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Register Date:

2/3/2017 ...

Speaker List

Meeting Date:

02/07/2017 6:00PM

Agenda Item #:

17-3785

Subject:

Public Appearance

Please select one regarding the agenda item you will address:

☐ In Favor

☐ In Opposition

☒ Neither

Additional Comments:

Public Appearance; Heart Month  
AHA, Village HeartBEAT Faith-Based  
collaboration and Thereasea Elder Community

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Special Assistance Needed at Meeting:

☐ Yes

☒ No

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Register Date:

1/26/2017

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Speaker List

Meeting Date:

02/07/2017 6:00PM

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Agenda Item #:

17-3785

Subject:

Commend Sheriff's Office

Please select one regarding the agenda item you will address:

☐ In Favor☐ In Opposition☒ Neither

Additional Comments:

To commend the Sheriff's Office for its efforts to inform the public about its procedures through the Sheriff's Office

First Name:

Deborah

Last Name:

Stevenson

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Register Date:

1/28/2017

Speaker List

Meeting Date:

02/07/2017 6:00PM

Agenda Item #:

17-3785

Subject:

Our safety in america addressing rassim and social EQUALITY

Please select one regarding the agenda item you will address:

☒ In Favor☐ In Opposition☐ Neither

Additional Comments:

We need to save our country from the threat within.

First Name:

Kenny

Last Name:

Fillmore

Suffix:

Fillm

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Register Date:

1/30/2017

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Speaker List

Meeting Date:

02/07/2017 6:00PM

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Agenda Item #:

17-3785

Subject:

Year in Review - Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Charlotte

Please select one regarding the agenda item you will address:

☐ In Favor☐ In Opposition☒ Neither

Additional Comments:

The CEO Donna Dunlap would like to update the County Commissioners on the progress Big Brother Big Sisters of Greater

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Special Assistance Needed at Meeting:

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2/8/2017 ...

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Agenda Item #:

17-3785

Subject:

Objection to MCPR Planned Park

Please select one regarding the agenda item you will address:

☐ In Favor☒ In Opposition☐ Neither

Additional Comments:

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Summary of MCPR Mistakes for 2016

**RICHARD SHAW'S HANDOUT**  
**17-3785 – PUBLIC APPEARANCE**  
**FEBRUARY 7, 2017**

Park Project - Contrary to espoused objectives of getting resident input before wasting resource\$

Sent 600 public meeting notice postcards, missing 400 of our homes and getting to 200 strangers

Heard residents wanted to hold a pre-MCPR presentation meeting, vetoed as not within protocol

Asked for demo contractor name, demolished the perfect meeting place for both communities

Held three 2016 public meetings for planning input, yet final plan was same as original from 2015

Got modern design-for-safety park plan, ignored those ideas and used old, inferior designs

Lied to communities for 6 months that park was a done deal, not official till early November 2016

Received dozens of requests for design details over 1 year, never replied to even one

Heard about community vote to delay the park, told its supporters to halt-any-voting on social media

Learned that park vote began with opposition ahead, park team lied to PRC that support was strong

Told of numerous likely hazards on park lands, no soil tests or water tests or comprehensive EIS/EIRs

Sent over 40 messages about wildlife, plantlife and urban refuges, never responded to those queries

Informed PRC and MCPR that the new ERRC is the "perfect park" for our 800 families, dead silence

Got request for MCPR's park crime rates, Clemmer REFUSED to forward the CMPD "crime data"

Other MCPR Projects - Wasting thousand\$ on planning or costing thousand\$ in remediation

Lied to PRC's Mr. Bryant in January 2016 that Aldersgate wanted Seniors out, actually not for 3-9 years

Used deceptive name for a westside park project, but residents found out and voted NO: 95 to 5

Lied to Seniors that rent-free center was closing, MCPR boss alone made the decision to move them out

Knew beach plans were not ready for 21 days and still opened early, created weeks of residential chaos

Sacrificed park lands for developers at Pearle, Brooklyn and Sedgefield, left residents to their own fates

Park Project Report - Submitted on Tuesday 02/07/2017 for the BOCC, Mecklenburg County NC  
By Richard Shaw, Advocate for Delaying the proposed "Linda Lake Nabe Park" Net2868@gmail.com



