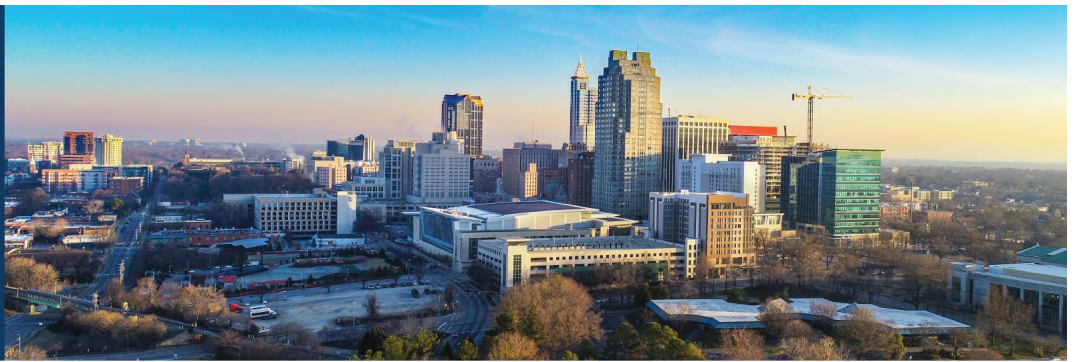


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City Offices Closed in Observance of Good Friday

Please note City administrative offices will be **closed** on **Friday, April 18** in observance of the **Good Friday** holiday.

INFORMATION:

Municipal Service District Service Providers - Request for Proposals

Staff Resource: Katie Conyers, Budget & Management Services, 996-4276, kathryn.conyers@raleighnc.gov

In September 2015, statewide legislation was adopted impacting the process by which cities contract with private agencies to provide services within a municipal service district (MSD). An MSD is a defined area in which the municipality's governing board levies an additional property tax to provide extra services to residents or properties in that district. The additional tax collected can be used for functions specifically defined in state statutes, including downtown and urban revitalization.

The City has two MSDs: one in downtown, established in FY01, and one along the Hillsborough Street corridor, established in FY09. The City currently contracts with the Downtown Raleigh Alliance (DRA) and the Hillsborough Street Community Services Corporation (HSCSC) to provide services in the downtown and Hillsborough Street MSDs, respectively.

Last month staff from the Budget and Management Services Department (BMS) initiated the MSD Request for Proposals (RFP) procurement process for both the downtown and Hillsborough Street MSDs. Contracts

for both MSDs are set to expire June 30, 2025. To solicit input from MSD residents and property owners, the City mailed notices to MSD residents and property owners extending invitation to participate in an online survey on current services and priorities for the next contract period - July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 with up to four additional one-year options. Feedback from property owners and residents allowed staff to issue the RFPs on the current needs, long-range plans, and goals for the service districts as required by state statute. The RFPs were issued April 16, and will be followed by a three-week response period, followed by evaluation of proposals submitted for consideration. A public hearing is scheduled for June 3, 2025.

(No attachments)

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.

(Attachment)

Council Member Follow Up Items

Follow up from April 15 Council Meeting

Fourth Ward Recognition (Council Member Harrison)

Staff Resource: Evan Raleigh, City Manager's Office, 996-3070, evan.raleigh@raleighnc.gov

During the meeting staff was requested to provide information related to the City's previous and future efforts related to the recognition of the historic Fourth Ward. In the Summer of 2024, various City departments were approached by a local community group with requests to provide both financial and in-kind support for a Fourth Ward Celebration Event, which occurred August 26 to September 1, 2024. The City supported the event in a number of ways which included the provision of City-issued tables, chairs, and tents; the waiver of fees for use of various City venues; complimentary production of materials; and the provision of staff support as well as a \$10,000 grant from the Performing Arts Center community grant fund to support production- and facility-related expenses for the Celebration's capstone event.

The cumulative value of the City's financial and in-kind support was estimated at \$30,000.

In addition to the City's support for the Fourth Ward Celebration weekend, there have been discussions related to incorporating the history of the Fourth Ward in major projects planned for the area which include the Convention Center expansion and the Chavis-Dix Strollway projects. Both projects are in the design phase so the specific ways in which recognition of the Fourth Ward history may be incorporated have not yet been determined.

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Weekly Events Digest

Friday, April 18 – Thursday, April 24

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

Permitted Special Events

[The North Carolina 'Cuegrass Festival](#)

Fayetteville Street District

Saturday, April 19

Event Time: 12:00pm - 10:00pm

Associated Road Closures: Hargett Street between Salisbury Street and Wilmington Street, and Fayetteville Street between Morgan Street and Martin Street will be closed from 5:00am until 11:45pm.

Other Upcoming Events

[An Evening with Justin Furstefeld of Blue October](#)

Friday, April 18

Fletcher Opera Theater

[Talkin' Trees – A Panel on Raleigh's Trees](#)

Saturday, April 19

City of Raleigh Museum

[KARNA – Gurukrupa School of Indian Dance](#)

Saturday, April 19

Fletcher Opera Theater

[Game 1: Devils vs. Hurricanes](#)

Sunday, April 20

Lenovo Center

[Rooted and Growing: Neighborhood Change](#)

Tuesday, April 22

St. Matthews Baptist Church

[WakeMed Career Fair](#)

Tuesday, April 22

Raleigh Convention Center

[Game 2: Devils vs. Hurricanes](#)

Tuesday, April 22

Lenovo Center

[TURBULENCE: Birds, Beauty, Language & Loss Panel Discussion](#)

Wednesday, April 23

Block Gallery

[Tyler Childers](#)

Wednesday, April 23

Coastal Credit Union Music Park at Walnut Creek

[All Smiles](#)

Wednesday, April 23 – Sunday, May 4

Raleigh Little Theatre

Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto – Carolina Ballet

Thursday, April 24 – Sunday, April 27
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 Dix Park.