# NOTES

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Merrill Flood, Assistant City Manager M.

DATE: March 8, 2017

SUBJECT: Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:

- 1. A memo from Mark Holtzman, Chief of Police, regarding implementation of the Pro Citation Based Initiative
- 2. A memo from Gary Fenton, Recreation and Parks Director, regarding an alcohol policy for the Town Common
- 3. A memo from Gary Fenton, Recreation and Parks Director, regarding a Connect NC Bond Grant for an accessible watersports facility at River Park North
- 4. A memo from Kevin Mulligan, Public Works Director, providing a status of 2016 Bond Street Resurfacing project, Phase 2
- 5. A memo from Ben Griffith, Community Development Director, providing information on the 2017 Spring Clean-up event scheduled for Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM
- 6. A memo from Kevin Mulligan, Public Works Director, regarding NCDOT on the Local Officials informational meeting on the Allen Road widening project
- 7. An agenda for the March 14, 2017 meeting of the Police Community Relations Committee and minutes from the February 15, 2017 meeting

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

То:	Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager
From:	Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager Mark Holtzman, Chief of Police
Date:	March 8, 2017

Subject: Pro Citation Based Initiative

In its continuing efforts to promote community policing, the Greenville Police Department has incorporated the Pro Citation Based Initiative as part of its policies and procedures. This initiative will allow officers the choice of written criminal citations in lieu of a physical arrest for common misdemeanor offenses such as larceny, shoplifting, simple assault, disorderly conduct, simple possession of marijuana, or trespassing, just to name a few. There are some situations where issuing a citation in lieu of an arrest will not be an option: if the officer is unable to verify the identity of the individual; if the officer has reason to believe the individual will not appear in court; if the officer believes the individual will, or is likely to continue the behavior or actions for which they are being charged, or the subject is a repeat or habitual offender; or if the misdemeanor charge is a lesser charge of a larger criminal investigation.

The pro citation based initiative will build consistency when bringing charges for certain misdemeanor offenses without the need for a physical arrest, transport, and jail booking, as in the past. This is one more way the Greenville Police Department will be working to enhance community relations with the citizens of Greenville.



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To:Merrill Flood, Acting City ManagerFrom:Gary Fenton, Director of Recreation and ParksDate:March 8, 2017Re:Alcohol Policy for Town Common

An item will appear on Council's March 20, 2017 agenda regarding the Town Common becoming a "site designated for conditional service and consumption of alcoholic beverages."

In September 2014, a policy was presented for Council's consideration that would establish the rules, requirements, and procedures regarding the sale and/or service and consumption of alcoholic beverages in some of the City's parks and facilities. At that time, all of the proposed venues except Town Common were approved for some degree of service and consumption, along with some clearly defined requirements and limitations for each venue.

Though Town Common was removed from that original policy, there was an expressed expectation that the issue at Town Common would return to Council for consideration at some future date. That future date has arrived, as we were recently directed to review the original proposal, make changes if deemed appropriate, and bring the revised policy back to Council for additional consideration.

A committee was formed to consider the proposed policy. Members include: (1) Police Captain Chris Ivey, (2) City Attorney David Holec, (3) Parks Superintendent Dean Foy, (4) Uptown Greenville Executive Director Bianca Shoneman, (5) City of Greenville Economic Development Manager Roger Johnson, (6) Recreation Supervisor Ron Harris, (7) Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Andrew Schmidt, (8) Interim Recreation Superintendent Don Octigan, and (9) me.

The group has met twice and feels it would make sense to give the proposed policy a "test run" at the 2017 PirateFest at Town Common April 8<sup>th</sup>. The committee could then meet again to consider how effectively the policy worked and whether any modifications are needed. If so, those changes would be made before bringing the policy back to Council in May for final approval.

During a Town Common event, the service and consumption of beer and/or wine would be restricted to an enclosed, monitored area. Only the City or a non-profit organization (NPO) would be eligible to sponsor an event where such service and consumption might be allowed, but a "for profit" promoter could partner with an NPO for such an event, with the NPO applying to the City for the appropriate permits.

More in depth details will be included within the March 20, 2017 Council agenda item related to this issue. Please let me know if you have any questions.

cc: Town Common Policy Committee Members



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To: Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager
From: Gary Fenton, Director of Recreation and Parks
Date: March 8, 2017
Re: Connect NC Bond Grant

In December 2016, through the *Connect NC* bond grant program, staff submitted a request for an accessible watersports facility at River Park North (RPN). Developed in March 2016, this Connect NC program included one-time funding of \$3 million to fund parks and recreation grants to benefit children and/or veterans with disabilities. \$9.5 million in grant requests were submitted.

On Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, our request for \$179,272 was approved by the NC Parks and Recreation Authority.

The bond program offered up to \$500,000 in funding per project, and required a local match of \$1 for every \$4 requested. The total cost of the proposed accessible watersport facility is \$224,090, so our required portion of that is \$44,818. Since \$45,000 was budgeted within the *Facilities Improvement Program (F.I.P.)* targeting RPN Pedal Boat Access, these funds will serve as the required match.

**Note:** With the initial concurrence of *Recreation Resources Services (RRS)*, who managed the application process, we included \$11,766 (within that total project cost of \$224,090) for adaptive equipment, including two adaptive kayaks, one adaptive pedal boat, and adaptive boat accessories. However, this type of equipment is a bit of a "gray area" within the grant guidelines, and at the moment RRS is unsure whether such equipment will qualify for grant funding. If it does not, \$11,776 would be deducted from our total award.

Should this occur it would be unfortunate, but at this point we feel lapse salaries might be used to fund this need, as the equipment is integral to providing the project's services and achieving the program's goals.

**Project Details:** River Park North was developed prior to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), so some existing facilities were constructed without accessibility in mind. In June of 2015 the Universal Design Institute identified 15 RPN elements that failed to meet accessibility standards. The accessible outdoor water sports facility corrects a third of these, through:

- Developing accessible parking spots near the ADA fishing pier
- Developing an accessible route-of-travel to fishing pier
- Providing access to trash receptacles along route-of-travel to fishing pier
- Adding accessible benches, grill, trash receptacles and picnic tables near fishing pier
- Developing an accessible boating facility

Furthermore, kayaks, jon boats, pedal boats, fishing piers and picnic areas are currently spread across five sites on two ponds, and customer interactions associated with boat rentals, fishing gear, fishing permits, and concession sales must be completed at the Nature Center Office, far from the desired recreational activity. Existing routes of travel between these amenities, between the main office and these amenities, and from our accessible parking lot are currently **not** ADA compliant, nor are the amenities themselves.

This project joins these amenities at a single, universally accessible site near our ADA compliant fishing piers and accessible parking lot.

Included is an on-site, accessible cashier's office that will allow all necessary transactions to occur within the immediate proximity of the activity. Additionally, the onsite presence of staff at the cashier's office will allow us to significantly expand the rental hours for our pedal boat fleet. This facility will not require additional part-time staff hours, as we will simply relocate one of two staff members who work at the main office during peak season to the on-site cashier's office.

Grant acceptance and the accompanying budgetary amendment item will be brought before Council in April. We anticipate work will begin sometime this fall, depending on when grant funds are received.

Please let me know if here are any questions.

cc: Dean Foy, Parks Superintendent

Christopher Horrigan, Parks Coordinator, River Park North Becky Derderian, Grants Accountant, Financial Services



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То:	Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager
From:	Kevin Mulligan, PE, Director of Public Works
Date:	March 7, 2017
Subject:	Status of 2016 Bond Street Resurfacing Project, Phase 2 Arlington Boulevard; Red Banks Road to Fire Tower Road

- This project includes the milling, full depth repairing, and resurfacing of Arlington Boulevard between Red Banks Road and Fire Tower Road. As part of this work, all ADA ramps at each intersection throughout the project corridor will be upgraded to current standards. Additionally, signal work is included at each signalized intersection.
- Due to high traffic volumes, all milling, patching, and resurfacing will be done at night between the hours of 7 pm and 7 am. Replacement of handicap ramps and signal work will be accomplished during the day.
- The contractor is ST Wooten. The Notice of Award was given on November 7, 2016, and contracts have been executed. Due to winter weather, work was postponed until we had consistent warmer weather as the resurfacing is to be done at night.
- A preconstruction meeting is set for March 31, 2017. The contract duration is 60 days. We anticipate the contractor will begin their work within 10 days of the pre-construction meeting.
- ST Wooten's subcontractor, Watson Electric, will be installing all the radar and thermal detectors associated with this phase of work.
- Once the ADA ramp improvements and signal work have been completed, the night work will begin with the milling of the road surface. Temporary striping will be placed for traffic control to maintain normal traffic operations throughout the project duration.
- Once the entire road has been milled and patched, the resurfacing will begin. As with the
  milling, temporary striping will be placed as the road is being paved to manage traffic operations.
- The pre-markings or temporary striping will remain in place until the final thermoplastic striping is installed to delineate travel lanes, turn arrows, and stop bars. This is typically completed after the new asphalt surface has been given a few days to cure.

