

Northeast Citizens Advisory Council Meeting

October 12, 2017 Agenda

Marsh Creek Park, 3050 New Hope Road
(919) 996-4920



"The Northeast CAC district serves the area that is east of Capital Boulevard to New Bern Avenue and north of Interstate 440 to 540 following the eastern edge of city limits."

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1. **Welcome/Meeting called to order**
2. **Approval of NECAC October Agenda**
3. **Approval of Sept. Minutes**
4. **Departments**
 - a. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources
 - b. Police/Public Safety
 - c. Housing and Neighborhoods
Department: Community Engagement
 - d. Code Enforcement
 - e. Councilmember
5. **NECAC Business - Update**
 - a. Vote: Z-21-17 (R6-NC3): Mac McIntyre
 - i. 4506 Louisburg
 - ii. 4428 James Rd
 - b. Awardee of Neighborhood Recognition Award
 - c. Engaging Community Interest via Survey
6. **New Business**
 - a. Election –NECAC elected leaders
 - b. Community Outreach (display of Yard Signs)
7. **Adjourn**

Next CAC meeting is Nov. 9, 2017

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<https://m.facebook.com/RaleighNortheastCAC/?tsid=0.03280085649035824&source=typeahead>

To: Northeast Citizens Advisory Council (NECAC) Members
From: Charles Good
Date: Saturday, September 16, 2017
Ref: Monthly Meeting Minutes

On Thursday, September 14th, members of the NECAC met at Marsh Creek Park's Community Center for our monthly business meeting. During our meeting, the following took place:

City of Raleigh Reports:

- **Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources** – Heather O'Brien provided the following information:
 - Dedication of The Dr. Bill and Merrie Hedrick Homestead at Horseshoe Farm Nature Preserve will be held on Friday, September 22, 2017 at 10 AM. For more information...
<https://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/news/content/CorNews/Articles/PRecHorseshoeFarmHomesteadDedication.html>

There is also a 2-page event invitation online...
<https://www.raleighnc.gov/content/CorNews/Documents/PRecHorseshoe%20FarmHomestead%20Dedication%20InvitationSept.pdf>
 - Dedication of Forest Ridge Park will be held on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 10 AM. For more information...
<https://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/news/content/CorNews/Articles/PRecForsetRidgeParkDedication.html>
 - The Pullen Arts Center, part of Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources, will be closing for expansion and full renovation on November 9, 2017. Construction is anticipated to take a minimum of 12 months. During this closure, Pullen Arts Center will increase its square footage by 50%, to help meet the increasing demand for classes and studio space for pottery, painting, jewelry, glass, and printmaking, as well as larger gallery spaces to exhibit area artists. Some of Pullen Arts Center's regular arts programming will continue at other locations during the closure. Please check the Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Resources Leisure Ledger for program information and locations...
<https://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/content/ParksRec/Articles/ParksRecreationPublications.html>

The Parks, Recreation, Greenway Advisory Board meets on the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM. Please check the City of Raleigh public meeting calendar to confirm location...

<https://data.raleighnc.gov/Government/Public-Meetings-Calendar/snpm-8ugp/data>

- **Police Department/Public Safety** – Senior Officer Robert Mark provided the following information:
 - National Night Out (the Tuesday of August) was a big success! Officer Mark reported visiting several neighborhoods and giving out 500-600 stickers to children, as well as glow sticks and flavored lollipops.
 - In the Northeast Division service area during the past month, there have been 25 vehicle break-ins, 11 residential break-ins, 18 weapons offenses, and 4 stolen vehicles. Residential break-ins primarily occur during the day (when you are at work) and vehicle break-ins typically occur at night (when you are asleep). Officer Mark re-emphasized how important it is to lock your cars
- **Community Engagement** – Pam Adderley provided the following information:
 - The 14th annual **Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange** is scheduled for September 16th. Registration opens on July 20th. Admission is \$10 per person and parking is free. This year is less formal and as such, it is being called an “unconference.” Admission is limited to the first 200 who register and there are 15 seats that are still available. For more information, visit the following URL...

