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August 10, 2015 Council Meeting

Mayor Bryan Hough
Mayor Pro-Tem Perry Toomey
Councilman Jerry Bishop
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare
Councilman J. Jason Gowen
Councilman Jim Hope
Councilman David Moore
Kemp Michael, City Attorney
Danny Jackson, City Manager

I'm
Excited
about
Food Truck

CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY
MOUNT HOLLY CITY COUNCIL



August 10, 2015
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR

INVOCATION

Reverend Matt Hill, Mount Holly Fire Department Chaplin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Boy Scout Troop 59

motion

SET THE AGENDA

J C
G B

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Liens for Weeds and Grass
2. Appointment of Melanie Wilson to Planning Commission
3. Budget Amendment (Streets and Solid Waste and Parks and Recreation) -
4. Call for a Public Hearing on the Financing of Two (2) Fire Trucks
5. Approval of the minutes from the July 13, 2015 Council Meeting
6. Approval of the minutes from the July 27, 2015 Work Session Meeting

motion and
Bishop Moore

PRESENTATIONS

(18 hrs)

1. Presentation of a Resolution Honoring Joe DePriest upon his Retirement for his Dedicated Years of Service

Mayor Bryan Hough

2. Presentation of the Sharp Award to the Police Department

Cherie Berry

PUBLIC HEARING

4 parts to program 3 yr journey OS.#5 Em com
no choice of time, May 2013 PR sworn in.
improvements already involved

2 part prog
(APP)

PUBLIC COMMENT - Three (3) Minute Limit

1 out 4 out of 300

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on the Strategic Visioning Plan

2001 GB

1) Great Main St.

2) Green way reconnection

Greg Beal

* NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Re-Routing Truck Traffic off of North Main Street

5) meeting places

Scott Lilly

aims to leave July 1st (completion Sept 2016)

OTHER BUSINESS

milling out 7 or 8 inches

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor how long will this str and
will it

ADJOURN

(any) Traffic
Coun

7 yrs ago

engraver

Shoulder
improvements

1 1/2 mill off top surface

(will this correction
support (should help it)
H-D. more
C-mr

Cowan - Traffic Study - why get change in volume - C-mr

CONSENT AGENDA



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: City Council	Date: 8-4-15
From: Brian DuPont	Meeting Date: 8-10-15
Agenda Item to be considered: Adoption of ordinances for recording a lien on real property for abatement of grass nuisances.	
Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
Background/Purpose of Request : Staff is requesting Council to adopt an ordinance to record a lien for the following properties with amount of liens: Abatement of High Grass: 106 Mill Street in the amount of \$410.00 407 Tuckasee Road in the amount of \$380.00 *Amounts include the cost of abatement and the \$350.00 administrative fee.	
Fiscal Impact:	
Will Item affect current budget	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$
Budget Code	
Reviewed by City Attorney	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation: Request that City Council adopt the Ordinances for establishing a lien.	
Result of City Council Decision: _____	
Attachments: 1. Ordinances 2. 3.	

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY
ESTABLISHING A LIEN ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY
FOR CLEARING OF GRASS & WEEDS

Drawn by & Return:
City of Mt. Holly, P.O. Box 406, Mt. Holly, NC 28120

WHEREAS, certain abatement of public nuisance proceedings have been initiated by the City of Mount Holly pertaining to a certain lot or parcel located in the City of Mount Holly, North Carolina, and identified as Tax Parcel ID# 181613, 407 Tuckaseege Road, said parcel being owned by Scarlett & James Funderburk; and,

WHEREAS, notice of violation was made known to the above-mentioned owner as required by Section 8-9 through 8-14 of the Ordinances of the City of Mount Holly, North Carolina, and the owner has failed to abate the nuisance and the administrator has caused the property to be cleared of the nuisance; and,

WHEREAS, that the actual cost of abated the nuisance has not been paid within 30 days after receipt of the statement of the charges from the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Gaston County, North Carolina, and indexed in the name of the property owner as provided in N.C.G.S. 160A-175(e) and 160A-365, as a lien against the above-described property in favor of the City of Mount Holly for the cost of abating the nuisance, as follows:

Actual cost of clearing	\$ 30.00
Administrative cost	\$ 350.00
Total Lien Due	\$ 380.00

Adopted by the City Council of the city of Mount Holly upon motion duly made, seconded and carried at a properly held meeting on _____ day of _____, 2015.

CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY

By: _____
Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

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WHEREAS, certain abatement of public nuisance proceedings have been initiated by the City of Mount Holly pertaining to a certain lot or parcel located in the City of Mount Holly, North Carolina, and identified as Tax Parcel ID# 124326, 106 Mill Street, said parcel being owned by Michael Eugene Orange; and,

WHEREAS, notice of violation was made known to the above-mentioned owner as required by Section 8-9 through 8-14 of the Ordinances of the City of Mount Holly, North Carolina, and the owner has failed to abate the nuisance and the administrator has caused the property to be cleared of the nuisance; and,

WHEREAS, that the actual cost of abated the nuisance has not been paid within 30 days after receipt of the statement of the charges from the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Gaston County, North Carolina, and indexed in the name of the property owner as provided in N.C.G.S. 160A-175(e) and 160A-365, as a lien against the above-described property in favor of the City of Mount Holly for the cost of abating the nuisance, as follows:

Actual cost of clearing	\$ 60.00
Administrative cost	\$ 350.00
Total Lien Due	\$ 410.00

Adopted by the City Council of the city of Mount Holly upon motion duly made, seconded and carried at a properly held meeting on _____ day of _____, 2015.

CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY

By: _____
Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: City Council	Date: 8-5-15
From: Jonathan Wilson	Meeting Date: 8-10-15
Agenda Item to be considered: Request for adoption of two liens for clearing of grass and weeds	
Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
Background/Purpose of Request : Staff is wishing that council adopt one lien to be placed on 102 Maple Drive, Gaston County Parcel ID: 124386 for the clearing of grass and weeds and one lien to be placed on 801 West Central Avenue, Gaston County Parcel ID: 218759 in violation of the City's nuisance ordinance under Section 8-9 of the City Code.	
Fiscal Impact:	
Will Item affect current budget	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$
Budget Code	
Reviewed by City Attorney	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation: Adopt one lien for 102 Maple Drive in the amount of \$385.00. Adopt one lien for 801 West Central Avenue in the amount of \$500.00.	
Result of City Council Decision: _____	
Attachments: 1. Copy of ordinance to place lien on 102 Maple Drive 2. Copy of ordinance to place lien on 801 West Central Avenue	

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City of Mt. Holly, P.O. Box 406, Mt. Holly, NC 28120

WHEREAS, certain abatement of public nuisance proceedings have been initiated by the City of Mount Holly pertaining to a certain lot or parcel located in the City of Mount Holly, North Carolina, and identified as Tax Parcel ID# 124386 , 102 Maple Drive , said parcel being owned by Dorothy Manes ; and,

WHEREAS, notice of violation was made known to the above-mentioned owner as required by Section 8-9 through 8-14 of the Ordinances of the City of Mount Holly, North Carolina, and the owner has failed to abate the nuisance and the administrator has caused the property to be cleared of the nuisance; and,

WHEREAS, that the actual cost of abated the nuisance has not been paid within 30 days after receipt of the statement of the charges from the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Gaston County, North Carolina, and indexed in the name of the property owner as provided in N.C.G.S. 160A-175(e) and 160A-365, as a lien against the above-described property in favor of the City of Mount Holly for the cost of abating the nuisance, as follows:

