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INFORMATION:

Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, November 19; 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/Public

The regular Council meeting begins at 1:00 P.M.

Please note there will be a **Closed Session** immediately following the afternoon session of the Council meeting.

Downtown Investment Opportunities - 2-Hour Free Downtown Parking Pilot

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

As part of Downtown Raleigh Alliance's Economic Strategy on Downtown Investment Opportunities, the City will kick-off a 2-hour free parking pilot program in certain City-owned parking decks starting Friday,

November 15. The pilot will run through the end of February 2025 and staff plans to follow up and provide feedback to the Council during the annual Council Retreat in early 2025.

During this pilot program, patrons coming to downtown Raleigh will be able to enter and park in the following City-owned decks once each day for up to 2 hours free of charge. After the initial 2-hour free period, standard parking rates will apply.

- Blount Street Deck (314 Blount Street)
- City Center Deck (429 S. Wilmington Street)
- Moore Square Deck (233 S. Wilmington Street)
- Municipal Complex Deck (201 W. Morgan Street)
- Wilmington Street Station Deck (117 S. Wilmington Street)



Eligible decks highlighted in yellow.

To identify and highlight the eligible decks, designated signage will be placed outside each deck at the street entrance and will be supplemented with yellow balloons provided through a partnership with the

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Downtown Raleigh Alliance. Signage at the entrances to the eligible decks and within each have been updated to reflect this pilot rate structure.





Identification Signage



Rate Signage

The City encourages users to take advantage of this opportunity to enjoy downtown Raleigh's shops, restaurants, and cultural attractions. Residents and visitors are also encouraged to provide feedback on the pilot program and customer experience, which will help inform future parking strategies.

For more information about the pilot program, including participating deck locations and standard rates, pilot program FAQs, please access the <u>2-Hour Free Parking Pilot page</u>.

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Funding Request from Healing Transitions Women's Campus

Staff Resource: Erika Brandt, Housing and Neighborhoods, 996-6975, erika.brandt@raleighnc.gov

Housing and Neighborhoods staff recently received a funding request from the *Forward Together* Campaign for \$2,200,000 to support construction of recovery housing on the Healing Transitions campus for women and women with children. In addition to this request from the City, the *Forward Together* Campaign and Healing Transitions are seeking funding support from Wake County, the State, corporations, foundations, and individuals.

The requested funding would support new on-site apartment housing at the Healing Transitions Women's campus to strengthen long-term outcomes for women in recovery. The *Forward Together* Campaign effort is focused on addressing the unique challenges women face in recovery including caregiving and family obligations, returning to unsupportive relationships, and experiencing trauma from abuse. Building new on-site, affordable, recovery-oriented housing for alumnae of Healing Transitions ensures access and proximity to a community of their peers and recovery program staff; offers a safe and viable option for independent living, the duration of which can be based on their recovery journey; and for those who are mothers, allows them to reunite with their children.

Housing & Neighborhoods staff is evaluating potential funding sources that may be available to support the request from the *Forward Together* Campaign and Healing Transitions and will be seeking guidance from Council regarding consideration of the request.

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2521 Mid Pines Road Annexation (AX-25-24)

Staff Resource: Christopher Golden, Planning, 996-6368, christopher.golden@raleighnc.gov

Annexation AX-25-24, 2521 Mid Pines Road, is scheduled for a public hearing on December 3, 2024. This annexation request is for 13.09 acres, zoned R-6 w/SWPOD in Raleigh's ETJ. The property is also within the Swift Creek Land Management Plan (SCLMP) and designated as "New Urban," indicating that residential development at densities of 6 dwelling units per acre may be appropriate. The Islamic Association of Raleigh owns the property. The property was the subject of an approved preliminary subdivision and now has an active site plan for 57 townhouses in review (SPR-0263-2024). More information is included in the attached memo.

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Weekly Digest of Special Events

Staff Resource: Sarah Heinsohn, Office of Special Events, 996-2200, sarah.heinsohn@raleighnc.gov.

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 July 2 City Council Meeting

Board and Commission Member Nominating Committee (Council Member Patton)

Staff Resources: Louis Buonpane, City Clerk's Office, 996-3040, louis.buonpane@raleiqhnc.qov
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Earlier this year following Council discussion of the Parks, Recreation and Greenway Advisory Board (PRGAB) annual work plan, staff was requested to evaluate the benefit of nominating committees for advisory boards and commissions, following a request from the PRGAB in May 2024 to establish an "ad hoc nominating committee" for the purpose of recommending appointees to the City Council to fill existing vacancies. Appointment to any City board or commission, including the PRGAB, is a legislative decision that must be made by the City Council. The Council may accept recommendations as it deems appropriate, but final appointment can be made only by the City Council.

