

# City Council Meeting

February 5, 2018



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# Public Comment Period

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# Consent Agenda

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# Item 1

Minutes from the November 13 and December 11, 2017 and January 8 and January 11, 2018 City Council Meetings



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## Item 2

Resolution accepting dedication of rights-of-way and easements for Langston West Sections 8 and 9



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## Item 3

Request by Wells Fargo Bank to donate property located at 507 Roosevelt Avenue to the City of Greenville



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## Item 4

Resolution declaring certain Police equipment as surplus and authorizing its disposition to the Ayden Police Department



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## Item 5

Approval of the purchase of a new 911 Telephone System in the Police Department's Communications Center and back-up equipment for the Emergency Operations Center



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# Item 6

Approval of the purchase of 35 vehicles for the Police Department



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# Item 7

Approval of the purchase and installation of equipment and lights for Police Department Vehicles



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# Item 8

Approval of the purchase of five vehicles for the Public Works Department Sanitation Division



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# Item 9

Approval of the purchase of a  
Backhoe for the Recreation and  
Parks Department



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# Item 10

## Report on Bids and Contracts Awarded



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# Item 11

Various tax refunds greater than \$100



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# New Business

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# Item 12

Presentations by Boards and  
Commissions



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# Board of Adjustment

## Annual Presentation to City Council

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# Board Composition

- Eleven (11) members – 9 City; 2 County
- One vacancy currently (County Alternate)
- City Staff
- Meet every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in November & December)



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# Powers and Duties

- Appeals
- Special Use Permits
- Variances
- Interpretations



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# Powers and Duties

- Public Hearings
- Advertisements
- Vote
  - Simple majority for special use permits
  - 4/5 vote on variances
- Quasi-judicial



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# Requests in 2017

- 24 special use permits
- 1 variance
- 1 administrative appeal



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# Common Requests

- Child daycare Facilities
- Mobile homes on lots
- Home occupations
  
- 131 different use options requiring special use approval



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# **Community Appearance Commission (CAC)**

## **Annual Report to City Council**

**Presented by Thomas Alligood  
February 5, 2018**

# Enabling Authority

CAC was created in 1979.

Purpose: To encourage  
beautification and  
community  
appearance.

## Main Duties

1. To initiate, promote and assist in the implementation of programs of general community beautification and appearance.

2. To seek to coordinate the activities of individuals, agencies, organizations, public and private, and city departments whose plans, activities and programs bear upon the appearance of Greenville.

3. To encourage improved community appearance, both on public and private property.

## CAC Members

- 11 member board
- 2 vacancies
- 2018- Meet bimonthly



# Programs

- Awards Program
- Neighborhood Improvement Grants

# 2017 Awards

- Town Common Inclusive Playground
- Go Science Center
- Dickinson Avenue Public House
- Dickinson Avenue Antique Market

# 2017 Awards



February  
Town Common  
Inclusive Playground



February  
Go Science Center

# 2017 Awards



October  
Dickinson Avenue  
Public House



December  
Dickinson Avenue  
Antique Market

# Certificates & Letters



# Yard Signs & Window Signs



# Neighborhood Improvement Grant Program

**Encourage active neighborhood associations to identify creative projects that will benefit their neighborhoods.**

- Two award cycles: Spring and Fall
- Maximum award: \$750

# Neighborhood Improvement Grant Program

- 2 awards in 2017
  - Both in the Fall Cycle
- Currently in the Spring Cycle –  
Deadline May 2018

# Neighborhood Advisory Board

*"Preserving & Strengthening Neighborhoods"*



## Neighborhood Advisory Board Presentation to City Council

February 05, 2018



## Mission:

The Neighborhood Advisory Board works to preserve and strengthen neighborhoods in the City of Greenville. It will pursue this mission by increasing citizen participation in neighborhood and homeowner's associations; by supporting the formation of new neighborhood associations; by creating and maintaining working relationships among neighborhoods and with the City of Greenville; by disseminating information to sustain secure, healthy, and vibrant neighborhoods; and by serving as a liaison between neighborhoods and the City of Greenville.



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# Neighborhood Advisory Board Liaison Input Session

## May 18, 2017

Liaisons from each district worked together to identify concerns and challenges unique to their district. We then listened as each district shared their needs and challenges. The following items were identified in all five city districts.

- *Flooding and drainage problems*
- *Poorly maintained rental property and landlords that are not accountable to their tenants or the neighborhoods*
- *Trash, litter, and overgrown lots*
- *A lack of sidewalks and bike lanes - poor walkability*
- *More parks and activities for youth*



# Work Plan 2017/2018

*The following goals reflect the commitment of the Neighborhood Advisory Board (NAB) in the execution of its mission statement. The goals are listed under the names of each standing committee.*

## **Land Use**

**Goal:** To better understand flooding problems in Greenville and to work for measures that will mitigate those problems.

**Objective 1:** Educate the Neighborhood Advisory Board members and Neighborhood Liaisons about the Watershed Study recommendations: the steps to implement the recommendations; and the current flooding problems in Greenville.

**Objective 2:** Develop recommendations that the Neighborhood Advisory Board would support to reduce flooding and improve sustainability in Greenville as outlined in the Horizons 2026: Greenville's Community Plan and the Watershed Master Plan.