Actual cost of clearing	\$ 35.00
Administrative cost	\$ 350.00
Total Lien Due	\$ 385.00

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CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY

By: _____
Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

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WHEREAS, certain abatement of public nuisance proceedings have been initiated by the City of Mount Holly pertaining to a certain lot or parcel located in the City of Mount Holly, North Carolina, and identified as Tax Parcel ID# 218759, 801 West Central Avenue, said parcel being owned by The Warehouse NC Inc; and,

WHEREAS, notice of violation was made known to the above-mentioned owner as required by Section 8-9 through 8-14 of the Ordinances of the City of Mount Holly, North Carolina, and the owner has failed to abate the nuisance and the administrator has caused the property to be cleared of the nuisance; and,

WHEREAS, that the actual cost of abated the nuisance has not been paid within 30 days after receipt of the statement of the charges from the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Ordinance shall be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Gaston County, North Carolina, and indexed in the name of the property owner as provided in N.C.G.S. 160A-175(e) and 160A-365, as a lien against the above-described property in favor of the City of Mount Holly for the cost of abating the nuisance, as follows:

Actual cost of clearing	\$ 150.00
Administrative cost	\$ 350.00
Total Lien Due	\$ 500.00

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CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY

By: _____
Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: City Council	Date: 8-5-15
From: Jonathan Wilson	Meeting Date: 8-10-15
Agenda Item to be considered: <i>Appointment of Melanie Wilson to the Planning Commission</i>	
Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
Background/Purpose of Request : Staff has developed an Application to serve on the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment due to an open seat on this recommendation board. Staff has received an application submitted by Melanie Wilson to serve on the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment. Mrs. Wilson resides at 312 Langhorne Drive which is in the Riverfront Neighborhood and is a local real estate agent. At the August Planning Commission meeting Mrs. Wilson was in attendance to answer any questions from the Commission regarding her background and commitment to the City.	
Fiscal Impact:	
Will Item affect current budget	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$
Budget Code	
Reviewed by City Attorney	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation:	
The Planning Commission made a unanimous decision to recommend to City Council to appoint Mrs. Melanie Wilson to the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment. This recommendation is supported by the Planning & Development Department Staff.	
Result of City Council Decision:	
Attachments:	
1. Application to Serve on the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment submitted by Mrs. Melanie Wilson	



Application to Serve on the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment

Mount Holly welcomes applicants and we appreciate the time taken to submit an application. The information provided helps City Council in making appointments to vacant positions. Please complete the application to the best of your abilities. Any questions should be directed to the Planning & Development Department.

The purpose of the Planning Commission shall be to:

- Prepare studies and plans for the provision of orderly growth within the city limits and the extraterritorial planning jurisdiction.
- Develop and recommend to City Council policies, ordinances, and administrative procedures and other means for carrying out plans in a coordinated and efficient manner.
- Review and make recommendations on matters including rezoning petitions, subdivision plats and planned unit developments.
- Perform any other related duties that the City Council may direct pursuant to G.S. 160A-361.

The purpose of the Zoning Board of Adjustment shall be to:

- Hear and decide special use and permits, requests for variances, appeals of decisions of administrative officials charged with enforcement of the Ordinance.
- Hear and decide appeals as outlined in Chapter 4 Buildings and Chapter 9 Housing of the City of Mount Holly Code of Laws.
- Follow quasi-judicial procedures when deciding appeals and requests for variances and special use permits.
- The Board shall hear and decide all matters, upon which it is required to pass under any statute or ordinance that regulates land use or development.

The Planning Commission is composed of nine regular members. Eight members are residents within the Mount Holly city limits and shall be appointed by the City Council. One member is a resident within the extraterritorial planning jurisdiction (ETJ) and shall be appointed by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners. All members serve a three year overlapping term and certain members will be designated to be part of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is composed of five members from the nine members of the Planning Commission. Four of the five are reside in the city limits and the one regular member representing the extraterritorial planning jurisdiction (ETJ). The Board shall also consist of four alternate members, which shall be appointed from the remaining membership of the nine member Planning Commission. The length of terms and the manner of appointment for members of the Board shall coincide with their terms on the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment typically meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex.

Personal Information
Name: <u>Melanie Wilson</u>
Address: <u>312 Langhorne Dr Mt. Holly NC 28120</u>
Phone 1: <u>704-685-4104</u>
Phone 2:
E-mail: <u>melanie@melaniemwilson.com</u>
Are you a Mount Holly resident? <u>(Yes)</u> or No.
Do you have any relatives or members of your household who are employed by the City of Mount Holly, who are currently serving on the City Council or who are Commission/Board members? Yes or <u>(No)</u> If yes,
Excluding your principal residence, do you own real property in Mount Holly? Yes or <u>(No)</u> If yes, where
How did you learn about the vacancy on the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment? <u>Jeff Meadows & David Moore</u>
Community Group
Mount Holly Newsletter
City Website
Other: <u>✓</u>
List relevant education, training, experience, certificates of training, licenses, or professional registration
<u>I am a Real Estate Broker in Mt. Holly.</u>
Employment
Present or Last Employer:
Occupation: <u>Wilson Realty</u>
Describe your involvement in community activities, volunteer, and civic organizations:

I do a lot of volunteer work that involves local residents. Volunteer work for Ida Rankin Elementary, local churches, Habitat for Humanity. I also volunteered in Peru through the Sister-Cities Program in Charlotte.

What is it about the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment that is compatible with your experience and of specific interest to you, and why?

Being a Broker in Mt. Holly, planning and zoning is very compatible with my experience. Clients want to know what the city is planning. They are concerned with the growth of Mt. Holly. Zoning is also an issue when they're building a home.

Please describe an issue that recently came before the Commission that is of particular interest to you and describe why you are interested in it.

The most recent issue that has come up for my clients has been the Riverfront marina and possible apartments and the restaurant. This interest me because it determines if my client will purchase a home in this area. Also because I want to know how it will affect Mt. Holly overall.

If appointed, what specific goals would you like to see the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment achieve, and why? How would you suggest accomplishing this?

I am not sure what specific goals I would like to see the planning commission/Zoning Board achieve as of right now because I am not aware of what they have specifically on the agenda right now or their timeline. But promptness is always good when goals

Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Adjustment members work with documents listed below. If you have experience with any of these documents, please describe that

have been stated.

experience. Experience with these documents is not required for selection.

Zoning Ordinance, Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan, Strategic Vision Plan, City Code of Laws, Land Development Guidelines, Subdivision Ordinance, Downtown Development Manual

All of these documents are importance with Real Estate, particularly Land development guidelines, Subdivision ordinances and downtown development manual. My client are sometimes interested in the above mentioned documents.

