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## INFORMATION:

### **LGBTQIA+ Historic Context Study Update**

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The [LGBTQIA+ Historic Context Study](#) Phase II kicked off in late July 2024. A community meeting was held July 23 to introduce the Phase II project consultant, Cynthia de Miranda of MdM Historical Consultants. Since then, City staff have conducted two online surveys to solicit ideas for recognizing identified places and gauge which historic places the public wants to learn more about during this phase. The consultant reviewed existing and new research, helped staff select 20 identified sites for additional evaluation, and began work on a draft report.

The Raleigh LGBTQIA+ Historic Context Study draft report is now available for public input. The public can [read the draft report and provide feedback](#) until October 27.

The draft report research includes:

- Historic context statement about Raleigh's LGBTQIA+ communities.
- List of 20 sites selected for more evaluation (2 sample site evaluations are included now. All 20 evaluations will be published with the final report).
- A simplified list of the LGBTQIA+ Roster of Identified Places (both existing and lost).
- Recommendations for potential next steps and future research.

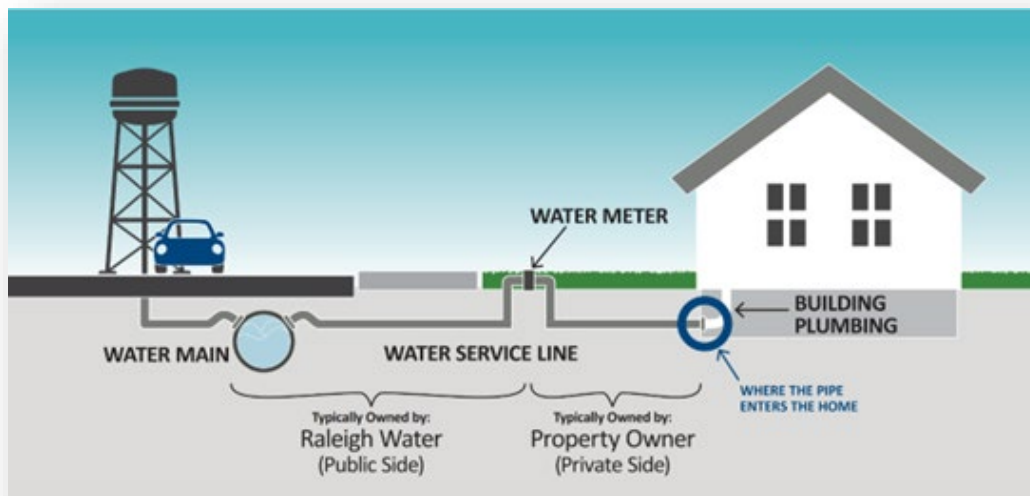
Staff anticipates receiving the final report at the end of the year and scheduling a final community meeting to share the project results in early 2025. Staff plans to present the complete deliverables package to the Raleigh Historic Development Commission for review in February 2025, and to the City Council by March 2025.

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### Replacement of Galvanized Service Lines

Staff Resource: Ed Buchan, Raleigh Water, 996-3471, [edward.buchan@raleighnc.gov](mailto:edward.buchan@raleighnc.gov)

As part of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Lead and Copper Rule Revisions, Raleigh Water is working to identify service line materials throughout the water distribution system. Service lines are the small diameter pipes which connect the public water lines to individual homes and in some parts of the Country these lines are made of lead. To date no lead service lines have been discovered, nor does staff expect to find any given the overall age of the system and material composition. The graphic image below illustrates a typical water service setup:



Staff is aware, however, of a limited number of galvanized services lines, which can absorb and release lead if there was a lead connection between the service line and the public water line at some point in the past. Using a sophisticated model developed with plumbing records and field verifications, staff has estimated approximately 354 galvanized service lines and 8,683 service lines of unknown material (out of over 208,000 premises) may exist. Staff will be notifying affected customers in batches to inform those customers of field verification efforts to confirm what materials are present.

Staff will complete all field verifications by October 2027 (in accordance with the EPA rule) and if any part of a service line is determined to be galvanized, the service line will be replaced. This includes the service line section which extends from the water meter to a residence, which customarily and historically is not the responsibility of the utility provider. To ensure the safety of affected customers, Raleigh Water will replace these lines at no cost, provided the customer allows access to the property.

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**Weekly Digest of Special Events**

Staff Resource: Sarah Heinsohn, Office of Special Events, 996-2200, [sarah.heinsohn@raleighnc.gov](mailto: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 October 1 Council Meeting

**Summary of Floodplains in Raleigh (Council Member Patton)**

Staff Resources: Ben Brown, Engineering Services, 996-3515, [ben.brown@raleighnc.gov](mailto:ben.brown@raleighnc.gov)

During the meeting, Council requested that staff provide a report quantifying properties that located in the designated floodplain. The City prioritizes properties for flood mitigation using two primary datasets: the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Repetitive Loss List and the City's flood risk prioritization tool. Information related to the number of parcels, structure counts, and property values in the floodplain based on each of these datasets are summarized in the memorandum included with the *Update* materials.