The PRGAB began its nominations process in September.

During the upcoming November 19 City Council meeting, the recommendation for filling one (1) of three (3) existing true vacancies on the PRGAB will be reported to Council (via the ad hoc PRGAB nominating committee). A review with other jurisdictions indicates that standing nominating committees are not a standard practice of other City Councils. However, some jurisdictions utilize some form of review of applicants for seats on advisory boards and commissions; for example, Orange County:

Advisory boards review applications to their respective board and may make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for appointment. The County Commissioners consider the recommendations but also review all applications themselves. Most of the time they will approve the advisory board's recommendation, but on occasion will decide to appoint another applicant instead.

The City of Charlotte reports:

staff advisors to each board are provided access to electronically review the applications on file. They share and seek input from the Chairs and Vice Chairs of their respective advisory boards in order to make recommendations for consideration. A memo is provided [to the City Council] containing the names recommended, with the understanding there is no guarantee of automatic appointment. Both the Mayor and City Council use this process and usually appoint those recommended.

In Raleigh, the nomination and appointment of members of the public to advisory boards and commissions has typically been reserved to the elected officials, as the purpose of an advisory board is to advise the elected body. Delegation of that privilege without substantial involvement by the elected officials, particularly to the advisory board itself, would not appear to be widespread standing practice in other large jurisdictions. Factors for consideration include timeliness of the feedback loop to Council for the ultimate appointment process; the results of "self-selection" of membership in terms of diversity or other factors; and the associated workload of coordinating application review, vetting, and the reporting of nomination recommendations to Council. Some jurisdictions, generally smaller municipal jurisdictions with far fewer

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advisory boards, have shared that a committee of the City Council serves to vet all nominations to the respective advisory bodies.

In Raleigh there are several boards and commissions, typically more technical in purpose and nature, that do have authority for standing nominating committees. Included with the *Update* materials is a review of existing bylaw provisions for a nominating committee; those boards with such a committee are indicated with yellow highlight.

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Follow Up from the October 15 City Council Meeting

Village District Social District Request

Staff Resource: Whitney Schoenfeld, Office of Special Events, 996-2204, whitney.schoenfeld@raleighnc.gov

During the meeting, City Council was presented with a request to consider creating an additional social district within the Village District shopping center. Under state statute, municipalities are allowed to create more than one social district, and the establishment of such districts require the approval of City Council. This request followed Council's previous direction for staff to develop a process for receiving and reviewing such proposals from other areas of the city, ensuring that all state and local requirements are met. The first eligible application was submitted by Regency Centers (which is the entity that owns, operates, and develops the Village District) to create a new social district.

This item was deferred to the November 19th City Council Meeting as a Special Item to allow for additional outreach and engagement with nearby residential neighborhoods. Since then, the applicant, along with their legal representatives at Longleaf Law Partners, has asked to defer this item until the new year.

Community engagement efforts have continued, including recent meetings at the Hillsborough-Wade CAC, where residents from Forest Park and West Raleigh CACs were invited to attend, along with the Substance Use Advisory Commission meeting. An informational session was held for neighboring property owners and tenants at the Pullen Community Center. An online survey has also been made available to gather additional feedback from businesses within the Village District, as well as nearby residents and visitors to the area.

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memo

То	Marchell Adams-David, City Manager
Thru	Patrick O. Young, AICP, Director
From	Christopher Golden, Planning Supervisor
Department	Planning and Development
Date	November 15, 2024
Subject	2521 Mid Pines Road Annexation (AX-25-24) with anticipated Public Hearing Date of December 3, 2024.

Annexation AX-25-24, 2521 Mid Pines Road is scheduled for public hearing on December 3, 2024. This annexation request is for 13.09 acres, zoned R-6 w/SWPOD located in Raleigh's ETJ. The property is also within the boundaries of the Swift Creek Land Management Plan (SCLMP) and designated as "New Urban," which indicates that residential development at densities of 6 dwelling units per acre may be appropriate. The property is owned by the Islamic Association of Raleigh. The property was the subject of an approved preliminary subdivision and now has an active site plan for 57 townhouses in review (SPR-0263-2024).

