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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

Beginning tomorrow, the full House Appropriations Committee will review a complete House budget plan, which will include proposals for teacher and state employee pay raises, among other items not yet unveiled.

After considering any proposed amendments, the plan will be voted on and sent to full House for consideration where additional amendments can be proposed from the floor. House leaders expect to have their version of the FY2016-17 state budget approved and sent to the Senate by the end of the week.

On Wednesday, Deputy County Manager Chris Peek and I, as well as several commissioners, will head to Raleigh for [County Assembly Day](#).

This event, which is presented by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC), will give us the opportunity to meet with our delegation and state legislative leaders to discuss our legislative agenda.

If you have any questions, please contact Deputy County Manager Chris Peek at 980-314-2881 or Chris.PEEK@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

County to Host Government-Business Connect Event Thursday

This Thursday, the Mecklenburg County Procurement Division will host a government-business connect event for trade professionals, landscaping contractors and promotional material vendors interested in partnering with the County. The free event is open to the public and will take place at the Hal Marshall Annex Conference Center, 700 N. Tryon St., from 5 – 7 p.m.

I encourage the Board to attend the event to meet and learn about the vendors.

For more information, contact Laurie McShea at 980-314-2400 or Laurie.McShea@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Mecklenburg County and the City of Charlotte Receive Award for Cross Charlotte Trail

I am pleased to announce that Mecklenburg County and the City of Charlotte are co-recipients of a Region of Excellence Award for the planned Cross Charlotte Trail. The award was presented by the Centralina Council of Governments during a ceremony on May 11.

Once completed, the Cross Charlotte Trail will be a 26-mile pedestrian and bicycle urban trail that will stretch from the Town of Pineville through Center City to UNC Charlotte and the Cabarrus County line. Approximately 98,000 jobs and 80,000 residents will be within a half mile of the trail, which will connect many places and employment centers. The Cross Charlotte Trail is focused on achieving the following four goals:

- Continuity: Closing the gaps between the existing trails creating 26 miles of continuous trail.
- Connectivity: Providing a seamless path connecting people to the larger trail network without using a car.
- Convenience: Offering transportation choices and convenient access to neighborhoods and businesses across Charlotte.
- Separation: Creating a comfortable trail separating the trail user from vehicles for a safe and enjoyable experience.

For more information, [click here](#) or contact Park and Recreation Greenway Planner Gwen Cook at 980-314-1036 or Gwen.Cook@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Charlotte Career Discovery Day: A Super Success!

Remember looking up to superheroes when you were young? Well, this year, we called on local businesses to step up as Superheroes of Youth Workforce development during the annual [Charlotte Career Discovery Day](#).

The event, which was held on April 13, is part of a yearlong campaign to increase access to job exploration and workplace experience.

More than 2,500 students from the Charlotte-Mecklenburg area arrived at the Park Expo and Conference Center to explore over 100 vendor booths showcasing the variety of careers available after high school. A college fair connected youth to training and educational options both in and beyond the Charlotte area.

Our Public Information Department worked with the City of Charlotte to produce a video highlighting the event. You can watch it [here](#).

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, May 17, 5-6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH 14
- Tuesday, May 17, 6 p.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Thursday, May 19, 11:30 a.m. – BOCC Special Meeting, Land Use and Environmental Services Agency, 2145 Suttle Ave.

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