AGENDA

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City of Charlotte, City Clerk's Office

SPECIAL SESSION BN CRIME



| Mayor Richard Vinroot | Mayor Pro Tem Patrick McCrory |
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| Stan Campbell | Don D Reid |
| Patrick D Cannon | Ella Butler Scarborough |
| Mike Jackson | Sara Spencer |
| Nasıf Rashad Majeed | Lynn M Wheeler |

Council Agenda

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING to Discuss Issues Related to the N. C. Legislative Special Session on Crime Monday, January 31, 1994

5:30 p.m.

Conference Center

Update on 1993 Charlotte Crime
 Statistics

6:30 p.m.

Meeting Chamber

- elnvocation
- Pledge of Allegiance

FORMAL BUSINESS MEETING

- 1. Statement of Purpose Mayor Richard Vinroot
- 2. State Legislative Issues Identified in the Community Safety Plan

As part of the Council Retreat package, City Council has received the Manager's draft recommendations for the Community Safety Plan. The Community Safety Plan is a 5-year strategic plan to comprehensively address crime prevention, intervention and enforcement strategies in our community. Staff will present the plan in detail at the retreat, and Councilmembers will have an opportunity to discuss the plan in depth.

Many of the strategies in the Community Safety Plan fall completely within the City's traditional responsibilities. Others involve working locally with Mecklenburg County and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System. The remainder of the strategies, however, involve seeking legislation from the North Carolina General Assembly or working cooperatively with administrative units of State government.

Potential State issues included in the Manager's Community Safety Plan are <u>attached</u>. In the attachment, those potential state issues which are jointly contained in the Mayor's Urgent Initiatives and in the Manager's Community Safety Plan, are listed first under the heading of <u>Urgent Initiatives</u>.

Attachment 1

3. Presentation of Mayor's Urgent Initiatives for Legislative Consideration

Mayor Vinroot has convened a small task force of individuals who work with crime issues on a daily basis. The task force was charged with the responsibility of identifying the top priority issues to combat the increased amount of violent crime in our community

After narrowing down the list of priorities, the task force recommendations were presented to a joint elected officials group consisting of the County Commission, School Board, Legislative Delegation and the City Council Further refinement of task force suggestions has resulted in the following list of "urgent initiatives":

- 1. Boot Camp for youthful offenders
- 2. Continuation of funding for the special drug court
- 3. The formation of a high risk dangerous offenders initiative
- 4. A change in Housing Authority laws to deal with evictions and the formation of a drug free housing project zone
- 5. The state-wide creation of a Criminal Justice Information System that provides local law enforcement officers with updated information on criminals' arrest records and court proceedings.

After reviewing the "urgent initiatives" with individual members of the Delegation and other officials, the Mayor is asking Council to endorse and recommend to the Mecklenburg Delegation the "urgent initiatives" for approval by the Legislature during the upcoming Special Session.

4. Conduct a Public Hearing to hear citizen comments about crime issues

<u>Item No.</u>

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5. Legislative items for the N. C. Special Legislative Session on Crime

Action: Approve City legislative package for the N. C. Legislative Special Session on Crime

- A. Mayor's Urgent Initiatives
- B. Community Safety Plan Legislative Items for discussion with Mecklenburg Delegation
- C. Other Legislative items related to crime for discussion with the Mecklenburg Delegation

Governor Hunt's Crime-Fighting Plan is attached for information.

Attachment 2