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

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Legislative Update

The North Carolina House of Representatives passed a concealed carry bill that would allow North Carolinians to carry a concealed weapon without a concealed carry permit. While the bill passed the House, it was a relatively close vote that did not enjoy overwhelming GOP support, falling short of supermajority support. This means that even if the Senate passes the bill soon and the governor vetoes it, the chances of a gubernatorial veto being overridden are slim.

On the water buffer front, the newest piece of legislation was removed from voting consideration by Senator Tillman (R-Randolph) of the Senate Finance Committee after much pushback. HB 56 would exclude thousands of parcels of property in Mecklenburg County from taxation, with an anticipated negative impact of \$2.5 to \$3 million to Mecklenburg County annually. The resulting tax burden would then be passed on to other residents of Mecklenburg and beyond.

The legislature is still rumored to be on track for adjournment by the Fourth of July, which means that a final budget product is expected in the next couple of weeks. Both chambers have agreed on a total budget figure of \$22.9 billion, but as described in [last week's bulletin](#), there are some significant differences in the two budgets with respect to their substantive provisions.

For more information, contact Legislative Affairs Liaison Jonathan Sink at 980-314-2884 or Jonathan.Sink@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Commissioner Leake to Host 'A Cry for the Quality of Education in District 2' Town Hall Meeting

Mecklenburg County District 2 Commissioner Vilma D. Leake will host a town hall meeting on the quality of education in District 2 on Thursday, June 22 at Berewick Recreation Center, 5910 Dixie River Road. A networking opportunity will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by the program at 6 p.m.

Residents are invited to discuss budget priorities and the state of schools in District 2. Participants will also have the opportunity to talk to County, CMS and State level representatives about their community concerns.

For more information, contact LaShonda Hart at 980-314-2906 or LaShonda.Hart@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Rosa Parks Farmers Market Returns this Summer

The Public Health Department and Johnson C. Smith University are helping to connect local farmers and residents to facilitate access nutritious, local foods with the second annual Rosa Parks Farmers Market.

The market is open Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June through September at the Northwest Health Department (2845 Beatties Ford Road, Charlotte).

For more information, visit the Rosa Parks Farmers Market [web page](#).

Data Making a Difference: The 2017 BRFSS Survey

Over the next few weeks, Mecklenburg County Public Health will be conducting the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) telephone survey. This phone survey, which takes about 10 minutes to complete, randomly polls residents aged 18 and older to learn about their health behaviors. Your participation can directly influence health programs and policies for all County residents.

The BRFSS collects information on health risk behaviors and chronic health conditions - information that is critical to understanding the scope of certain issues like diabetes and heart disease.

BRFSS findings are used to evaluate public health programs, establish prevention strategies and drive communitywide policy, programming and campaigns to promote and improve the health of our county.

For more information about BRFSS, please visit www.cdc.gov/brfss or for more local BRFSS data, [click here](#).

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Saturday, June 17, 5 p.m. – Mecklenburg County Sportsplex at Matthews – Phase II Grand Opening, 1505 Tank Town Road, Matthews

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