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## **CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

**Monday, May 5, 2008**

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**Room 267**

- 5:00 p.m.                      Dinner**
- 5:15 p.m.                      Economic Development: Cultural Facilities Update**
- 6:00 p.m.                      Community Safety and Economic Development: Youth Initiatives**
- 6:30 p.m.                      Transportation: Transportation Priority Update**
- 6:45 p.m.                      Transportation: Charlotte Region Fast Lanes Study**
- 7:00 p.m.                      Procurement Audit Reports**
- 7:30 p.m.                      Citizens' Forum  
Room 267**
- 8:00 p.m.                      Request for Council Action: Closed Session**

# ***COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY***

**TOPIC:** Cultural Facilities Update

**COUNCIL FOCUS AREA:** Economic Development

**RESOURCES:** Debra Campbell, Planning Commission  
Bob Bertges, Wachovia  
Michelle Haas, Engineering & Property Management  
Lee Keesler, Arts & Science Council

**KEY POINTS:**

- In September 2006, City Council approved agreements to move forward on construction of five cultural facilities.
- On October 9, 2006 and May 7, 2007, the Council received updates on the facilities.
- This briefing will provide information on the following:
  - Wachovia Cultural Facilities
    - Streetscape/Pedestrian Experience
    - Budget
    - Schedule
    - Design
  - Discovery Place Renovation
  - Cultural Facilities Endowment Update

**COUNCIL DECISION OR DIRECTION REQUESTED:**

None is required at this time.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

# ***COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY***

**TOPIC:** Youth Initiatives

**COUNCIL FOCUS AREA:** Community Safety and Economic Development

**RESOURCES:** Fran Cook  
Dennis Marstall  
Brad Richardson  
Willie Ratchford

**KEY POINTS:**

- Staff will share with Council several initiatives that hold promise for reaching youth.
- Strong collaborative relationships with various community partners are needed for success.
- City staff are involved in four initiatives affecting youth and meet quarterly with the community collaborative to share information and updates:
  - Parenting & Fatherhood – Community Relations Committee
  - Mayor’s Youth Employment Program – Economic Development
  - Mayor’s Mentoring Alliance – Neighborhood Development / Mayor’s Office
  - Gang of One – Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department

**COUNCIL DECISION OR DIRECTION REQUESTED:**

None. This presentation is for informational purposes only.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

# ***COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY***

**TOPIC:** Transportation Priority Update

**COUNCIL FOCUS AREA:** Transportation

**RESOURCES:** Jim Schumacher, City Manager's Office  
Danny Pleasant, CDOT  
Keith Parker, CATS  
Debra Campbell, Planning  
Boyd Cauble, City Manager's Office

**KEY POINTS:**

- Transportation is one of three priorities identified by the City Council for the current year. Four goals were established for the year:
  - Communicate the City's integrated transportation and land use growth strategy and infrastructure needs to accommodate the City's projected growth.
  - Engage the community to help define the City's transportation challenges, review current tools and strategies to address transportation needs and develop action steps to enable transportation infrastructure to keep pace with growth.
  - Explore funding options to address transportation funding needs to keep pace with projected growth.
  - Develop a corresponding legislative strategy to implement the necessary transportation improvements to keep pace with growth.
- Staff will outline the initiatives that are underway and planned to address these goals and schedule parameters.

**COUNCIL DECISION OR DIRECTION REQUESTED:**

This presentation is for information only at this time as an opportunity for the City Council to provide any further guidance on these initiatives.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

# ***COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY***

**TOPIC:** Charlotte Region Fast Lanes Study

**COUNCIL FOCUS AREA:** Transportation

**RESOURCES:** Norm Steinman and Tim Gibbs

**KEY POINTS:**

- In May 2007, the City Council adopted a resolution supporting a regional study to determine which high-capacity, interregional highways should be considered for future implementation of managed lanes. High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV), High Occupancy Toll (HOT), or Truck Only Toll (TOT) lanes are examples of managed lanes.
- Phase One of the study, now known as the Charlotte Region Fast Lanes Study, has been completed. The consultant team used criteria including congestion, demand, and physical attributes to recommend which of the corridor segments should be kept for the next study phase.
- For corridor segments included in Phase Two of the Study, the consultant team will analyze the lane treatments, operations strategy, revenue potential and project phasing. Staff from various agencies in the region will then make recommendations as to which concepts or potential projects should proceed.

**COUNCIL DECISION OR DIRECTION REQUESTED:**

An abbreviated version of this presentation occurred at the March 3, 2008 Council meeting. Council will be asked to direct the vote of the City's representative on the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization regarding Fast Lanes policies and project prioritization later this year.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

# ***COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY***

**TOPIC:** Procurement Audit Reports

**RESOURCES:** Greg McDowell, City Auditor

**KEY POINTS:**

- In July 2007, the City Manager requested Internal Audit to evaluate the City's procurement practices.
- On September 24, 2007, the City Auditor presented a plan to City Council for a review of City Procurement Practices by a Consultant and an Internal Audit follow-up (to its 2005 audit).
- Internal Audit issued its follow-up report in December 2007; the Consultant's (The Matrix Group) report was completed in March 2008.
- Strengths, Opportunities for Improvement, and Actions Planned will be presented.

**COUNCIL DECISION OR DIRECTION REQUESTED:**

None. This presentation is for informational purposes only.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

. **Closed Session**

**Action:** Adopt a motion pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) to go into closed session to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment or conditions of initial employment a prospective Chief of Police.