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Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, October 19; Work Session at 11:30

Council will meet in regular work session at **11:30** A.M. via **remote electronic format.** Please note the agenda for the lunch work session is included with the regular meeting agenda and may be accessed via the BoardDocs electronic agenda system:

https://go.boarddocs.com/nc/raleigh/Board.nsf

The regular Council meeting begins at 1:00 P.M.

Reminder: If there is an item you would like to pull from the consent agenda for discussion, please e-mail <u>mayorstaff@raleighnc.gov</u> by 11 A.M. the day of the meeting.

You will be receiving information on joining the WebEx Events session on Monday; staff will be available to assist with log ins and joining the virtual City Council meeting.

INFORMATION:

Oberlin Road Waterline Improvements - Construction Update

Staff Contact: Eileen Navarrete, Raleigh Water, 996-3480, eileen.navarrete@raleighnc.gov

As a follow up to prior updates, the contractor has made significant progress with the waterline replacement project on Oberlin Road. Currently, the Wade Avenue westbound (WB) ramps off Oberlin Road are planned to reopen Wednesday, October 20, which is two weeks ahead of schedule.

As planned with the reopening of the Wade Avenue WB ramps, the Oberlin Road closure will be extended south to Wade Avenue which will remove detoured traffic from Craig Street. The road closure is scheduled to remain for approximately three more months; vehicular access will be maintained for local traffic. The revised detour will utilize Wade Avenue, St. Mary's Street and Fairview Drive to access Oberlin Road.

The contractor will have two crews working on Oberlin Road to help meet or exceed the schedule outlined above.

Staff continues to communicate with residents and businesses in the area via in person meetings, calls, email notification, social media, press releases and project webpage updates.

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Connected Communities Conference – Raleigh Convention Center December 10

Staff Resource: Noah Otto, Information Technology, 996-2868, noah.otto@raleighnc.gov

The Connected Communities Conference (formerly Triangle Smart Cities Summit) is scheduled for December 10 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Raleigh Convention Center. The conference will bring together municipal, industry, business, and academic leaders from all over the world to engage in discussions and share ideas on how to make our region a smarter more connected community. Scheduled topics include:

- Digital inclusion
- Transportation & mobility-Pandemic response using data and tech
- Smart city accomplishments
- Artificial Intelligence
- Future technologies
- Connectivity & "IoT" (the *internet of things*)
- Building smarter & more connected communities

The purpose of this free public conference is to showcase how City and regional collaborations utilize technology to be more efficient and connected. The conference is designed to educate the community on the development and deployment of technology to bridge the 'digital divide' as the City implements technology inclusively and equitably. Another focus is on opportunities that are provided to connect individuals with less resources or disabilities to connect with the City and beyond. The conference also allows for public input on ideas they believe will have a positive impact on the community and how the Smart City Programs can assist in these efforts.

The Connected Communities Conference is hosted at the Convention Center and sponsored by the City of Raleigh, RIoT, North Carolina State University, and the Town of Cary.

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National League of Cities "Community of Practice" - Addressing the Needs of Postsecondary Students Staff Resource: Sophia Ramos, Housing & Neighborhoods, 996-6936, <u>sophia.ramos@raleighnc.gov</u>

The City of Raleigh has been selected to join the National League of Cities (NLC) new Community of Practice on Addressing the Basic Needs of Postsecondary Students.

The NLC is an organization focused on improving the quality of life for current and future constituents of cities, towns, and villages. The Community of Practice initiative provides a 12-month opportunity for cities to strengthen partnerships with local postsecondary institutions and community partners to remove the barriers to basic needs for students. Basic needs include access to food, housing, childcare, mental health services, transportation, and digital broadband services.

North Carolina State University will serve as the lead institutional partner on the initiative, but the City will also collaborate with Shaw University and Wake Technical Community College to reach a broader student base. More information about the Community of Practice can be found on the NLC <u>website</u>.

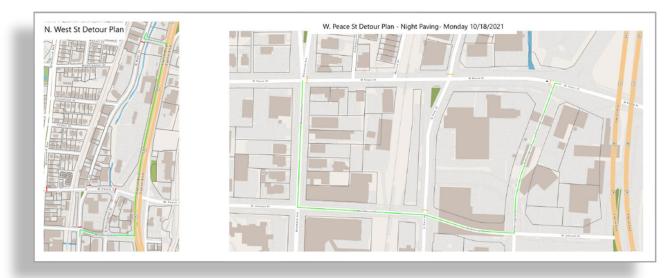
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Peace Street Resurfacing - Update

Staff Contact: Chris McGee, Transportation, 996-6446, christopher.mcgee@raleighnc.gov

In follow up to information provided in last week's *Update*, the contractor has completed paving operations on Phase 1 of the Peace Street re-surfacing project between Glenwood Avenue and Smallwood Drive. To expeditiously complete the remainder of the project, work between Glenwood Avenue and N. Harrington Street is scheduled for night shift operations to start on Monday, October 18.