Signature: Melanie Wilson

Date: 5-12-15



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: Mayor and City Council	Date: July 30, 2015
From: Miles Braswell, Director	Meeting Date: August 10, 2015
Agenda Item to be considered:	
Budget Amendment: Recycling Truck Wrap Installation Labor	
Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
Background/Purpose of Request:	
Image 360 (formerly Signs Now) installed the recycling truck wrap material in the amount of \$2,600.00. This material was donated by 3M, but installation labor was required.	
The Solid Waste Disposal Tax revenue will be transferred to the Streets and Solid Waste Department Budget in the amount of \$2,600.00.	
Fiscal Impact:	
Will Item affect current budget	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$ 2,600.00
Budget Code	10-30-4710-499
Reviewed by City Attorney	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation: Approval to transfer \$2,600.00 from the Solid Waste Disposal Tax revenue to Streets and Solid Waste Department Budget to fund the recycling truck wrap labor.	
Result of City Council Decision: _____	
Attachments: None	



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: Mayor and City Council	Date: 8-5-2015
From: Mark Jusko	Meeting Date: 8-10-2015
Agenda Item to be considered:	
Parks & Recreation Budget amendment	
Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
Background/Purpose of Request : The Parks & Recreation Department received a \$3500 sponsorship check from Land O' Frost for our fall soccer program. Staff is asking that money be appropriated into the trophies and uniforms budget line item (10.81.6130.297).	
Fiscal Impact:	
Will Item affect current budget	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$
Budget Code	
Reviewed by City Attorney	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation:	
Result of City Council Decision:	
Attachments:	



CITY OF MOUNT HOLLY
FY 15-16 Budget Amendment

Account		Revenue Increase	Expense Increase
10-00-3323-100	Solid Waste Disposal Tax	\$2,600	
10-30-4710-499	Streets - Misc Exp		\$ 2,600

Date Submitted: 10-Aug-15

Department Head:

City Manager:

Finance Officer:

Department Comments:

To pay for the wrapping of the recycling Truck



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: Mayor and City Council From: Jamie Guffey	Date: 8/6/2015 Meeting Date: 8/10/2015
1. Agenda Item to be considered: Call for a Public Hearing for the borrowing of money for the purchase of 2 fire trucks	
Will this require a public hearing? ☒ YES ☐ NO	
As part of the application to the LGC to borrow money, a public hearing must be held on the proposed borrowing. This will call for a public hearing to be held on September 14, 2015.	
Fiscal Impact:	
Will Item affect current budget	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Total City Dollars:	
Budget Code	
Reviewed by City Attorney	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation:	
<i>Call for the public hearing</i>	
Result of City Council Decision: _____	
Attachments:	

**City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Meeting
Monday, July 13, 2015
Council Chambers
7:00 pm**

Call to Order

Mayor Bryan Hough called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following were present:

Mayor Bryan Hough	Danny Jackson, City Manager
Mayor Pro Tem Perry Toomey	Jamie Guffey, Assistant City Manager
Councilman Jerry Bishop	Greg Beal, Planning Director
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare	Ray Clemmer, Assistant Director of Utilities
Councilman J. Jason Gowen	Ryan Baker, Interim Fire Chief
Councilman Jim Hope	Brian Reagan, Deputy Chief of Police
Councilman David Moore	Dave Johnson, Utilities Director/City Engineer
Kemp Michael, City Attorney	Miles Braswell, Director of Streets and Solid Waste

Invocation

Councilman David Moore gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Boy Scout Troop 59 of the First United Methodist Church in Mount Holly led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Set the Agenda

With no changes to the agenda, Councilwoman Breyare made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Re-Appointment of Angela Blackwood to the ABC Commission
2. Approval of Parks and Recreation Bench Donation Policy
3. Approval of an Amendment to the Fee Schedule to include a Business Registration Fee
4. Approval of the minutes from the June 8, 2015 Council Meeting
5. Approval of the minutes from the June 22, 2015 Work Session Meeting

Mayor Pro Tem Toomey made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Recognition of Officer Taylor Hager for receiving the Advanced Certificate from North Carolina Training and Standards

Deputy Chief Brian Reagan recognized Officer Taylor Hager for receiving the Advanced Law Enforcement certificate from the North Carolina Training Standards. Deputy chief Reagan advised that this is one of the highest standards awarded to a law enforcement officer.

2. Swearing in of Police Officer Ivory Craig Jr.

Deputy Chief Reagan introduced Ivory Craig Jr. the newest officer with the Mount Holly Police Department. He advised that Ivory has lived in Mount Holly over 20 years. Mayor Hough administered the Oath of Office to Officer Craig and his dad, Ivory Craig Sr., pinned his badge.

3. Swearing in of Deputy Fire Chief Craig Spry, Captain Justin Westbrook, Captain CJ Beheler and Fire Fighters Dexter Freeman and Daniel Wright

Chief Baker introduced Deputy Fire Chief Craig Spry, Captain Justin Westbrook, Captain CJ Beheler and Fire Fighters Dexter Freeman and Daniel Wright. Mayor Hough administered the Oath of Office to these gentlemen.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Three (3) Minute Limit

Charles McCorkle came before the City Council to thank the City Council and Staff for the wonderful job they do and to also invite everyone to the Community Outreach Block Party at Wesley Holiness Church on August 8th.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration and Approval of Support for the 2015 River Sweep Project

Neil Brennan

Mr. Neil Brennan came to the City Council to introduce the 2015 River Sweep Project. He advised that this is the 14th year of River Sweep. This year the coordinators are branching out to Mount Holly to request additional support. He advised that the litter sweep project is in need of boats and volunteers. Mr. Brennan advised that last year 109 tires were collected during the River Sweep Project. Mayor Hough asked what the city could do to help. Mr. Brennan replied that appreciate a monetary donation and recognition in the Monthly Newsletter announcing the need for volunteers. Mayor Pro Tem Toomey made a motion to show support for the River Sweep project and donate \$500 to the cause. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. Motion carried

ADJOURN

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Moore made the motion to adjourn the July 13, 2015 Council Meeting. Councilman Gowen seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

City of Mount Holly
Mount Holly City Council Work Session Meeting
Monday, July 27, 2015
Council Chambers
6:30 pm

Call to Order

Mayor Hough called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The following were present:

Mayor Bryan Hough	Danny Jackson, City Manager
Mayor Pro Tem Perry Toomey	Jamie Guffey, Assistant City Manager
Councilman Jerry Bishop	David Johnson, City Engineer/ Director of Utilities
Councilman Jim Hope	Ryan Baker, Fire Chief
Councilman David Moore	Mark Jusko, Recreation Supervisor
Councilman J. Jason Gowen	Miles Braswell, Director of Streets and Solid Waste
Councilwoman Carolyn Breyare	Don Roper, Police Chief
Attorney Kemp Michael	

Invocation

Councilwoman Breyare led the Council, staff and attendees in prayer.

SET THE AGENDA

With no changes to the agenda, Councilwoman Breyare made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilman Moore seconded the motion. All Council Members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

1. Award of Bid for the 2015 Paving Project

Mr. Braswell advised that at the April Work Session staff presented the 2015-2016 Powell Bill Paving Projects with an estimated budget of \$300,000. The city received 3 bids for the project and Red Clay Industries, Inc. came in with the low bid at \$211,370. Mr. Braswell added that a 15% contingency was added to the bid to cover any unforeseen expenses. He also explained that there were some alternates include in the bid packets for additional improvements. With the bids coming in lower than anticipated staff recommends awarding the bid to Red Clay Industries and include alternate 2 (North Willow Court 2" mill and pave) and alternate 6 (Goldenrain Court 2" Mill and pave). Councilman Gowen made motion to award the bid to Red Clay Industries and include alternates 2 and 6 and the 15% contingency for a total amount of \$278,370. Councilman Bishop seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

2. Update on the 2015 Drought Situation

The Utilities Director, Dave Johnson and the Brian Wilson, the ORC at the Waste Treatment plant came before the Council to give an update on the recent water use restrictions that were put into effect by the City. They explained to the Council that with

the hotter than normal during the months of June and July temperatures and the lower than normal precipitation it is in the best interest of the City to move into a Stage 1 drought situation. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Johnson went into further detail regarding the process if the Water Shortage Management Plan. They advised that they anticipate the City moving into a Stage 2 drought situation sometime during the first couple of weeks in August. Stage 2 is mandatory water restrictions with a fee associated with any violations. Mr. Wilson explained to the Council the process the City would have to take if the water table were continues to drop. Mr. Jackson added that the City is currently trying to educate our citizens of the seriousness of the drought.

