

**Meeting Minutes  
April 6, 2021**

**MINUTES OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina met in Informal Session at 5:00 p.m. and in Formal Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 6, 2021.

*Due to the State of North Carolina's Declaration of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and per NCGS § 166A-19.24, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners conducted a remote meeting using the WebEx application.*

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Chair George Dunlap and Commissioners  
Leigh Altman, Patricia "Pat" Cotham, Mark Jerrell,  
Vilma D. Leake, Laura J. Meier, Elaine Powell,  
Susan Rodriguez- McDowell, and  
Ella B. Scarborough  
County Manager Dena R. Diorio  
County Attorney Tyrone C. Wade  
Interim Clerk to the Board Kristine M. Smith

**Absent:** None

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**-INFORMAL SESSION-**

**CALL TO ORDER**

*The meeting was called to order by Chair Dunlap, after which the matters below were addressed.*

**STAFF BRIEFINGS - None**

**CLOSED SESSION - None**

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**-FORMAL SESSION-**

**CALL TO ORDER**

*Chair Dunlap called this portion of the meeting to order, which was followed by introductions, invocation by Commissioner Leake, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; after which, the matters below were addressed.*

**REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT**

The Board identified item(s) to be removed from Consent and voted upon separately. The items identified were Items: 21-6670, 21-6744, 21-6745, 21-6748, 21-6752, 21-6755, 21-6758, 21-6761, 21-6764, and 21-6767.

Chair Dunlap explained the County's First Right of Refusal with regard to Morgan School.

Chair Dunlap polled to Board to determine whether they wanted to suspend the 10-minute rule for speakers on the Morgan School issue.

By majority vote the Commissioners voted to suspend the 10-minute rule to allow all the speakers to speak with regard to the Morgan School issue.

**PUBLIC APPEARANCE**

**21-6777 PUBLIC APPEARANCE**

The following persons appeared to speak during the Public Appearance portion of the agenda:

- Caleb Dickerson addressed regulations surrounding food push carts.

**AWARDS/RECOGNITION**

**21-6749 JOINT PROCLAMATION - CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

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*Background: Child Abuse Prevention Month is an annual campaign that has been in place for the last nine years organized by Mecklenburg Child Abuse Prevention Team (CAPT). The purpose is to create awareness and to educate the community about child abuse prevention strategies.*

Chair Dunlap read the Proclamation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Meier, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell, and carried unanimously (9-0) t Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes to adopt a Joint Proclamation Declaring April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Mecklenburg County and City of Charlotte.

Dana Fraidy, Guardian Ad Litem Program District Administrator, made comments and accepted the proclamation.

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**PROCLAMATION  
City of Charlotte/Mecklenburg County**

**WHEREAS**, children are vital to our state's future success, prosperity, and quality of life as well as being our most vulnerable assets; and

**WHEREAS**, all children deserve to have safe, stable, nurturing, and healthy homes and communities that foster their well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, child abuse and neglect is a public responsibility, affecting both the current and future quality of life of a state; and

**WHEREAS**, parents need support and resources to cope with stress and nurture their children to grow to their full potential; and

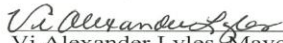
**WHEREAS**, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community:

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE**, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, and George Dunlap, Chair of the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2021 as


**“CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH”**

and call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

**WITNESS OUR HANDS** and the official Seals of the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.

  
Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor  
City of Charlotte



  
George Dunlap, Chair  
Mecklenburg Board of County  
Commissioners



**21-6773**

**ORDER OF THE HORNET INDUCTION OF LEE KEESLER**

*Background: The Order of the Hornet was established in 1972. It is bestowed by the Board of County Commissioners on persons who have displayed valor or high order of service uniquely and specifically to the residents of Mecklenburg County. This is the highest honor bestowed by the Board. The Order of the Hornet was founded in the spirit of the early Mecklenburg patriots who signed the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence on May 20, 1775 and proclaimed the County's freedom from Britain more than a year before the U.S. Declaration of Independence was signed. Those early patriots valiantly fought for their independence during the Revolution and gave Lord*

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*Cornwallis such difficulties during his occupation of Charlotte that he termed the town a “hornet’s nest” of rebellion. Because Lee Keesler reflects the honor, strength, and fierce American patriotism that so stung Lord Cornwallis, he is being recommended for membership in the Order of the Hornet.*

Chair Dunlap read the Order of the Hornet.

Lee Keesler, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Library CEO, made comments and accepted the Order of the Hornet.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Keesler for his contributions to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Library.

Motion was made by Commissioner Scarborough, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell, and unanimously carried (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to Induct Lee Keesler into the Mecklenburg County Order of the Hornet.

**The Order of the Hornet**  
**Know All Persons by These Presents**  
**that**  
***Lee Keesler***

is hereby inducted into the Order of the Hornet of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

The Order of the Hornet was founded in the spirit of the early Mecklenburg patriots who signed the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence on May 20, 1775, and proclaimed the County's freedom from Britain more than a year before the U.S. Declaration of Independence was signed.

Those early patriots valiantly fought for their independence during the Revolution and gave Lord Cornwallis such difficulties during his occupation of Charlotte that he termed the town a "hornet's nest" of rebellion.

Because the above-named reflects the honor, independence and fierce American patriotism that so stung Lord Cornwallis, this person is chosen for membership in the Order of the Hornet.

In testimony thereof we hereby confer the rights and privileges pertaining thereto and affix the seal of Mecklenburg County on this 6th day of April in the year of 2021.



*George Donley*  
Chairman,  
Mecklenburg Board of  
County Commissioners

**21-6764      DECLINE RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL**

Motion was made by Commissioner Jerrell, seconded by Commissioner Leake, and carried unanimously (9-0) to move Item 21-6764: Decline Right of First Refusal - Morgan School, up on the agenda.

The following speakers addressed the Board regarding the Morgan School:

- Richard Wechsler
- Caitlin Donley
- Matthew Hassey
- Aletha Burgess
- Devlin McNeil, David Page, Scott Stevens , Belinda Alexander (Group)
- Emily Sagor

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- Mylon Patton
- Stephanie Gardner, Dr. Sylvia Bittle-Patton, Barbara Rainey, (Group)
- Marc Jensen
- Eugene Young
- Chris Butlak, Jon Lindvall, Wendy Nunez, Victoria McLaughlin (Group)

### **Comments**

Commissioner Jerrell said the Board was asked to unring a bell that it had no part of and was thrust into an issue that had divided a community.

Commissioner Jerrell said the issue should not necessarily be about Arts Plus. He said most would agree that Arts Plus added tremendous value to the community, but that the Morgan School represented a symbol of public issues.

Commissioner Jerrell said systems and institutions that promoted and perpetuated a system of inequality and racism, intentional or not, appeared to be the outcome. He said in this case, with so many residents in the community who felt marginalized and disrespected on their desire to use the Morgan school for community purposes, he believed it was important for the Board to get more information to see what options were available before making a decision.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jerrell and seconded by Commissioner Leake to table 21-6764: Decline Right of First Refusal - Morgan School until the first Board meeting in May for a decision. The motion was not voted on due to the passing of a subsequent, amended motion.

Chair Dunlap made comments which clarified the role played by Mecklenburg County.

County Attorney Wade said there was a deed restriction that could not be changed. He said the property could only be used for educational purposes.

County Manager Diorio said Arts Plus was being displaced for the purpose of renovating Spirit Square and that it was Arts Plus's choice to not return, due to Arts Plus believing the program was too big to return to Spirit Square. She asked what the expectation of staff was with regard to negotiating an agreement. She reiterated that the Morgan School property had to be used for educational purposes, even if the County bought it which meant that a community center would not align with what it could be used for. She said she didn't want to give the community a false sense of hope.

Chair Dunlap said the expectation was that CMS would contact both Arts Plus and the Cherry

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neighborhood to see if there could be an agreement, and that information needed to be conveyed back to the Board, for the Board to be able to take it into consideration when voting on whether to exercise the right of first refusal.

Chair Dunlap said the Board could not require CMS to negotiate with the Cherry community. He said the Board should table the item without restrictions.

After discussion and an amendment, a motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Meier, and passed (8-1) with Altman, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough, voting yes and Commissioner Cotham voting no to table Item 21-6764: Decline Right of First Refusal - Morgan School until Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### **21-6684          NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS TO STORM WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The commissioners voted unanimously to nominate and appoint Richard Roti to the Storm Water Advisory Board in the Environmental category for a three-year term expiring June 30, 2023.

#### **21-6753          NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

Chair Dunlap requested Board to accept recommendations made by the ABC Board Chair to extend the terms of the three members whose terms would soon expire. Chair Dunlap requested the Ad-Hoc committee reconvene to review the structure of all the organizations such that the rotation of the members of said board would not pose this threat in the future.

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Scarborough and carried unanimously (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to approve extending second terms of the following members on the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board: Kenneth Carrick, Jr. - (term set to expire June 30, 2022) extend 2nd term to expire one year later, expiring June 30, 2023; Monifa Drayton - (term set to expire June 30, 2022) extend first term to expire two years later, expiring June 30, 2024; and Earl Leake - (term set to expire June 30, 2021) extend 2nd term to expire one year later, expiring June 30, 2022.



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**21-6771      NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS TO THE ADULT CARE HOME ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Scarborough, and carried unanimously (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to reappoint Elena Sepulveda to a three-year term expiring April 30, 2024.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE**

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**21-6784      HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION'S ANNUAL REPORT**

*Background: The Board's Appointment Policy states all Committees must report at least annually to the Board of Commissioners on their activities. Reports can be submitted to the Clerk for distribution to the Board in writing or for formal presentation at a Regular Board Meeting.*

The Board received information on the Annual Report of the Historic Landmarks Commission from Jack Thomson, Executive Director, Historic Landmarks Commission gave a presentation.