Night shift operations will occur from 7:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 19. While work is taking place, westbound W. Peace Street traffic will follow a posted detour along N. Harrington St. to W. Johnson Street back to Glenwood Avenue. As part of the posted detour, through traffic on N. West St. will also be restricted between Dortch St. and W Johnson St. Police will be on site to assist with traffic control.



Transportation staff has been in contact with businesses and residents along the corridor to keep stakeholders informed of operations and to serve as a point of contact if concerns arise or information is needed. Motorists are encouraged to drive cautiously in and around the work zone and detour routes.

W. Peace Street detour for all Traffic (GREEN ROUTE SHOWN):

Westbound Traffic (W. Peace St):

• WB Traffic will turn left on N. Harrington St and follow to W. Johnson St.

- WB Traffic will turn right on W. Johnson St and follow to Glenwood Ave.
- WB Traffic will turn right on Glenwood Ave back to W. Peace St. -End Detour-

Eastbound Traffic (W. Peace St):

- EB Traffic will turn right on Glenwood Ave. to W. Johnson St.
- EB Traffic will turn left on W. Johnson St. to N. Harrington St.
- EB Traffic will turn left on N. Harrington St back to W. Peace St. -End Detour-

N. West St detour for SB Traffic (GREEN ROUTE SHOWN)

Southbound Traffic (N. West St.):

- SB Traffic will turn left on Dortch St. to Capital Blvd.
- SB Traffic will turn right onto SB Capital Blvd and follow until Peace St./W. Johnson St. Exit.
- SB Traffic will exit right onto W. Johnson St. and follow back to N. West St. -End Detour-

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Weekly Digest of Special Events

Staff Resource: Sarah Heinsohn, Special Events Office, 996-2200, <u>sarah.heinsohn@raleiqhnc.qov</u> Included with the Update materials is the special events digest for the upcoming week. (Attachment)

Council Member Follow Up Items

Follow Up to the September 14 Work Session

Glenwood South Hospitality District Enforcement Activities

Staff Resource: Evan Raleigh, City Manager's Office, 996-4656, evan.raleigh@raleighnc.gov

During the work session staff made a presentation on the various issues and concerns that have been identified by residents, City staff and other stakeholders related to nightlife activity in the Glenwood South Hospitality District. The presentation provided an overview of current enforcement activities that are underway to combat the aspects of nightlife in the District that have negatively impacted the surrounding areas and offered insight into potential new enforcement measures that could be instituted to further curb this activity. The grid below lays out the implementation plan for the additional enforcement activities that staff plans to initiate and/or evaluate in the coming weeks and months.

| Responsible Department | Proposed Enforcement Activity | Implementation Timeline | Administrative or City Council Action Required? |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|
| DOT | Modification of Residential Permit Zone Hours in Neighborhoods Adjacent to Glenwood South | Medium-Term (60 to 90 Days) | City Council |
| DOT | Institution of Wayfinding Signs for Off-Street Parking Options Along Glenwood Ave. | Medium-Term (60 to 90 Days) | Administrative |
| DOT | Hiring of Additional Parking Enforcement Representatives | Short-Term (30 to 60 Days) | Administrative |
| DOT | Evaluation of Increased Fine Rate for Parking Violations | Medium-Term (60 to 90 Days) | City Council |
| DOT | Evaluation of Enhanced Use of Towing | Long-Term (90+ Days) | City Council |
| DOT | Installation of Dedicated Scooter Parking Locations and Slower Scooter Speeds | Short-Term | Administrative |
| DOT | Increase Street Lighting Wattage to Improve Visibility | Immediate | Administrative |
| RPD | Enhanced Enforcement of Violations of Hospitality District Entertainment Permit Pertaining to Outdoor Amplified Sound | Immediate | Administrative |
| RPD | Establishment of Supplemental Units to Patrol Along Glenwood South | Immediate | Administrative |
| RPD | Consideration of Dedicated Hospitality Unit | Long-Term (90+ Days) | Administrative/City Council |
| RPD | Review of Policy Governing Pay Rate for Off-Duty Police Officers | Long-Term (90+ Days) | Administrative |
| EM & SE | Expansion of Sidewalk Area in 600 Block of Glenwood South | Medium-Term (60 to 90 Days) | Administrative |
| EM & SE | Revision of Permitted Operating Hours for Pushcart Vendors | Short-Term (30 to 60 Days) | Administrative |
| EM & SE | Review of Online Resident Noise Complaint Portal | Short-Term (30 to 60 Days) | Administrative |
| PLAN DEV | Enforce Provisions of the Building and Zoning Code Related to Tent Structures | Immediate | Administrative |
| PRCR | Perform Tree Trimming Operation to Improve Street Lighting | Immediate | Administrative |