The site plan is subject to administrative approval and is being reviewed against the Swift Creek Watershed Protection Overlay District and other relevant City Council adopted regulations. Annexation approval is necessary for the project to connect to Raleigh water and sewer.

In February 2024 the Southern Environmental Law Center (SELC) raised concerns to City Council about the development's proximity to the adjacent to the <u>Yates Mill Aquatic Conservation Center</u>, stating the project should not move forward unless there were safeguards in place to protect the facility. SELC's concerns have been assessed by staff reviewers, pursuant to UDO standards. Site Plan SPR-0263-2024 has not yet been approved but appears able to meet all relevant development regulations.

Without annexation, the property is eligible to obtain all permits indicated in the UDO, the Public Utilities Handbook, and the City of Raleigh's Right of Way Handbook except for utility connection (water and sewer) and certificate of occupancy. Eligible permits are reviewed and granted approval based on the regulations that apply to the area in which the property is located.

There are three possible outcomes of the Annexation request:

1. City Council Approved Annexation.

With City Council approved annexation and an approved site plan, development can move forward, including utility connection and certificates of occupancy.

2. City Council Approved Extension of Water and Sewer without Annexation.

City Council could approve extension of Raleigh water sewer service without annexation and development could move forward, including utility connection and certificates of occupancy. In this scenario, the property would not be subject to city property taxes nor receive city services beyond water and sewer. Water and sewer services would be charged at outside rates (double the rate of service charge inside the city limits).

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3. Denial of Annexation + No approval for Raleigh Water and Sewer Service.

Without annexation or specific Council approval to extend Raleigh water and sewer service to property in the ETJ, the property would not be eligible for utility connections or to receive certificates of occupancy.

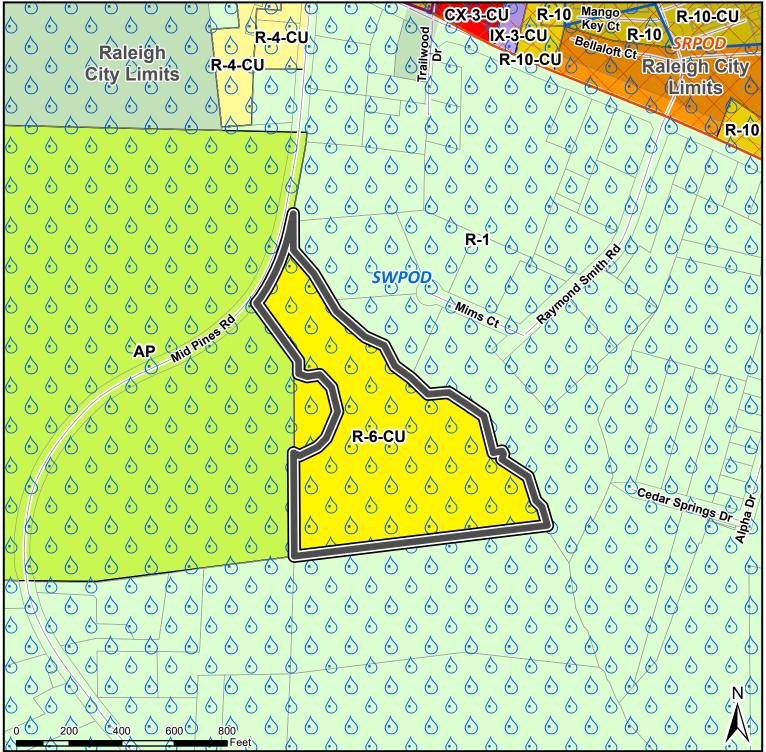
More information on permit eligibility can be found here: https://cityofraleigh0drupal.blob.core.usgovcloudapi.net/drupal-prod/COR22/annexation-matrix.pdf

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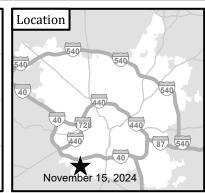
- 1. AX-25-2024 Zoning Map
- 2. AX-25-24 Annexation Map