Before the presentation, Chair Dunlap asked Mr. Thomson, to give his reaction to the Morgan School discussion. *Mr. Thomas said he agreed that the school was a designated, local landmark with a level of protections for preservations and that the Historic Landmarks Commission would be involved in reviewing any proposed, material operations to the historic place, regardless of the owner or tenant.*



## Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission Annual Report

Presented to the Mecklenburg  
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### Historic Landmarks Commission

#### Powers and Duties

- Recommends designation of property as Historic Landmarks
- Administers design review over Historic Landmarks
- Negotiates purchase and sale of Historic Landmarks
- Receives & administers the donation of preservation easements from property Owners



## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



The Nevin School, 3523 Nevin Road, Charlotte

c. 1923



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## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



Ford Motor Company Assembly Plant, 1776 Statesville Avenue, Charlotte

c. 1924 and later



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## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



Derita High School Gymnasium, 6115 Rumble Road,  
Charlotte

c. 1937

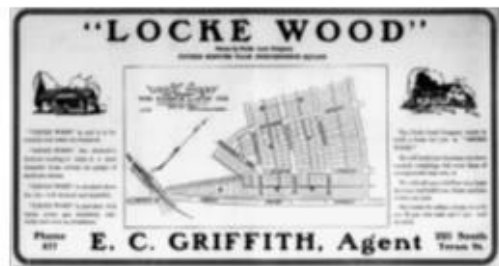


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## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



Butler House, 240 Sylvania Avenue, Charlotte

1925



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## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



Johnson-Sherrill Farmhouse, 21525 Shearer Road, Davidson  
1902 and later



## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



Helper-Walley House, 603 North Main Street, Davidson  
1896 and later



## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



Simmons House, 625 Hermitage Court, Charlotte

1914 and 1943



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## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



Charlotte Fire Station #10, 2136 Remount Road, Charlotte

1957



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## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Designated Historic Landmarks



Ashford House, 241 Hoskins Avenue, Charlotte

1903, 1954



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## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Historic Resource Survey



Beatties Ford Road Corridor Survey



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## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Design Review of material alterations to Landmarks

94 applications for proposed changes

14 Major projects

6 Conceptual projects (preliminary review)

74 Minor projects

All projects were approved, with several benefitting from staff input and guidance.



## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Design Review of material alterations to Landmarks

Representative examples



Shotgun Houses 'A' and 'B'  
approved for relocation



Signage at Highland Mills #3





## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Design Review of material alterations to Landmarks

Representative examples



Demolition of the Mayes House was delayed by HLC for a period of 365 days, during which time HLC staff helped identify a preservation buyer who later donated a preservation easement to permanently protect the Historic Landmark.



## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Preservation Easement Program



As a partner in the sale of County surplus real property, the HLC retained a permanent preservation easement on the Dowd House and former Charlotte Fire Station #10.



## Historic Landmarks Commission

### Preservation Easement Program

These easements will ensure ongoing maintenance and stewardship of the historic landmarks, protecting these historic places for generations to come.



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### Comments

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Chair Dunlap said he wanted the Board to hear that with regard to historic properties such as the Morgan School, the Historic Landmark Commission had to approve any proposed changes regardless of who owned the property. *Mr. Thompson said that was correct. He said what they could not do was require a certain level of maintenance on the property; only address design review thru an application for proposed change of substantial rehabilitation to a property.*

Chair Dunlap asked County Manager Diorio to give an update on the Dowd house and the Fire Station.

County Manager Diorio said after a lot of conversations with the community on that project, an agreement had been made with a private owner who would do an adaptive reuse of the property and make it useful again. She said both the Dowd House and the Fire station were in a terrible state of disrepair. She said the Dowd House was owned by the County and the Firehouse was owned by the City. She said there would also be additional improvements made to an adjacent park.

Leslie Johnson, Deputy County Manager said the real estate transactions were completed. She said there had been conversations about a historic designation and the appropriate preservation easements. She said they would be moving forward summer or fall when community engagement would commence with the redevelopment of that park.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

County Manager Diorio recognized National Public Health Week which was the first full week in April each year.

### **21-6788 CHARLOTTE FUTURE 2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE**

*Background: the public draft of the comprehensive plan was released on October 31, 2020. Public hearing was held by City Council on March 22, 2021, and a consideration for plan adoption is in June 2021. City staff would like to update County Commissioners about the comprehensive plan, review of comments received to date, plan schedule and relationship to ongoing County Plans (Meck Playbook and Age Friendly Mecklenburg).*

The Board received an update of the Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan from Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Assistant City Manager and Planning Director and Alysia Osborne, Project Manager.

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WHAT IS CHARLOTTE FUTURE 2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?



<https://youtu.be/2S7R3ZBjxhA>



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## WHAT'S THE PLAN? OUR CITY'S "GUIDING LIGHT"

- **Guides our growth** over the next 20 years.
- A **"living document"** that integrates community input and best practices for growth, development and capital investments.
- **Addresses equity, transportation, quality of life, economic development, jobs, upward mobility, affordable housing, health, safety, and sustainability.**

**CHARLOTTE FUTURE**  
 2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

HOUSING + ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANS  
 TRANSPORTATION PLANS  
 FACILITIES + SERVICES  
 ENVIRONMENT + SUSTAINABILITY  
 LAND USE + COMMUNITY DESIGN PLAN  
 COUNTY + REGIONAL PLANS  
 PARKS + GREENWAY PLANS

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## COMPREHESIVE PLAN PROCESS - SNAPSHOT

**WE ARE HERE!**

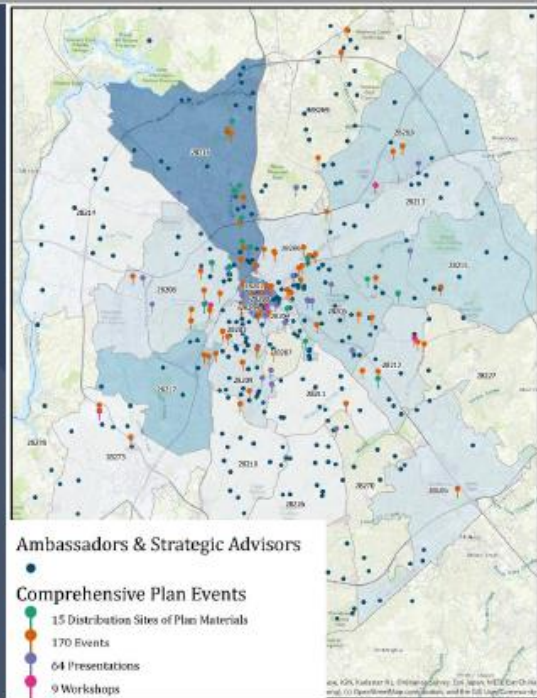
<p><b>Phase 1</b>          Winter 2018 to Spring 2019</p> <p>Our History &amp; Existing Conditions          Community Vision &amp; Values</p>	<p><b>Phase 2</b>          Summer 2019 to Fall 2019</p> <p>Preferred Growth Scenerio</p>	<p><b>Phase 3</b>          Winter 2019 to Fall 2020</p> <p>Policies &amp; Strategies</p>	<p><b>Phase 4</b>          Fall 2020 to Spring 2021</p> <p>Review &amp; Adoption</p>	<p><b>Ongoing</b></p> <p>Implement, Monitor, &amp; Update</p>
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CITY OF CHARLOTTE



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT – WHERE WE HAVE BEEN

- Robust, innovative, and inclusive
- Focused on **access to information** and meeting people where they are
- Input from **groups representing all segments of Charlotte's population**
- **Engaged people who traditionally have not been in the room during the planning process** – people of color, youths, non-English speaking residents, and those with lower incomes



## CLT Future 2040: Engagement Summary (2019 – Ongoing)

TOTAL INTERACTIONS

500,000+



VOICES

6,500+



KEY STAKEHOLDERS

477



METHODS OF ENGAGEMENT

40+

# 40+ WAYS TO CONNECT WITH CHARLOTEANS

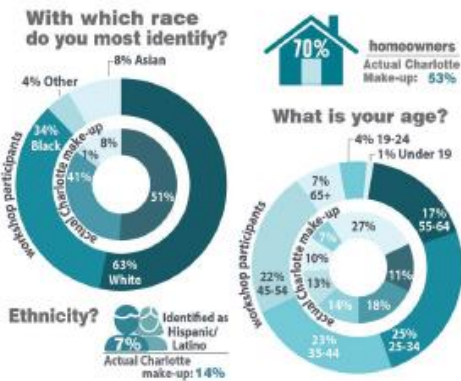
TRADITIONAL + IN-PERSON METHODS	MEDIA	DIGITAL/VIRTUAL METHODS
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### SOCIAL MEDIA

## PUBLIC DRAFT PLAN RELEASE: OCTOBER 31 DRIVE-IN COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

**4 SESSIONS**  
**500+ PARTICIPANTS**  
**COVID-SAFE**

We presented the Public Review Draft Comprehensive Plan to Charlotte residents. To accompany the official launch of the Draft Plan, we held a day of public meetings where participants could drive through a series of boards and watch a presentation outlining the highlights from the Plan. Participants answered quiz questions and texted questions about the document to the Plan team and were directed to several methods for reviewing and commenting the Plan.



## HOW IS THE PLAN ORGANIZED?

### THE PLAN FRAMEWORK



## 500+ COMMENTS RECEIVED TO DATE





## KEY TOPICS FROM PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. **Single Family Neighborhood Diversity and Inclusion**
2. **Housing Affordability and Homeownership**
3. **10-Minute Neighborhood Application**
4. **Anti-Displacement and Community Benefits Agreement**
5. Economic Opportunity
6. Equity and the Equitable Growth Framework
7. Transportation and Mobility Investment
8. Environment and Sustainability
9. Arts and Culture Investments
10. Plan Implementation



### 01 10-MINUTE NEIGHBORHOODS

All Charlotte households will have access to essential amenities, goods, and services within a 10-minute walk, bike, or transit trip by 2040.