Glenwood South Hospitality District Enforcement Implementation Plan

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Follow Up to the January 20, 2020 Work Session

<u>Culture Town: Life in Raleigh's African American Communities Archives (Mayor Pro Tem Stewart)</u> Staff Resources: Troy Burton, Parks, 996-4772, <u>troy.buton@raleighnc.gov</u>

During the work session Council requested staff provide an update on historical content from the 1990s study, *Culture Town*, on Raleigh's African American community. Specifically, the request referred to the conversion of cassette tapes to a more modern technology (e.g., digital) for archival purposes.

In 1993, the Raleigh Historic District Commission (RHDC), a citizen advisory board supported by the Planning and Development department, published *Culture Town: Life in Raleigh's African American Communities*. The book culminated an effort by the then RHDC director, Linda Edmisten, and author, Linda Simmons-Henry, to document African American history in Raleigh. As part of the project, the authors interviewed many important leaders in the community between 1988 and 1990 and collected these conversations on 74 compact cassette tape format. The authors donated these tapes, without restriction, to the Raleigh City Museum. The RHDC maintains publishing rights to the book, which is currently out of print.

In 2012, the Raleigh City Museum donated the entirety of its material culture collection, including the *Culture Town* tapes, to the City as part of the museum's governance transition from private to public management. At that time, the City administratively placed the Museum in the newly formed Historic Resources and Museum (HRM) program within the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department. HRM staff recognized the importance of the *Culture Town* tapes and established a conservation program to ensure the continued integrity of the information, as magnetic tapes are known to be an unstable archival medium.

In June 2019, the HRM program completed the original project scope to include stabilization of the original medium, digitization of all the compact cassette tapes, and transcription of over 130 hours of oral interviews. The physical *Culture Town* Compact Cassette collection is now currently housed at the City of Raleigh Museum. The public may access the collection, following HRM program usage guidelines, by contacting the Curator of Collections, Ainsley Powell, at <u>ainsley.powell@raleighnc.gov</u> or via telephone (919-996-4365). Required responses to the pandemic, facility closures and occupancy limits in public spaces, have restricted public access to the physical conserved records until recently. Staff has now also made the audio files accessible via the HRM online resource collection, accessible via the internet at

https://raleighnc.gov/SupportPages/historic-resources-and-museum-program-collection



To access the files, click the "online database" and at the next screen:

(https://raleighhrm.pastperfectonline.com/)

enter search terms "culture town" or "audiocassette".

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Permitted Special Events

Outdoor Office 2021

Raleigh Union Station Plaza Friday, October 15 & Monday, October 18 - Friday, October 22 Event Times: 9:00am - 5:00pm Monday - Friday Associated Road Closures: No roads will be closed for the events. Raleigh Union Station Plaza will be used from 8:00am until 6:00pm daily Monday through Friday from 10-11-21 through 10-22-21.

Broughton High School Homecoming Parade

St. Mary's Street & Route Friday, October 15 Event Time: 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Clay Street between Brooklyn Street and St. Mary's Street will be closed from 3:00pm until 4:00pm for staging. Additional roads will be closed from 3:00pm until 4:00pm for the parade route. Note that all cross-streets one block in each direction will be detoured, and see below for turn-by-turn details:

Begin on Clay Street; Right onto St. Mary's Street; Left onto Nichols Drive; Right onto Sutton Drive; Left onto Daniels Street; Left onto Smallwood Drive; Left onto Cameron Street; Right to finish on Broughton High School private property

White Cane Awareness Day

Raleigh Municipal Building & Sidewalks Friday, October 15 Event Time: 4:00pm - 6:00pm Associated Road Closures: No roads will be closed for the event. The Raleigh Municipal Building Brickyard will be used from 3:45pm until 6:15pm. Sidewalks will be used from 5:00pm until 6:00pm to facilitate the following route:

