

June 4, 2018

Legislative Update

Last Wednesday May 30, several Mecklenburg County commissioners participated in the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Town Assembly Day to share information about the issues affected counties with state legislators. In addition to hearing from Governor Roy Cooper, Senate Pro Tempore Phil Berger and Speaker of the House Tim Moore, commissioners also talked over lunch with members of the Mecklenburg County legislative delegation.

The state budget, Senate Bill 99 was introduced as a conference report from the House and Senate. After extensive debate, it was approved by both chambers and has been sent to the governor for consideration. The majority of Mecklenburg County's 2018 legislative agenda was covered in the budget. Those provisions include continued funding to eliminate the Pre-K waiting list, an adjustment to the subsidy market rate for ages 3-5, additional support for implementation of the Juvenile Justice Reinvestment Act (Raise the Age legislation), and increased salaries for public educators and education support personnel.

For more information, contact Starla Tanner, legislative affairs liaison, at 980-314-2884 or Starla. Tanner@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Rosa Parks Farmers Market Is On The Move: Market Opens Tomorrow

After two successful seasons at the Northwest Public Health Department, The Rosa Parks Farmers Market will open tomorrow at its new location, 1600 W. Trade St., and will operate every Tuesday from 3-7 p.m. through Sept. 25.

The new location allows for a larger variety of produce and goods to be sold at the market, improved access by the surrounding community and a greater economic impact along the 5 Points – Beatties Ford Road corridor.

The market is made up of representatives from <u>Public Health</u>, Johnson C. Smith University, the Knight Foundation, Center City Partners and the Rosa Parks Farmers Market Community Advisory Council.

It remains one of two farmers markets in the region to offer a dollar matching program for EBT cardholders.

For more information, contact Public Health Director Gibbie Harris at 980-314-9020 or

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CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Monday, June 4, 6 p.m. Budget Public Hearing, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Tuesday, June 5, 8:30 a.m. County Assessor Ken Joyner will speak about the 2019 Revaluation at the Greater Area Apartment Association meeting.
- Tuesday, June 5, noon County Assessor Ken Joyner will speak to the Piedmont Club about the 2019 Revaluation.
- Tuesday, June 5, 5-6 p.m. BOCC Regular Meeting, Informal Session, CMGC CH-14
- Tuesday, June 5, 6 p.m. BOCC Regular Meeting, Formal Session, CMGC Meeting Chamber
- Thursday, June 7, 7:30 a.m. County Assessor Ken Joyner will speak about the 2019 Revaluation at the Lake Norman/Huntersville Rotary Club meeting.
- Thursday, June 7, 3 p.m. Detailed Overview of the FY2019 Recommended Budget, CMGC Room 267

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