Existing Zoning

AX-25-2024

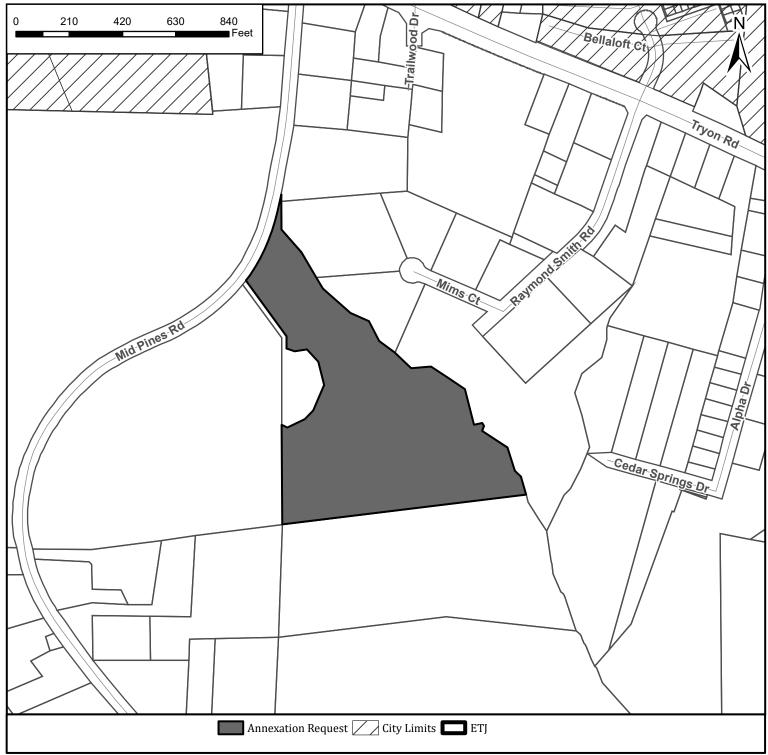


Property	2521 Mid Pines	s Road
Size	13.09 acres	
Existing Zoning	R-6-CU	
Overlay District Manag	Swift Creek	Page 9 of 16

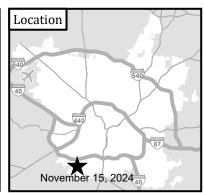


Annexation Request

AX-25-2024



Property	2523 Mid Pines Rd	
Size	13.09 Petition Acres (+ 0.00 Intervening RoW Acres)	
Annexation Type	Non-Contiguous - Inside ETJ	
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Weekly Events Digest

Friday, November 15 – Thursday, November 21

City of Raleigh Office of Special Events specialevents@raleighnc.gov | 919-996-2200 | raleighnc.gov/special-events-office

Permitted Special Events

No permitted special events are scheduled during this time.

Other Upcoming Events

Born to Heal: African Americans in Medicine Lecture

Friday, November 15 City of Raleigh Museum

Beethoven Piano Concerto No. 3 - NC Symphony

Friday, November 15 & Saturday, November 16 Meymandi Concert Hall

Magical Nutcracker - Carolina Youth Ballet

Friday, November 15 & Saturday, November 16 Fletcher Opera Theater

Coats Cause We Care Coat Giveaway

Saturday, November 16 Southgate Park

The Doctor is in History Tour

Saturday, November 16 Pope House Museum

A Drag Queen Christmas: 10th Anniversary Tour

Saturday, November 16 Memorial Auditorium

Ottawa Senators vs. Carolina Hurricanes

Saturday, November 16 Lenovo Center

St. Louis Blues vs. Carolina Hurricanes

Sunday, November 17 Lenovo Center

Triangle Youth Music Full Orchestra 2024 Fall Concert

Sunday, November 17 Meymandi Concert Hall

Ben Folds

Sunday, November 17 Memorial Auditorium

Colgate vs. NC State

Monday, November 18 Lenovo Center

Maverick City Music

Tuesday, November 19 Lenovo Center

Marking Time: Art in the Age of Mass Incarceration

Wednesday, November 20 The Chapel at Dix Park

2024 GIS Day

Thursday, November 21 Raleigh Union Station

<u>Carmina Burana – Carolina Ballet</u> Thursday, November 21 – Sunday, November 24 Memorial Auditorium

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

Advisory Boards and Commissions - Nominating Committee Summary - Board Membership