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### Follow-up from the October 15 Work Session

**Wake County Library Data (Council Member Patton)**

Staff Resource: Michele Mallette, City Manager's Office, 996-3050, [michele.mallette@raleighnc.gov](mailto:michele.mallette@raleighnc.gov)

During the work session, staff with Wake County government provided Council with an overview and information regarding the Wake County Public Libraries Bond Referendum scheduled for the ballot this November.

During discussion Council requested Wake County staff to provide data and metrics on library use, by facility type. Included with the *Update* materials is a spreadsheet which illustrates various use metrics, provided by Wake County staff in response to the request.

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# Weekly Events Digest

Friday, October 18 – Thursday, October 24

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## Permitted Special Events

### [Raleigh's International Wine Festival](#)

City Plaza

Saturday, October 19

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

Associated Road Closures: Fayetteville Street between Davie Street and the south end of City Plaza will be closed from 6:00am until 11:30pm.

### [Trunk or Treat](#)

McDonald Lane

Wednesday, October 23

Event Time: 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Associated Road Closures: McDonald Lane between Oberlin Road and Colonial Road will be closed from 4:00pm until 8:00pm.

## Other Upcoming Events

### [Global Beats: An Evening with the Arts](#)

Friday, October 18

The Chapel at Dix Park

### [Jeff Dunham](#)

Friday, October 18

Lenovo Center

### [Lainey Wilson](#)

Friday, October 18

Red Hat Amphitheater

### [Haunted Trolley Tour](#)

Friday, October 18 & Saturday, October 19

Mordecai Historic Park

### [Rachmaninoff Symphony No. 3 – NC Symphony](#)

Friday, October 18 & Saturday, October 19

Meymandi Concert Hall

### [HOWL-O-Ween](#)

Saturday, October 19

Carolina Pines Park

### [Jo Koy](#)

Saturday, October 19

Memorial Auditorium

### [Picture Perfect Chemistry](#)

Saturday, October 19

Flowers Field at Dix Park

**Sabrina Carpenter**

Saturday, October 19  
Lenovo Center

**Hillsborough Street Trick or Treat**

Sunday, October 20  
Hillsborough Street

**Men At Work**

Tuesday, October 22  
Memorial Auditorium

**Pullen Dance 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Benefit**

Wednesday, October 23  
Pullen Park Community Center

**Worthdale Community Center's Fall Festival**

Thursday, October 24  
Worthdale Park

**Dark Raleigh**

Thursday, October 24  
City of Raleigh Museum

**NC State Fair**

Through Sunday, October 27  
NC State Fairgrounds

**Doubt, A Parable**

Through Sunday, November 3  
Raleigh Little Theatre

**Jekyll & Hyde – Carolina Ballet**

Through Sunday, November 3  
Fletcher Opera Theater

**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.

**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

To	Marchell Adams-David, City Manager
Thru	Rich Kelly, PE, Director; Wayne Miles, PE, Assistant Director
From	Ben Brown, PE, Division Manager, Stormwater Development & Mitigation
Department	Engineering Services
Date	October 17, 2024
Subject	Council Follow-up Item: October 1, 2024 Council Meeting Request Summary of Floodplain Properties in Raleigh

At the October 1, 2024, City Council meeting, Council Member Patton requested that Raleigh Stormwater provide a report quantifying properties that are located in the floodplain. The City prioritizes properties for flood mitigation using two primary datasets: Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) Repetitive Loss List and the City’s flood risk prioritization tool. Each dataset is discussed in more detail below.

FEMA maintains a database called the Repetitive Loss List that includes properties that have received multiple flood insurance claims over a designated time period. These properties are a priority for mitigation by FEMA to reduce recurrent flood risk and damages for property owners. Property information related to the repetitive loss list for properties within the City of Raleigh is summarized in Table 1. FEMA has a grant funding program to buy repetitive loss properties. Upon a successful application, FEMA will pay for 75% of the cost of the buyout project leaving the City to fund the remaining 25%. Buy-outs are voluntary and must be agreed upon by the property owner.

The City has also developed a GIS-based flood risk prioritization tool to help quantify the relative flood risk of properties within the City and assist in identifying potential flood mitigation projects. The tool calculates flood risk scores based on the relationship of buildings and parcels to surrounding flood hazard areas. Information for the top 10 percent of properties scored within the tool is summarized in Table 1.

Table 1 summarizes only residential properties and does not include commercial properties or other land uses. The city prioritizes residential properties for buy-out consideration because of the increased risk to public safety associated with flooding of residential properties as compared to commercial properties. Table 2 breaks down the residential categories for the Repetitive Loss List, and Table 3 breaks down the residential categories for the Top 10% of the Flood Risk Prioritization Tool. Of the 75 residential structures on the repetitive loss list, 55 are single family homes and 20 are multi-family apartment buildings. Of the 1,032 total residential structures scoring in the top 10 percent of the flood risk prioritization tool, 358 structures are single family homes of conventional construction, 199 are multi-family apartment buildings, and 475 are manufactured homes.

