

Greetings Mayor and Members of Council (bcc),



City Council

- The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, January 16.
- Next week, staff will update Council on the City's strategy for the upcoming NC General Assembly Legislative Session and the Downtown Parking Study.

City Closing

City offices are closed on Monday, January 15, in observance of [Martin Luther King, Jr. Day](#).



Coliseum RFP for Private Management

Oakview Group (“OVG”) was interviewed by the Coliseum RFP Review Committee on Tuesday, January 9. This review committee, co-chaired by Chidi Akwari, WMC Chair and Larry Davis, Assistant City Manager, includes members of the War Memorial Commission and Tanger Center Boards, entertainment industry professionals and community leaders. Individual committee members have until the end of next week (January 19) to submit their evaluation scores. The results will be subsequently shared with City Council. City councilmembers will have an opportunity to meet and greet OVG representatives on January 24.

Police

Senator Tom Tillis’s office sent a communication to the Mayor, Council, CMO, and GPD leaders to share a press release and remarks that Senator Tillis shared on the Senate floor honoring the life of Sgt. Dale Nix. This link to the full Senate floor video which starts at the 40 second mark talking about Sgt. Nix’s service and sacrifice: <https://www.c-span.org/video/?532727-2/senate-session-part-2>

Congresswoman **Kathy Manning** (NC-06) honored the fallen Greensboro police officer, Sergeant Phillip Dale Nix, in a speech on the floor of the US House of Representatives. Watch Congresswoman Manning’s Floor remarks [here](#).

Office of Community Safety

Manager Latisha McNeil: Manager McNeil was invited by Congresswoman Kathy Manning to accompany her to receive Vice President Kamala Harris at an intimate gathering on the tarmac at Charlotte Douglas Airport on January 11th. Vice President Harris will also be holding a roundtable discussion on Gun Violence.

Violence Intervention RFP: Next week’s council agenda will include items related to the OCS Violence Prevention RFP. Each of the funded programs will be responsible for providing monthly activity reports to the Violence Prevention Coordinator. Monthly program activity reports measure number of violence interruptions and medications, locations of activities, outreach activity, public education, victim advocacy measures, community responses to shootings and, updates on program

participates. The monthly activity reports from each vendor will be compiled into a monthly operations report. A quarterly program report card will be provided to community. The Office of Community Safety is also working to develop a Community Safety Dashboard that will share data on violent crime throughout Greensboro and share critical information about the Office's community-centered and trauma-informed responses.

AWOL OUTREACH: Will provide mentoring activities, community service opportunities, academic enrichment, physical fitness, and overall self-awareness and self-improvement programs that aims to develop K-12 students, young adults, and parents into productive and more productive citizens. They will also provide intensive training to returning citizens preparing to "reenter" society following incarceration, to help reduce recidivism, and to equip them with invaluable life skills that will help them be contributing members of the community.

Unifour One: Unifour One's Violence Intervention Project is a structured, holistic, and relational program that works with youths aged 12 to 25-years-old through Mentoring, Life Skills, Vocational Training, and Parenting Skills. Initially, each program participant will be paired with an adult mentor who offers guidance, support, and encouragement aimed at developing the character of the mentee. Mentors will work with parents, teachers, law enforcement, and other community stakeholders. The program focuses on education, gang prevention & intervention, anger management, cognitive skills, goal setting, communication skills, leadership development, employment, vocational skill building, and financial education.

GSO Peace Corp: GSO Peace Corp will program promotes positive youth development by combining interactive focus group programming with development of soft skills, service activities, music production/ media and development training, peer coaching and exposure to positive role models within the community. The program centers on providing a "safe space" for conflict resolution, mediation and communication. Program components center around developing self-esteem, moral character and self- reflection.

