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## INFORMATION:

### **Bryant Center Drop-in Emergency Shelter Update**

*Staff Resource: John Niffenegger, Housing and Neighborhoods, 996-6961, [john.niffenegger@raleighnc.gov](mailto:john.niffenegger@raleighnc.gov)*

The Bryant Center, a low-barrier emergency drop-in shelter for individuals experiencing homelessness, is located at 401 W. Cabarrus St., and operated by Saint John's Metropolitan Community Church (SJMCC). The Center opened on November 1, 2023, and the City and Wake County have worked in partnership to help make this possible, including providing funding to SJMCC to cover operational expenses. The 150-bed center operates exclusively as an overnight emergency shelter, opening at 7:00 pm each night and closing at 8:00 am each morning. The Center follows best practices for emergency shelter and allows anyone to be admitted who needs shelter. SJMCC is under contract with both the City and County to operate the shelter through June 30, 2024. SJMCC's lease on the facility expires on June 30, although there is the possibility to extend the lease on a monthly basis through the end of the calendar year, after which the building will be demolished and redeveloped. The City is working with Wake County and SJMCC to identify potential future sites, but to date, no location has been secured.

At approximately 6:50 pm on Wednesday evening, April 24, an altercation occurred between guests that were gathered outside of the Center waiting for the intake process to begin. Raleigh police cited two people with simple assault and charged one person with misdemeanor larceny. Another person involved was arrested for an outstanding warrant unrelated to the incident at the shelter.

SJMCC is working continuously to ensure the safety of surrounding neighbors including shelter residents. Overall, since the shelter opened, the Raleigh Police Department have responded to fewer incidents in the neighborhood. RPD conducted a site survey in March to provide suggestions for shelter procedures. These primarily focused on lighting and an approval of a proposed interior lineup of guests. These procedures took effect on April 1. In addition, SJMCC added additional staff during the intake process that are stationed outdoors as well as opened an interior courtyard to serve as a waiting area for guests. SJMCC has also conducted reviews previously with other shelter providers to provide suggestions on their shelter process and are conducting such reviews on an ongoing basis to ensure that best practices are followed. SJMCC's Pastor Vance Haywood continues to work proactively and meet with community neighbors, including Boylan Heights, addressing concerns, and organizing successful neighborhood clean-up events.

As noted in previous updates, the City has seen a dramatic increase in unsheltered homelessness in recent years. While emergency shelter is an essential component of the homelessness response system, it is not a permanent housing solution. Following the example of successful strategies to reduce homelessness such as in [Houston](#) and [Dallas, TX](#), the City's Housing & Neighborhoods Department recently issued a [Request for Proposals](#) (RFP) to secure a consultant to help implement a strategy to create a pathway to permanent housing for people living unsheltered, particularly in camps. In addition, Housing & Neighborhoods also works together with Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Resources, Transportation, and the Raleigh Police Department (to include the City's ACORNS team) continually to better coordinate efforts related to assisting people living unsheltered.

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

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

*(Attachment)*

## Council Member Follow Up Items

### Follow up from March 5 Council Meeting

#### **Possible Street Tree List Update (Council Member Harrison)**

*Staff Resource: Zach Manor, Parks, 996-4868 [zach.manor@raleighnc.gov](mailto:zach.manor@raleighnc.gov)*

At the meeting, Council requested an update on the Green Growth initiatives recently discussed by the Growth and Natural Resources Committee and authorized by Council at their January 16, 2024, meeting. As part of this work, Raleigh Parks was directed to review and update the possible street tree list to include more native tree options. This list included tree species sorted by mature height that are viable options specific to being installed as street trees. Due to the number of different species and cultivars available, this isn't meant to be a comprehensive list but to highlight species that have been successful and provide a starting point for citizens, design and development professionals when considering street trees in

Raleigh. Staff has reviewed and expanded the list to include significantly more native species. In addition, those native species were identified with a (N) beside each tree. Included with the *Update* materials is the updated list, which has also been posted on the City website.

*(Attachment)*

## Follow up from April 16 Council Work Session

### **Sidewalk Petition Program Reform - Prosperity Index (Council Member Patton)**

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During the work session on the Sidewalk Petition Program Review and Reform, additional information was requested pertaining to the Prosperity Index that was used to review historic program outcomes through an equity lens. The Raleigh Prosperity Index was developed by the City of Raleigh Information Technology (IT) GIS group in 2021 based on the most recent 5-year American Community Survey data (2019) and incorporated the following indicators: educational attainment, housing cost, broadband access, per capita income, and the unemployment rate.

The City of Raleigh IT GIS group is currently working with ESRI (Environmental Systems Research Institute) and City stakeholders to develop updated equity indicators based on the most recent available data and current best practices. Going forward, the updated sidewalk prioritization will incorporate the latest equity indicator produced by this work.

