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# **INFORMATION:**

#### **2022 Housing North Carolina Award - East College Park**

Staff Resource: Sophia Ramos, Housing & Neighborhoods, 996-6936, sophia.ramos@raleighnc.gov

For the past 33 years, the <u>Housing North Carolina Awards</u> have recognized the state's top efforts to provide affordable housing. Hosted by the <u>North Carolina Housing Finance Agency</u>, awards are given in the Home Ownership Development, Home Ownership Rehab, Rental Development, and Supportive Housing categories.

This year, the City of Raleigh received the 2022 Home Ownership Development Award for the <u>East College Park</u> project. Awards were presented during the 2022 NC Affordable Housing Conference, held at the Raleigh Convention Center, on Wednesday, Sept. 7. The award distinguishes East College Park as a model of affordable homeownership development in North Carolina.

The City began the East College Park project in 2017 to moderate residential values, increase homeownership opportunities, and encourage diversity within this historic neighborhood. By using a combination of local and federal funds, the project allows new single-family homes and townhomes to be built on City-owned lots.

East College Park fosters a mixed-income community, where 60% of the homes are income-restricted to serve low- and moderate-income households, and 40% have no income restrictions. To date, over <u>90 single-family homes have been built</u> or are in the final stages of construction. Public spaces, such as <u>Fisher Street Park</u>, have also been updated as a part of the redevelopment. Project partners include CB Pugh Enterprises,

Carolina Cottage, Evergreen Construction, RD Construction, Habitat for Humanity, and St. Augustine's University Community Development Corporation.

To increase affordability, the City utilized its <a href="Homebuyer Assistance Program">Homebuyer Assistance Program</a> and leveraged the <a href="NC Housing Finance Agency Community Partners Loan Pool">NC Housing Finance Agency Community Partners Loan Pool</a> to provide homeowners with down payment assistance. In addition to providing affordable housing opportunities, the development also created jobs through a local job fair for contractors and builders and a partnership with Habitat for Humanity for an apprenticeship program.

The next phase of East College Park will include the addition of townhomes. Once completed, a total of 150 new homes will be added to the neighborhood. To learn more, visit <u>East College Park</u> for project updates.

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#### **Dockless Scooter Operations Update - Bolt Mobility Corporation**

Staff Resource: Barbara Godwin, RDOT, 996-2504, barbara.godwin@raleighnc.gov

The partnership between the City and the Bolt Mobility Corporation, provider of dockless scooters, has been an important and productive progression to achieving micromobility goals. Recently Bolt has failed to operate within the terms of its agreement and failed to remedy important safety, liability, and operational provisions required for continuing operations. Staff has consulted with other municipalities who also partnered with Bolt and confirmed similar actions have taken place in those communities as well. As a result of these deficiencies and actions, the Master Encroachment Agreement (MEA) between the City and the Bolt Mobility Corporation has been terminated.

The Master Encroachment Agreement for Operation of Dockless Scooter Devices, executed in May 2021 and renewed for an additional one (1) year term in May 2022, was terminated following the MEA violations described below.

- In June 2022, Bolt was unable to furnish the City with effective and valid Commercial General Liability
  coverage, which is required of all dockless scooter vendors in each MEA. Upon Bolt's inability to furnish
  this city with updated coverage, transportation staff required Bolt to cease operations until updated and
  valid coverage was provided to the City. Bolt has not provided updated Commercial General Liability
  Coverage to date.
- 2. Due to Bolt's inability to provide updated Commercial General Liability Coverage, the company has failed to maintain minimal deployment requirements for over fifty (50) days. All Licensees are required to always maintain and operate a minimum of fifty (50) fleet vehicles within the Raleigh jurisdictional limits.

Termination was issued to Bolt Mobility Corporation on September 1, 2022. Bolt is responsible for removing all fleet vehicles and other equipment from the right-of-way within seven (7) calendar days of termination. This obligation survives the termination of the Agreement.

Scooter vendors Spin and Lime will continue operations in the City. Due to the absence of Bolt, each vendor will be allowed to increase the maximum vehicle deployment to an appropriate and sustainable level.

Agreements with Lime and Spin extend to May 2023, with an option to renew for an additional one (1) year term. Staff will continue monitoring dockless scooter operations throughout the duration of these agreements and will align pursuit of a future dockless scooter RFP with the expiration of all agreements.

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#### **Weekly Digest of Special Events**

Staff Resource: Sarah Heinsohn, Special Events Office, 996-2200, <a href="mailto:sarah.heinsohn@raleighnc.gov">sarah.heinsohn@raleighnc.gov</a>

Included with the *Update* materials is the special events digest for the upcoming week.