Table 1. Repetitive Loss and Top 10% of Flood Risk Prioritization Tool – Residential Summary

	<b>Parcel Count</b>	<b>Structure Count</b>	<b>Building Value</b>	<b>Land Value</b>	<b>Total Value</b>
<b>Repetitive Loss</b>	59	75	\$45,031,869	\$29,441,458	\$74,473,327
<b>Top 10% - Prioritization Tool*</b>	374	1,032	\$445,215,208	\$198,353,933	\$643,569,141
<b>Total</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>1,107</b>	<b>\$490,247,077</b>	<b>\$227,795,391</b>	<b>\$718,042,468</b>

\*Repetitive Loss List properties removed from this category and shown in their own category above

Table 2. Repetitive Loss – Residential Type Breakdown

*(No Manufactured Homes on the Repetitive Loss List)*

	<b>Parcel Count</b>	<b>Structure Count</b>	<b>Building Value</b>	<b>Land Value</b>	<b>Total Value</b>
<b>Single Family</b>	55	55	\$17,358,169	\$18,033,276	\$35,391,445
<b>Apartment</b>	4	20	\$27,673,700	\$11,408,182	\$39,081,882
<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>\$45,031,869</b>	<b>\$29,441,458</b>	<b>\$74,473,327</b>

Table 3. Top 10% of Flood Risk Prioritization Tool – Residential Type Breakdown

	<b>Parcel Count</b>	<b>Structure Count</b>	<b>Building Value</b>	<b>Land Value</b>	<b>Total Value</b>
<b>Single Family</b>	358	358	\$116,582,558	\$92,642,823	\$209,225,381
<b>Apartment</b>	14	199	\$306,945,951	\$94,445,000	\$401,390,951
<b>Manufactured</b>	2	475	\$21,686,699	\$11,266,110	\$32,952,809
<b>Total</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>1,032</b>	<b>\$445,215,208</b>	<b>\$198,353,933</b>	<b>\$643,569,141</b>



Based on the availability of FEMA funding and the presence of insurable losses, staff prioritizes addressing properties on the FEMA Repetitive Loss List. From Table 1, it would cost approximately \$75 million to acquire all 59 structures on the Repetitive Loss List. Assuming grant funding could be obtained from FEMA, the City's cost share of the total \$75 million would be about \$19 million. Also, as shown in Table 3, apartments comprise about 56% of the total value on the Repetitive Loss List. It should be noted that apartments are more complex and time consuming to acquire than single owner residences. Any buy-out properties that have current tenants are subject to the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, which requires that tenants be entitled to relocation benefits and assistance.

**Wake County Public Libraries  
FY2024**

Library	Location	Library Type	Visits	Initial Checkouts	WiFi Hours Used	PC Hours Used
Cary Regional Library	Cary	Regional	402,092	514,180	107,810	13,368
East Regional Library	Knightdale	Regional	114,253	198,302	57,235	12,626
Eva Perry Regional Library	Apex	Regional	265,744	638,913	58,451	5,591
North Regional Library	Raleigh	Regional	234,288	483,642	70,231	12,649
Northeast Regional Library	Raleigh	Regional	173,929	379,816	45,476	5,127
Oberlin Regional Library	Raleigh	Regional	279,348	370,075	141,877	33,785
Southeast Regional Library	Garner	Regional	149,380	258,489	66,161	12,583
West Regional Library	Cary	Regional	296,298	639,707	130,390	6,035
Fuquay-Varina Community Library	Fuquay-Varina	Large Community	145,674	327,425	26,526	4,274
Green Road Community Library	Raleigh	Large Community	81,666	76,196	25,396	15,685
Holly Springs Community Library	Holly Springs	Large Community	155,597	339,054	19,812	3,702
Leesville Community Library	Raleigh	Large Community	131,181	261,694	27,777	3,448
Middle Creek Community Library	Apex	Large Community	73,117	127,143	22,662	982
Morrisville Community Library	Morrisville	Large Community	102,021	171,282	40,133	3,359
Richard B. Harrison Community Library	Raleigh	Large Community	55,653	39,653	25,201	14,954
Wake Forest Community Library	Wake Forest	Large Community	139,169	253,832	20,793	5,148
Athens Drive Community Library	Raleigh	Community	20,531	28,980		1,610
Duraleigh Road Community Library	Raleigh	Community	73,189	99,091	15,597	8,521
Southgate Community Library	Raleigh	Community	43,892	17,104	14,974	6,503
Wendell Community Library	Wendell	Community	36,815	50,204	4,753	2,034
Zebulon Community Library	Zebulon	Community	41,928	48,355	14,896	3,190
Express Library - Fayetteville St	Raleigh	Specialty	25,851	9,319	8,506	3,860
Olivia Raney Local History Library	Raleigh	Specialty	5,164	564	5,189	523
<b>Total</b>			<b>3,048,681</b>	<b>5,339,451</b>	<b>949,846</b>	<b>179,557</b>