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Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, February 1 - Afternoon and Evening Sessions

Reminder that Council will meet next **Tuesday** in regularly scheduled sessions at **1:00 P.M.** and **7:00 P.M.** The agenda for the meeting was published on Thursday:

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

Please note there will be a **Closed Session** immediately following the afternoon session of the Council meeting.0

Reminder: If there is an item you would like to have pulled from the consent agenda for discussion, please send an e-mail mayorstaff@raleighnc.gov by 11 A.M. on 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:

Seasonal Loose Leaf Collection Program Update

Staff Resource: Jason Holmes, Transportation, 996-6446, jason.holmes@raleighnc.gov

Transportation department staff have completed the first pass of the 2021-22 Loose Leaf Collection program as of January 19. Collection began November 8, 2021, in Zone 3, and concluded the first pass in Zone 2.

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As is the case each year, weather can have a significant impact on the ability to collect leaves in a timely, scheduled manner. Fortunately there were few delays from the beginning of the season through the Christmas Holidays, and collections closely followed the schedule prior to the Christmas break. However, in the weeks following the Christmas break, several days were lost due to rainfall and to preparations and response to winter weather events. Over the last three weeks, the Covid-19 spread has presented some challenges related to staffing. Numerous employees have been required to quarantine, impacting daily collections. Despite these setbacks, crews managed to complete the first pass within about ten days of the original schedule.

During the first collection pass crews collected 2,540 loads, which equates to 49,247 cubic yards of leaves. The second collection pass began in Zone 3 on January 24. For more information about the program including the full second pass schedule, please visit: raleighnc.gov/leaf.

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Wake Bus Rapid Transit Western Corridor – Federal Transit Administration Planning Grant

Staff Resources: Jason Hardin, Planning & Development, 996-2657, <u>jason.hardin@raleighnc.gov</u>
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The City has been awarded a \$405,000 grant from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development (TOD) for the Wake Bus Rapid Transit (BRT): Western Corridor project. The grant application, developed by the City with coordination from the Town of Cary, was one of 20 grants selected for funding nationally. The grant will fund station-area planning work around BRT stations along the Western Corridor. This planning work will build on the City's Equitable Development Around Transit (EDAT) planning process, which focused on housing affordability, sustainability, and equity issues along BRT corridors. The EDAT process was completed and the final report was adopted by City Council in early 2021.

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The EDAT policies will be applied through the station area planning process on Western Corridor, identifying strategies to increase transit access, affordable housing, and transit supportive development. The first implementation step has involved the initial application of the TOD zoning overlay along Western, which is underway. The station area planning process will consider additional zoning changes and explore pedestrian safety and other issues in more detail. Staff is working to develop a scope for the station area planning work, in coordination with the Town of Cary. The total project budget will be determined once the scope is finalized, the FTA Pilot Program for TOD grant requires a 20 percent local match.

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Weekly Digest of Special Events

Staff Resource: Sarah Heinsohn, Special Events Office, 996-2200, sarah.heinsohn@raleighnc.gov Included with the Update materials is the special events digest for the upcoming week.

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Weekly Events Digest

Friday, January 28 - Thursday, February 3

City of Raleigh Office of Emergency Management and Special Events specialevents@raleighnc.gov | 919-996-2200 | raleighnc.gov/special-events-office

NOTE: All schedules are subject to change due to potential impacts from winter weather. Please check individual event websites for the most current information.

Permitted Special Events

No permitted special events are scheduled at this time.

Other Upcoming Events

Mahler Symphony No. 4 - North Carolina Symphony

Friday, January 28 & Saturday, January 29 Meymandi Concert Hall

La Bohème - North Carolina Opera

Friday, January 28 & Sunday, January 30 Memorial Auditorium

Astronomy Days

Friday, January 28 – Sunday, January 30 Virtual

North Carolina Vintage Bazaar

Saturday, January 29 Raleigh Convention Center

Teaching Artist Open House

Saturday, January 29 Pullen Arts Center

21st Annual African American Cultural Celebration

Saturday, January 29 Virtual

Hurricanes vs. Devils

Saturday, January 29 PNC Arena

Hurricanes vs. Sharks

Sunday, January 30 PNC Arena

Groundhog Day 2022

Wednesday, February 2 Virtual

NC State vs. Syracuse

Wednesday, February 2 PNC Arena

Mapping Urban Heat in Raleigh and Durham

Thursday, February 3 Virtual

Romeo and Juliet - Carolina Ballet

Thursday, February 3 – Sunday, February 20 Fletcher Opera Theater

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.