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BOARD BULLETIN

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

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Your Legislative Report

As you know, the North Carolina General Assembly reconvened for its short session last week. Our lobbying team from Ken Melton and Associates has already begun engaging members from our delegation and various state department staff regarding our legislative agenda.

Lawmakers have started reviewing Governor Pat McCrory's \$22.3 billion budget for the second of his two-year proposal. His proposal would increase spending by 2.8 percent over the current fiscal year and includes a proposed five percent salary increase for most teachers.

The House will present its version of the state budget in the next few weeks, followed by the Senate. The goal of the short session is to finish the budget process before the beginning of the July 1 fiscal year.

We will keep you updated each week during the short session. If you have any questions, please contact Deputy County Manager Chris Peek at 980-314-2881 or Chris.Peek@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Budget Presentation Set for May 26

I will present my FY17 recommended budget to the Board on Thursday, May 26 at 10:30 a.m. inside the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center.

The presentation will be [streamed](#) live on www.mecklenburgcountync.gov and live updates will be provided on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Just prior to the meeting, I will host an informal Q&A session at 9 a.m. for employees inside the Chamber. The session will be streamed on the County's internal site for employees who are unable to attend.

Facebook Q&A with Park and Recreation Director Jim Garges

Want to learn more about your favorite park? Have questions about a recreation center or program? Curious about a park project? Park and Recreation Director Jim Garges will answer these questions and more during a [Facebook Q&A](#) on Friday, May 13 from noon to 1 p.m. The

chat will take place on the [Park and Recreation Facebook page](#).

Bring your questions and join us as Jim discusses all the great things happening in our Park and Recreation Department.

You can learn about Park and Recreation at www.parkandrec.com.

Making a Big Difference with The Big Spring Clean

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services, in partnership with Keep Mecklenburg Beautiful, is hosting The Big Spring Clean on Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is our annual stream cleanup event that was formerly called Big Sweep.

Each year, about 500 volunteers remove an average of 10 tons of trash. Volunteers have fun, make a big difference and learn the importance of taking care of our local waterways.

This year's event will feature service projects at several staffed locations including:

- Campbell Creek Greenway, 2116 Margaret Wallace Road, Charlotte
- Irwin Creek Greenway - Irwin Avenue Elementary School, 329 N. Irwin Ave., Charlotte
- Mallard Creek Greenway, 9729 Mallard Creek Road, Charlotte
- McMullen Creek Greenway, 8135 Pineville-Matthews Road, Charlotte
- Four Mile Creek Greenway, 7935 Council Place #200, Matthews
- Latta Plantation Nature Preserve Picnic Area, Huntersville
- Berryhill Nature Preserve - Berryhill Baptist Church, 9791 Walkers Ferry Road, Charlotte
- Little Sugar Creek, 10348 Sam Meeks Road, Pineville

For more information, visit [The Big Spring Clean Web page](#) or contact Erin Hall at 980-721-2098 or Erin.Hall@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, May 3, 5-6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH14
- Tuesday, May 3, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Thursday, May 5, 3 p.m. – County Manager Dena R. Diorio and Vice Chair Clarke will speak at the Mecklenburg County Aquatic Center Open House, 800 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

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