3. Consideration and Approval of a Main Street Solutions Grant Application

Mr. Beal and Mr. Billy Rick came before Council for consideration of a grant application for the renovation of the Summey Building and Old Gaston Theatre Building. This is a possible \$150,000 grant that will pay \$2 for every \$1 spent and 6 jobs will have to be created with the end result. Mr. Rick is the owner of the buildings but a private individual is prohibited from applying for the grant therefore the City has to be the lead agency in the project. Mr. Gowen commented that from what he was hearing from Mr. Beal and Mr. Rick is that there would be no financial burden to the city just some staff time to help complete the grant application process. Mr. Beal agreed and advised that Mr. Rick would be eligible for a business incentive grant after the renovations are started but no funds as related to the Main Street Solutions Grant. Councilman Bishop made a motion to move forward with the Main Street solutions Grant Application. Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried)

4. Review of Updates to the City Code

Ms. Anders advised that at the last meeting Council approved changes to Chapter 10 of the City Code regarding privilege license. Since that time staff has decided that it would be more efficient for businesses to submit one consolidated for zoning and business license. The proposed amendment to Chapter 10 reflects those changes. Councilman Gowen made a motion to approve the proposed changes to Chapter 10 of the City Code. (Resolution # 07272015A) Councilwoman Breyare seconded the motion. All Council Members voted in favor. (Motion carried).

5. Adjourn

With no additional items for discussion, Mayor Hough entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Gowen made the motion to adjourn the July 27, 2015 Council Work Session Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Toomey seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor. (Motion carried)

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: City Council	Date: August 6, 2015
From: Danny Jackson, City Manager	Meeting Date: August 10, 2015
<u>Agenda Item to be considered:</u> Presentations #1 – A Resolution Honoring Joe DePriest for his Retirement and Years of Service	
Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
<u>Background/Purpose of Request :</u> Long time reporter for the Charlotte Observer, Joe DePriest has retired after fifty (50) years of service as a journalist. Mr. DePriest has been a long time friend to me and the City of Mount Holly in general. In my long tenure with the City of Mount Holly I don't recall Mr. DePriest ever writing a negative article about our city. He has really been a class act since I have known him. On Monday night we will honor Mr. DePriest with a Resolution.	
<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>	
Will Item affect current budget	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$
Budget Code	
Reviewed by City Attorney	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation: N/A	
Result of City Council Decision: 	
Attachments:	



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: City Council	Date: August 6, 2015
From: Danny Jackson, City Manager	Meeting Date: August 10, 2015
<u>Agenda Item to be considered:</u> Presentations #2 – Presentation of the SHARP Award to the Police Department	
Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
<u>Background/Purpose of Request :</u> <i>The Mount Holly Police Department has been recognized for workplace safety by the North Carolina Department of Labor. Ms. Cherie Berry, Commissioner of Labor, will be in attendance to present the NC Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Public Sector SHARP Award to our Police Department. They will be receiving the Gold Award, which is the highest that one can obtain. Congratulations to Chief Roper and his staff for their efforts in creating and maintaining a safe workplace.</i>	
<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>	
Will Item affect current budget	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$
Budget Code	
Reviewed by City Attorney	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation: N/A	
Result of City Council Decision: 	
Attachments:	

PUBLIC HEARINGS

OLD BUSINESS



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: City Council	Date: July 31, 2015
From: Greg Beal, Planning Director	Meeting Date: August 10, 2015
Agenda Item to be considered: <u>Update on the Strategic Vision Plan and Current Implementation Plan Recommendations.</u>	
Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
Background/Purpose of Request: City staff is working to establish a website for contractors, which will be submitting qualifications on the Strategic Vision Plan Update. This will help with a lot of questions, as our process is going to focus on the Update, as well as the drafting of an entirely new Comprehensive Land Use Plan. I expect that staff will begin reviewing final RFQ submittals by mid-to-late September. There has obviously been a tremendous rush of development activities in recent months, as well as completion of projects such as the greenway preconstruction activities and signing of the Duke Energy Easement Agreement. However, staff is glad that we can now focus on this much-anticipated project. To give a bit of background, Mr. Jackson and I were fortunate to be the only individuals, who attended every staff meeting, advisory committee meeting, Planning Commission meeting and Council meeting during the 18-month long Strategic Vision Plan process from 2006-2008. There is some benefit to that as we participated and observed a lot of different conversations from other members of these committees and the governing body, which offers a unique viewpoint and perspective on the process. Did staff agree with everything that the contractor recommended? Certainly not. There were issues with a variety of proposals. Sometimes the functionality of recommendations was questioned because aesthetics seemed to be the focus. However, with a review process such as this, we were able to come to a democratic agreement on the Plan as a whole, a plan, by the way, which was the recipient of an Excellence in Planning Award in our 9-County Charlotte-Metro Region. In this attachment, I want to focus on one of the most important parts of the Vision Plan..., the Implementation Plan..., and the remaining items that the City has yet to accomplish. I have reviewed each item and offered proposed changes as we proceed in the process. It is important to note that these are simply suggestions. At the Council meeting, I will be focusing on our past accomplishments and how we intend to approach the Update.	
Fiscal Impact:	
Will Item affect current budget	☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$
Budget Code	
Reviewed by City Attorney	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Manager/Staff Recommendation: <u>This is simply for informational purposes only. A plan is a guide for the future, and it is important to note that nothing in the Strategic Vision Plan has ever been carved in stone.</u>	
Result of City Council Decision: _____	

Attachments: Implementation Plan Review

Remaining Items on Phase 5, Implementation Plan, of the Strategic Vision Plan & Recommendations

Intermediate Priority Overall Initiatives

Commit to a regular agenda item at the City Council's monthly work sessions to establish updates on the progress being made on the Implementation Plan.

Recommendation: Suggest changing it to biannual updates at Council meetings (twice a year) for the reason that weekly updates from the Planning & Development Department relay relevant and important information to Council and for the simple fact that we are so far along in accomplishing goals found in the Implementation Plan that monthly or even quarterly updates at the Council meetings would not be necessary. Also of note, Council no longer has work sessions. The Council business meeting is on the first Monday of each month.

Create "Partners for Progress" by asking corporate citizens to participate in Mount Holly's new vision.

Recommendation: Suggest eliminating this goal and replacing it with **"Coordinating with the Mount Holly Chamber and informing them of the objectives found within the Implementation Plan and any updates in accomplishing the goals of Mount Holly's Vision."** I present planning updates to the Mount Holly Chamber Board on a monthly basis as a part of my membership to the Board. This could be a good way to not only accomplish this goal, but to increase corporate citizen participation in the Mount Holly Chamber.

Organize a "Walk along the River" event.

Recommendation: Suggest moving this to Long Range Priority because there is not a lot of opportunity to "walk along the River" until a trail system is constructed. The City worked with the Carolina Thread Trail in a "Marking the Thread" event in Tuckasee Park in November 2009, to dedicate the park expansion's sidewalk and trail network as part of the Thread Trail. We will continue to coordinate with such groups when opportunities such as this present themselves. It is anticipated that the SpringFest 5k could be held on completed Phase 1 of the Catawba River Greenway and in Tuckasee Park next May..., so perhaps a "Run Along the River" is in Mount Holly's immediate future.

