Alternatives
- Rail-highway crossing program

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## Proposed Requirements – Strategic Mobility Formula

All capital expenditures, regardless of mode, will be funded from Highway Trust Fund. All modes must compete for the same funds

Combines traditional Equity-eligible funds, i.e., Urban Loop funds, Mobility Funds, Powell Bill, and Secondary Roads paving

Local Input will be part of the scoring criteria for all Regional Impact and Division Needs projects

Projects (regardless of mode) will be scored on a 0-100 point scale

Operations and Maintenance expenditures will be funded from Highway Fund

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## Proposed Eligibility Definitions - Highways

	Statewide	Regional	Division
<b>Highway</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interstates and Future Interstates</li> <li>• Routes on the NHS</li> <li>• Routes on STRAHNET</li> <li>• Appalachian Development Highway System Routes</li> <li>• Designated Toll Facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other US and NC Routes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All SR Routes</li> </ul>



## Proposed Eligibility Definitions – Non Highways

	Statewide	Regional	Division
<b>Aviation</b>	Large Commercial Service Airports	Other Commercial Service Airports not in Statewide	All Airports without Commercial Service
<b>Bicycle-Pedestrian</b>	N/A	N/A	All routes
<b>Public Transportation</b>	N/A	Routes and Service spanning two or more counties and serving more than one municipality	Routes and Service not included on Regional Multimodal terminals and stations serving passenger transit systems
<b>Ferry</b>	N/A	State maintained routes, excluding replacement vessels	Replacement of vessels
<b>Rail</b>	Freight Capacity Service on Class I Railroad Corridors	Rail lines spanning two or more counties not included on Statewide	Rail lines not included on Statewide or Regional



## Proposed Highway Project Scoring Overview

	Statewide Mobility	Regional Impact	Division Needs
<b>Eligible Projects:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statewide</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statewide</li> <li>• Regional</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statewide</li> <li>• Regional</li> <li>• Division</li> </ul>
<b>Overall Weights:</b>	100% Quantitative Data	70% Quantitative Data / 30% Local Input	50% Quantitative Data / 50% Local Input
<b>Quant. Criteria (Pick min. of 4):</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefit-Cost</li> <li>• Congestion</li> <li>• Economic Comp.</li> <li>• Safety</li> <li>• Freight</li> <li>• Multimodal</li> <li>• Pavement Condition</li> <li>• Lane Width</li> <li>• Shoulder Width</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefit-cost</li> <li>• Congestion</li> <li>• Economic Comp.</li> <li>• Safety</li> <li>• Freight</li> <li>• Multimodal</li> <li>• Pavement Condition</li> <li>• Lane Width</li> <li>• Shoulder Width</li> <li>• Accessibility/Connectivity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefit-cost</li> <li>• Congestion</li> <li>• Economic Comp.</li> <li>• Safety</li> <li>• Freight</li> <li>• Multimodal</li> <li>• Pavement Condition</li> <li>• Lane Width</li> <li>• Shoulder Width</li> </ul>
<b>Notes:</b>	Projects Programmed Prior to Local Input	Quant. Criteria can be different for each Region	Quant. Criteria can be different for each Division



## Prioritization Formula – Criteria –Non-Highways

### Strategic Statewide, Regional Impact and Division Needs Category's

#### Separate prioritization processes for each mode

- **Must have minimum of 4 quantitative criteria (no menu of criteria like highways)**
- **Local input is from Division's, MPO's and RPO's**
- **Criteria based on 100 point scale with no bonus points and not favoring any particular mode of transportation**



## Investment Strategy Formula

### Statewide Strategic Mobility Projects

Projects will be scored on 100% data driven process

Single investment strategy statewide

Highway projects that address cost effective statewide needs and promote economic and employment growth.

Incentive For Local funding - 50% of local commitment of non-State/Federal funds will be returned to local area for other high scoring projects in that area

Project Cap - Currently proposed at about \$300 million and limited to contiguous projects in the corridor in the same Division.

