

Mecklenburg County Manager's "Board Bulletin"

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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 Speaker of the House and President Pro Tempore of the Senate held a press conference this afternoon to discuss an outline of the proposed state budget agreement.

The budget should be published online tonight and will be voted on over the next several days. Based on the comments made by legislative leadership, the budget will:

- Preserve the existing sales tax distribution for local governments on currently collected sales taxes
- Expand the sales tax base to include service contracts and installation and repairs on items currently subject to tax
- This additional local government revenue will be distributed to the approximately 79 counties that receive more funding from per capita sales tax than point of sale
- Continue funding for Driver's Education and Teacher Assistants
- Provide a \$750 bonus to state employees, including teachers, and fund any step increases earned by teachers moving to the next step on the pay scale
- Increase starting teacher pay to \$35,000.

We will review the budget document when it is published and provide additional information to you about any County impacts.

Fire Marshal's Office Receives Fire Prevention Grant

I would like to congratulate the Mecklenburg County Fire Marshal's Office on receiving a Fire Prevention Grant from FM Global Insurance.

The grant will help the office maintain and replenish its supply of smoke alarm batteries which are distributed to local fire departments and the general public. In addition, the grant will fund the purchase of a fire prevention mascot costume for fire safety awareness events throughout the County.

The Fire Marshal's Office is part of Code Enforcement – a division of Mecklenburg's Land Use and

Environmental Services Agency. You can learn more [here](#).

Berewick Park Grand Opening

Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation will hold a grand opening ceremony for phase 1 of Berewick Park, 5910 Dixie River Road, on Thursday, Oct. 1 at 11 a.m.

Phase 1 includes two ball fields, one multi-purpose field, a playground and a reservable shelter.

For more information, contact Park and Recreation Director Jim Garges at 980-314-1012 or James.Garges@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, Sept. 15, 5-6 – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH14
- Tuesday, Sept. 15, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber

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