<http://www.raleighnc.gov/community/news/content/CorNews/Articles/RaleighNeighborhoodExchange.html>

- Each year, each Raleigh Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) has an opportunity to recognize significant efforts by property owners, community groups and individuals to enhance the health, safety, and appearance of their neighborhoods. Last year, we nominated our Raleigh Police Department representative for his years of service to the NECAC. We are looking for nominations for this year's award. Nominations must be submitted by Wednesday, September 20. The awards dinner will be held on October 18th. To obtain a copy of the nomination form (with the rules and additional info), visit the following URL...

<http://www.raleighnc.gov/content/CommServices/Documents/NeighborhoodRecognitionAwardsNominationForm.pdf>

- **Code Enforcement** – Fabian Rodriquez provided the following information:
 - For August, Code Enforcement opened 27 new cases. One was a housing condition complaint and most of the others were observances of nuisances.
 - Fabian provided a tri-fold pamphlet entitled, “Keeping Raleigh Clean and Safe.”
 - Fabian provided a follow up report about observations reported at the July NECAC meeting. The property owners have been contacted and the matters resolved.
- **Other** – Our municipal elections are coming up on October 10th. Charlotte reportedly only had 7.88% of eligible voters cast ballots in their municipal elections. Please exercise our rights to choose our government and vote.

Presentations:

- **Widening of Trawick Road and Marsh Creek Road** – Eric Lamb with the City of Raleigh Transportation Department presented an overview of the 50 road improvement projects (\$206.7M worth) that will be funded if the current transportation bond is approved by public vote on October 10th. John Anagnost with City Planning also provided information on how this work is part of the overall city's long-range plan.

Topics discussed during this presentation include:

- Components included in such projects: curbs and gutters, medians or turn lanes, sidewalks on both sides of road, street lighting, landscaping (if needed), and bicycle facilities.
- Any existing road treatments or 3-lane sections would be left “as is” and integrated as components in the widening pan.
- Roadway and utility assessments are done after project is completed. For more information on assessments and calculations...
<http://www.raleighnc.gov/projects/content/PWksDesignConst/Articles/AssmtInfo.html>
- Widening these streets to 3-lanes was based on current traffic patterns (~5,000 cars traveling this route each day) and projected growth demands.
- The project cost is estimated at \$10.7M
- The timeline will be 3 years for planning and scheduling, then 12-18 months for construction (probably completed in 4-5 years).
- If the bond is approved, the next steps will be to update the plans and budget adjustments, then select and hire a consulting firm or firms.
- If anyone wanted to see a similar example of a widening project that was recently completed, drive over to Sandy Forks Road.

- We were shown the “Comprehensive Transportation Project Map” which is online... <http://ral.maps.arcgis.com/apps/OnePane/basicviewer/index.html?appid=6c00494fff5942c3834c8473fd29672f>
- For more information about Raleigh Projects... <http://www.raleighnc.gov/projects>

Most of the affected residents, who were present, were either not in favor of the widening or wanted a limited set of improvements. No one wanted to pay assessments associated with this project.

City Council Member David Cox was present and he recommended those concerned should send emails to the [Mayor Nancy McFarlane](#) and the [City Council](#). David discussed how a citizens group can get organized and present a community petition opposing something like this. He would be willing to work with the group and encouraged them to elect a point of contact person who would coordinate and organize activities.

Type:	Rezoning
Presenter:	George “Mac” MacIntyre, PE and Project Contact
Case Number:	Z-21-2017
Case URL:	http://www.raleighnc.gov/content/PlanDev/Documents/Zoning/Rezoning/RezoningCases/2017/Z-021-17.pdf
Location:	4506 Louisburg; 4428 James Rd.
Description:	This is a 0.91 acre property currently zoned as R-6. Applicant requests change to NX-3-CU zoning.
Comments:	There was limited information on what would be built on the site, except that it would comply with zoning regulations. Given the limited size of this property, it cannot accommodate a car dealership or a large commercial venture. More likely apartments and/or small professional offices. Since this was the first time this case was presented at the NECAC, this will be placed on the October meeting’s agenda for final questions and a vote.