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## Investment Strategy Formula

### Regional Impact Projects

Projects will be scored on 70% data and 30% Local Input

Options for Regional investment strategies across the State

Highway projects that address cost effective needs from a region-wide perspective and promote economic and employment growth

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## Investment Strategy Formula

### Division Needs Projects

Projects will be scored on 50% data and 50% Local Input

Options for Division investment strategies across the State

Highway projects that address cost effective needs from a Division-wide perspective, provide access and address safety-related needs of local communities

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## Reporting Requirements

Strategic Prioritization Office for Transportation (SPOT) shall develop prioritization processes and formulas for all modes at the Department.

- **July 1**, draft to BOT for August approval before Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee (JLTOC)
- **August 15**, report to JLTOC on process used and include feedback from P3.0 Workgroup on proposed recommendations
- **October 1** revisions due if JLTOC does not agree with August 15 report.
- **January 1, 2014** Final Report to JLTOC

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May 10, 2013

**TO: Denise Turner Roth, City Manager  
S. Mujeeb Shah-Khan, City Attorney**

**FROM: Tom Carruthers, Assistant General Counsel**

**SUBJECT: General Assembly Update**

All efforts of the General Assembly are now focused on the May 16, 2013 crossover deadline. This deadline requires any bill to pass either the House or Senate before that date. There is discussion of extending the crossover deadline to May 31, 2013 due to the large volume of incomplete legislation, including the tax reform package which is hailed as the primary focus of this year's legislature. This memo updates the earlier memos of April 12<sup>th</sup> and April 24<sup>th</sup>. Current relevant legislation is noted below.

**Local Legislative Agenda**

*1. Jordan Lake.*

SB 515, Nutrient Management Standards Reform Act is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Committee on Agriculture/Environment/ Natural Resources on Tuesday May 14, 2013. Substantial revisions to the existing bill are anticipated to be introduced at this committee meeting. It appears that the City's legislative agenda is included in these anticipated revisions, and the bill may suggest more comprehensive changes than originally anticipated.

*2. Electronic Notice.*

Senate Bill 287, Notice Publication by Some Local Governments was received favorably by the House Judiciary Subcommittee B and is now eligible to be calendared for a vote on the House floor. If it passes the House with no changes, it will become law.

*3. Greensboro Firemen's Supplemental Retirement System Local Act Amendment.*

HB 347, Amend Greensboro Firefighter's Retirement, passed the House May 2<sup>nd</sup>, and was referred to the Senate Committee on Pensions and Retirement. It has met crossover, and can be considered by the Senate in this session, or the 2014 Short Session.

*4. Protect Municipal Revenue.*

I note that some estimates indicate that earlier proposals to reform the tax collection system of North Carolina have the potential to reduce current City revenue significantly. Senator Berger revealed his tax reform proposal Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup>, however no bill has been introduced with the details. The key points of Senator Berger's proposal are that it will reduce North Carolina's

personal tax rate from 7.75 percent to 4.5 percent, and corporate rates from 6.9 percent to 6 percent. The proposal will preserve the mortgage interest deduction and child care credits. The combined state and local sales tax rate will drop from 6.75 to 6.5 percent, but the sales tax will expand to cover 100 services not currently taxed. It is anticipated this proposal, if enacted, will reduce income tax revenue by one billion dollars, with the new sales tax structure making up the lost income tax revenue. The Governor has indicated he approves of this proposal. Once the bill is introduced, we will be able to report on its potential impact on City revenues.

5. *Hold Harmless Resolution.*

Neither HB 389 nor HB 373 have passed either chamber of the General Assembly. The NC League of Municipalities has alerted its members this legislation is in danger of dying at crossover. No action on these bills has occurred since March 14<sup>th</sup>.

6. *Increase Funding for Greensboro Transit Authority ("GTA").*

HB 525 has not passed either chamber.

7. *Housing Receivership.*

HB 227 has not passed either chamber.

8. *DMV Registration Blocking for Unpaid Tickets.*

SB 227 has not passed either chamber.

9. *ALS Awareness.*

HB 631 has not yet been considered in committee.