#### BIG IDEAS

- Develop a robust network of food co-ops, community gardens and neighborhood-based food sharing
- Create a culture of developer-community collaboration through Community Benefit Agreements

### 02 NEIGHBORHOOD DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

Charlotte will strive for all neighborhoods to have a diversity of housing options by increasing the presence of middle density housing (e.g. duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, townhomes, accessory dwelling units and other small footprint housing types) and ensuring land use regulations allow for flexibility in creation of housing within existing neighborhoods.



#### BIG IDEAS

- Allow more housing types in traditional single-family zoning districts to encourage housing diversity everywhere in our community

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### 03 HOUSING ACCESS FOR ALL

Charlotte will ensure opportunities for residents of all incomes to access affordable housing through the preservation of naturally occurring affordable and workforce housing and increasing the number of affordable and workforce housing units through new construction.



#### BIG IDEAS

- Lead the charge to pass enabling legislation for inclusionary zoning and implement throughout the community
- Create a robust program of restorative justice targeting homeownership, creation and growth of small business, and equity building for the BIPOC communities, including strategic application of existing tools (e.g. low interest loans, small business assistance, etc.) and development of new tools (e.g. community land trusts, commercial lease assistance, etc.)



## CONTINUOUS ENGAGEMENT

### INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY

- Interactive virtual experience
- View and comment on draft plan document
- Accessible to the public 24/7
- Available in multiple languages
- <https://openhouse.citfuture2040plan.com/>



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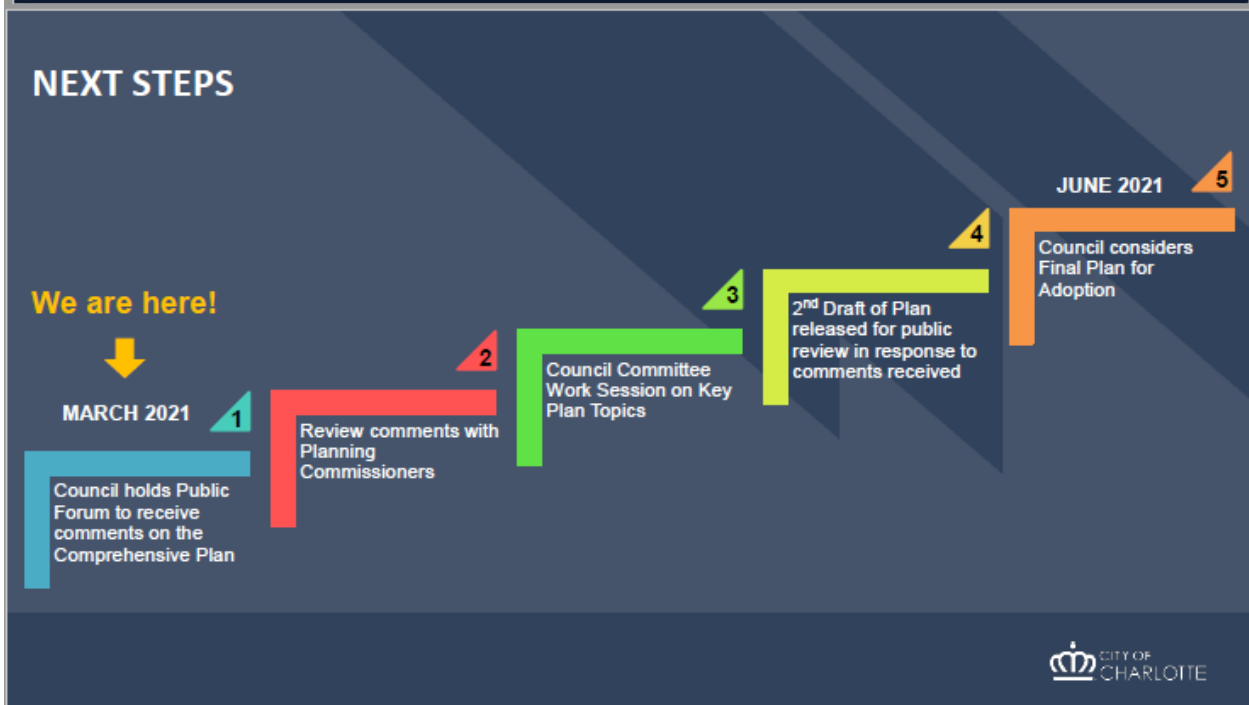
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# REQUEST GAME PLAY

[www.charlottefuture2040@nc.gov](mailto:www.charlottefuture2040@nc.gov)



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Comments

Commissioner Cotham thanked the presenter for his presentation.

Commissioner Altman said she would follow the process and development of this project. She said she would like to see how moving forward the plan would address the concerns of the residents.

Commissioner Powell said that housing options and single-family zoning were sticky issues in this plan. She said she was concerned with big developers coming to the area and putting impervious areas on top of stormwater drains and causing big problems.

Commissioner Powell said because of the pace of the population coming to Charlotte, the goals set in slide number 7 needed to be looked at because it was going to stress the natural environment and in effect, the quality of life for everyone that lived in Charlotte. She said increased impervious areas would have a negative impact on stormwater, flooding risks, and water quality in Districts 1 and 3. She said since she was sworn in there had been multiple swift water rescues in several flooding incidents where it was already over paved.

Commissioner Powell said close attention needed to be paid to the overall stresses in each watershed. She said she wanted to be proactive and not reactive.

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Commissioner Powell said the advisory boards needed to be utilized. She said they were very engaged and underutilized. She said after this was accepted she would like the City to come back to the Waste Management Advisory Board, Stormwater Advisory Council, Park and Recreation Commission, Air Quality Commission, and the Board's Environmental Stewardship Committee.

Commissioner Leake said she had been in meetings to address what District 2 would and would not get from the plan. She said they discussed the non-involvement of the black community and what would happen in the community with regard to the 2040 plan. She said they talked to the City Council rep from District 3. She said at this time there was no support for the plan from her district.

Commissioner Meier said she was particularly interested in transportation mobility, and how this would progress in the plan.

Commissioner McDowell said she had been following this plan for several years. She said the plan seemed to be for a mixture of people to have access and be living together. She said the plan promoted being less segregated and more integrated as a community. She said she was concerned when it came to the stormwater and tree canopy issues Commissioner Powell mentioned. She said she was concerned about the implementation. She asked how guardrails would be put in to insure growth in a smart way.

Chair Dunlap said the time to weigh in was now. He said later other elected leaders that would be appointed would be the ones making changes on the plan. He said he was concerned when he talked to a City Council member that said not adopting the plan was racist. He said he did not necessarily agree with that statement.

Chair Dunlap spoke about the history of some of the neighborhoods in the County. He said there was concern for how the plan could negatively impact certain African American communities.

Chair Dunlap said there was a notion that the Planning Committee had been developing this plan for a long period of time; but there were City Council members who said it was suddenly dropped in their laps and they had to make a decision, and now wanted to delay it.

Chair Dunlap asked Mr. Jaiyeoba if the Planning Committee brought City Council along up to this point. *Mr. Jaiyeoba said Council members gave the go-ahead for the plan back in 2018 and since then, there has been numerous meetings and strategy sessions where the plan had been presented and issues had been addressed. He said the decision on finalizing the plan would be a cohesive decision with the City and County on board. He said he believed the community would feel more*



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*comfortable with the plan if City Council members were more in agreement with the plan. He said If the Council had a split vote on making decisions on the plan it would affect the community, but If everyone was on the same page, decisions on the plan would get further along and people would feel good about the overall approval. He said he would email the County Manager’s Office with questions and responses that came up.*

**21-6789 COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE**

Dr. Raynard Washington, PhD, MPH Deputy Health Director gave a COVID-19 response update.



The slide features a dark background with a large, detailed 3D model of a coronavirus particle on the right side, showing its characteristic red, crown-like surface proteins and grey, textured core. On the left, the text "COVID-19" is written in large, white, bold letters, and "UPDATES" is written below it in smaller, brown, bold letters. At the bottom left, the text "Presented by: Raynard Washington, PhD, MPH Deputy Health Director" is displayed in white. Below that, the date "Date: April 6, 2021" is shown in white. In the bottom right corner, the Mecklenburg County Public Health logo is visible, featuring a circular seal with a figure and the text "MECKLENBURG COUNTY North Carolina Public Health" around it.



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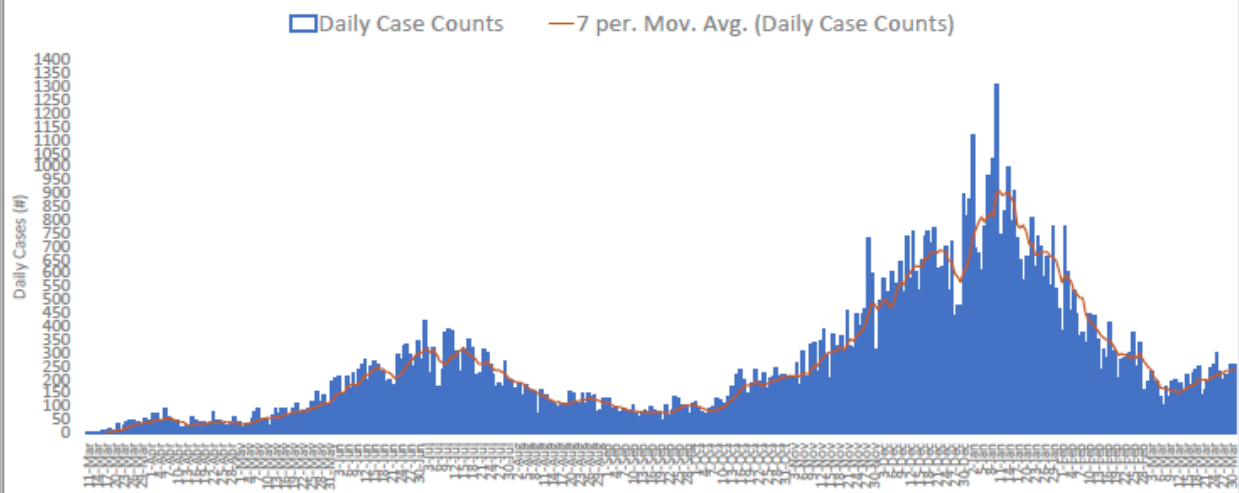