Establish Greenway goal to build one mile of greenway per year.

Recommendation: the City is relying on an \$800,000 grant to build the first 1.2 mile segment of the greenway from the Municipal Complex to Tuckasee Park. Building one mile of greenway a year is quite a feat for any municipality. This is an unrealistic goal because the simple planning, design, easement acquisition, drafting construction

documents and permitting can easily take more than a year to accomplish. For example, performing the design work, obtaining the necessary agreements from CSX, and drafting the construction documents for the Linear Park took over 2 years before the legal agreement was finalized, it took about another year and a half to go out to bid and finish construction. Phase 1 of the Catawba River Greenway began with plan submittal in July 2013. By September 2014, several permits had been obtained, culminating in the signing of the Duke Energy easement on June 30, 2015. Suggest removing the language to state, **“Work with the Foundation and other groups to plan one mile of greenway every two years.”** We have a Memorandum of Agreement with the Foundation to build greenways through their commitment in funding. However, I think the City can obtain grants and funding to assist.

Establish a City of Mount Holly Economic Development Office.

Recommendation: I have transitioned into my role as the Economic Development Coordinator for the City. While other duties have called for my supervision at times, other Planning staff have taken over subdivision administration and land use planning. The City has established a Department of Planning & Development, formally Community Development. In the past, the department was simply known as, Planning and Zoning. Suggest that this goal be checked as accomplished as the Department has an EDC committee member and is responsible for coordinating economic development related activities.

Incorporate street improvements identified in both the Small Area Plans and Design Guideline Recommendations into ordinance language.

Recommendation: Suggest that street improvements be checked as an accomplishment because sidewalk design was incorporated into language in a 2010 Zoning Ordinance amendment. Street Improvements, not including sidewalks, should not be found in a Zoning Ordinance because State highways require NCDOT approval. Staff has conducted a Traffic Impact Analysis for the Downtown Gateway along Hwy 27, and it should serve as the basis for street design as it was approved by NCDOT. This was also supported by the Pedestrian Master Plan, adopted August 2013.

Immediate Priority Downtown and Riverfront Initiatives

Begin discussions regarding the current City Hall as an adaptive re-use project for grass roots arts organization.

Recommendation: The “Old City Hall” has been placed under the care of the Mount Holly Historical Society through a Memorandum of Agreement, since the adoption of the implementation plan. They have done a wonderful job at vastly improving the space and preserving the history of Mount Holly. Recently the MHHS has begun renovation into the Annex space, which was supported and approved by City Council.

A couple of events had transpired since the Plan, which previously impacted this initiative. 1) City Café had provided space for local artisans to display their artwork; this is no longer the case as Catawba River Artisans shuttered their doors two years ago. 2) Private investors in our downtown were looking at ways to bring the art community to vacant buildings on Main Street; I do not believe that there is as strong a push for this today, as renovations of the proposed spaces made it unfeasible from a cost standpoint.

Suggest amending this Implementation Plan Priority to state, **“Begin discussions regarding the use of the upstairs space at the Old City Hall as an adaptive reuse project, and coordinate with local artisans through the City and community organizations to bring public art to downtown Mount Holly.”**

Create a downtown Municipal Service District with dedicated tax revenue.

Recommendation: Suggest moving this to Long Range Priority or Suggest amending it to state, **“Review the Business Incentive Grant Fund on an annual basis, during the budget process, which serves to assist qualifying businesses and property owners in improving their buildings.”** Improvements to buildings and the creation or expansion of businesses has a positive effect on property values, sales tax revenue, property tax revenue and increased foot traffic.

After taking classes on Municipal Service Districts and speaking with Jamie Guffey, Assistant City Manager of Finance, I feel that the municipal service district (MSD) has some drawbacks at this time. First off, by creating a downtown tax district, the property owners in downtown would be taxed more than standard property owners, say instead of a tax rate of 53 cents per \$100 it would be 57 cents per \$100. The revenue collected from those taxed would have to be spent in the downtown MSD on specific projects. It is important to note that the City has invested over \$3 million into the downtown streetscape improvements and infrastructure, and nearly \$1.5 million more in the Linear Park and East Central Avenue and Catawba Avenue streetscape projects. Additionally, the Mount Holly Community Development Foundation has provided funding for building and façade renovations in downtown. In a budding downtown, it would not be wise to impose additional tax burdens on property owners at this time. As a way to further invest in downtown, the City offers a business incentive grant to qualifying businesses. The City has awarded \$123,500 (\$15,000 pending for Jacqueline’s Boutique) in grant funding, which created 5 new businesses and 5 business expansions in downtown Mount Holly.

Acquire riverfront property located adjacent to River Street Park to gain strategic options for future improvements and use.

Recommendation: Suggest keeping this statement, and consider it partly-completed. The \$1 million Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) provided much needed infrastructure improvements along River Street, including storm drainage, a newly-paved River Street and a sidewalk to the park. Also, through CDBG acquisition funds, the City was able to acquire an additional 3.65 acres adjacent to the 10-acre River Street Park,

1.53 of it along Dutchman's Creek. Two lots, previously owned by Habitat for Humanity were exchanged for the property that the City acquired through grant funding, located at the corner of River Street and Elm Street. A nice Habitat House has been constructed on this lot. CaroMont Health is also exploring opportunities, and has pledged funding for a greenway, to connect the CaroMont Regional Medical Center-Mount Holly with the Linear Park and River Street Park. A feasibility study has been conducted to place this proposed greenway on the existing sewer line easement on the border of Dutchman's Creek. This proposal follows the Greenway Master Plan and Carolina Thread Trail Master Plan to link the northern and southern legs of the Catawba River Greenway. Coordination between CaroMont and the City is currently underway, and a plan will be presented to Council for approval in the near future.

Speaking more-so on riverfront property, the City owns 1.74 acres of land, which is the current home of the Street & Solid Waste Department. As plans are moving forward to relocate this facility to the former Adrian Plant, the City should consider future options for this parcel, although the railroad tracks prevent it from being truly adjacent to the park. Suggest that the City study acquiring or encouraging commercial development on the 1.35-acre tract of land, known as the "boat landing," currently owned by the Barkers, as it is strategically located along the Catawba River. Current tax value on the property, due to the revaluation, is \$390,504, up from the previous \$24,751. Duke Energy also owns 3.71 acres of land, located adjacent to the boat landing (north of), and a 1.71-acre parcel adjacent to the Street & Solid Waste Department (east of). An assessment of these four parcels should be noted in this Implementation Plan Goal.

Establish the South Main Street landscape buffer overlay.

Recommendation: Suggest changing this priority to **"Establishing future streetscapes in the downtown area,"** as an intermediate priority. There are several considerations with the establishment of a landscape buffer area. First off, the Central Business District currently ends at South Main Street and Glendale Avenue. Most of the area south of this is comprised of single family homes. Adding a landscape buffer would present its share of problems. First off, there is the expense of maintenance, (i.e. weeding beds, trimming and pruning hedges), and the City currently has little right-of-way beyond the sidewalk. This goal may be viewed as an encroachment on property owners in this area.

