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CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

Monday, April 4, 2011

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| 5:00 p.m. | Dinner |
| 5:15 p.m. | Housing & Neighborhood Development and Economic Development: Soul of the Northwest Corridor |
| 5:45 p.m. | Housing & Neighborhood Development and Economic Development: Historic West End Revitalization |
| 6:45 p.m. | Closed Session |
| 7:30 p.m. | Citizens Forum Room 267 |

COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

TOPIC: Soul of the Northwest Corridor

COUNCIL FOCUS AREA: Housing & Neighborhood Development and Economic Development

RESOURCE: Sherrill Hampton
Special Assistant to the President and Director of Center for Applied Leadership and Community Development
Johnson C. Smith University

KEY POINTS:

- On February 28, 2011, the Council requested a presentation on the *Soul of Northwest Corridor* at a future meeting.
- Johnson C. Smith University (JCSU) has taken a leadership role in the revitalization efforts along the Beatties Ford Road/Northwest Corridor, the community that surrounds the University.
- JCSU is serving as the convener and facilitator of a broad-based community collaborative effort to enhance the quality of life and stimulate the economy in the Corridor.
- As part of these efforts, JCSU commissioned a study in December 2010 to examine how residents in the Northwest Corridor are attached to their neighborhood and community.
- The initiative is known as the *Soul of the Northwest Corridor*. The new community practice model, patterned after the James S. and John L. Knight Foundation's *Soul of the Community Project*, provides evidence-based guidance for community leaders and units of local government seeking to create long-term, positive change within their cities.
- Representatives from JCSU will brief the City Council on the findings of the research, one of the first in the nation being conducted at the neighborhood or community level, conducted by GALLUP Polls, Inc.
- The research will provide the City and other community partners the elements that are important for different age groups when deciding where to reside in a community.

COUNCIL DECISION OR DIRECTION REQUESTED:

None. This presentation is for informational purposes only.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

TOPIC: Historic West End Revitalization

COUNCIL FOCUS AREA: Housing & Neighborhood Development and Economic Development

RESOURCES: Malcolm Graham, Special Assistant to the President
Johnson C. Smith University

KEY POINTS:

- Malcolm Graham will lead a comprehensive presentation outlining the University's plans for the Historic West End Revitalization.
- The objective of the revitalization is to extend the JCSU presence outside the gates of the campus, and create private/public/university opportunities in the West Trade Street/Beatties Ford Road Corridor.
- Plans include improvements underneath the I-77 bridge at West Trade Street; a new university bookstore as part of a mixed use development at the Five Points Intersection; a new mixed use/student housing and parking deck complex, to be called Mosaic Village; and restoration of the historic Davis House on campus.
- Larry and Mike Griffin will make a separate presentation on the Mosaic Village.

COUNCIL DECISION OR DIRECTION REQUESTED:

- Council will be asked to refer the Mosaic Village and University Bookstore projects to the Economic Development Committee.
- A Resolution for the lighting project underneath the I-77 bridge is scheduled for Council consideration on its April 11, 2011 agenda.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

. **Closed Session**

- Action:** Adopt a motion to go into closed session pursuant to:
- A. GS 143-318.11(a)(5) to establish, or to instruct staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the City Council in negotiating the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease; and**
 - B. GS 143-318.11(a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee.**