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### Daily COVID-19 Cases Reported to MCPH by Date\*

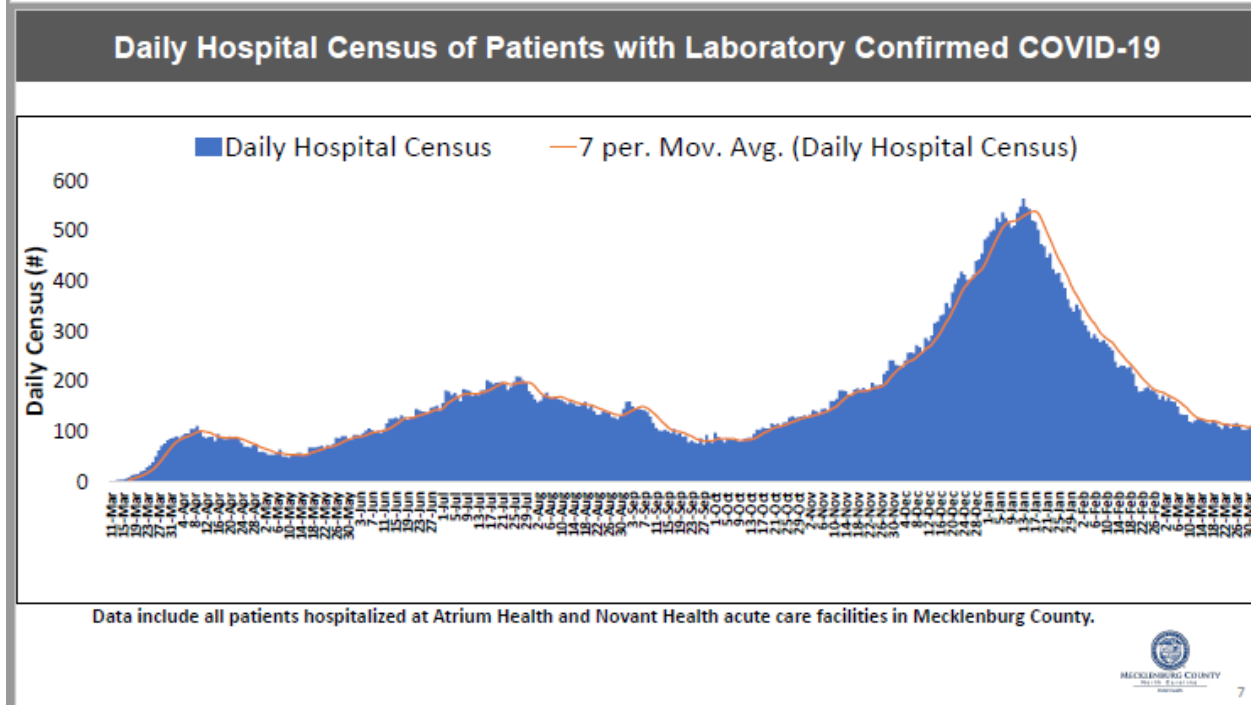
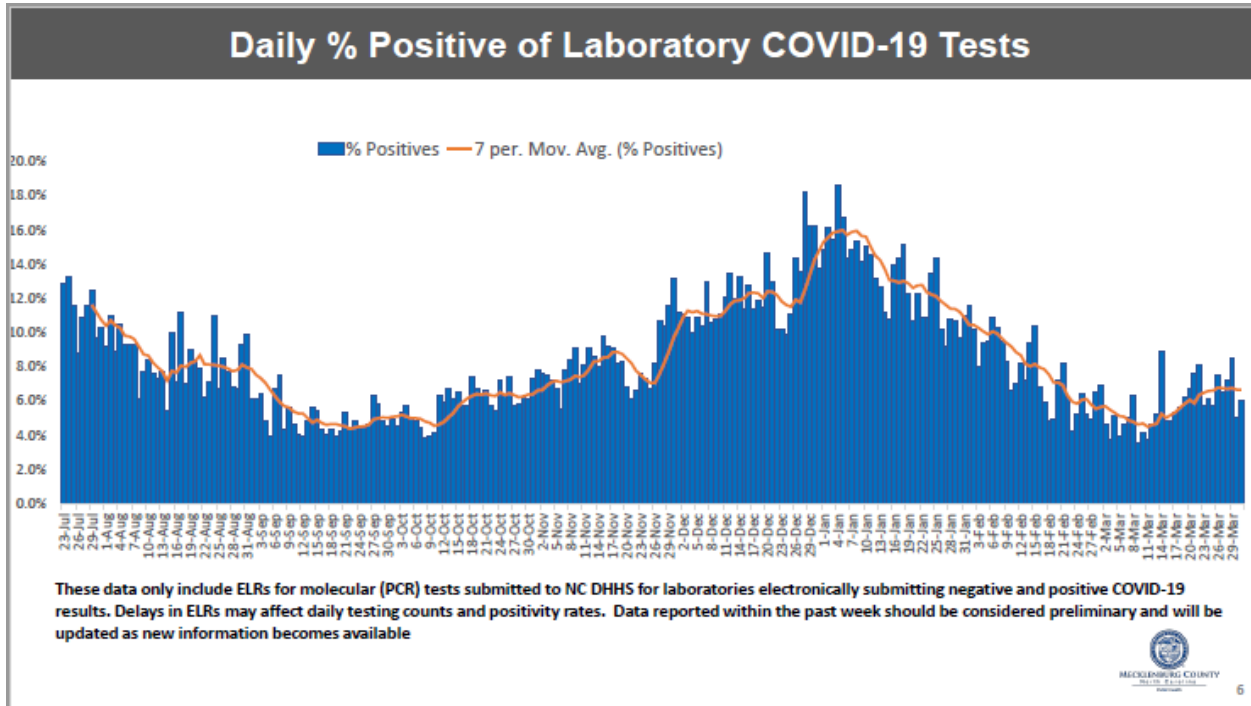


\*Beginning June 22, case counts were updated using a new reporting function in the state communicable disease management system. These counts include cases reported after the daily cut-off time of 5p.m. This approach ensures case counts are not artificially impacted by delays in lab results and case investigations.

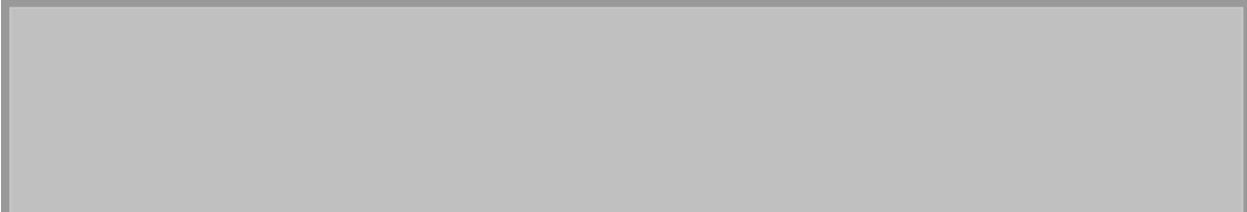
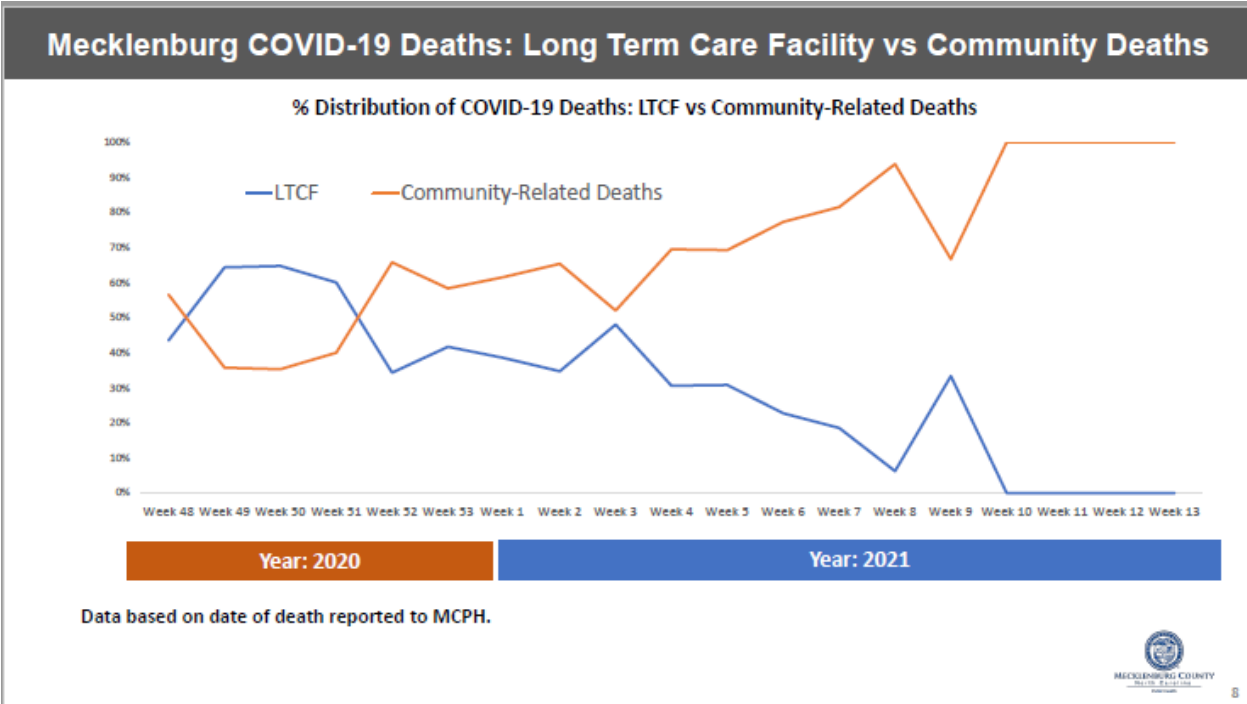