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# Weekly Events Digest

Friday, April 26 – Thursday, May 2

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## Permitted Special Events

### [Brewgaloo](#)

Fayetteville Street District

Friday, April 26 & Saturday, April 27

Event Times: 6:00pm - 10:00pm on 4-26-24; 12:00pm - 8:00pm on 4-27-24

Associated Road Closures: Fayetteville Street between Morgan Street and the south end of City Plaza, and Hargett Street, Martin Street, and Davie Street between Salisbury Street and Wilmington Street will be closed from 11:00am on 4-26-24 until 4:00am on 4-28-24.

### [Hayes Barton Baptist Church Five Points 5K](#)

Five Points & Crabtree Creek Trail

Saturday, April 27

Event Time: 8:00am - 9:30am

Associated Road Closures: Roads will be closed from 7:50am until 9:30am. Note that all cross-streets will be detoured during the event and [view the 5K route map](#) for more details.

### [Note in the Pocket Socks & Undie 5K Rundie](#)

Hargrove Road & Green Road

Saturday, April 27

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

Associated Road Closures: Hargrove Road and Green Road between Spring Forest Road and Millbrook Road will be closed from 9:20am until 11:00am. Note that additional roads and parking lots on private property will be used for the event and [view the 5K route map](#) for more details.

### [Carolina Hurricanes Watch Party](#)

Tucker Street

Saturday, April 27

Event Time: 1:00pm - 5:30pm

Associated Road Closures: Tucker Street between Glenwood Avenue and the entrance to the parking deck will be closed from 8:00am until 7:00pm.

### [Raleigh Night Market](#)

City Market

Wednesday, May 1

Event Time: 5:00pm - 9:00pm

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

## Other Upcoming Events

### [Children's Day](#)

Friday, April 26

Moore Square

### [Needtobreathe](#)

Friday, April 26

Coastal Credit Union Music Park at Walnut Creek

**Mordecai Annual Heirloom Plant Sale**

Friday, April 26 & Saturday, April 27  
Mordecai Historic Park

**Mendelssohn Violin Concerto – NC Symphony**

Friday, April 26 & Saturday, April 27  
Meymandi Concert Hall

**Rachmaninoff: Piano Concerto No. 2 – Carolina Ballet**

Friday, April 26 – Sunday, April 28  
Memorial Auditorium

**National Prescription Take Back Day Event**

Saturday, April 27  
Falls River Pharmacy & Wegmans

**Chavis Health and Wellness Day**

Saturday, April 27  
John Chavis Memorial Park

**Touch-a-Truck**

Saturday, April 27  
Sanderford Road Community Center

**Adult Recess Festival**

Saturday, April 27  
Fred Fletcher Park

**Artist Reception**

Saturday, April 27  
Pullen Arts Center

**The Postal Service & Death Cab for Cutie**

Saturday, April 27  
Coastal Credit Union Music Park at Walnut Creek

**Self Care Sunday: Sound Bath**

Sunday, April 28  
The Chapel at Dix Park

**Spring Fling 2024: That Girl Lay Lay & Friends Live**

Sunday, April 28  
Meymandi Concert Hall

**Timely Connections**

Thursday, May 2  
City of Raleigh Museum

**Public Resources**

**Event Feedback Form**: Tell us what you think about Raleigh events! We welcome feedback and encourage you to provide comments or concerns about any events regulated by the Office of 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.

# Council Member Follow Up

# Possible Street Trees



## Large Maturing Trees

Not appropriate under power lines  
Mature in excess of 50' in height

(N) **American elm, <i>Ulmus americana</i>
(N) Bald cypress, <i>Taxodium distichum</i>
(N) Linden, <i>Tilia spp.</i>
(N) Black gum, <i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>
Dawn redwood, <i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i>
*Ginko, <i>Ginko biloba</i>
(N) American beech, <i>Fagus grandifolia</i>
(N) River birch, <i>Betula nigra</i>
(N) Southern sugar maple, <i>Acer floridanum</i>
(N) Tulip poplar, <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>
(N) Swamp white oak, <i>Quercus bicolor</i>
(N) Overcup oak, <i>Quercus lyrata</i>
(N) Southern red oak, <i>Quercus falcata</i>
(N) Pin oak, <i>Quercus palustris</i>
(N) Shumard oak, <i>Quercus shumardii</i>
(N) Willow oak, <i>Quercus phellos</i>
(N) Live oak, <i>Quercus virginiana</i>
(N) Nuttall oak, <i>Quercus nuttallii</i>
(N) Southern catalpa, <i>Catalpa bignonioides</i>
(N) Sugarberry, <i>Celtis laevigata</i>
(N) Kentucky Coffeetree, <i>Gymnoclad dioicus</i>

