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Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, September 20; 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.**

INFORMATION:

Voicemail Public Comment Option

Staff Resource: Damien Graham, Communications, 996-3002, damien.graham@raleighnc.gov

Following up from recent Council discussions, there is an additional method for residents to leave public comment for City Council meeting: voicemail. Beginning with the Tuesday, September 20 regular City Council meeting, residents will be able to leave up to 3-minute voicemail messages ahead of the meeting. Participants will simply dial 919-301-9499 and be instructed to leave their name and address and follow

Council rules of decorum. The voicemail line is open 5 p.m. Thursday through 5 p.m. Monday in the four-day window ahead of each regular Council meeting.

Transcripts of voicemail comments will be forwarded to Council members and shared publicly in the BoardDocs electronic agenda system prior to the start of each Council meeting. Implementation of this public engagement tool involved staff with the City Manager's Office, Communications Department, City Attorney's Office, and the City Clerk's Office. More details can be found [on our website](#).

(No attachment)

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 from the September 6 City Council Meeting

GoRaleigh Access Paratransit Funding (Council Member Branch)

Staff Resource: David Eatman, Transportation-Transit, 996-4040, david.eatman@raleighnc.gov

During the meeting Council inquired about GoRaleigh Access paratransit funding. As part of the FY23 adopted budget, the GoRaleigh Access paratransit program budgeted a combination of \$4,523,621 of General Fund contribution and \$7,730,077 of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) federal grant revenue to support anticipated program expenses. In addition, the City was allocated \$1,650,880 as part of the FY23 adopted Wake Transit Work Plan to fund paratransit expenditures attributable to Wake Transit expansion service incurred during the fiscal year.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the FTA announced a series of relief funding allocations intended to support the transit industry during the public health emergency. The City received three relief funding allocations to support transit operations. The FTA programmed \$23,793,772 for operations as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. This funding is currently being used to support driver personnel costs and COVID-related supplies and services for the fixed route system. The City was also allocated \$23,565,123 through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funding - of which \$7,730,077

was budgeted for FY23 paratransit operations - and \$5,213,341 through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA).

GoRaleigh Access passenger trips and operational expenses both increased approximately 25 percent in FY22 compared to FY21, primarily due to increased demand in the paratransit service in the post-pandemic environment. Staff believes that the suspension of fares is contributing to the rapid increase in paratransit rides performed. Monthly contractual services currently average between \$850,000 and \$1M. Transit staff is continually monitoring the program needs and evaluating all revenue sources to determine how best to leverage resources to adequately fund the paratransit program as well as comply with federal grant and Wake Transit Plan allowability requirements. During the FY24 budget development process, Transit staff anticipates again using a combination of General Fund contribution, federal grant dollars and Wake Transit Plan funding to support the paratransit program. Passenger revenue would also help to support program expenditures should fares be reinstated.

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Weekly Events Digest

Friday, September 16 – Thursday, September 22

City of Raleigh Office of Emergency Management and Special Events
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Permitted Special Events

Black on the Block

Hargett Street

Friday, September 16

Event Time: 7:00pm - 10:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Hargett Street between Salisbury Street and Fayetteville Street will be closed from 6:00pm until 11:59pm.

Sola Hot Mini 5K

Sawmill Road & Route

Saturday, September 17

Event Time: 8:30am - 10:00am

Associated Road Closures: Roads will be closed from 8:20am until 10:00am. Note that all cross-streets will be detoured during the event, [view route here](#), and see below for turn-by-turn details:

Start at Sola Cafe private property on Lead Mine Road; Right onto Sawmill Road; Right onto Bluffridge Drive; Right onto Bridgeport Drive; Right onto Seagate Drive; U-turn on Seagate Drive at Four Winds Drive; Right onto Bridgeport Drive; Right onto Harbor Drive; Left onto Sawmill Road; Left into Sola Cafe private property to finish

BugFest

Jones Street, Edenton Street, & Bicentennial Plaza

Saturday, September 17

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

Associated Road Closures: Edenton Street and Jones Street between N. Salisbury Street and N. Wilmington Street will be closed from 6:00pm on 9-16-22 until 11:59pm on 9-17-22.

Yappy Hour

Dorothea Dix Park, Dog Park

Saturday, September 17

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

Associated Road Closures: No roads will be closed for the event. The dog park at Dorothea Dix Park will be used from 8:00am until 6:00pm.

Canes 5K

PNC Arena & Blue Ridge Road

Sunday, September 18

Event Time: 7:00am - 12:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Setup of traffic cones on Trinity Road and Blue Ridge Road will begin at 5:00am, and roads will be closed from 8:15am until 11:00am for the race. Note that Trinity Road and Blue Ridge Road will remain open to vehicular traffic during the race (only one lane will be used for the event), and see below for turn-by-turn details:

Start on PNC Arena property; Exit Gate B and make a left onto Trinity Road; Left onto Blue Ridge Road; Left onto Westchase Boulevard; Right to enter PNC Arena property to finish

La Fiesta del Pueblo

Fayetteville Street District

Sunday, September 18

Event Time: 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Fayetteville Street between Morgan Street and the south end of City Plaza, and Hargett, Martin, and Davie Streets between S. Salisbury Street and S. Wilmington Street will be closed from 4:00am until 11:59pm.

Crank Arm Sproktoberfest Block Party

Davie Street

Sunday, September 18

Event Time: 12:00pm - 9:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Davie Street between S. Dawson Street and Commerce Place will be closed from 8:00am until 11:59pm.

The Big Neighborhood Meetup

Culpepper Lane

Sunday, September 18

Event Time: 2:00pm - 7:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Culpepper Lane between Stevens Road and Derby Drive will be closed from 8:00am until 9:00pm.

September Midweek Mini Market

City Plaza

Wednesday, September 21

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 9-28-22.

First Responders Appreciation Breakfast

Cabarrus Street

Thursday, September 22

Event Time: 6:00am - 12:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Cabarrus Street between S. McDowell Street and S. Salisbury Street will be closed from 6:00am until 12:00pm.

Other Upcoming Events

Raleigh Department of Transportation Job Fair

Friday, September 16 & Saturday, September 17

Raleigh Central Operations Facility

Chavis-Dix Strollway Public Input Session

Saturday, September 17

John Chavis Memorial Park

Fire Station 22 Open House and Tour

Saturday, September 17

Fire Station 22

CoComelon Live: JJ's Journey

Saturday, September 17

Memorial Auditorium

Scooter Swag Hunt!

Saturday, September 17

Glenwood South

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Mike Phillips: Album Release Concert

Saturday, September 17
Fletcher Opera Theater

Wu-Tang Clan & Nas

Saturday, September 17
Coastal Credit Union Music Park at Walnut Creek

Moore Square Market

Sunday, September 18
Moore Square

Digital Summit

Monday, September 19 - Tuesday, September 20
Raleigh Convention Center

Jazz in the Square

Thursday, September 22
Moore Square

Jimmie Vaughan

Thursday, September 22
Fletcher Opera Theater

NCHUB and NCDBE Certification Session

Thursday, September 22
Virtual

Jerome Robbins' The Concert - Carolina Ballet

Thursday, September 22 - Sunday, September 25
Memorial Auditorium

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.

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.