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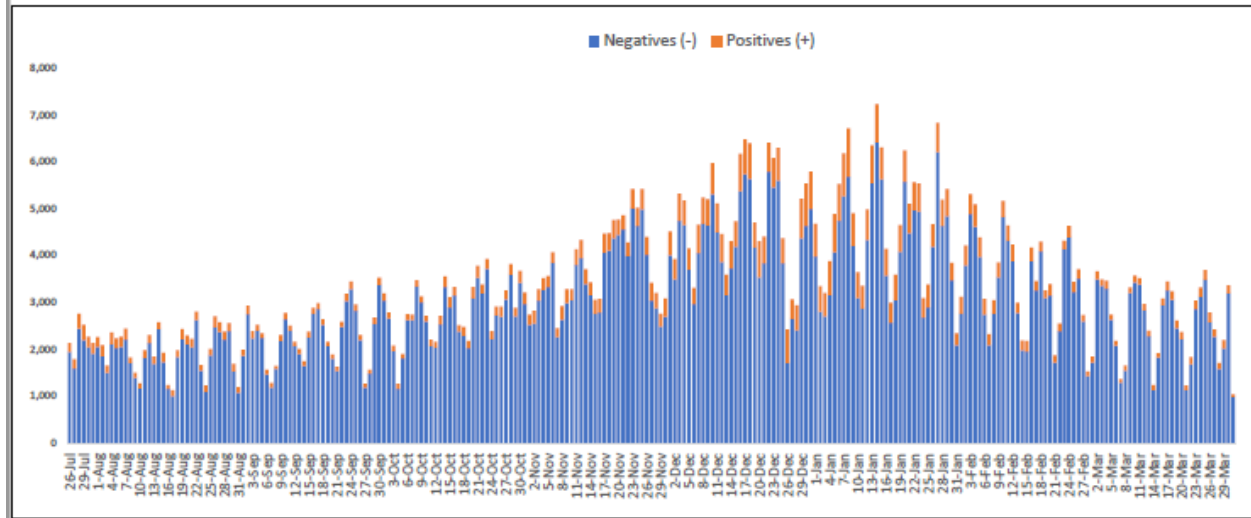


## COVID-19 Testing



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Daily COVID-19 Testing (as of March 30, 2021)



These data only include ELRs for molecular (PCR) tests submitted to NC DHHS for laboratories electronically submitting negative and positive COVID-19 results. Delays in ELRs may affect daily testing counts and positivity rates. Data reported within the past week should be considered preliminary and will be updated as new information becomes available



## COVID-19 Testing

- Residents should not have out-of-pocket costs for COVID-19 testing
- No cost molecular (PCR) and rapid antigen testing widely available throughout the county
- Demand for testing stable; turnaround times are averaging < 2 days

**Where to Get  
NO COST  
COVID-19 Tests**

**NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED:**

➤ **StarMed:**  
Testing Locations:

Bojangles Coliseum	2700 E Independence Blvd	Mon - Fri, 10 am - 4 pm
Mecklenburg Co. Health Dept.	2845 Bottles Ford Rd.	Mon - Fri, 10 am - 2 pm
Archdale Station Park and Ride	6230 South Blvd.	Mon - Fri, 10 am - 2 pm
StarMed Healthcare - West	4001 Tuckasee Rd.	Mon - Fri, 8:30 am - 7 pm
StarMed Healthcare - East	5344B Central Ave.	Sat - Sun, 9 am - 4 pm

2 days a week, 9 am - 4 pm

➤ Pre-registration recommended at **StarMed Care Text the word "COVID" to 704-850-6996**

➤ Rapid antigen tests are available for individuals with symptoms.  
PCR test will be used if rapid antigen test is negative

**BY APPOINTMENT:**

➤ **Atrium:** [www.atriumhealth.org/about-us/coronavirus](http://www.atriumhealth.org/about-us/coronavirus)

➤ **Novant:** [www.novanthealth.org/home/coronavirus-resources](http://www.novanthealth.org/home/coronavirus-resources)

➤ **Walgreens:** <https://www.walgreens.com/linkcare/covid19-testing>

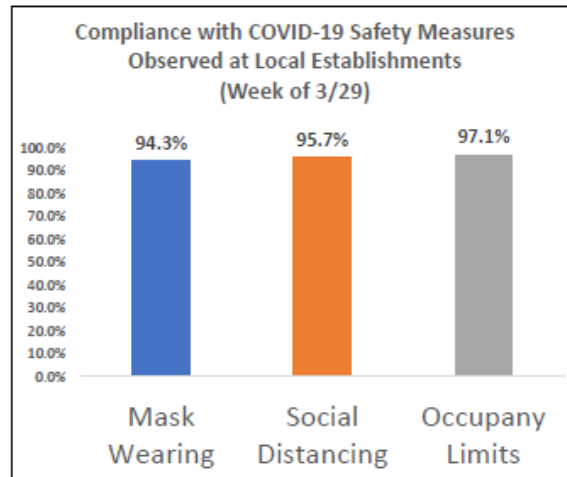
➤ **CVS:** <https://www.cvs.com/minuteclinic/covid-19-testing>

Get more information about the COVID-19 test kit and where you can get an appointment or pickup for the waitlist.  
[www.MeckNC.gov/COVID-19](http://www.MeckNC.gov/COVID-19)



## COVID-19 Ambassador Program Update

- COVID-19 Ambassadors (CAs) have completed **4,444** compliance inspections and **4,261** service requests.
- CAs remain focused on education and compliance with latest Executive Orders.
- CAs schedules are adjusted to ensure visits occur during peak hours.



## COVID-19 Vaccine

## COVID-19 Vaccine Update

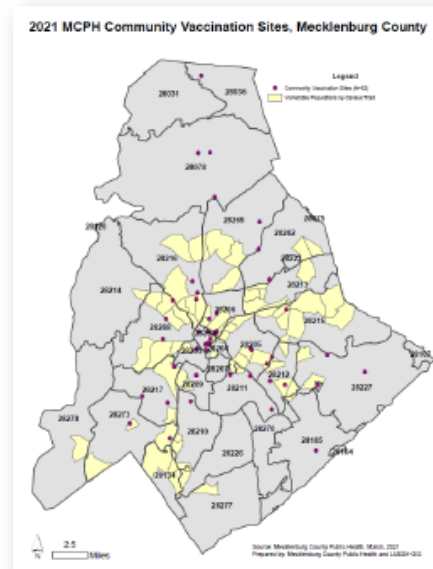
- Public Health to open additional appointments at Bojangles site Wednesdays at 8:30AM each week.
  - Book at [starmed.care](http://starmed.care) or by calling 980-314-9400 (option 3 for English, option 8 for Spanish)



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## COVID-19 Vaccine Update

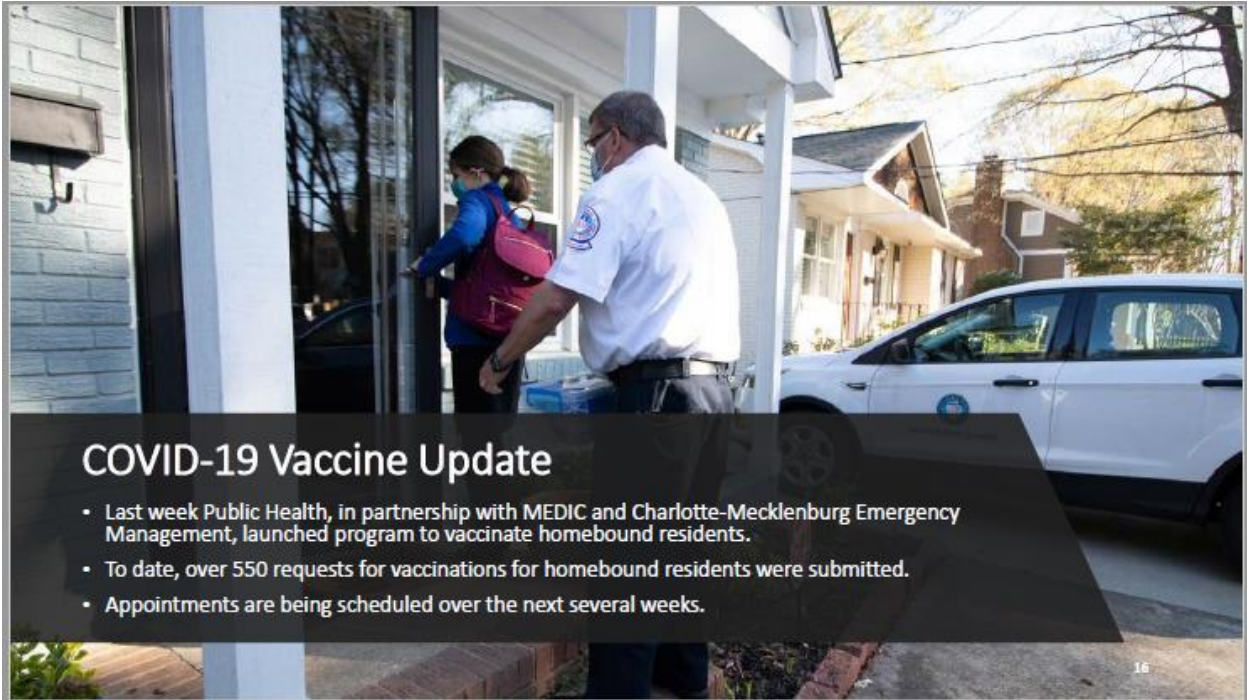
- Public Health is providing vaccine to numerous providers to expand access points throughout the county, including large and small retail pharmacies, primary care providers, dialysis centers, and mobile vaccination units.
- Public Health continues to host community-based vaccination clinics with community partners.
- Public Health is hosting clinics for residents living in shelters and detention centers this week.



