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## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Monday, May 4, 2015**

**Room 267**

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| <b>5:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Dinner</b>   |
| <b>5:15 p.m.</b> | <b>Charlotte-Mecklenburg Quality of Life Explorer</b>                     |
| <b>5:35 p.m.</b> | <b>2015 City Council Regular &amp; Budget Meeting Schedule Amendments</b> |
| <b>5:45 p.m.</b> | <b>Closed Session</b>   |

### **Council Chamber**

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| <b>6:30 p.m.</b> | <b>Citizens' Forum</b>                           |
| <b>7:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Manager's Recommended Budget Presentation</b> |

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

**TOPIC:** Charlotte-Mecklenburg Quality of Life Explorer

**RESOURCES:** Tom Warshauer, Neighborhood & Business Services  
Rebecca Hefner, Neighborhood & Business Services

**KEY POINTS:**

- Established in 1993, the Quality of Life (QoL) Study began as a report that included information on the social, crime, physical, and economic conditions in Charlotte's neighborhoods. In 2012, the QoL was transformed into an interactive online dashboard with expanded geography including Mecklenburg County towns.
- The QoL is used by local government, neighborhoods, businesses, service providers, realtors, universities and others for decision making, program development and planning.
- Over the last two years, a team comprised of the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and representatives from area service agencies and communities have met to discuss and make improvements to the QoL.
- The updated Quality of Life Study, renamed the Quality of Life Explorer, will be released to the public in May 2015 with the following enhancements:
  - Updated data on over 80 variables providing detailed information about housing stock, household income, jobs, health, education, tree canopy coverage, crime rates, code violations, community engagement, energy consumption and much more
  - New variables including 311 requests, library card holders, arts & culture participation, low birth weight, prenatal care, job density and employment
  - Maps, trend information, data tables and summary reports for 462 neighborhood profile areas
  - Ability to explore data by custom geographies, e.g., the light rail corridor, school zones, business districts, council districts or the entire City of Charlotte

**COUNCIL DECISION OR DIRECTION REQUESTED:**

None. This presentation is for informational purposes only.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

## **1. 2015 City Council Regular and Budget Meeting Schedule Amendments**

**Action: Amend the 2015 City Council Regular & Budget Meeting Schedule in the following manner:**

- 1. Add a Budget Workshop on May 18 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 267; and**
- 2. Move the Budget Adjustments/Straw Votes from May 27 to May 26 at 3:00 p.m. in Room CH-14.**

## **2. Closed Session**

**Action:** Adopt a motion pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(4) to go into closed session to discuss matters relating to the location of an industry or business in the City of Charlotte, including potential economic development incentives that may be offered in negotiations.