Start at the Raleigh Municipal Building; Head east on W. Hargett Street; Left onto Fayetteville Street; Right onto W. Morgan Street; Left onto S. Wilmington Street; Left onto E. Lane Street; Left onto N. Salisbury Street; Right onto W. Hargett Street; Finish at the Raleigh Municipal Building

The Cupcake Run at Brier Creek

Brier Creek Saturday, October 16 Event Time: 8:00am - 9:30am Associated Road Closures: Roads will be used from 8:00am until 10:00am. View route <u>here</u> and see below for turn-by-turn details:

Start on Brier Creek Shopping Center property; Right onto Arco Corporate Drive; Make a U-turn on Arco Corporate Drive at Lumley Road; Return by the same route

Falling for Local at Dix Park

Dorothea Dix Park, Big Field Saturday, October 16 Event Time: 11:00am - 6:00pm Associated Road Closures: Barbour Drive/Biggs Drive between Goode Street and Blair Drive and Blair Drive between Barbour Drive and Umstead Drive will be closed, and Big Field will be used from 6:00am until 9:00pm.

NCDP Block Party

Hillsborough Street Saturday, October 16 Event Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm Associated Road Closures: Hillsborough Street between Dawson Street and McDowell Street will be closed from 5:00am on 10-16-21 until 3:00am on 10-17-21.

Stroll in the Streets

Lenoir Street from Dorothea Dix Park to Chavis Park Sunday, October 17 Event Time: 12:00pm - 5:00pm Associated Road Closures: View map <u>here</u> and see below for roads that will be closed from 9:00am until 6:00pm:

- Lenoir Street between S. Saunders Street and Chavis Way
- West Street between Lenoir Street and South Street
- South Street between West Street and S. Saunders Street
- S. Saunders Street between Lenoir Street and Jamaica Drive

Black Flea Market

Raleigh Union Station Plaza Sunday, October 17 Event Time: 1:00pm - 5:00pm Associated Road Closures: No roads will be closed for the event. Union Station Plaza will be used from 11:00am until 7:00pm.

Noon Tunes

City Plaza Wednesday, October 20 Event Time: 12:00pm - 1:00pm Associated Road Closures: No roads will be closed for the event. The off-street portion of City Plaza will be used from 10:30am until 1:30pm every Wednesday through 11-10-21.

Raleigh Night Market

Moore Square, Martin Street, & City Market Thursday, October 21 Event Time: 5:00pm - 9:00pm Associated Road Closures: Martin Street between S. Blount Street and S. Person Street will be closed from 4:00pm until 10:30pm. The following roads will be closed from 3:00pm until 10:30pm:

- Parham Street between E. Martin Street and Wolfe Street
- Wolfe Street between S. Blount Street and Blake Street
- Blake Street between E. Martin Street and E. Davie Street

Other Events This Weekend

Find it Fridays Friday, October 15 Annie Louise Wilkerson, MD Nature Preserve Park

Raleigh Walk and Bike Summit Friday, October 15

Urban Design Center or Virtual

Weekly Events Digest Friday, October 15 – Thursday, October 21

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Fall Festival at Method Community Park

Friday, October 15 Method Community Park

Cinema in the Square - Yesterday

Friday, October 15 Moore Square

NEEDTOBREATHE with Switchfoot and The New Respects

Friday, October 15 Red Hat Amphitheater

Zac Brown Band

Friday, October 15 Coastal Credit Union Music Park at Walnut Creek

Dvorák "New World" Symphony – North Carolina Symphony

Friday, October 15 & Saturday, October 16 Meymandi Concert Hall

<u>9 to 5 – North Carolina Theatre</u> Friday, October 15 – Sunday, October 17 Memorial Auditorium

The Legend of Sleepy Hollow – Carolina Ballet

Friday, October 15 – Sunday, October 17 Fletcher Opera Theater

Stream Monitoring Workshop

Saturday, October 16 Walnut Creek Wetland Park

Brett Eldredge

Saturday, October 16 Red Hat Amphitheater

<u>Chavis Park Traffic Garden</u> Sunday, October 17 Chavis Park

Public Resources

<u>Pilot Text Alert Program</u>: Sometimes spontaneous events happen downtown and in other areas that could affect local businesses. If you'd like to receive notifications when those events happen, including unpermitted ones, sign up for text alerts.

Event Feedback Form: Tell us what you think about Raleigh events! We welcome citizen and participant feedback and encourage you to provide comments or concerns about any events regulated by the Office of Emergency Management and Special Events. We will use this helpful information in future planning.

Road Closure and Road Race Map: A resource providing current information on street closures in Raleigh.

Online Events Calendar: View all currently scheduled events that impact City streets, public plazas, and Dorothea Dix Park.