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**COVID-19 Vaccine Update**

- Last week Public Health, in partnership with MEDIC and Charlotte-Mecklenburg Emergency Management, launched program to vaccinate homebound residents.
- To date, over 550 requests for vaccinations for homebound residents were submitted.
- Appointments are being scheduled over the next several weeks.

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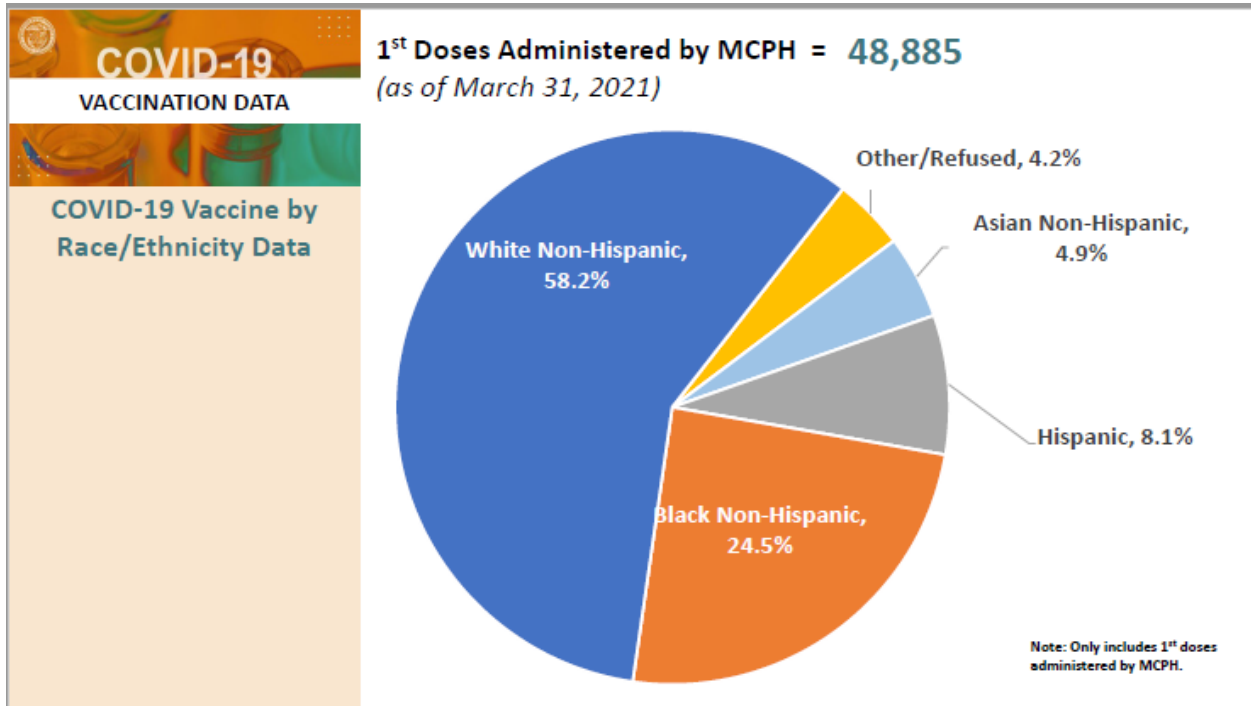
**COVID-19 Vaccine Update**

	Total Received (as of March 31, 2021)	Total Transferred (as of March 31, 2021)	Doses Administered by MCPH (as of March 31, 2021)
First Doses	75,040	25,591	48,885
Second Doses	45,445	6,821	29,854

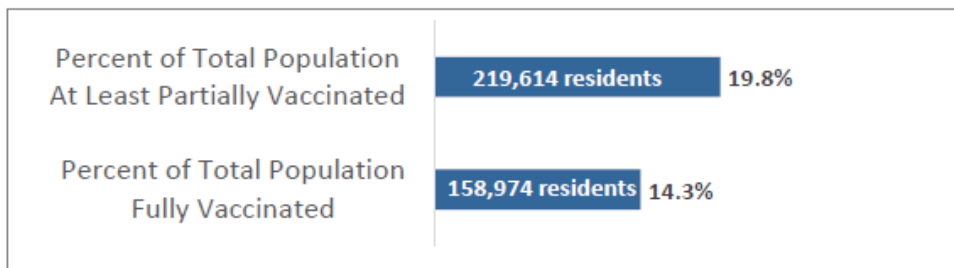
<sup>7</sup> MCPH is currently providing the Pfizer BioNTech, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines to individuals in Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4. For more information about the COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution visit <https://www.mecknc.gov/covid-19/pages/vaccine.aspx>.

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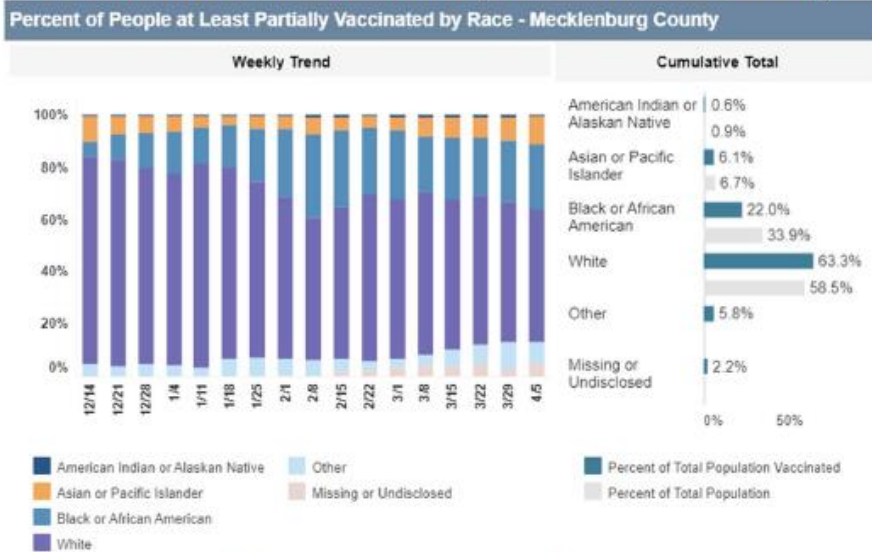
**COVID-19 Vaccine Data: Percent of Total Population Vaccinated, Mecklenburg**  
*(based on NC Providers administering doses to Mecklenburg Residents)*  
*Data as of April 5, 2021*



Source: NC DHHS COVID19 Dashboard <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard/vaccinations>



### COVID-19 Vaccine Data: Partially Vaccinated Residents, Mecklenburg (based on NC Providers administering doses to Mecklenburg Residents)



Source: NC DHHS COVID19 Dashboard <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard/vaccinations>

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## IF YOU LEAVE HOME, KNOW YOUR WS!



**WEAR**  
A CLOTH FACE COVERING.



**WAIT**  
6 FEET APART.  
AVOID CLOSE CONTACT.



**WASH**  
HANDS OFTEN  
OR USE HAND SANITIZER.

**AND DO NOT GATHER IN GROUPS.**

[mecknc.gov/covid-19](https://mecknc.gov/covid-19)

IF YOU FEEL SICK,  
**STAY HOME**  
 AND  
**GET TESTED.**

Comments



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Commissioner Altman said it looked like there were still no clinics in the north and asked when there would be a regular site there. *Dr. Washington said there had been other community providers in the north that were available.*

Commissioner Cotham asked what the numbers were when it came to equity distribution of the vaccine programs. *Dr. Washington said there had been a lot of progress. He said in the beginning not everyone had equal access to start and that people of color were underrepresented in those groups. He said since more groups were eligible, there were more people that could get the vaccine and the inequities started to close.*

Commissioner Powell asked what the percentage was for heard immunity. *Dr. Washington said anywhere above 70%.*

Commissioner Powell asked when Dr. Washington anticipated it to be that high. *Dr. Washington said since vaccine availability increased significantly in the County the opportunity to do that over the next couple of month was there. He said there were factors that influenced how long it would take.*

Commissioner Leake asked where the priority was for seniors and young adults aged 16-24. *Dr. Washington said the seniors had priority early on and that group's numbers continued to go up. He said 55 to 60 percent of those adults aged 65 and up had been vaccinated. He said the younger adults would be eligible to get the vaccine tomorrow.*

Commissioner Leake asked Dr. Washington to pinpoint areas where young people hang out make sure there were supplies in those areas available to them.

Commissioner Meier asked what the status of the wait list was. *Dr. Washington said the waitlist was pretty stable at the moment but the real test would be over next few days. He said it would change after this week.*

**DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTORS' MONTHLY REPORTS – NONE**

**STAFF REPORTS & REQUESTS – NONE**

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS & REQUESTS – NONE**

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**Motion was made by Commissioner Altman, seconded by Commissioner Jerrell, and unanimously carried with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to approve the following item(s):**

**21-6727            BUDGET AMENDMENT - HISTORIC LANDMARKS REVENUE AND EXPENSES**

Amend the FY2021 budget ordinance to recognize, receive and appropriate an increase in revenue of \$35,000 from the City of Charlotte to the General Fund (0001) within the Historic Landmark Commission.

*Background: Revenue in the amount of \$35,000 was received from the City of Charlotte to support efforts to preserve historical properties associated with the African American Community.*

*The Historic Landmarks Commission will direct funds approved by Charlotte City Council to preservation efforts of historic resources associated with the African American Community within the jurisdiction of the City of Charlotte. These efforts would include (1) the research and designation of architecturally and historically important sites as Local Historic Landmarks and (2) educational programming of these significant sites. The funds will be leveraged for but not limited to expand the recent Survey Report of the Beatties Ford Road Corridor.*

**21-6741            GRANT APPLICATION: FY21-22 JCPC INTENSIVE INTERVENTION SERVICES PROGRAM**

Affirm submission of a grant application to North Carolina Department of Public Safety for FY21-22 JCPC Intensive Intervention Services Program (SL 2020-83) for up to \$100,000 for delivering vocational skills training and Moral Reconciliation Therapy for Level III and select Level II juveniles, and if awarded, recognize, receive, and appropriate the award amount in the General Grants Fund (G001) for the duration of the grant within Criminal Justice Services.

