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City Offices Closed in Observance of Juneteenth

City offices will be **closed** on **Monday, June 20** in observance of the **Juneteenth** holiday.

Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, June 21; Lunch Work Session at 11:30 - Lunch Will be Provided

Council will meet in regular work session at **11:30 A.M.** in the **Council Chamber**. 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 mayorstaff@raleighnc.gov by 11 A.M. the day of the meeting.

INFORMATION:

Connect Raleigh: Digital Inclusion – June 21

Staff Resource: Megan Hinkle, City Manager's Office, 996-4668, megan.hinkle@raleighnc.gov

The first “post-pandemic” installment of the City’s lecture series – Connect Raleigh – is scheduled for this Tuesday, June 21 at 6 p.m. at John Chavis Memorial Park, 505 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Over the past several years, the series has touched on several city initiatives or topics of interest in city government, including placemaking, building healthy communities by design, the water resources industry, urban forestry, and the connection between arts and technology. For this event on June 21, the focus will be on digital inclusion and recent efforts by the City organization and community partners to help bridge the digital divide. Thanks to the City’s ongoing partnership with the Kramden Institute, three Lenovo 300e laptops will be raffled to event attendees at the free event. The keynote speaker will be Cyndy Yu-Robinson, Executive Director of Kramden Institute, a Durham-based organization that provides technology tools and training to bridge the digital divide. More information about the event is available be found on the [city website](#); staff have marketed the event through traditional media and flyers at community centers.

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LGBTQIA+ Historic Context Study Event – June 22

Staff Resource: Tania Tully, Planning and Development, 996-2674, tania.tully@raleighnc.gov

Historic Preservation staff will hold an event to update the community on the LGBTQIA+ Historic Context Study, which aims to discover places in Raleigh – both past and present – that are important to the local LGBTQIA+ community. Jeffrey “Free” Harris, the historian serving as the consultant for this study, and Historic Preservation staff are partnering with the LGBT Center of Raleigh, Raleigh Pride, and Out! Raleigh to expand the promotion of the study.

The event to share the study and reopen the historic places survey will be held on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 from 6:30-8 p.m. at CAM Raleigh, 409 W Martin St. This is an opportunity for the community to share stories of where LGBTQIA+ people gathered, met, celebrated, loved, and lived. More information about the study can be found on the [city website](#).

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Raleigh 4th of July Fireworks Event

Staff Resource: Joey Voska, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources, 996-6688, joseph.voska@raleighnc.gov

In 2022, the City will relocate the Raleigh 4th of July Fireworks Event from the North Carolina State Fairgrounds to Dix Park. The City is excited to showcase Dix Park by inviting the public to experience a firework display from the park’s grounds. The Raleigh 4th of July Fireworks Event will feature:

- Fireworks- Event attendees will view the fireworks from the beautiful Big Field at Dix Park! The 28-minute firework display will feature an exciting opening and speculator finale.

- Stage Entertainment- Before the fireworks begin, attendees will dance the night away with great music from a DJ on the stage.
- Field Games- Attendees will enjoy fun field games such as Cornhole, Connect 4, and more as they await the fireworks display.

Dix Park will be closed to vehicular traffic during the event. Event attendees will to be directed to free parking options at NCSU Centennial Campus and in Downtown Raleigh. There will be continuous free shuttles that operate from each parking location to Dix Park to transport attendees to and from the event. Event attendees are also encouraged to consider using rideshare, Go Raleigh and/or walk or bike to Dix Park via Raleigh's greenway system.

The City of Raleigh is excited to have ABC 11 as the presenting sponsor and media partner for the Raleigh 4th of July Fireworks Event. ABC 11 will work with the City to Raleigh share important event information with the public.

More information about the Raleigh 4th of July Fireworks Event can be found by visiting www.raleighnc.gov/fireworks.

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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.

(Attachment)

Council Member Follow Up Items

Follow Up to the June 7 City Council Meeting

Summer Aquatic Operations

Staff Resource: Ken Hisler, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources 996-4823, kenneth.hisler@raleighnc.gov

At the meeting, the Council received an overview of Raleigh Parks Aquatic Operations. The presentation included the requirements to become an American Red Cross certified lifeguard, the essential role certified lifeguards play in mitigating risks, and the current challenges that have resulted from a lack of certified lifeguards to fully staff the City's eight aquatic facilities.