NECAC Business:

- The previous NECAC meeting minutes were discussed and approved with no corrections.
- **Annual Celebration** – Raleigh allocates \$1,000 to each CAC annually and city officials have to sign off on how the money is spent. An online survey will be available in October to the NECAC membership requesting feedback on ideas and options.
- **Neighborhood Interests** – In an effort to keep the NECAC meetings both informative and worthwhile, an online survey will be available in September to the NECAC membership requesting feedback on ideas and options.
- There were no new action assignments.

– End of Report –

CITY OF RALEIGH NEWS

Flood-Prone Properties Restored to Green Space

The City of Raleigh's Stormwater Management Division has had many successes over the last year through its participation in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The program provides funding to the City when it purchases properties, like Capital Inn on Capital Boulevard in Raleigh, that experience ongoing flooding as result of being built in the floodplain prior to current development regulations. After a property is purchased, the area is restored to green space so that the floodplain functions more naturally. This reduces flooding in the area and improves public safety. Participation in the program is voluntary. Some projects may also be funded through the City's Stormwater Utility. To learn more visit raleighnc.gov and enter the search term "Flood Hazard Mitigation".

Love Your Stream? Keep it Clean!

Do you find trash or other waste in your neighborhood streams? You can help the City of Raleigh's Stormwater Management Division keep them clean! There will be a stream clean up at Biltmore Hills Park, 2615 Fitzgerald Drive in Raleigh on Saturday, Oct. 21 from 8:30 – 11 a.m. This stream cleanup will help protect and make creeks in Biltmore Hills Park more beautiful. This event is open to the public and cleanup materials are provided. Register online at raleighnc.gov by entering the search term "Stream Clean Up"

2017 Fire Prevention Week Oct. 8-14

City of Raleigh Activities:

Saturday, October 7th :

79th Anniversary Chavis Park Celebrates (12 pm to 6pm)
Location: Chavis Park

Monday, October 9th:

Fire Prevention Week Kick-off Press Event (11 am to 12 pm)
Location: NC Dept. of Insurance, front steps of the Albemarle Bldg.

Open House at Fire Station 24 (6pm to 8pm)
Address: 10440 Fossil Creek Court, Raleigh, NC 27617

Tuesday, October 10th:

Fire Prevention Week Awareness / Educational Event (10 am to 2 pm)
Location: Bicentennial Plaza – Mall Area between the History and the Science Museum

Open House at Fire Station 10 (6pm to 8pm)
Address: 2711 Sanderford Road, Raleigh, NC 27610

Wednesday, October 11th:

Fire Prevention Week Awareness / Educational Event (10 am to 2 pm)
Location: Bicentennial Plaza – Mall Area between the History and the Science Museum

Open House Fire Station 19 (6pm to 8pm)
Address: 4209 Spring Forest Road, Raleigh, NC 27616

Thursday, October 12th:

Fire Prevention Week Awareness / Educational Event (10 am to 2 pm)
Location: Bicentennial Plaza – Mall Area between the History and the

Science Museum

Open House Fire Station 20 (6pm to 8pm)
Address: 1721 Trailwood Drive, Raleigh, NC 27606

Friday, October 13th:

Fire Prevention Week Awareness / Educational Event (10 am to 2 pm)
Location: Bicentennial Plaza – Mall Area between the History and the Science Museum

Fire Prevention Week Display @ Crabtree Valley Mall (7am to 10pm)
4325 Glenwood Ave, Raleigh, NC 27612

Saturday, October 14th:

Fire Prevention Week Display @ Crabtree Valley Mall (8am to 10pm)
Address: 4325 Glenwood Ave, Raleigh, NC 27612

Home Fire Drill Day - City Wide Fire Drill @ 6:30pm

[Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out"](#) (home escape planning)

For more information, contact

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