*Background: Re-Entry Services Unit will deliver vocational skills training and Moral Reconciliation Therapy for Level III and select Level II juveniles, age 15 and above, with high risks and/or high needs. The program will include delivery of employment retention skills building curriculum and cognitive behavioral interventions for up to 25 juveniles under the supervision of the 26th Judicial District Juvenile Court; services will be offered in both pre-release and post-release settings. The*

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*Criminal Justice Case Manager position will be responsible for both vocational skills training and cognitive behavioral group facilitation.*

*It aligns to Goal 2: Objective 1: Strategy B to provide services for juveniles at the highest risk for entering the adult system (ages 15+ years of age). Additionally focuses on the increase expected in the targeted Raise the Age population ages 16+ years of age by providing additional vocational supports to increase likelihood of employment success.*

### **21-6750 BUDGET AMENDMENT - HEALTH DEPARTMENT (REVENUE INCREASE)**

Amend the 2020-2021 Annual Budget Ordinance to recognize, receive and appropriate an increase in revenue of \$2,511,821 from NC Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health (DPH) in the General Fund (0001) and (B)

Amend the 2020-2021 Annual Budget Ordinance to recognize, receive and appropriate an increase in revenue of \$1,000 from NC Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health (DPH) in the General Fund (0001).

*Background: the NC Division of Public Health has awarded federal funds to the Health Department for funding the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program. The Agreement Addendum allocates \$2,511,821 to help support expanding vaccine clinic, reaching out to those for whom vaccine is recommended, training providers and partners on the appropriate storage and handling of the vaccine, equipping health care providers to discuss the vaccine and administer it to patients, ensuring adequate clinic staff availability, and ensuring systems can track vaccines administered and provide recall tracking and notification to complete vaccine series.*

*The NC Division of Public Health has awarded federal funds to the Health Department for funding Breast and Cervical Cancer. The Agreement Addendum allocates an additional \$1,000 to provide breast and cervical cancer screening, diagnostic and or patient navigation services to NC BCCCP-eligible women.*

### **21-6751 HEALTH DEPARTMENT AMENDED FEE SCHEDULE**

Approve to amend the fee schedule to include the Janssen (Johnson and Johnson) COVID-19 vaccine administration rate of \$40.00 and, approve to amend the fee schedule to include the updated Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccine administration rate for both first dose and second dose to \$40.00 each effective March 15, 2021.

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*Background: The Department is amending the fee schedule to include a fee for administering the Janssen (Johnson and Johnson) COVID vaccine.*

*On March 15, 2021, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Service (CMS) updated the Medicare & Medicaid payment rates for COVID-19 vaccine administration. Effective for services furnished on or after March 15, 2021, the new Medicare & Medicaid payment rate for administering a COVID-19 vaccine will be approximately \$40 to administer each dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. For COVID-19 vaccines requiring multiple doses, Medicare & Medicaid will pay approximately \$40 for each dose in the series.*

*There will be no cost to the patient. No one will be denied the vaccine due to lack of insurance or an inability to pay for the administration fee.*

**21-6754      TAX REFUNDS**

Approve refunds in the amount of \$3,875.99 for registered motor vehicles as statutorily required to be paid as requested by the County Assessor and, approve refunds in the amount of \$948,875.51 as statutorily required to be paid as requested by the County Assessor.

***A list of the refund recipients is on file with the Clerk to the Board.***

**21-6756      CAPITAL RESERVE EXPENDITURE - GOLF COURSE REPAIRS - SUNSET HILLS,  
CHARLES L. SIFFORD CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (PARK AND RECREATION)**

Appropriate \$306,001 from the Public Golf Courses Consolidated Capital Reserve Fund (9002) to complete maintenance and repairs at Sunset Hills, Charles T Myers, and Dr. Charles L. Sifford golf courses for the life of the projects.

*Background: Sunset Hills: The current HVAC at the clubhouse and the irrigation pump will be replaced. Additional minor repairs are needed throughout the facilities, including building a waste receptacle enclosure and new signage. Park and Recreation is requesting \$64,103 to complete repairs.*

*Charles T. Myers: Park and Recreation is requesting \$187,000 to complete the following repairs for C.T. Myers: erosion repair, learning course fence, drainage on learning course, minor cart path repairing, and purchasing equipment wash rack.*

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*Dr. Charles L. Sifford: Park and Recreation is requesting \$54,898 to complete maintenance and repairs at the Sifford Golf course locations. The repairs include a pump replacement, replacing a roof at the maintenance building, signage, and fence work.*

*Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation contracts the operation of golf courses to outside vendors. The Public Golf Courses Consolidated Capital Reserve Fund was established to dedicate revenue collected at County golf facilities for use for capital improvement projects at the County's public golf facilities.*

**21-6757          CAPITAL RESERVE EXPENDITURE - THE TRADITION GOLF COURSE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (PARK AND RECREATION)**

Appropriate \$500,000 from the Public Golf Courses Capital Reserve Fund (9002) to complete renovation of greens and course repairs for the life of the projects.

*Background: The Tradition Golf Course is operating with the original bent grass greens that were installed when the course opened in 1996. The grass has reached the end of its life cycle, and warmer summer temperatures require a change in turf. Mini Verde (Bermuda) would be installed. While the course is shut down for greens renovation, work will take place on cart paths, bunkers, dams and bridges, and the parking lot. Completing all the work simultaneously would minimize impact for the public.*

*Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation contracts the operation of golf courses to outside vendors. The Public Golf Courses Consolidated Capital Reserve Fund was established to dedicate revenue collected at County golf facilities for use for capital improvement projects at the County's public golf facilities.*

**21-6759          DUKE LIGHTING SERVICE CONTRACT - WILMORE CENTENNIAL PARK**

Approve a contract with Duke Energy in the amount of \$59,282.40 for a 10-year service contract (\$494.02 per month) for lighting at the new Wilmore Centennial Park located at 1711 S. Tryon Street.

*Background: Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation will contract with Duke Energy to install and maintain lighting fixtures at Wilmore Centennial Park. The Park is currently under construction.*



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**21-6765 DSS BUDGET AMENDMENT (REVENUE INCREASE): CARES VACCINE  
TRANSPORTATION FUNDS**

Amend the 2020-2021 Annual Budget Ordinance to recognize, receive, and appropriate an increase in revenue and expenses of \$103,773 from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) and allocated by NC Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in the General Fund (0001) within the Department of Social Services (DSS).

*Background: Mecklenburg County received a disbursement of DHHS CARES Act funding to provide transportation to the vaccine sites. The funding shall be used for transportation to or from COVID-19 vaccine providers for the purposes of an individual either receiving a COVID-19 vaccine or assisting someone who is receiving a vaccine. Mecklenburg County Transportation, a division in DSS, will be providing these trips. Funds must be spent by June 30, 2021.*

**21-6766 GREENWAY DONATION - MCKEE CREEK**

Accept fee simple donation of a portion Tax Parcel 111-202-74 (+/- 4.199 acres) plus a permanent greenway access easement from KH Mint Hill, LLLP for inclusion into McKee Creek Greenway.

*Background: The property owner, KH Mint Hill, agreed to donate a portion of Tax Parcel 111-202-74 (+/- 4.199 acres) plus a permanent greenway access easement within the Cresswind subdivision, to the County for the future McKee Creek Greenway. This greenway donation is required by the City of Charlotte as a part of the Cresswind subdivision approval.*

**21-6768 BUDGET AMENDMENT - GENERAL FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATION**

Amend the 2020-2021 Annual Budget Ordinance to appropriate \$6,810,824 from General Fund (0001) balance to provide continued support in response to the pandemic.

*Background: The County received \$39 million in CARES Act Funding in April 2020 and used \$6,810,824 of this funding for reimbursement of General Fund personnel costs in FY2020. This action will reallocate the \$6,810,824 to meet other community needs as presented in the Coronavirus Relief Fund Status Update at the March 2, 2021, BOCC meeting.*

**21-6781 MINUTES**

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Approve the following: Meeting Minutes for February 16, 2021, Regular Meeting and March 2, 2021, Regular Meeting.

### **21-6783 GRANT APPLICATION - FVPSA-CARES ACT SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS REQUEST**

Approve submission of a request for Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) - CARES Act Supplemental Funds, not to exceed \$20,000, to the North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement for prevention of domestic violence and teen dating violence and, if awarded, recognize, receive, and appropriate to the General Grants Fund (G001) within Community Support Services for the duration of the grant.

*Background: Adolescents experience violence from a wide range of perpetrators that may include family members and dating partners. Adolescent victims experience fear and shame, and social norms discourage them from seeking help. Additionally, due to COVID-19, adolescents are more isolated and lack after-school curricular activity which are known CDC risk factors for teen dating violence. If funded, Community Support Services (CSS) will use the funds to reach adolescents and marginalized populations experiencing isolation. Needed teen dating violence education will be taught to teens in Mecklenburg County and statewide. CSS will be using an established partnership with the Collaboration with Youth Involvement who has requested a workshop from the Mecklenburg County CSS LoveSpeaksOut Program, the virtual train-the-trainer program. The workshop will train adolescents to be advocates who can influence their peers and become more educated on teen dating violence and healthy relationships. Funds will be used for training manuals, keynote speaker costs, and outreach materials including resource cards, teen safety plan notebooks, and teen dating violence program supplies. The grant period ends September 30, 2021. There are no match requirements for the funds. The grant application is due April 15, 2021.*

### **21-6792 CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE**

Amend the FY2018 Park and Recreation Capital Project Ordinance adopted June 4, 2019 to increase Little Sugar Creek Greenway to Polk site to South Carolina state line by \$3,595,015.