However, by building on the Main Street, Central and Catawba Avenue streetscapes, sidewalks can be extended and widened to the outer edges of downtown. Street trees can be planted, decorative lights installed, and fixtures such as park benches can be added. This will do much more in creating a "sense of place" in the downtown area than a landscaping buffer would. One of the downsides to extending streetscapes is the location of utility poles in relation to the sidewalk; also wooden utility poles are not exactly aesthetically pleasing. The natural reaction is to bury the lines and remove the poles, but there is quite an expense to this. As a result, both E. Catawba Avenue and E. Central Avenue streetscapes were improved, sidewalks were widened, but the utility poles had to be kept in place.

Gain control of the strategic property located within the Woods and Waters district.

Recommendation: Suggest moving this to Long Range Priority for monitoring. The City has gained control of over 200 acres of land through the Clean Water Management Trust Fund, \$2.6 million purchase with \$2.1 million grant, along the Catawba within the Woods and Waters District and the lease of Mountain Island Park. The City of Gastonia owns nearly 500 acres in the Don E. Carmichael Conservancy, which is managed by the Forest Service on Mountain Island Lake, within the District. Other property is owned by Crescent Resources, which had plans on developing an industrial business park on 118 acres a few years ago; those plans failed to materialize after CD Zoning approval.

Encourage Catalyst site: Dutchman's Creek Village.

Recommendation: Suggest that this accomplishment be checked as the rezonings and overlay district in the Downtown Gateway will provide the basis for redevelopment. The City can continue to work with potential developers in this area, but it will be up to a developer to purchase land and move the project forward. You also do not want to disenfranchise the existing residents of the River Street Park area by supporting an outright clearing of houses for a Village. It may be wiser to look at improving the site through public funding in the form of grants, such as the \$1 million CDBG. However, since the State eliminated rehab housing funding from the budget last year, future CDBG projects will be in doubt. It is important to note that CaroMont Health's future plans for this area will play a major role now that the \$24 million Regional Medical Center is operational.

Immediate Priority South Gateway Initiatives

Begin the South Gateway street improvements by establishing ordinance language to reflect street improvements as detailed in the South Gateway Small Area Plan and Design Guidelines.

Recommendation: Suggest that South Gateway street improvements be checked as an accomplishment because sidewalk design was incorporated into language in a recent Zoning Ordinance amendment. Street Improvements, not including sidewalks, should not be found in a Zoning Ordinance because State highways require NCDOT approval. NCDOT has already approved the South Gateway street improvements in concept. We can work on NCDOT enhancement grants to help fund the installation of landscaped medians on Hwy 273 South near I-85. The City has an opportunity to install aesthetically-pleasing facilities and improvements, such as landscaped medians and mast arm traffic poles, in conjunction with the Hwy 273 widening project, which lies just north of the South Gateway area.

Establish landscape buffer overlay district.

Recommendation: Suggest that this be changed to state, “focus on improving Landscape Ordinance found in Section 10 of the Zoning Ordinance.” This is one of the priorities that we would like to bring to Council for adoption in the next year.

Establish the Woods and Waters District by incorporating the Strategic Plan into Ordinance Language.

Recommendation: Focus instead on working with the Catawba River District, which Mr. DuPont and I serve as advisors. The CRD is promoting voluntary regulations, which property owners and builders can follow to promote green building and environmentally responsible activities within Mount Holly, Belmont and Western Mecklenburg County. In the future, the City can then choose to establish guidelines that reflect green objectives to keep things consistent and not have to reinvent the wheel so to speak.

Intermediate Priority Overall Initiatives

Begin to establish city-wide Bike Plan.

Recommendation: Suggest moving this to an immediate priority, which the City can accomplish through grant funding. The need for alternate-forms-of-transportation plans, such as a Pedestrian Master Plan, is crucial for transportation and obtaining future grant funding. The first question on many grant applications is, “Do you have a Master Plan?” In late 2012, Mount Holly received a \$45,000 NCDOT grant, which covered the cost of the Comprehensive Pedestrian Master Plan, drafted by Alta Planning and adopted by Council in August 2013. Staff has utilized the Pedestrian Plan in incorporating new sidewalks based on need, as outlined within the Plan.

Display updated marketing materials at Whitewater Center and the residential sales center for Crosland’s Whitewater development.

Recommendation: Suggest that this objective be checked as an accomplishment. The TDA and Foundation are currently working on initiatives such as this related to providing materials that promote Mount Holly. The EDC is currently looking at ways to market the City as well. Crosland’s Whitewater Development may not happen anytime soon, and suggest changing that to “residential sales centers for housing developments in the region.”

Explore additional marketing opportunities with regional attractions:

Recommendation: Please see above. Similar in scope.

Intermediate Priority Downtown and Riverfront Initiatives

“Green” the Highland Avenue/Charlotte Avenue Intersection.

Recommendation: Vast improvements, including additional plantings, were intended to be accomplished as part of the Linear Park Project. Please keep in mind that the 2008 Linear Park Plan lays out \$4.1 million worth of improvements to the Linear Park or Downtown Gateway area, which could never be constructed with \$1.4 million in remaining bond monies approved by voters in 2003. The scope of work increased substantially from the first concept of the Linear Park, which was set to focus on East Central Avenue only. The scope went on to include Catawba Avenue, Hill Street, South Alexander Street, as well as improvements along Highland Avenue between Catawba and Central Avenues. The City certainly benefitted substantially from the low bids, and stretched dollars to include projects listed in the Plan. Suggest keeping this as intermediate priority as we have plans in place for the intersection; the plans would require additional funding sources to move forward as part of the overall Linear Park Plan.

Intermediate Priority South Gateway Initiatives

Install pedestrian safe crossing at Hwy 273/Pearl Beatty Road.

Recommendation: Suggest changing this to Hwy 273/YMCA Drive. There is simply a better and safer opportunity to work with stakeholders, such as the YMCA, the CHS Rehab Hospital, Water’s Edge HOA, the Holiday Inn Express, Belmont Abbey and the City of Belmont to install a crosswalk at Hwy 273/YMCA Drive at the traffic light. I imagine that with all that multijurisdictional and public/private collaboration, we could obtain all sorts of grants and donations to accomplish this goal.

Encourage catalyst site: Gateway Retail Village

Recommendation: The basis for this goal was established in 2008 through the rezonings and guidelines established in the South Gateway Overlay District. Crescent is studying the old Texaco Gas Station and surrounding properties for retail opportunities. In December 2013, as part of a job creation and private investment measure, City Council approved a CD rezoning for Porter’s Fabrication to establish an office/retail building, corporate offices and a manufacturing center (265,000 sq ft) on 20 acres of land at the corner of YMCA Drive. Those plans are still anticipated, but the developer has said that they have been put on hold for the time being.

Long Range Priority Overall Initiatives

Suggest keeping these goals the same as they are long range with the exception of changing:

Install traffic circle at Highland Avenue/North Main Street.

Recommendation: Suggest changing this to monitoring the need for transportation improvement projects and study traffic circles as part of the process. A traffic circle here is not needed as there is a traffic light that suffices. The traffic circle would cause more problems than solutions at this location according to NCDOT. It is important to note that there is no evidence that the contractor sought counsel from NCDOT or a traffic engineering firm when recommending traffic improvements. Some of these recommendations were relying on aesthetics rather than functionality.

Establish Dutchman's Creek Canoe Launch near North Main Street.

Recommendation: Suggest changing this to River Street Park on Dutchman's Creek. The Community Development Block Grant funded a new kayak/canoe launch as part of the grant's requirement. Also suggest exploring other opportunities to establish canoe/kayak launches along Dutchman's Creek and the Catawba River. Blueways, "outlined routes along waterways," have increased in popularity by connecting kayakers/canoers to destination points along rivers.