cc: Scott P. M. Godefroy, PE, City Engineer



То:	Merrill Flood, Assistant City Manager		
From:	Ben Griffith, Community Development Director		
Date:	March 6, 2017		
Subject:	2017 Spring Clean-Up		

The City of Greenville's 2017 Spring Clean-Up event is scheduled for Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at the Lucille W. Gorham Intergenerational Center at 1100 Ward Street. Registration begins at 9:00 and the clean-up begins at 10:00 and lasts until 3:00. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city-wide volunteer clean-up day. The City of Grenville is working with Rebuilding Together as co-sponsors of the event. People are encouraged to register and work as a team, club, civic group, church group or as an individual. Trash bags, supplies and t-shirts will be provided. A safety brief and lunch will also be provided to the volunteers.

For more information and to pre-register for the clean-up, please contact AJ Basile in the City's Code Enforcement Division at (252) 329-4114.



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To:	Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager
From:	Kevin Mulligan, PE, Director of Public Works
Date:	March 7, 2017
Subject:	Local Official's Informational Meeting – Allen Road Widening from Stantonsburg Road to US 13 (Dickinson Avenue Extension)

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is proposing the widening of Allen Road from Stantonsburg Road to US 13 (Dickinson Avenue Extension). This project is part of the State Transportation Improvement Program (Project U-5875).

The NCDOT will hold a Local Official's informational meeting about this project on Monday, March 27, 2017, from 10 to 11:30 am at the Pitt County Office Building in the Commissioners' Auditorium located at 1717 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street. An informal, drop-in style open house will be held later in the date from 4 to 7 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room of Lakeforest Elementary School located at 3300 Briarcliff Drive. Attached is additional information regarding this meeting.

Attachments



## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR JAMES H. TROGDON, III Secretary

Elected Officials Pitt County and City of Greenville

#### RE: Invitation to Local Official's Informational Meeting State Transportation Improvement Program Project No. U-5875 Allen Road (S.R. 1203) Widen to Multi-Lanes From Stantonsburg Road (S.R. 1467) to U.S. 13 (Dickinson Avenue Extension)

Dear Sir or Madam:

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) invites you to attend a Local Official's Informational Meeting to be held for the above-referenced project. The meeting is scheduled for:

Date:	March 27, 2017
<u>Time:</u>	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location:	Commissioner's Auditorium
	Pitt County Office Building
	1717 W. 5th Street, Greenville, NC 27834

The purpose of this meeting is to provide you with information on the project and to gather your comments. An informal, drop-in style open house will be held later in the day from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the *Multi-Purpose Room of Lakeforest Elementary School* located at 3300 Briarcliff Drive in Greenville. You are welcome to attend either or both of the meetings. The opportunity to submit written comments will be provided at the meeting or no later than April 10, 2017.

Please contact NCDOT Division 2 Project Manager Betty Ann Caldwell, PE by email at <u>bacaldwell@ncdot.gov</u> or via phone by calling (252) 439-2808 or Susan Westberry, AICP with SEPI Engineering and Construction by email at <u>swestberry@sepiengineering.com</u> or phone at (910) 550-3257 if you or your representative have any questions.