One Step Further/ Gate City Coalition: Utilizing a Cure Violence-similar health model approach, GCC addresses violent acts on the premise that violence is a learned behavior that can be prevented using disease control methods. In order to achieve its short- and long-term goals, GCC implements a three-prong approach to violence prevention by detecting and interrupting transmission of violent acts; providing ongoing behavior change and support to those at highest risk; and mobilizing the community to change norms that allow, encourage, and exacerbate violence in chronically violent neighborhoods to healthy norms that reject the use of violence.

Communications & Marketing

Beginning this month, the City will have a new radio spot on Empowering You on WSNC 90.5 FM. This is an hour show hosted by Alvin Atkinson on Sundays at noon. The program gives the City the opportunity to highlight City services and opportunities.

Economic Development

RPM International Inc. has officially opened the doors to its new Innovation Center of Excellence in Greensboro. This 60,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility is the first shared research and development center for RPM companies. It is designed to foster partnership and harness collective

expertise among RPM companies to accelerate innovation for their customers. The facility is located at 7625 Thorndike Road

The Innovation Center of Excellence is home to many of the industry's most brilliant chemists and technical minds and is strategically located near institutions that produce top talent. Features include liquid and powder application labs, resin and analytical labs, a sample production area, and a formulation lab, among other resources. It will also serve as a destination for onsite customer training and application trials. Visit www.RPMinc.com to learn more.

Workforce

Fierce Fellows Reentry Program: GuilfordWorks, in partnership with the NC Department of Commerce-Division of Workforce Solutions, is piloting Fierce Fellows (a workforce development course designed for formerly incarcerated individuals seeking employment). Activities will provide participants with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes for achieving meaningful sustainable employment, fostering strong family ties, and promoting community engagement. [The first workshop begins January 22.](#)

- **New Initiatives:**
Clean Energy Council
GuilfordWorks was awarded \$35k and will begin an Industry Steered Clean Energy Council in late February 2024
- Healthcare Career Expo
GuilfordWorks NextGen is planning a Healthcare Career Expo with Guilford County Schools & GTCC; more details will be provided later
- **Continuous Initiatives:**
Healthcare Job Fair
(Targeting approximately 30 employers)
When: February 29 | 10:00 am – 2 pm
Where: Barber Park

Healthcare Workforce Summit
When: April 17 | 8 am – 1 pm
Where: UNCG

GTA / Transit

Access I-Ride Service Changes: Beginning January 2, 2024, users of [Access I-Ride](#) will pay a fixed fare of \$8.50 per trip anywhere within the City limits. You will no longer have to pay by the mile for your travel.

Water Resources

- Total number of drainage / flooding calls handled by Water Resources for the storm event on Tuesday exceeded 60. Staff are continuing to follow up on reported flooding issues and concerns

- On January 1 Water Resources welcomed 37 Stormwater Construction and Maintenance employees as part of the Field Operations realignment. Upgrades to the EKOC campus on S. Elm-Eugene Street will be forthcoming to provide adequate space for additional materials and equipment. An official welcoming reception for the new staff will be held on February 8, 2024.
- On January 11, the Environmental Management Commission voted 8-7 to dismiss their lawsuit against Rules Review Commission. The EMC suit had challenged the rule commission's response to proposed new state standards by NCDEQ for the regulation of 1,4-dioxane, an emerging contaminant. The governor's office is weighing on the matter through legal means. This has broader implications as it relates to Greensboro's intervention on the NPDES permit issued for Asheboro with a 1,4-dioxane limit and the potential for Greensboro to have limits placed in our wastewater discharge permit when it is reissued.
- Water Resources staff will be meeting to discuss regionalization and the development of regional water / wastewater capacity at a meeting with regional partners to be held on 1/16 at PTRWA



Development

- The City of Greensboro has started process of [demolishing Hampton Elementary School](#), which endured severe damage from the tornado that struck the area in April of 2018. The start

of the demolition marks a significant step in the efforts to revitalize and rejuvenate the affected property.