# Work Plan 2017/2018

## City Services

**Goal:** Decrease the amount of litter in our city and neighborhoods.

**Objective 1:** Develop recommendations that the Neighborhood Advisory Board would support to reduce litter.

**Objective 2:** Promote the establishment of city-wide clean up initiatives.



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# Work Plan 2017/2018

## **Public Safety**

**Goal:** To decrease neighborhood crime.

**Objective:** Promote neighborhood community watch through neighborhood/homeowners associations; to educate neighborhood/homeowners associations concerning crime prevention practices; and to increase awareness of crime problems.



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# Work Plan 2017/2018

## Community Building

**Goal:** Continue to develop strategies to create and re-activate stronger connections with existing and new neighborhood/homeowner associations and to promote more inclusion and participation of neighborhood associations.

**Objective 1:** Update the “Welcome to the Neighborhood” bags.

**Objective 2:** Review and update the current city directory of active neighborhood/homeowners associations.

**Objective 3:** Invite new or inactive neighborhood association members to monthly meetings.

**Objective 4:** Emphasize the purpose and mission of the Neighborhood Advisory Board to the neighborhood liaisons. In addition to the listed objectives, the NAB promotes community building by sharing neighborhood activities, by participating in National Night Out and by being a part of the Greenville Christmas Parade.



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# National Night Out 2017



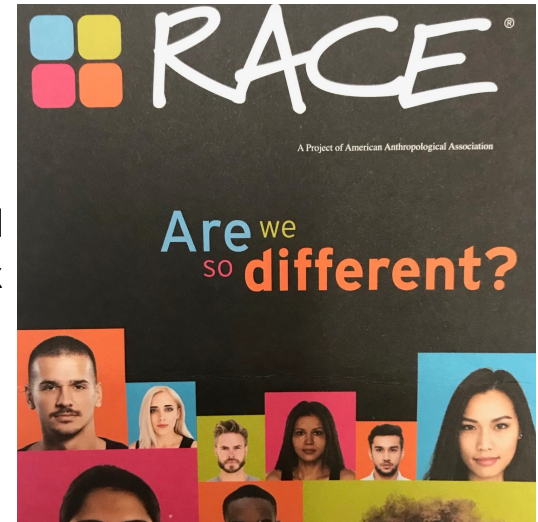
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# RACE Exhibit

Are we so different? North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences  
We learned that we have had different experiences that have shaped our view of the world but we are not really different. We learned that we all started in the same area of the world, we have the same bones and the same DNA. Yet, race has been used all over the world to create inequality.

After looking at all of the things that have been done to use race as a divider, we have the challenge to work to close the divide. The conversation must continue. In the discussion session, we heard people share their personal experiences that have shaped their views. Each of us sees the world and the people in it differently based on our own experiences. Through our work on the Neighborhood Advisory Board, we must continue to listen to one another and help close the racial divide in our city.





# Dr. Stan Riggs, Distinguished Research Professor with the Department of Geological Science at East Carolina University

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## The Daily Reflector

THURSDAY, September 21, 2017 reflector.com Home delivery price: 41¢ | 75¢

### Water, water everywhere: Board hosts talk on flooding concerns

By Seth Thomas Gullede  
The Daily Reflector  
Thursday, September 21, 2017

Greenville residents who have watched waters rise and neighborhoods flood after heavy rainfall and wondered, "Why does this keep happening?" may find some answers at a neighborhood forum tonight.

The Neighborhood Advisory Board will host the presentation "Greenville and Storms: Why do we flood?" today at 7 p.m. in the third floor gallery of City Hall.

Stanley Riggs, a distinguished research professor with the department of geological science at East Carolina University, will deliver the keynote speech at the event. Ann Maxwell, a member of the neighborhood board, said Riggs will address the need for appropriate zoning to prevent flooding in the city.

Maxwell said the event was scheduled after the board's June planning sessions, which revealed the No. 1 concern of neighborhoods was flooding. She said she thinks current building practices in Greenville will continue to increase flood risks, and Greenville does not have the policies and zoning in place to prevent further flood danger as development continues.

Riggs is a coastal and marine geologist who has worked on modern coastal systems since 1964. He first joined ECU in 1967.



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Stanley Riggs

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# 2017 Annual Greenville Jaycees Christmas Parade

## *A Miracle on Evans Street*



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We have sixty six (66) Neighborhood Associations (NA) on file. Twenty seven (27) are current and updated with the City.  
Out of the forty one (41) Homeowner Associations (HOA) we have on file, eleven (11) have Liaisons with the NAB.  
Our Community Building Committee is working on updating all of this information as one of their working goals.



Peppermint Park  
Bench Dedication on  
January 13, 2018  
honoring the memory  
of long time  
Elmhurst/Englewood  
Neighborhood  
Association member  
Herb Carlton.



# Thank You !

Questions or Comments ?

## Item 13

City of Greenville's participation in economic development feasibility study and strategic plan development



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# Item 14

Amendment to the 2018 Schedule of City Council Meetings to add monthly workshop meetings



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# Review of February 8, 2018 City Council Agenda

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# City Manager's Report

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# Comments from Mayor and City Council

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# Happy Birthday!



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