**Pertinent Legislation of Local Interest.**

1. HB 589, Voter Information Act.

This bill is the Republican Voter ID bill. It will require each voter in North Carolina to present photo identification prior to voting. Acceptable identification includes: a North Carolina driver's license or ID card; an employer or government ID; state and community college ID; Native American ID; or identification issued for public benefits. Those with religious objections to a photograph must preregister 25 days before the election. Those who do not qualify shall be given a provisional ballot to record their vote pending the anticipated legal challenges of this legislation. This legislation passed the House on April 24<sup>th</sup> and is pending before the Senate Committee on Rules and Operations.

2. HB 817, Strategic Transportation Investments.

This bill will alter how the State ranks and awards road construction projects in the State. It will not fund regional roads which are not NC or US designated. It will direct more funds to the NCDOT division level by changing the funding distribution from 40 percent state/40 percent region/20 percent to 40 state/30 region/30 division. The exact impact on the Greensboro Urban Loop is unknown. This legislation passed the House on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Robbie Perkins, Councilman Zack Matheny and former Board of Transportation member Mike Fox have attended briefings on this legislation. Mayor Perkins and Councilman Matheny are in discussions with our elected officials regarding this legislation.

3. HB 488, Regionalization of Public Utilities.

This bill is directed at the City of Asheville Municipal Water System. It would transfer this municipal enterprise to the Regional Sewer Authority in Buncombe County. This bill passed the House on April 15<sup>th</sup>, and passed the Senate on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Council passed a resolution opposing the bill on April 2. After passing the necessary concurrence votes, the bill was ratified on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Because it is a statewide bill, and not a local act, it did not become law automatically. Though currently unsigned, the Governor has said that he will not sign the bill, and it will become law without his signature. The Office of the City Attorney is informed that the City of Asheville has not yet filed suit to attempt to overturn this legislation, but is expected to next week.

4. HB 773, Local Government's/Buildings/Structures/Inspections.

This bill would limit the ability of cities to conduct rental registration and inspection programs. This bill left the House committee on Government on May 9<sup>th</sup>. It is calendared to be considered on the House floor on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Council's May 7 resolution in opposition to HB 773 has been sent to Speaker Tillis, Sen. Berger, and Rep. Faircloth.

5. House Joint Resolution 55 & Senate Joint Resolution 147, Reform Workforce Development.

This resolution expressed the position that workforce development boards such as the Greensboro/High Point/ Guilford County Workforce Development Board should be consolidated into a larger board under Councils of Government, such as the Piedmont Triad Regional Council (which serves 73 member governments in a 12 county area). The resolutions do not actually cause this to happen if passed, however it sends a strong signal directing future policy. The bill passed the House on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and now is before the Senate Committee on Rules and Operations. House and Senate Leadership received the City's resolution in opposition to this type of reform.

6. HB 284, Local Bidder Preference Act.

HB 284, which would have allowed municipalities to award bids to local businesses if they bid within 5% or \$10,000.00 (whichever is less) of the lowest bid was defeated in the House Government Committee on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

7. HB 870, Record Closed Sessions of Public Bodies.

This bill originally required all closed sessions to be recorded in addition to the summary notes now kept by the public body. This bill was amended in the House Judiciary Subcommittee A on May 8<sup>th</sup>. The recording requirement now excludes consultations with attorneys representing the public body. It was considered and passed the House on May 9<sup>th</sup>, and we expect it will be considered by the Senate soon.

8. HB 892, No Fiscal Note for Rule Repeal.

This bill will repeal the current law that a State agency must prepare a fiscal note on every proposed rule change. Those supporting the bill contend that the fiscal note requirement has acted as a roadblock to rule reform, by requiring all extensive and often expensive studies to be conducted for every proposed rule change. This bill passed the House on April 25<sup>th</sup> and is pending before the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

9. HB 74, Periodic Review and Expiration of Rules.

The House Committee on Regulatory Reform approved an extensive amendment to the language of this bill this week and placed this bill on the calendar for anticipated House adoption on May 13<sup>th</sup>. The new language will require all State regulations to be reviewed every 10 years and reported to the Rules Review Commission. Only those rules deemed necessary shall remain effective.