Amend the FY2018 Park and Recreation Capital Project Ordinance adopted June 20, 2017 to decrease the FY2014 - FY2018 Little Sugar Creek Projects by \$1,795,015.

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Amend the FY2020 Park and Recreation Capital Project Ordinance adopted June 4, 2019 to decrease the Mallard Creek Greenway project by \$1,800,000 and transfer the funds to the FY2019 - FY23 Little Sugar Creek Greenway.

*Background: This request is to complete the final phase of Little Sugar Creek Greenway to the Polk site at the South Carolina state line. A funding transfer is required to complete contracts for construction of the final phase.*

**MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
FY 2018 AUTHORIZATION PARK AND RECREATION  
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE**

The following ordinance was offered as an amendment to and restatement of *FY2018 Authorization Park and Recreation Approved Capital Project Ordinance as adopted June 20, 2017 and June 4, 2019* by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THIS THE 6<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2021:

Section I. That for the purpose of providing additional funds, together with any other available funds for the following projects:

- Little Sugar Creek Gwy Polk Site to SC State Line
- Northern Towns Regional Recreation Center
- Pearle Street Neighborhood Park Improvements
- Eastway Regional Recreation Center
- David B. Waymer Recreation Center Renovations

Including the acquisition and construction of new facilities, the improvement and expansion of existing facilities and the acquisition and installation of furnishings and equipment and the acquisition of interests in real property required therefore, \$103,422,496 is hereby appropriated.

Section II. That it is estimated that the following revenues will be available during the construction period to meet the appropriations in Section I, as set forth in the following schedule:

Proceeds from Sale of Bonds, Pay-As-You-Go/Other County Funds:	
2017-2018 fiscal year	\$ 5,052,099
2018-2019 fiscal year	26,717,776
2019-2020 fiscal year	36,039,520
2020-2021 fiscal year	30,184,783
2021-2022 fiscal year	3,083,303
2022-2023 fiscal year	2,100,000
2023-2024 fiscal year	245,015

Section III. That the Director of Finance is authorized from time to time to transfer as a loan from the General

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Fund or unspent bond proceeds in the Capital Projects Funds, cash in an amount necessary to meet obligations until such time as permanent financing, if any, is arranged, at which time repayment, if required, will be made; and the Director of Finance is authorized to sign the Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures as required by Internal Revenue Service regulations.

***Ordinance recorded in full in Ordinance Book 49 Document # 88.***

**THIS CONCLUDED ITEMS APPROVED BY CONSENT**

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**21-6775 PULLED CONSENT ITEMS**

Commissioners may remove agenda items from the Consent Agenda for separate vote, to bring public awareness or to make comments. The following items were pulled and voted upon separately:

**21-6670 EASTWAY PARK APARTMENTS - AFFORDABLE HOUSING 55 AND UP**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Scarborough, and unanimously carried (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to approve resolution for a one-time loan in the amount of \$1.5M from the Rental Subsidy Program Fund (RSPF) with a return interest rate of 1% for 92 affordable Area Median Income (AMI) mixed units.

*Background: Harmony Housing (Harmony) is a national 501(c)(3) founded in 2005 with a focus on owning and operating affordable housing. Harmony owns approximately 12,000 rental units including nearly 1,200 units located throughout the state of North Carolina. Harmony has engaged Greystone Affordable Development and Urban Trends Real Estate, Inc. as turn-key developers for Eastway Park Apartments. Harmony will remain the long-term owner and operator of Eastway Park Apartments. The joint venture between Greystone Affordable Development and Urban Trends brings local, state, and national affordable housing experience to ensure the success of Eastway Park.*

*The board approved a one-time loan contribution of 1.5 million dollars for 92 affordable units that will include AMI mixed affordable units during the December 1, 2021 regular board meeting.*

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**21-6744 REAPPOINTMENT - MECKLENBURG COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Scarborough, and unanimously carried (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to, in accordance with the requirements of N.C.G.S. 105-349, reappoint Neal L. Dixon to the Office of Mecklenburg County Tax Collector for a four-year term effective July 1, 2021 and direct the Clerk to the Board to administer the oath of office prior to the effective date and file it in the permanent records.

**21-6745 REAPPOINTMENT - MECKLENBURG COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez-McDowell, and unanimously carried (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to, in accordance with the requirements of N.C.G.S. 105-294, reappoint Kenneth L. Joyner to the Office of Mecklenburg County Tax Assessor for a four-year term effective July 1, 2021 and direct the Clerk to the Board to administer the oath of office prior to the effective date and file it in the permanent records.

**21-6748 GRANT AWARD - SHERIFF'S OFFICE - GOVERNORS CRIME COMMISSION**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez- McDowell and carried unanimously (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to decline the grant award from the North Carolina Governor's Crime Commission for Patrol Rifles up to \$24,500 for replacement law enforcement equipment as referenced in the original Board Action 20-5917.

*Background: on January 22, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved submission of a grant application to the North Carolina Governor's Crime Commission for Patrol Rifles and to recognize, receive and appropriate the awarded amount.*

*After careful review and consideration of the program requirement's, Special Conditions, the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office finds that we do not meet the ICE certification requirements to accept the award. Therefore, the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office must decline the award.*

**21-6752 GRANT APPLICATION -- US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICE, US OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH**



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Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Altman, and carried unanimously (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to approve the submittal of a grant application to the US Department of Health and Human Service, US Office of Minority Health to support the implementation of evidence-based strategies to improve health literacy regarding COVID-19 for up to \$4,000,000 for a two-year period and to recognize, receive, and appropriate the amount awarded to the General Grants Fund (G001) for the duration of the award.

*Background: The Mecklenburg County Health Department is requesting the approval to apply for funding from the US Department of Health and Human Service, US Office of Minority Health for funding for two years. Grant funds will be used to support improving health literacy on COVID-19, including increasing access to culturally and linguistically appropriate health information, resulting in greater adoption of preventive strategies, including vaccination.*

### **21-6755 CAPITAL RESERVE EXPENDITURE - THE HARRY L. JONES, SR. GOLF COURSE CAPITAL**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Altman, and carried unanimously (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to appropriate \$160,000 from the Public Golf Courses Consolidated Capital Reserve Fund (9002) to complete renovation of greens and course repairs for the life of the projects.

*Background: the Harry L. Jones, Sr. Golf Course needs green repair to sustain grass through the summer months. The greens will be sprigged with a lower cost Bermuda that will allow the course to operate and provide a quality product to the public. This short-term fix will allow the course to remain open to the public, while Phase III of the redesign takes place. Work will also take place on bridges throughout the facility to ensure safety.*

*Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation contracts the operation of golf courses to outside vendors. The Public Golf Courses Consolidated Capital Reserve Fund was established to dedicate revenue collected at County golf facilities for the use of capital improvement projects at the County's public golf facilities.*

### **21-6758 DUKE LIGHTING SERVICE CONTRACT - PEARL STREET PARK**

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Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Scarborough, and carried unanimously (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to approve a contract with Duke Energy in the amount of \$108,796.14 for a 10-year service contract (\$906.28 per month) for lighting at the new Pearl Street Park which covers 26 fixtures throughout the park.

*Background: Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation will contract with Duke Energy to install and maintain lighting fixtures at Pearl Street Park. Pearl Street Park is currently under construction.*

#### **21-6761        DECLINE RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL - TRYON HILLS SCHOOL**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Powell and unanimously carried (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to decline the County's statutory right of first refusal to Tax Parcel 079-076-18 (the former Tryon Hills School) that is owned by Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education ("CMBE") to permit CMBE to enter into a lease extension with Veritas Community School, Inc and Alliance Center for Education, Inc.

*Background: CMBE requests that the County decline its statutory right of first refusal; thereby, allowing CMBE to enter into a five (5) year lease term with Veritas Community School, Inc., a North Carolina non-profit corporation and Alliance Center for Education, Inc., a North Carolina non-profit corporation, for the former Tryon Hills School at 2600 Grimes St. in Charlotte (Tax Parcel 079-076-18, +/- 7.0 acres). Veritas and Alliance provide Head Start and elementary education.*

*North Carolina General Statute (NCGS) 115C-518(a) requires local school boards of education to give local boards of county commissioners the first opportunity to acquire any school owned real estate that is proposed for disposal. To comply with this statute, CMS must offer the above school district owned property to the County prior to selling the property. The County's Asset and Facility Management Department has determined that the County does not need to acquire the subject property for any County-related operations and recommends declining the County's right of first refusal. The business terms between CMBE and Veritas Community School, Inc and Alliance Center for Education, Inc.*

#### **21-6767        EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Scarborough, and unanimously carried (9-0) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Jerrell, Leake, Meier,

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Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, to approve the Emergency Rental Assistance Special Revenue Fund (ERA1) Ordinance; and recognize, receive and appropriate \$6,775,690 from the U.S. Department of Treasury to the Emergency Rental Assistance Special Revenue Fund (ERA1) for the duration of the award.

*Background: Funding was made available to states and local governments under section 501 of Division N of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. No. 116-200 (Dec. 27, 2020) to be used for direct financial assistance, including rent, rental arrears, utilities and home energy costs, utilities and home energy costs arrears and other expenses related to housing. The County will enter into an agreement with DreamKey Partners (formerly known as Charlotte-Mecklenburg Housing Partnership) to administer the program to provide aid to residents in the six towns and unincorporated areas of the County. Funds must be spent by December 31, 2021.*

**Ordinance recorded in full in Ordinance Book 49, Document #87.**

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioners shared information of their choosing within the guidelines as established by the Board, which included, but not limited to, past and/or upcoming events.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Leake, seconded by Commissioner Meier, and carried (8-1) with Commissioners Altman, Cotham, Dunlap, Leake, Meier, Powell, Rodriguez-McDowell, and Scarborough voting yes, and Commissioner Jerrell voting no, that there being no further business to come before the Board that the meeting be adjourned at 10:31 p.m.

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Kristine M. Smith, Interim Clerk to the Board

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George Dunlap, Chair