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An update to the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners from the County Manager

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State of the County Address Set for Wednesday

Chairman Trevor M. Fuller will present the 2015 State of the County Address on Wednesday, Jan. 28, at 10:30 a.m., in the chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center.

All elected officials and other dignitaries in Mecklenburg County are invited, along with the public and the media.

For those who can't attend, the speech will be broadcast live on the Government Channel, Time Warner Cable 16, and streamed online at www.mecklenburgcountync.gov.

DHHS Secretary to Visit Mecklenburg County

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Aldona Wos will visit Mecklenburg County Department of Social Services on Wednesday, Jan. 28. During her visit, Secretary Wos will tour the Kuralt Center and meet with County staff.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Eastland Mall Redevelopment Opportunity Update

Mecklenburg County staff is working with the City of Charlotte Neighborhood & Business Services (NBS) to determine possible public uses for the former Eastland Mall site, which is now owned by the City. So far, NBS staff has met with representatives from the development community as well as eastside residents to gauge interest in specific types of public investment as a catalyst for private development.

In these meetings, amenities such as schools and parks were mentioned as possible "draws." It should be noted that there has been no commitment on the part of the County in regards to specific investments, nor is Mecklenburg County under any obligation to participate in the redevelopment of the site.

The only current County-funded capital project in the Eastland area is the Pre-K-8 CMS school approved in the 2013 school bond referendum. Other potential County capital investment opportunities include a Community Resource Center, a recreation center for Park and Recreation, and a location to replace the Independence Branch of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library.

For more information, contact Dennis LaCaria at 980.314.2939 or Dennis.Lacaria@MecklenburgCountyNV.gov.

Possible Land Exchange between the County and Charlotte-Mecklenburg Housing Partnership

County staff with Park and Recreation and Asset and Facility Management have been in discussions with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Housing Partnership Inc. on a possible land exchange in the Double Oaks neighborhood of north Charlotte.

The Housing Partnership approached the County with a proposal to exchange the site of the existing Double Oaks Pool, located at 2701 Statesville Ave, for a site owned by the Housing Partnership located at the intersection of Statesville and Woodward avenues.

Acquiring the County-owned property will enable the Housing Partnership to bring commercial development to the neighborhood. The current Double Oaks Pool facility has outlived its service life and the County is in the pre-design phase for a replacement facility with the anticipation of beginning construction during FY2016.

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If the County and the Housing Partnership work out a land exchange, the County-owned property will need to be rezoned.

For more information, contact Leslie Johnson at 980-314-2910 or Leslie.Johnson@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Legislative Update

The General Assembly will return to Raleigh on Wednesday, Jan. 28. During the session, we will be working closely with our delegation to have bills introduced that will accomplish the Board's legislative agenda. For this biennium, the Mecklenburg Delegation will be co-chaired by Senator Jeff Tarte and Representative Becky Carney.

We will be providing you with regular legislative updates in the Board Bulletin.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, February 3, 5-6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH 14
- Tuesday, February 3, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Tuesday, February 10, 3 p.m. – BOCC Budget/Public Policy Workshop, CMGC Room 267

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