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# Council Member Follow Up Items

Follow Up from the September 6 City Council Meeting

#### <u>Public Hearing - Buck Jones Road Assessment Roll - Assessment Program Update Request</u>

Staff Resource: Kenneth Ritchie, RDOT, 996-4112, kenneth.ritchie@raleighnc.gov

At the conclusion of the public hearing for the referenced Buck Jones Assessment Roll, Council requested additional information on the Assessment Program and information on any remaining assessment projects that are currently in the queue. To be comprehensive and thorough, and given the complexities within the program, staff will provide background information on the Assessment Program at an upcoming work session. Staff will bring the Assessment Roll item back to a subsequent Council meeting. Additionally, Staff will notify the Assessment Roll parties of this plan and the resulting delay.

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# **Weekly Events Digest**

Friday, September 9 - Thursday, September 15

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### **Permitted Special Events**

#### **Hopscotch Music Festival**

City Plaza & Moore Square

Friday, September 8 & Saturday, September 10

Event Times: 4:00pm - 10:30pm on 9-9-22; 1:00pm - 11:00pm on 9-10-22

Associated Road Closures: Fayetteville Street between Davie Street and Lenoir Street will be closed from 6:00pm on 9-7-22 until 2:00am on 9-11-22. Note that the 500 block of Fayetteville Street will remain open for local traffic.

#### **North Hills 5K**

Trinity Baptist Church & Route Saturday, September 10 Event Time: 9:00am - 10:00am

Associated Road Closures: Roads will be closed from 8:45am until 10:00am. Note that all cross-streets will be detoured one block in each direction during the event, and see below for turn-by-turn details:

Start at Trinity Baptist Church parking lot; Head south on Terry Street; Right onto Northbrook Drive; Left onto Gates Street; Right onto Sampson Street; Right onto Pamlico Drive; Left onto Davidson Street; Right onto Yadkin Drive; Left onto Rampart Street; Right onto Gunnison Place; Right onto Coronado Drive; Right onto Manchester Drive; Left onto Wimbleton Drive; Right onto Shelley Road; Left onto Langley Circle; Left onto Cranbrook Road; Right onto Six Forks Road; Right into Trinity Baptist Church parking lot to finish

#### **Black Flea Market**

Market Plaza & Exchange Plaza

Sunday, September 11

Event Time: 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Associated Road Closures: No roads will be closed for the event. Market Plaza and Exchange Plaza will be used from 11:00am until 6:00pm.

#### **September Midweek Mini Market**

City Plaza

Wednesday, September 14 Event Time: 11:00am - 2:00pm

Associated Road Closures: No roads will be closed for the event. The east-side, off-street portion of City Plaza will be used from 9:00am until 3:00pm every Wednesday through 9-28-22.

#### Raleigh Night Market

City Market & Moore Square Thursday, September 15 Event Time: 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Parham Street between E. Martin Street and Wolfe Street, Wolfe Street between S. Blount Street and Blake Street, and Blake Street between E. Martin Street and E. Davie Street will be closed from 3:00pm until 10:00pm. Martin Street between S. Blount Street and S. Person Street will be closed from 4:00pm until 10:00pm.

#### **Mexican Independence Day**

Dorothea Dix Park, Flowers Field Thursday, September 15 Event Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm Associated Road Closures: Dawkins Drive will be closed and Flowers Field will be used from 12:00pm until 10:00pm.

#### **Other Upcoming Events**

#### Fun at Dix Park: Trivia Night

Friday, September 9 Dorothea Dix Park, Chapel

#### **North Carolina International Auto Expo**

Friday, September 9 – Sunday, September 11 Raleigh Convention Center

#### Fisher Street and Pender Street Park Celebration

Saturday, September 10 Fisher Street Park

#### **Guided Walking Tour - ASL**

Saturday, September 10 Dorothea Dix Park, Chapel

#### **OneRepublic**

Saturday, September 10 Coastal Credit Union Music Park at Walnut Creek

#### Lee Brice

Saturday, September 10 Red Hat Amphitheater

#### **Moore Square Market**

Sunday, September 11 Moore Square

#### Raleigh's Black Heritage and Historic Places: 1945-1975 Study Update

Tuesday, September 13 John Chavis Memorial Park

#### **Zach Bryan**

Wednesday, September 14 Red Hat Amphitheater

#### **Connect + Create: Abstract Shape Paintings**

Wednesday, September 14 Dorothea Dix Park, Chapel

#### **Chavis-Dix Strollway Public Input Session**

Thursday, September 15 John Chavis Memorial Park

#### Jazz in the Square

Thursday, September 15 Moore Square

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#### **Gary Allan**

Thursday, September 15 Memorial Auditorium

#### **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.