NEW BUSINESS



City of Mount Holly Action Agenda Item

To: City Council

Date: August 6, 2015

From: Danny Jackson, City Manager

Meeting Date: August 10, 2015

Agenda Item to be considered: *New Business #1 – Discussion of rerouting truck traffic on North Main Street (NC273)*

Will this require a public hearing? ☐ YES ☒ NO

Background/Purpose of Request : *As you all are already aware, Scott Lilly, who lives at 420 North Main Street, which is next to our Fire Station, has expressed great displeasure regarding large truck traffic. This matter has been going on for the past year. City staff has spoken with Mr. Lilly on several occasions about his concerns. We have also gone through certain measures to ensure that we are addressing the matter appropriately, despite the fact that NC 273 is a road maintained by NCDOT. At this point I am not sure what else we can do to fully satisfy the concerns of Mr. Lilly. I have even made the companies located on North Main Street aware of the concerns. At the meeting next Monday night Mr. Lilly is expected to formally voice his concerns to the City Council.*

Fiscal Impact:

Will Item affect current budget	☐ YES	☒ NO	☐ N/A
Reviewed by Finance Director	☐ YES	☒ NO	☐ N/A
Preaudit Certification required	☐ YES	☒ NO	☐ N/A
Capital Project Ordinance required	☐ YES	☒ NO	☐ N/A
Budget Transfer required	☐ YES	☒ NO	☐ N/A
Total City Dollars:	\$		
Budget Code			
Reviewed by City Attorney	☐ YES	☐ NO	☒ N/A

Manager/Staff Recommendation: N/A

Result of City Council Decision:

Attachments:

OTHER BUSINESS

REPORTS

Mount Holly Parks & Recreation

Monthly Report

Sole Patrol- The Sole Patrol met 22 days during the month of July. The total attendance was 846 with 70 different members attending. They met for luncheons, monthly birthday party, and exercise.

Fitness Center- The Fitness Center was open 25 days during the month of July. The total attendance was 188 with 38 different members attending. Of the 38, 25 were seniors, 11 were paying residents, and 2 were city employees.

Athletics- Tuckaseege Park was the host site for the 11 and 12 year old Dixie Youth district tournament from July 4- July 8. Teams from Mount Holly, Stanley, Kannapolis, South Park, and Belmont participated. The estimated attendance was 1800 people.

Challenger Soccer Camp was held the week of July 13-17 at Tuckaseege Park. The total attendance for the camp was 31 people.

Free-play at the Old Gym is held Monday-Friday from 12-5pm. We have been averaging around 26 children per session.

Rentals & Special Events- The Tuckaseege Community Center was rented two times during the month of July. The estimated attendance was 220 people. The shelters at Tuckaseege and River Street Park were rented out nine times. The estimated attendance was 360 people.

The fireworks celebration was held downtown on Thursday July 2. We had Coming Up Brass, food vendors, and a child play area before the fireworks. The estimated attendance was 5500 people.

News & Notes- Dick's Sporting Goods will be hosting Mount Holly Parks & Rec. Shop day at the Gastonia location on Saturday August 15.

Movies in the Park, returns to Tuckaseege Park on Saturday August 22. Pre- movie activities begin at 7pm, while the movie begins at dusk. We will be showing the movie Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad day.

Parks & Recreation Commission will meet on Tuesday August 25 at 630pm.

Incident Disposition Totals by Offense

MOUNT HOLLY POLICE

(07/01/2015 - 07/31/2015)

Offense:	Arrest/No Supp.:	Arrest/Oth. Agency:	Death of Offender:	Vic. Ref. to Cooper.:	Prosecut. Declined:	Extradit. Declined:	Located Missing:	Unfound.:	Reported:	Actual:	Further Invest.:
0410 - Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
0510 - Burglary - Forcible Entry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4
0520 - Burglary - Non-Forced Entry	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	7	7	4
0640 - Larceny - From Motor Vehicle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	7
0660 - Larceny - From Buildings	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5	5	2
0690 - Larceny - All Other Larceny	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	16	15	11
0710 - Motor Vehicle Theft - Automobile	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	5	4	2
0810 - Simple Physical Assault	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	9	8	2
0820 - Simple Non-Physical Assault	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0
1015 - Forgery - Using/Uttering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	3
1140 - Fraud - Unauthorized Use of Conveyance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
1150 - Fraud - Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1
1190 - Fraud - All Other Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1
1400 - Criminal Damage to Property (Vandalism)	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	12
1810 - Drug Violations	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	0
1834 - Drug Violations - Equipment/Paraphernalia - Possessing/Concealing	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0
1890 - Drug Violations - All Other Drug Violations	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0
2430 - Fighting (Affray)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
2450 - Drunk and Disruptive	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
2650 - Escape From Custody or Resist Arrest	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
2660 - Parole & Probation Violations	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
2670 - Trespassing	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0

Incident Disposition Totals by Offense

MOUNT HOLLY POLICE

(07/01/2015 - 07/31/2015)

Offense:	Arrest/No Supp.:	Arrest/Oth. Agency:	Death of Offender:	Vic. Ref. to Cooper.:	Prosecut. Declined:	Extradit. Declined:	Located Missing:	Unfound.:	Reported:	Actual:	Further Invest.:
2680 - City Ordinance Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
2690 - All Other Offenses	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	1
4010 - All Traffic (except DWI)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
8010 - Missing Persons	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	0
9910 - Calls for Service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	3
Totals:	36	5	0	0	7	0	1	3	126	123	54

Arrest Status/Disposition Totals by Offense

MOUNT HOLLY POLICE

(07/01/2015 - 07/31/2015)

Offense:	Further Invest.:	Inactive:	Closed/ Cleared:	Arrest/No Supp.:	Arrest/No Invest.:	Felony:	Misd.:	Juvenile:	Adult:	Offense:
0520 - Burglary - Non-Forced Entry	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
0660 - Larceny - From Buildings	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
0690 - Larceny - All Other Larceny	0	0	3	1	2	1	2	0	3	3
0810 - Simple Physical Assault	0	0	6	3	3	0	6	0	6	6
0820 - Simple Non-Physical Assault	0	0	3	2	1	0	3	0	3	3
1015 - Forgery - Using/Uttering	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1120 - Fraud - Obtaining Money/Property by False Pretense	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1400 - Criminal Damage to Property (Vandalism)	0	0	3	3	0	0	3	0	3	3
1590 - Other Weapons Violations	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
1810 - Drug Violations	0	0	49	16	33	44	5	0	49	49
1834 - Drug Violations - Equipment/Paraphernalia - Possessing/Concealing	0	0	3	3	0	0	3	0	3	3
1890 - Drug Violations - All Other Drug Violations	0	0	38	7	31	37	1	0	38	38
2100 - DWI - Alcohol and/or Drugs	0	0	3	2	1	0	3	0	3	3
2430 - Fighting (Affray)	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
2450 - Drunk and Disruptive	0	0	3	1	2	0	3	0	3	3
2640 - Contempt of Court, Perjury, Court Violations	0	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	3
2650 - Escape From Custody or Resist Arrest	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
2660 - Parole & Probation Violations	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	0	2	2
2670 - Trespassing	0	0	3	2	1	0	3	0	3	3
2690 - All Other Offenses	0	0	4	4	0	3	1	0	4	4
4010 - All Traffic (except DWI)	0	0	5	4	1	0	5	0	5	5
Totals:	0	0	135	54	81	90	45	0	135	135