	Board	Language	Comments - Authority
1	Appearance Commission	No specific language pertaining to "standing" "ad hoc" or "special" committees	No explicit language
2	Arts Commission & Public Art and Design Board	Section 2: "The Commission may, by proper resolution, designate a Nominating Committee composed of three members to be nominated by the Chairperson and approved by the Commission. The nominating committee shall be a standing committee for the purpose of nominating the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson" Section 3: "The Chairperson or the Commission may designate other special or standing committees"	Vague - a nominating committee exists for the purpose of nominating a chairperson
3	Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission	Commission authorizes the Chair to create special or "ad hoc" committees as needed and to appoint additional, non-Commission members to serve on these committees	No explicit language - special or ad hoc committees are created for non-commission members to serve
4	Board of Adjustment	Section B: Membership on the Board shall be by appointment by the Raleigh City Council and the Wake County Board of Commissioners	No explicit languge
5	Community Engagement Board	Section 5: Vacant seats will be replaced by 2 routes of a member nomination process 1. City Council member nomination by district 2. OCE Nomination of community representative	No explicit language - the second vacancy filling avenue is through OCE nomination
6	Environmental Advisory Board	Board can authorize Chair to create special or ad hoc committees as needed	Explicit - There is specific language regarding special or ad hoc committes
7	Fair Housing Hearing Board	Section 1: The Board, with a majority vote of the members, shall create such committees to fulfill specific duties as the Board sees fit	No explicit language
8	Historic Resources and Museum Advisory Board	Section 2: Nominating Comittee is a standing committee. Consists of 3 advisors appointed by the Board chair and serve for 1 year terms. They recommend officers and candidates for the Advisory Board for election and recommending indviduals to the Council members for appointment, reappointment, filing vacancies, or termination of service	Explicit - reccomend individuals to council members for appoitnment, reappointment, filing vacancies, and termination of service
9	Historic Cemeteries Advisory Board	Section 1: Nominating Committee shall recommend candidates for Chair and Vice Chair shall also make recommendations to the Raleigh City Council for member appointment, reappointment, filling vacancies, or termination of service. Section 2: Ad hoc committees' duties and durations may ne established from time to time	Explicit - reccomend individuals to council members for appointment, reappointment, filing vacancies, and termination of service

Advisory Boards and Commissions - Nominating Committee Summary - Board Membership

	Board	Language	Comments - Authority
10	Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities	Section 3: The Nominating Subcommittee shall be charged at the Septermber meeting to bring foward a slate of Subcommittee Chairpersons to be distributed to the membership of the Committee prior to the November meeting/ Vacancies may be filled by the Committee at any regular meeting. Note: unclear if the nominating subcommittee is tasked with nominating individuals for the standing committees	Explicit - reccomend individuals to council members for appointment, reappointment, filing vacancies, and termination of service
11	Parks, Recreation, and Greenway Advisory Board	Section 18: Committees, these rules are applicable to the PRGAB's committees as well as the full PRGAB.	Vague
12	Planning Committee	Section A: The purpose of subcommittees is to allow for full, detailed discussion of issues Section D : There are 3 standing subcommittees: Text Change subcommittee, strategic planning subcommittee, and infrastructure and mobility subcommittee	No explicit language
13	Police Advisory Board	Section 1: "Committees shall be formed as needed." Section 3: "Board members to serve on a committee to confer on the issue or situation, receive input from other Board members and bring their findings and/or recommendations back to the full Board within a specified time."	No explicit language - "committees shall be formed as needed"
14	Raleigh Convention and Performing Arts Center Authority	N/A	
15	Raleigh Hispanic Immigrant Affairs Board	Section 1: Standing Committees permanent unless removed according to bylaws. Communications, Community Engagement and Celebration, Economic Development, Social Justice, Public Safety Section 3: "Board may create other committees as needed. Board shall prescribe duties and duration of such committees in writing at their formation and their charter entered in the Board's policy manual	Vague - board may create other committees as needed, but no language about a nominating committee specifically
16	Raleigh Historic Development Commission	Section 4: Nominations committee is responsible for identifying and soliciting qualified candidates for new appointments and reappointments to the Commission and report its findings to their Chair for recommendation to the City Council	Explicit

Advisory Boards and Commissions - Nominating Committee Summary - Board Membership

	Board	Language	Comments - Authority
17	Raleigh Human Relations Commission	Section 2: Commission may create and appoint other special committees that report to the Chair and the Commission may direct, limit, or control committes by resolution or general rules	Vague
18	Raleigh Transit Authority	N/A; Bylaws are currently being reviewed by legal	
19	Stormwater Management Advisory Commission	Section 18: "These rules are applicable to the Commission's committees as well as the full Commission."	No explicit language
20	Substance Use Advisory Commission	Section 2: For nominations that originate at the Commission level, the following procedure shall apply: any eligible prospective member shall attend a Commission meeting and submit a resume and statement explaining that person's interest in joining the commission.	No explicit language