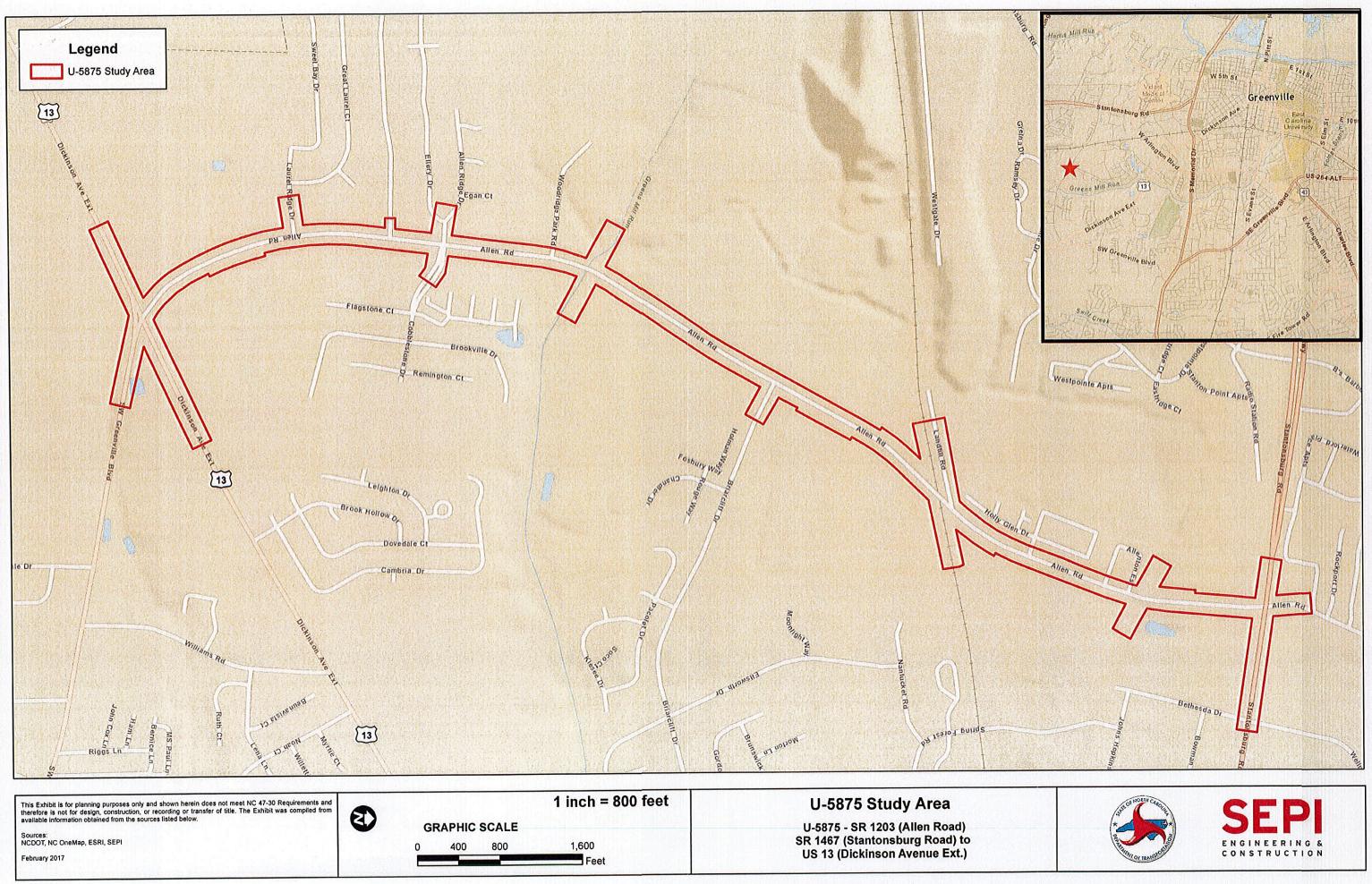
Thank you and we look forward to meeting with you.

Sincerely, Betty An Caldwell Betty Ann Caldwell, PE NCDOT Division 2 Project Manager

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### POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

## AGENDA

Tuesday, March 14, 2017 J.H. Rose High School, Multi-purpose Room 600 West Arlington Blvd Greenville, NC 27834

- 1) Call to Order Diane Kulik, Chair
- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Approval of the Agenda March 14, 2017
- 4) Approval of Minutes February 15, 2017
- 5) State briefly the mission of committee and purpose of meeting
- 6) Guest Speaker:

Speaker: Sgt. Donald Manley - Supervisor, Gang Unit

- Warning Signs of gang membership
- How to recognize gang members?
- Where gangs are and what do they do?
- Crimes committed, drugs and revenge
- 7) Public Expression and Questions
- 8) ADJOURN

#### NOTE:

To maintain order of the board and clarity of recording, please allow one person to speak at a time. Thank you.