Citation Totals by Charge

MOUNT HOLLY POLICE

(07/01/2015 - 07/31/2015)

Charge:	Number of Charges:
Speeding (Misdemeanor)	8
Speeding (Infraction)	33
Seat Belt	6
Improper Transportation Of Children	3
DWI	1
No Operator License	11
Driving While License Revoked	7
Expired Registration	7
Inspection	6
Unsafe Movement	1
Failure To Stop (Stop Sign/Flashing Red Light)	22
Running Red Light	3
Possess/Consume Alcohol - Passenger	1
Failure To Reduce Speed	1
Other (Misdemeanor)	19
Other (Infraction)	12
Other (2nd Charge - Misdemeanor)	19
Other (2nd Charge - Infraction)	11
Total:	171

Mt Holly PD
400 E CENTRAL AV MT HOLLY , NC 28120
CFS By Department - Select Department By Date
For MOUNT HOLLY POLICE 7/1/2015 - 7/31/2015

MOUNT HOLLY POLICE	Count Per Type	Type Percent for Dept
ALARM B	19	1.31%
ALARM R	43	2.96%
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	3	0.21%
ASSAULT AL OCC	9	0.62%
ASSAULT IN PROG	2	0.14%
ASSAULT W/ WEAPON	1	0.07%
ASSIST CITY DEPARTMENT	2	0.14%
ASSIST FD/EMS	18	1.24%
ASSIST LE AGENCY	20	1.38%
ASSIST OTHER	3	0.21%
ATTEMPTED B & E	3	0.21%
B & E BUSINESS AL OCC	1	0.07%
B & E OF BUSINESS IN PROGRESS	1	0.07%
B & E RES AL OCC	7	0.48%
B & E RES IN PROG	2	0.14%
B & E TO VEHICLE ALR OCC	12	0.83%
BANK ESCORT	8	0.55%
CHECK ROADWAY	17	1.17%
CHECK THE WELFARE	13	0.90%
CHILD CUSTODY	6	0.41%
CIVIL DISPUTE	11	0.76%
COMM SERV SPECIAL EVENT	12	0.83%
COMMUNICATING THREATS	14	0.96%
COURT	16	1.10%
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	14	0.96%
DIRECT TRAFFIC	3	0.21%
DISCHARGE FIREARM	5	0.34%
DISTURBANCE NATURE UNK	4	0.28%
DOMESTIC ARGUMENT	18	1.24%
DOMESTIC ASSAULT	4	0.28%
DROWNING	1	0.07%
DRUGS	11	0.76%
EMBEZZLEMENT	1	0.07%
FIGHT MULTIPLE SUBJ	8	0.55%
FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION	50	3.44%
FOOT PATROL	6	0.41%
FOUND PROPERTY	2	0.14%
FRAUD	11	0.76%
FUNERAL ESCORT	12	0.83%
HANGUP 911	6	0.41%
HARRASSMENT	3	0.21%
HIT & RUN PD	2	0.14%
IDENTITY THEFT	1	0.07%

MOUNT HOLLY POLICE	Count Per Type	Type Percent for Dept
INDECENT EXPOSURE	1	0.07%
INFORMATION ONLY	29	2.00%
INTOXICATED DRIVER	8	0.55%
INTOXICATED PEDESTRIAN	6	0.41%
JUVENILE	6	0.41%
K9 DEPLOYMENT	2	0.14%
LARCENY AL OCC	30	2.07%
LARCENY FROM VEHICLE	2	0.14%
LARCENY IN PROG	3	0.21%
LICENSE CHECK	3	0.21%
LITTERING	1	0.07%
LOST PROPERTY	1	0.07%
MISC CALL	6	0.41%
MISSING PERSON JUVENILE	5	0.34%
MV COLLISION PD	28	1.93%
MV COLLISION PI	1	0.07%
NOISE VIOLATION	19	1.31%
OBTAINING WARRANT	11	0.76%
PARKING VIOL	4	0.28%
PERSONAL ESCORT	14	0.96%
PROWLER	8	0.55%
PUBLIC NUISANCE BIKES/SKATEBOARDS/ATV/DIRT BIKES	10	0.69%
RADAR/TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT	9	0.62%
RECOVER STOLEN PROPERTY	1	0.07%
ROAD RAGE	2	0.14%
SEARCH WARRANT	6	0.41%
SERVE WARRANT	22	1.52%
SOLICITATION	1	0.07%
SPEC ASSIGNMENT TRAFFIC	2	0.14%
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT	26	1.79%
SPECIAL CHECK	366	25.21%
STALKING	1	0.07%
STOLEN VEHICLE AL OCC	4	0.28%
STRANDED MOTORIST	22	1.52%
SUBJECT WITH A GUN/WEAPON	3	0.21%
SUICIDAL SUBJECT	1	0.07%
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	47	3.24%
SUSPICIOUS VEH OCCUP	45	3.10%
SUSPICIOUS VEH UNOCCUP	35	2.41%
TRAFFIC OTHER	12	0.83%
TRAFFIC STOP	210	14.46%
TRAILER DEPLOYMENT	1	0.07%
TRESPASS	19	1.31%
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF CONVEYANCE	1	0.07%
VANDALISM AL OCC	4	0.28%
VERBAL ARGUMENT	9	0.62%
Total Records For MOUNT HOLLY POLICE	1452	Dept Calls/Total Calls 100.00%

Total Records

1452

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

	JUNE	2015	2014	2013
Water				
Daily Average (mgd)		3.168	2.690	2.668
Daily Maximum (mgd)		3.992	3.190	3.320
Daily Minimum (mgd)		2.507	2.040	1.990
Monthly Total (mg)		95.041	80.690	80.040
Customers				
Inside City Limits		5683	5501	5413
Outside City Limits		485	496	488
TOTAL		6168	5997	5901
Wastewater				
Daily Average (mgd)		2.180	2.070	1.970
Daily Maximum (mgd)		2.624	2.416	2.336
Daily Minimum (mgd)		1.210	1.441	1.083
Monthly Total Flow (mg)		65.402	62.099	57.128
American & Efird Total Flow (mg)		18.868	21.460	21.156
Customers				
Inside City Limits		5301	5133	5074
Outside City Limits		56	58	54
TOTAL		5357	5191	5128
Sanitation				
Number of Customers				
Residential		4932	4831	4761
Commercial / Industrial		146	145	143
Recycling		5042	4904	4710
Garbage Collected (tons)		373.57	362.77	347.83
General Yardwaste (tons)		49.54	46.18	67.39
Chipping (tons)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Leaves (tons)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Yardwaste (tons)		49.54	46.18	67.39
White Goods (tons)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Recycling (tons)		75.99	61.21	68.60

**SIGN UP TO SPEAK AT
UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT**

10-Aug-15

	NAME	ADDRESS	TOPIC
1	SCOTT LILLY	420 N. MAIN	FREIGHT TRAFFIC
2	Laura Lilly	420 N. Main	Freight traffic
3	Klaus Schick	121 Shane Dr.	Introducing myself
4	Steve Conder	1114 N. Main St.	Freight traffic
5	JOE ZANKFORD	119 OAK TRAIL	HALF WAY HOUSE ON FERSH
6	Kevin Oliver	2505 Court Dr	Apt on Farsell St.
7	Helena Frost	101 Caven	thought traffic
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