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# Current Public Records Requests Update May 10, 2013

GREENSBORO

Date Requested	Requestor	Subject	Status
11/7/2012	Daniel Unknown	Hells Angels Email Search - 200,000 Document - 28,000	Multiple attorneys are currently working on request with significant numbers of emails. Emails are in review, and partial completion has taken place. Completion is expected by 5/15/13.
1/16/2013	Eric Ginsburg	Socialist request Email Search - 141,954	Search 1 of 5 was completed on 4/23/2013 and made available to requestor. Staff continuing to review emails. Second batch anticipated to be released next week.
1/31/2013	Alex Jakubsen	YES Weekly PIRT Request Email Search	Batch one of three was released on April 11, 2013. Batch two will be made available on May 6, 2013. The third batch has been reviewed and staff is converting to PDF. Due to the size of the file it will be available on Monday- 5/13/13.
2/8/2013	Amanda Lehmert	YES Weekly Email Requests Email Search	Batch one of three was released on April 11, 2013. Batch two will be made available on May 6, 2013. The third batch has been reviewed and staff is converting to PDF. Due to the size of the file it will be available on Monday- 5/13/13.
2/8/2013	Eric Ginsburg	Palestine, Candlelight Vigil, Gaza Email Search - 120,215	Review is for significant number of emails. Batch one of three was sent to the requestor. Batch two is anticipated for release by 5/15/13. Staff is continuing to review emails.
2/8/2013	Eric Ginsburg	War, Protest, Iraq, March, Peace Email Search - 51,512	Three of the four files have been released to the requestor. The fourth file should be completed by 5/17/13.
2/18/2013	Billy Jones	Confidential Informants Policy/Procedures	Partially completed and sent. Police Attorney is preparing final item
2/21/2013	Billy Jones	Yes Weekly Documents Email Search - 11,000	Batch one of three was released on April 11, 2013. Batch two will be made available on May 6, 2013. The third batch has been reviewed and staff is converting to PDF. Due to the size of the file it will be available on Monday- 5/13/13.
2/25/2013	Sal Leone	Yes Weekly Information Released Email Search	Batch one of three was released on April 11, 2013. Batch two will be made available on May 6, 2013. The third batch has been reviewed and staff is converting to PDF. Due to the size of the file it will be available on Monday- 5/13/13.

Date Requested	Requestor	Subject	Status
2/27/2013	Ben Holder	YES Weekly Information Email Search	Batch one of three was released on April 11, 2013. Batch two will be made available on May 6, 2013. The third batch has been reviewed and staff is converting to PDF. Due to the size of the file it will be available on Monday- 5/13/13.
3/26/2013	Bill Knight	Project Homestead Emails Email Search - 5,323	Legal has begun reviewing emails.
4/15/2013	William Hill	Request for City-wide Audits of Wages	Requestor has received available information. Staff is investigating whether there are additional records responsive to your request.
4/17/2013	Roch Smith	Omega Contract Change Orders	Staff is currently reviewing this request.
4/22/2013	Rebecca Pedreira	Landfill Gas Utilization - RFQ Responses Documents - 7	6 of 7 proposals have been provided to requestor, waiting for Legal to release the 7th.
4/24/2013	Linnell Stanhope	Landfill Gas Utilization RFQ Response Documents - 7	6 of 7 proposals have been provided to requestor, waiting for Legal to release the 7th.
4/24/2013	Bill Knight	Project Homestead SBI Report	Requestor has received available documents. Legal is continuing to research the request.
4/29/2013	Roch Smith	Surveillance Camera Info	Staff is currently reviewing this request. Response will be given to requestor by 5/15/13.
4/30/2013	George Hartzman	Budget/Ethic Code/East GBO Summit/GPAC Email search: 1,442	Requestor has received part of this request. Staff is currently reviewing emails.
5/1/2013	Ben Holder	NC A&T/Bennett College Students	911 audi and documents have been released to the requestor. Video and emails will be completed next week. Emails are currently being reviewed.
5/8/2013	Jeremy Kosin	Bus Video	Staff is currently gathering this information. Should be available next week.
5/9/2013	Ben Holder	Massage Parlor Info	Staff is currently reviewing this request.

