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Clerk's Office Seeks Applicants to Fill Vacancies on the County's Capital Budget Advisory Committee, and the Park and Recreation Commission

Members of the Citizens Capital Budget Advisory Committee are charged with receiving and reviewing capital project forms, project reports, and reporting to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) annually on findings related to capital, deferred maintenance, and operating costs. In addition, the committee is responsible for reviewing the community engagement process for the Capital Improvement Program.

The Park and Recreation Commission is responsible for advising the BOCC in all matters affecting recreation programs, and the acquisition and disposal of lands and properties related to all aspects of the County's recreation program. The commission also proposes recreation regulations, which in its judgment are necessary to support and protect the assigned responsibilities as defined in its resolution.

To apply, visit BOCC.MeckNC.gov/Clerk or contact the County Clerk's Office at 980-314-2939 or Clerk@MeckNC.gov. Applicants must reside in Mecklenburg County to qualify for an appointment.

Deputy County Manager Mike Bryant to Succeed Dena R. Diorio as County Manager

After a nationwide search, the [Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners](#) selected Deputy County Manager [Mike Bryant](#) to serve as the next County manager. Bryant has more than 20 years of budgetary and finance expertise, along with over 30 years of public service experience.

He joined the County in 2003 as a management and budget analyst and was promoted to director of the Office of Management and Budget in 2014 and deputy County manager in 2020. Prior to joining the County, Bryant worked for the City of Durham, Duke University, Granville County, and the North Carolina Office of the Governor.

Bryant will assume the County manager role following [Dena Diorio's](#) retirement this June.

Meck Pre-K is Accepting Applications for Upcoming 2025-2026 School Year

MECK Pre-K, a high-quality, free pre-kindergarten program open to all four-year-old children in Mecklenburg County, is now taking applications for the upcoming school year. All children in Mecklenburg County who will be four years old on or before Aug. 31, 2025, are eligible.

To apply or learn more about the application requirements visit meckprek.org. Interested parties unable to apply online are encouraged to email info@MECKPreK.org or call 704-368-3370 to schedule an appointment to apply in person.

The National Association of Counties Selects Mecklenburg County for National Program to Develop Affordable Housing

Mecklenburg County has been chosen for the second cohort of [Counties for Housing Solutions \(C4HS\)](#), a program from the National Association of Counties (NACo) and Smart Growth America that focuses on increasing housing supply.

As part of the program the Mecklenburg County team, comprised of staff from the County Manager's Office, Asset and Facility Management, and Commissioner George Dunlap, will work through a step-by-step scenario for developing affordable housing. The team will walk through the process of identifying and evaluating appropriate sites, planning community engagement sessions, partnering with potential developers, and seeking financing to support planned housing development.

The County's participation in this program is one of its many efforts to address the high demand for affordable housing. Learn more about the state of housing in Charlotte-Mecklenburg at MecklenburgHousingData.org.

Seats Available for Annual Crowns of Enterprise Awards Ceremony

On Thursday, May 8, local business owners will be recognized at the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center from 5-8 p.m., as part of the [Crowns of Enterprise Awards](#). The annual ceremony recognizes and honors small businesses that demonstrate exemplary leadership and sound business strategies.

The award ceremony will acknowledge and display the hard work and resilient efforts of local small businesses and individuals, illustrating the positive footprint, diversity and inclusion efforts, and economic impact they have on our community. To register and learn more about the event visit the County's [event page](#).

Storm Water's Class 2 Designation Yields Cheaper Flood Insurance for Residents

As a result of hard work by County and City staff across [Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services](#) to protect the public from the risks of flooding. Charlotte is now among the top 1% of more than 1,500 communities nationwide participating in the FEMA's [Community Rating System](#) (CRS) program and the top rated in North Carolina.

Recently FEMA's recognized the City of Charlotte as a Class 2 community, a designation that will save residents an estimated \$1 million or more in annual flood insurance premiums. The upgraded designation creates a discount of up to 40% on [National Flood Insurance Program](#) (NFIP) policies in the regulated floodplain. All other NFIP policies within the city will receive a discount of up to 10%.

Health and Human Services Agency Solicits Community Feedback to Inform Updates to Agency's Webpage

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County Unveils Designs for Latta Place

Mecklenburg County recently revealed the future design of Latta Place, a 16-acre historic site in Huntersville, North Carolina. The unveiled design concept features a new interpretive trail, a new visitor center and updates to the plantation farmstead that will uncover the entangled stories of the people and cultures that shaped Latta Place and its natural environment, including enslaved people, Indigenous people, tenant farmers, artisans, historic landowners, and more recent stewards. Construction is anticipated to start later this year, and the County anticipates reopening Latta Place in 2026.

Learn more about how the County is reimagining Latta Place at Latta.MeckNC.gov, and sign up for project updates at PublicInput.com/HistoricLatta.

NEWS RELEASES

View more [Top Stories](#) from the Board of County Commissioners' meetings and Mecklenburg County's newsroom.

- [Public Comments Wanted for Voluntary House Elevation Project](#)
- [Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners Announces Hiring of New County Manager](#)
- [Forest Point Place Open: Housing Supports Older Adults Experiencing Homelessness](#)
- [Mecklenburg County Schedules Dredging of Park Road Park Pond](#)
- [Recovery and Reclamation: Opioid Settlement Meeting Reveals Stories of Resilience](#)
- ['Strong and Robust': Commission Chair Delivers 2025 State of The County Address](#)
- [Uncovering The Entangled Stories: County Reveals Design of Latta Place](#)
- [Burn Ban Issued for All North Carolina Counties Due to Hazardous Forest Fire Conditions](#)
- [County To Unveil Art to Promote Gun Violence Prevention for Community at Upcoming Peace Builders Youth Summit](#)
- [Public Health Urges Measles Vaccination as National Cases Rise](#)

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- **Tuesday, April 8,** [BOCC Environmental Stewardship Committee](#), 12:30 – 2 p.m.
- **Tuesday, April 8,** [BOCC Budget Public Policy Workshop](#), 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, April 10,** [Coffee with Commissioners](#), 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.
- **Tuesday, April 15,** [BOCC Health and Human Services Committee](#), 1 – 2:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday, April 15,** [BOCC Economic Development Committee](#), 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday, April 15,** [BOCC Regular Meeting](#), 6 – 9 p.m.
- **Thursday, April 17,** [Seniors' Lunch and Learn](#), 10 – 2 p.m.

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