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

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General Assembly Update

The General Assembly took its next step toward the completion of its biennial spending plan with the appointment of conferees to negotiate the differences between the House and Senate. The House appointed 82 members to represent its interests while the Senate appointed 32 members. No members who had voted against their body's budget were appointed to the negotiating committee. In another sign that work of the General Assembly could be nearing an end, the Senate announced that it will shut down its committees at the end of this week, effectively ending its consideration of substantive legislation that is not in the budget.

Also last week, a measure that would prohibit the removal of monuments and memorials commemorating events received a favorable hearing in a House committee. The bill passed the Senate unanimously in April. Our legal staff is currently reviewing the legislation to determine if it would restrict the flexibility of the BOCC to make decisions about memorials on County-owned property.

CSS Staff attend National Conference on Homelessness

Several Community Support Services staff recently attended the National Alliance to End Homelessness conference in Washington, DC. This is the premier conference with over 2,000 participants and multiple training tracks with the latest information about best practices and measurement of progress.

There are national goals to end Veterans' homelessness by Dec. 31, 2015 and chronic homelessness by Dec. 31, 2016. Our community has committed to these goals and is making significant progress toward housing this population and achieving the desired outcomes.

Staff who attended are members of the Coordinated Assessment Team which evaluates each homeless person presented for emergency shelter to determine best options. All major homeless service agencies signed agreements to support this model.

In a generous show of support, the United Way covered employees' attendance, saving the County considerable expense.

Park and Rec Breaks Ground on Friendship Sportsplex

Athletes from Mecklenburg County will soon have a new place to play and practice thanks to a special partnership between Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation and Friendship Missionary Baptist Church.

On Thursday, July 16, the department and church held a groundbreaking ceremony for phase I of the Friendship Sportsplex at the intersection of McAllister Drive and Missionary Avenue in west Charlotte. The sportsplex will sit on land owned by the church that will be leased to Park and Recreation.

Phase I will offer several amenities including two lighted softball fields, a restroom/concession building, a picnic shelter and playground equipment.

Construction is expected to be finished by 2016 with fields opening in 2017.

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CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Monday, July 27, noon – County Manager Dena R. Diorio will speak at the North Rotary Club meeting at Byron's South End, 101 W. Worthington Ave. Charlotte
- Tuesday, Aug. 4, 5-6 – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH14
- Tuesday, Aug. 4, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber

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