<b>Weekly Totals (5/6/13-5/10/13):</b>	
Number of PIRTS Opened	6
Number of PIRTS Closed	13
Average Completion Time	11.54 days
<b>Totals Since January 1, 2013:</b>	
Number of PIRTS Opened	250
Number of PIRTS Closed	230
Average Completion Time	7.67 days

**Public Affairs**  
**Contact Center Weekly Report**  
**Week of 4/29/13 – 5/5/13**

**Contact Center**

5066 calls answered this week

**Top 5 calls by area**

Water Resources

Balance Inquiry – 1179  
IVR/Pay by Phone – 361  
New Sign up – 201  
Bill Extension – 135  
Cutoff Requests – 125

Field Operations

Bulk Guidelines – 110  
No Service/Garbage – 58  
HHW/Transfer – 57  
Repair Can/Garbage – 37  
Appliance Collection – 29

All others

Police/Watch Operations – 339  
Overgrown Lots – 60  
Privilege License – 48  
Courts – 40  
HR/Employment – 38

**Comments**

We received a total of 4 comments this week:

**Budget and Evaluation - 3 comments:**

- Caller does not want the City to give the International Civil Rights Museum any money! He feels that we give away too much taxpayer money. It is an attitude of easy come, easy go, because it's taxpayer money and not our own. He also does not want to see a tax increase.
- Resident: Skip Alston requesting \$1 million in assistance for the Civil Rights Museum. This will create more animosity between the races. Tax payers should not have to pay any more money towards the museum. There are better ways to use the money especially during these times where people are having problems making ends meet. Caller is against paying anything for this.
- While it is very admirable that Skip Alston wants school children from across the state to experience the very historic International Civil Rights Museum, the expedition is called a field trip. Financing should be the responsibility of the individual school systems that wish to participate. PTA's and parents raise funds for the transportation and bag lunches. Parent volunteers are recruited to accompany the students on the day field trip. This is not rocket science. Has school changed that much? Give Alston \$1.2 million for a field trip? Absolutely not!

**Field Operations – 1 comment:**

- Caller wants to thank the crew for sweeping the street. She said the pollen was everywhere and we came right out and took care of it.

**Overall**

Calls about overgrown lots increased last week while calls about employment remained steady. Call volume was busy through the end of the week.



## *SMALL GROUP MEETINGS*

Small Group Meeting Dates & Times	Councilmember Attending	Person Contacted / Department	Subject	Council Notification Date
5/9/2013 11:00, 1:00 and 3:00	Mayor Perkins, Nancy Vaughan, Tony Wilkins, Zack Matheny Marikay Abuzaiter, Nancy Hoffmann	Deputy City Manager Jim Westmoreland	Sebastian Village Complaints & Investigation Process	May 10, 2013
May 9, 2013	Mayor Perkins, Nancy Vaughan, Zack Matheny	City Manager Denise Turner Roth	Greensboro Performing Arts Center	May 10, 2013



## City of Greensboro Grant Applications Submitted

<u>Grantor</u>	<u>Grants Projects / Description of Purpose</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Department Requesting Funding</u>	<u>Council Notification Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
Weaver Foundation Junior Board	The grant will support Summer Night Lights a program designed to provide a structured and safe environment for juveniles through events and activities over the summer during the times of 6-11 pm, traditional high crime times. The program is a collaborative with the Police Department, Libraries and other non-profits.	\$7,500.00	Parks & Recreation Department	10-May-13	Approved by the Department on May 6, 2013
Future Fund, Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro	The funds will support the Music For Sunday Evening In the Park Concert Series. A program that provides free musical concerts in different parks throughout the city.	\$6,140.00	Parks & Recreation Department	10-May-13	Approved by the Department on May 3, 2013