Since that presentation, staff have hired additional lifeguards, began opening seasonal pools, and engaged with the City Attorney to explore alternative operating protocols. As staff strives to meet the expectations of the entire aquatic community, patron safety remains our professional cornerstone. Some highlights of recent efforts include:

- Resulting from recent lifeguard certification classes, staff have welcomed 18 new lifeguards with another 19 in the hiring process.
- Longview Pool opened for the weekend at 2:00 pm last Friday, June 10, and welcomed 646 guests over the three-day period. Beginning today, June 17 – both Longview Pool and Biltmore Pool will open for weekend hours. As lifeguards are added, staff are targeting Lake Johnson Pool to be added to the rotation as well as adding open hours during the week at all three locations. Ridge Road Pool remains closed while staff awaits delivery of equipment needed to make necessary repairs.
- Staff are engaged with other city departments on possible incentive packages to recruit and retain lifeguards.
- Staff remain engaged with the City Attorney and Risk Management to evaluate alternative operating protocols.

Staff understands the importance of community pool access and will continue to seek every opportunity to provide greater community access to the City's aquatic facilities.

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Strickland Road School Crossing (Council Member Buffkin)

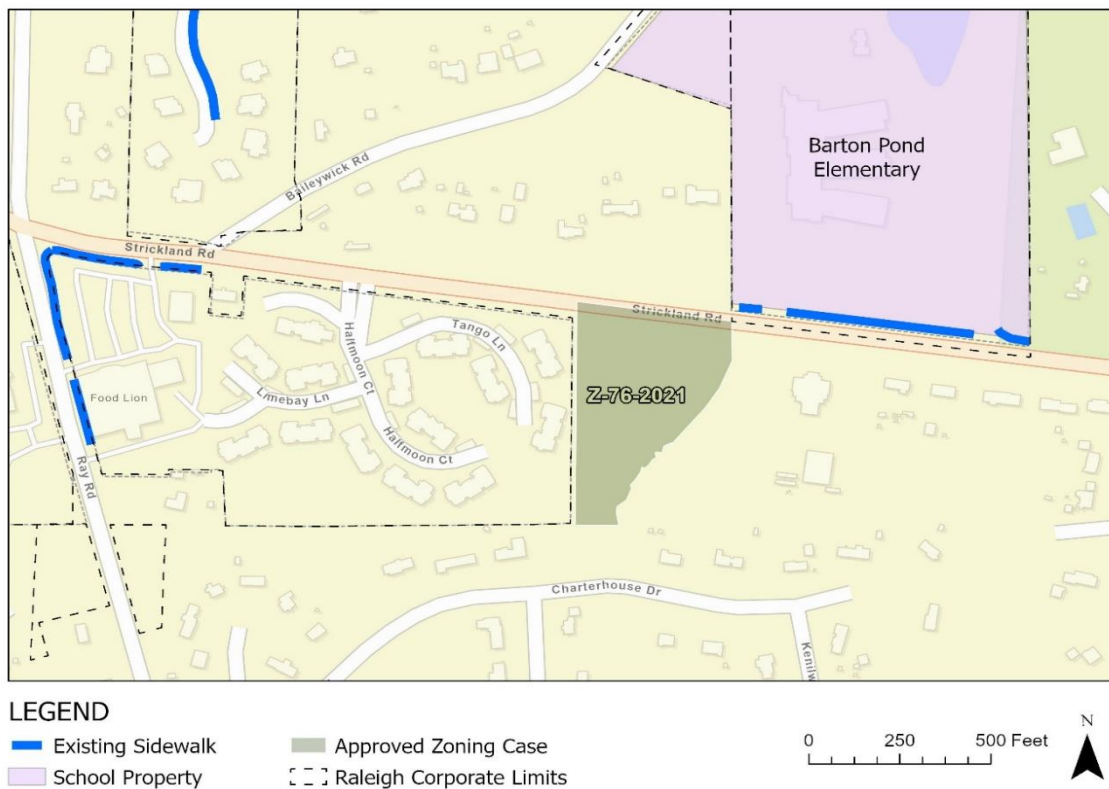
Staff Resource: Anne Conlon, Transportation, 996-2160, anne.conlon@raleighnc.gov

During the public hearing for the Z-76-21 rezoning case, Council requested that staff investigate the viability of a pedestrian crossing of Strickland Road in the vicinity of Barton Pond Elementary School.