(N) Native

\*Male/Fruitless only

\*\*Cultivars or hybrids must be selected for form and/or disease resistance

## Medium Maturing Trees

For planting strips 3.5' to 5' in width

Not appropriate under power lines  
Mature between 35' and 50' in height

(N) American holly, <i>Ilex opaca</i>
**Chinese elm, <i>Ulmus parvifolia</i>
(N) Eastern red cedar, <i>Juniperus virginiana</i>
European hornbeam, <i>Carpinus betulus</i>
(N) **Hackberry, <i>Celtis occidentalis</i>
(N) Musclewood, <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>
(N) **Sweetbay magnolia, <i>Magnolia virginiana</i>
Trident maple, <i>Acer buergerianum</i>
**Zelkova, <i>Zelkova serrata</i>
Columnar oak, <i>Quercus x 'Fastigiata'</i>
(N) Yellowwood, <i>Cladrastis kentukea</i>
(N) Sourwood, <i>Oxydendrum arboretum</i>

### Minimum spacing requirements:

Large and Medium maturing 25' +

Small maturing 15' +

## Small Maturing Trees

“Understory Trees”

Appropriate under power lines  
Mature between 15' and 35' in height

(N) Carolina silverbell, <i>Halesia tetraptera</i> , <i>H. carolina</i>
Chinese pistache, <i>Pistachia chinensis</i>
(N) **Dogwood, <i>Cornus spp.</i>
(N) **Eastern redbud, <i>Cercis canadensis</i>
**Flowering cherry, <i>Prunus serrulata</i>
Japanese maple, <i>Acer palmatum</i>
**Japanese snowbell, <i>Styrax japonica</i>
(N) **Oklahoma redbud, <i>Cercis reniformis</i>
Shantung maple, <i>Acer truncatum</i>
(N) Serviceberry, <i>Amelanchier grandiflora</i>
Chinese fringetree, <i>Chionanthus retusus</i>
(N) American fringetree, <i>Chionanthus virginicus</i>
(N) American smoketree, <i>Cotinus obovatus</i>
(N) Dwarf hackberry, <i>Celtis tenuifolia</i>
(N) Yaupon holly, <i>Ilex vomitoria</i>
(N) Chalk maple, <i>Acer leucoderme</i>
(N) Hop Hornbeam, <i>Ostrya virginiana</i>

### Notes:

All street trees must be single stem and tree form

Fastigate trees are encouraged in tight spaces

For additional information on species and selection visit [plants.ces.ncsu.edu](https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu)



# Do Not Use as Street Trees



## Use restricted for street trees

Botanical Name	Common Name
<i>Acer negundo</i>	Boxelder
<i>Acer platanoides</i>	Norway maple
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Red maple
<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	Silver maple
<i>Betula papyrifera</i>	Paper (white) birch
<i>Catalpa spp.</i>	Catalpa
<i>Carya spp.</i>	Hickory, Pecan
<i>Chionanthus virginicus</i>	Fringe tree
<i>Crateagus spp.</i>	Hawthorn
<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>	Persimmon
<i>Fraxinus spp.</i>	Ash
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	Ginkgo—female only
<i>Gleditsia tricanthos</i>	Honey locust
<i>Juglans nigra</i>	Black walnut
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	Sweetgum
<i>Maclura pomifera</i>	Osage orange
<i>Magnolia spp.</i>	Magnolia (evergreen)
<i>Malus spp.</i>	Crabapple
<i>Morus spp.</i>	Mulberry
<i>Pinus strobus</i>	White pine
<i>Plantanus spp.</i>	Sycamore, London planetree
<i>Populus alba</i>	White poplar
<i>Prunus spp.</i>	Plum
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	Black locust
<i>Quercus acutissima</i>	Sawtooth oak
<i>Salix spp.</i>	Willow

## Invasive species, prohibited

Botanical Name	Common Name
<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	Tree of Heaven
<i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	Mimosa/Silk tree
<i>Eleagnus angustifolia</i>	Russian olive
<i>Laburnum anagyroides</i>	Golden chain tree
<i>Melia azedarach</i>	Chinaberry
<i>Paulownia tomentosa</i>	Princess tree
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i>	Callery Pear
<i>Sapium sebiferum</i>	Chinese tallow
<i>Sorbus spp.</i>	Mountain ash
<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	Siberian elm

**Restricted Street Trees:** Species are restricted due to fruit or growth habit that may obstruct or impede vehicular and pedestrian traffic or routinely fail due to lack of hardiness or insect resistance.

**Invasive plants:** Exotic invasive plants are prohibited. You can find more information at the USDA National Invasive Species Information Center for North Carolina website.