#### The Police Community Relations Committee Mission Statement

Serve as a liaison between the community and the police. To serve as an advocate for programs, ideas, and methods to improve relations between the community and the police. To disseminate information to the community and the City with regard to the state of relations between the community and the Greenville Police Department. To assist and promote the community education efforts concerning safety awareness and community and individual awareness.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

# **Greenville Police Department** Police Community Relations Committee

# "Gangs in Greenville" What I don't know? Why do they join? What do they do?

Tuesday, March 14, 2017 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Speaker: Sgt. Manley - Supervisor, Gang Unit

- Warning Signs of gang membership
- How to recognize gang members?
- Where gangs are and what do they do?
- Crimes committed, drugs and revenge

Due to the subject matter, this meeting is intended for parents and adults

J.H. Rose High School

600 West Arlington Blvd, Greenville, NC

#### SUMMARY MINUTES FOR THE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

February 15, 2017 Greenville, NC

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster called the Police Community Relations Committee meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., at the Eppes Recreation Center, Multipurpose Room, 400 Nash Street, Greenville, NC 27834.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster asked for a motion for approval of the February 15, 2017 agenda.

Motion: Mr. Greg Rubel Seconded: Mr. Scott Snyder

The agenda was unanimously approved by the committee.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster asked for a motion for approval of the January 10, 2017 minutes.

Motion: Mr. Greg Rubel Seconded: Mr. Scott Snyder

The minutes were unanimously approved by the committee.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AMMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS:

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster asked for a motion for approval of the proposed incorporating change to the PCRC attendance by-laws.

Motion: Mr. Greg Rubel Seconded: Mr. Scott Snyder

The PCRC attendance by-laws were unanimously approved by the committee.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS / ROLL CALL:**

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster asked each member and staff to introduce themselves and let everyone know which district they represented.

#### MISSION OF COMMITTEE AND PURPOSE OF MEETING:

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster read the purpose of the meeting:

- To serve as a liaison between the community and the police;
- To serve as an advocate for programs, ideas, and methods to improve relations between the community and the police;

- To disseminate information to the community and the City with regard to the state of relations between the community and the Greenville Police Department;
- To assist and promote the community education efforts concerning safety awareness and community and individual awareness.

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lennard Naipaul; District 2	Scott Snyder; District 4
Greg Rubel; District 3	Tim Webster, Vice Chair; District 5
	Jermaine McNair; Mayoral

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Diane Kulik; Chairperson, At-Large	

#### CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Holtzman, Greenville Chief of Police; Donald K. Phillips, Assistant Attorney; Sylvia Horne, Administrative Staff Support Specialist; Kristen Hunter, Public Information; Sgt. Dale Mills, Community Outreach; Devinder Culver, Community Project Coordinator.

#### COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor, Allen Thomas Council Member Rose Glover, District 2

#### OTHERS:

Citizens

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster introduced herself and thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting. Assistant Attorney Donald Phillips then explained the by-laws in absence of the chairperson. He stated that in the event of the absence of the chairperson; accordingly the Vice-Chair Timothy Webster would serve as acting Chair and would be responsible for the conduct for the meeting. Vice-Chair Timothy Webster then called a short business meeting to order and asked each police officer, city staff, and committee members to introduce themselves.

#### GUEST SPEAKER: Mark Holtzman, Chief of Police

Chief Holtzman spoke briefly about Mr. McNair. He stated that he got to know Mr. Jermaine McNair soon after he got to the Greenville Police Department. Mr. McNair helped him to get connected to the community so he could do his job better. He stated that Mr. McNair was a good friend with him and he was a good friend to the police department. He informed Mr. McNair that he appreciated his efforts and that he and the Greenville Police Dept. looked forwarded in working with him in the future.

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster asked the citizens to hold all of their questions and comments until the guest speaker had completed his presentation.

#### GUEST SPEAKER: Mr. Jermaine McNair

Mr. McNair thanked Chief Holtzman for his kind words. He stated that those words were important because being a community connector is building a platform for service

and action in a community. But opening up the platform and sharing it with other organizations, leaders and other institutions so that they can possibly be more effective delivering services and resources to a community that sometimes fall out of touch between our institutions and our communities. He stated that can render all sorts of cultural divides and things of that nature. He stated that many of you the (citizens) who are in the room who are willing to stand in the gap and hold hands on both sides. He also stated that that is what the citizens had done tonight, stepped in into a gap for their organization, company, and institution and they would hold their hand of what this action process is going to be like and make this process more complete. Mr. McNair stated that before he could go further he must give a tear jerking congratulations and a humble thank you to all the citizens for being at the meeting.