The crossing was requested to serve existing apartments on the south side of Strickland Road as well as additional apartments expected to be developed on the south side as a result of the rezoning. Since Strickland Road is maintained by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, the City's transportation staff coordinated with NCDOT to investigate the request and recommend against a

crosswalk installation at this time. There is no existing sidewalk on the south side of Strickland Road to receive the crosswalk and city staff have a list of school crosswalk needs at other locations where sidewalk is in place and traffic warrants have been met. Staff is currently working to allocate available Safe Routes to School funding to those existing needs.

Staff will include this location on the list of crosswalk needs that are tracked and matched to funding as it becomes available and reevaluate a crosswalk project after the new development moves forward, which will increase the need and add a sidewalk on the south side as part of their frontage improvements.



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Weekly Events Digest

Friday, June 17 – Thursday, June 23

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Permitted Special Events

Oberlin Village Heritage 5K Run/Walk

Dorothea Dix Park

Saturday, June 18

Event Time: 7:30am - 10:00am

Associated Road Closures: Harvey Hill will be used from 5:00am until 12:00pm. Roads along the following route will be closed from 7:50am until 9:30am:

Start on Umstead Drive heading north; Right to stay on Umstead Drive; Right on S. Boylan Avenue; Left on Tate Drive; Right on Richardson Drive; Left on Umstead Drive; Right on Middleton Drive; Right to continue on Middleton Drive; Left to continue on Palmer Drive; Right on Biggs Drive; Right on Whiteside Drive; U-Turn at the midpoint; Right on Biggs Drive; Right on Ruggles Drive; Left on Umstead Drive; Right on Dawkins Drive; Left on Umstead Drive; Right on Ruggles Drive; Left on Biggs Drive; Right on Palmer Drive; Left on Cranmer Drive to Finish.

Shopper's Block

Cabarrus Street

Saturday, June 18

Event Time: 11:00am - 8:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Cabarrus Street between S. Person Street and S. Blount Street will be closed from 7:00am until 10:00pm.

Capital City Juneteenth Celebration

Dorothea Dix Park, Harvey Hill

Saturday, June 18

Event Time: 1:00pm - 6:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Harvey Hill will be used from 10:00am until 8:00pm and the following roads will be closed from 10:00am until 12:00pm: Umstead Drive between Cranmer Drive and Smithwick Drive; Cranmer Drive between Umstead Drive and Palmer Drive; Palmer Drive between Cranmer Drive and Picot Drive; and Picot Drive between Palmer Drive and Umstead Drive.

Midweek Mini Market

City Plaza

Wednesday, June 22

Event Time: 11:00am - 2:00pm

Associated Road Closures: No roads will be closed for the event. The eastside, off-street portion of City Plaza will be used from 9:00am until 3:00pm every Wednesday through 6-29-22.

Other Upcoming Events

Juneteenth Karaoke Celebration

Friday, June 17

Carolina Pines Park

Foodie Friday

Friday, June 17

Dorothea Dix Park, Magnolia Room

Neha Kakkar

Friday, June 17
Memorial Auditorium

High School OT Honors presented by Auction Direct USA

Saturday, June 18
Fletcher Opera Theater

Kid Rock

Saturday, June 18
Coastal Credit Union Music Park at Walnut Creek

Comedy Queen Mo'Nique & Friends

Saturday, June 18
Memorial Auditorium

BODYARMOR State Games of North Carolina

Saturday, June 18 & Sunday, June 19
Raleigh Convention Center

Connect Raleigh: Understanding Digital Inclusion

Tuesday, June 21
John Chavis Memorial Park

Flogging Molly + The Interrupters with Tiger Army, The Skints

Tuesday, June 21
Red Hat Amphitheater

RPD De-escalation Listening Sessions

Tuesday, June 21 – Thursday, June 23
Various Community Centers Citywide

Raleigh's LGBTQIA+ Historic Places Community Meeting

Wednesday, June 22
CAM Raleigh

Machine Gun Kelly with Avril Lavigne & iann dior

Wednesday, June 22
PNC Arena

Virtual NCHUB and NCDBE Certification Session

Thursday, June 23
Virtual

Public Resources

Pilot Text Alert Program: 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.

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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.