MECKLENBURG COUNTY  
Office of the County Manager

Memorandum

To: Mr. Richard Shaw (Complainant)

From: Timmothy Tibbs, Assistant to the County Manager

Date: June 9, 2016

RE: Park & Recreation Complaint Response

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5. Failing to consider alternative park designs from citizen(s) –

Throughout the Public Meeting and Stakeholder Meeting process, Park and Recreation staff encouraged participation from attendees and tried to incorporate comments/suggestions into the design revisions to the park where applicable. At the second Public Meeting on May 3, 2016, feedback from the attendees was extremely positive about the current design for the park. No comments (good, bad or other) were made about the current design. Hard copies of the site plan of the park were distributed as requested following the meeting. Alternative designs for the park were provided to Park & Recreation and the Stakeholder group.

Any concerns over the design were discussed at the first public and Stakeholder meeting by members of Park and Recreation and Asset and Facility Management staff, Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department and the residents of Grove Park and Ravenwood neighborhoods who attended these meetings. The consensus was reached to move forward with the final plans that were reviewed and vetted with all parties.

While all suggestions and feedback are welcomed from residents- there is no guarantee that those suggestions will be adopted. The County relies upon our staff to make decisions and evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of any plans for our facilities. Park and Recreation demonstrated that they were willing to consider other designs, but ultimately went with designs that were reviewed and vetted by the community that made the best use of the space provided.

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End of excerpt

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**RESPONSE:** Today: ERRC and Low Community Support make a new park an absurd idea.

**1. THE FACTS TRUMP THE FAKE NEWS** - MCPR Supporters never amounted to 10% EVER !

The number of participants in the 3 public meetings totaled 175 residents (100,16 and 59) from both communities of 2200 or just 8% max, but actually they only represented 100 families of our combined 800 households ( due to 30 being couples and 40 single residents) or just 9% of homes. Not fantasy.

## 2. The MCPR depiction of community support for this park relies solely on personal opinion.

Contrary to Mr. Tibbs' research efforts and summary herein, the truth of the matter is that the "proverbial glass of water" was half-full for MCPR's team and their supporters, while equally half-empty for the many opposed to the park at the two public and stakeholder meetings.

Just look at the 6 independent reports (online) for those 3 meetings - Hostility, anger, shouting and stomping out - which is not the rose-colored picture the MCPR team has painted. The CMPD were out in force at the March 3 Stakeholder Meeting for just those reasons. So, where is that in the MCPR reports? Or in the design contractor minutes?

Here is what the President of Grove Park Naborhood Association reported after the Jan-26 Meeting:  
"Despite my worst fears nobody was dragged away in handcuffs and there was no blood on the seats. The three residents we expected to be difficult were, but it was contained and didn't affect the enthusiasm that built when we did the break-out sessions and began thinking of how great an idea this really was. I think we ended the evening with the majority supporting the park."

Stakeholder Meeting with MCPR at Pence Road Rec Center -3/3/2016- Park12 Report for Residents  
"It was cold, wet and windy outside on Thursday evening. But inside it got hot and boisterous."

## 3. Point-by-point criticism of MCPR response to Tibbs Inquiry:

Section 5, para 1 - MCPR tried to incorporate comments/suggestions into the design revisions...  
YES - They "tried;" they did not succeed. Other than minor things, like arranging Titanic deck chairs

Section 5, para 1 - Feedback from the attendees was extremely positive about the current design ...  
YES - MCPR heard the support and as humans often do, they ignored the equally numerous concerns voiced, especially when their jobs depend on continuing to create more work to be done. And their bosses do not want to hear about any such problems. Rosy pictures are preferred, even if totally inaccurate.

Section 5, para 2 - The consensus was reached to move forward with the final plans that were reviewed and vetted with all parties...

YES - MCPR reached a consensus with the supporters, but not by ALL - especially the opponents.  
WHAT consensus with residents? Just 8-9% of the two communities? NOT in the real world!

Section 5, para 3 - MCPR...went with designs that were reviewed and vetted by the community that made the best use of the space provided...

YES the alternate designs were vetted by MCPR but any problems with them were never shared with anyone from the two communities. And especially NOT with the residents who proposed them.  
NOT ONE! Paints on fire!

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