Mr. McNair gave acknowledgment to some of the organizations who attended the meeting. They are as follows:

The Greenville Police Department, Chief Mark Holtzman Dr. Krystal Chambers, leading professor at East Carolina University Dr. Bob Edwards, East Carolina University Sociology Department Mr. RJ Hemby, influence and connectivity from across the river and intercity Greenville Vidant Medical Center Southern Bank Sheena Roberson- WIOA Youth Program NC Democratic Mr. Ernest Lee - Director of Pitt Community College Outreach Attorney from East Carolina University Uptown Greenville Jackie Parker- Parker's Bail Bonding Mr. Garrett Taylor- Up Lift Comprehensive Services

Mr. McNair, the founder of Westgate Agreement stated "Our young people often have the keys to unlock some of the mysteries of what's really going on in a society where some of us, as adults, we may not be out there anymore."

Some people link the west side of Greenville with a lot of crime, but an outreach program and new initiative is looking for support from the community to touch the individuals who live there.

Mr. McNair is one of the initiative's leaders, an idea he said started two years ago at a Police community relations meeting that he hosted in the very same room. Now, that idea is becoming a reality. Mr. McNair stated that we're creating something where everybody can finally can step in and play a role in one process.

The initiative is focused on troubled areas in the community, mainly West Greenville. Mr. McNair stated that every two weeks, Greenville Police will send them names of individuals who've been arrested in, or around, West Greenville.

From there, Mr. McNair and his team (other organizations) will make contact and begin forming a relationship to serve as that person's mentor. During the process, Mr. McNair said they will be able to provide those they've been mentoring with resources offered in the community.

One group participating in the initiative is Pitt Community College.

"We'll be able to provide resources and a network for students to come in, get engaged, and be a quality citizen for our community," said Jasmine Spain, PCC's Director of Student Conduct.

Others involved include East Carolina University, behavioral health specialists, and Vidant Health. Officials at Vidant said they heard of the initiative in January and wanted to join right away. "We believe it is important to be part of the community, and there are a lot of opportunities that we would love to be able to engage the community in that involve things like workforce development, training programs," said John Marques, Vidant's Chief HR Officer.

Mr. McNair stated that many of the organizations are already involved in mentoring. But are not sharing the platform with one another and the young people are suffering for it.

The idea is that by bringing everyone together to help those in need, the community can grow from the bottom up. It also streamlines the process to get resources to those having run-ins with the law.

Mr. McNair stated that if we could work with the kids to try to see the issues through their eyes, get a grasp of what they're experiencing, they actually have the opportunity to not only do better in their life, but unlock some doors that we've all been trying to unlock.

Mr. McNair passed out information on the following.

#### The Westgate Project - Coalition Organizations

Some key benefits are:

- **Synchronicity**: having our organizations functions in sync means that any person that any of our organizations provide services to may also be offered full spectrum of support available within our entire community coalition network.
- Whole Assessment: by all local organizations functioning as a coalition, our community service network can be assessed as a whole entity, allowing us to better identify and feel gaps in our community service network.
- **Complete Community Program**: as a community coalition, we can work together to ensure that there is a wide range of group programs happening every day and in every space that may currently be lacking an open to risk vulnerabilities.

#### The Westgate Project – Business Sponsorship

Some key benefits are:

- Sponsor restaurant meal per youth participant and chances to meet and shake hands with business leadership
- Sponsor games and event passes and chances to meet and shake hands with leadership
- Provide second chance employment opportunities for young people

#### The Westgate Project - Resource Providers

Some key benefits are:

- Conduct workshops and expos with Westgate community coalition members to be healed and understanding of the resources and services available
- Offering dedicated time to outcome assessments and consensus building between institution and the community coalition
- Advocating for that consensus and successful service models on larger platforms Identifying a representative to serve on the Westgate board of directors

According to Mr. McNair, a community march will be held on March 19, 2017 to celebrate the signing of the Westgate Agreement.

He stated five businesses are planning to launch or reopen and he will be partnering with them to employ individuals through the initiative.

Those who are interested in getting involved with the project can stop by the NC Civil Office at 800 West 5th Street in Greenville.

#### Public Expression and Questions

The citizens asked several questions, and made comments and concerns regarding the Westgate Coalition Initiative.

Vice-Chair Timothy Webster asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion: Mr. Greg Rubel Seconded: Mr. Jermaine McNair

The committee unanimously adjourned the meeting.

The next meeting is on March 14, 2017. Meeting place will be announced at a later date.

ADJOURN - 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Horne Administration Bureau Secretary Greenville Police Department Document (#1046210)