- Greenway clearing is scheduled to begin on January 29.
- Davie Street Streetscape is rebidding on February 1 after receiving only one bid the first time.
- Alamance Church Road Project: Sharpe Brothers has finished paving and installed temporary pavement markings since it was too late in the season to install the permanent thermoplastic markings. The only remaining items to be completed are the installation of safety railing in some areas as well as some minor punch list items.
- Yates is working on the intersection corners of Bellemeade St. and Eugene St. The corner in front of the Hyatt Hotel was completed ahead of schedule, with only the hardscape work remaining. Recent weather and temperatures have slightly affected the construction progress, however work is expected to be complete early February. Landscaping paver installation work starts next week for the entire project. Final pavement and other work to be completed in the spring with minimal traffic impacts.
- Sunset Drive Project: asphalt skim coat has been installed from Elm to Woodland. The change order for Blythe (paving contractor) should be on the February council agenda and it will ensure they can fix the road bedding / underlayment issues that were brought to our attention and that GDOT is helping fix. The repair will also fix the crown in the road. Last week they paved between Nottingham and Lafayette and that section will be opened back up this week. We have some shoulder work we need to complete in order to address concerns shared by the country club. On the sewer rehabilitation side of the project, the contractor has a total of 1,142 linear feet of sewer installed. Approximately 2,138 linear feet remain to be installed. Our rehab contractor, Cajenn will CCTV from manhole #7 to #3 this week and that will open repaving from Pembroke to Lafayette. Manhole #3 is at the Lafayette/Sunset intersection.

Housing and Neighborhood Development

Construction of [Oakwood Park](#), a new 16-unit affordable housing homes, will begin early this summer, with project completion expected in 12 months. Oakwood Park will be a two-story building off W. Vandalia Road, consisting of one, two and three bedroom apartment homes. Rent for all units is aimed at households at or below 30 percent and 50 percent of area median income. The land is one of three parcels at this location that AHM is developing.

Planning

On January 4, the Planning Department held an Open House to talk to local builders and developers about City-owned properties and development opportunities within the Ole Asheboro neighborhood. Close to 65 interested builders and community members attended the event. Both local and regional builders were in attendance, as well as planners from other municipalities. The event ran from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Nettie Coad Community Room of the Nettie Coad Apartments. The intent of these informal events are to help builders better understand the acquisition process, get familiar with the City-owned lots, and meet in-person with the City staff who manage projects in Ole Asheboro.

Those in attendance:

- 70% builders/developers
- 15% people looking for a builder to build a house for them

- 15% neighborhood residents

The Planning Department is holding another Developer’s Open House event to highlight development opportunities in the Willow Oaks neighborhood on Thursday, January 18 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. That event will be in the Willow Oaks Community Center, located at 1815 Everitt St.

M/WBE Program Disparity Study Schedule Update

- Completion of Availability Analysis, Disparity Indices, and Statistical Tables: **December 20**
- Completion of Statistical Chapter: **January 1, 2024**
- Findings and Recommendations Draft Submission: **January 19, 2024**
- Draft Report Submission: **January 26, 2024**
- Final Report: **March 8, 2024**

Office of Sustainability and Resilience

- **Earth Day 2024:** The Office of Sustainability and Resilience (OSR) will host the City of Greensboro’s Earth Day festival 1-4 pm, Saturday, April 20, 2024, at Keeley Park. At this time, the festival has 32 vendors and four food trucks confirmed. The event will also include a series of micro-sessions that provide information on topics such as tree planting, recycling, and stormwater management.
- The Greensboro Office of Sustainability & Resilience (OSR) and the Greensboro Community Sustainability Council (CSC) are excited to announce that nominations are now open for the second annual LiveGreen Awards. The LiveGreen Awards program honors Greensboro area businesses, nonprofit organizations, and individuals who are taking meaningful strides toward the creation of a more sustainable and resilient future. These ideals are recognized in the following categories:
 - significant use of renewable energy sources,
 - conservation of natural resources,
 - sustainability awareness,
 - recycling or waste avoidance,
 - water conservation, and
 - improvement of quality of life for all Greensboro residents

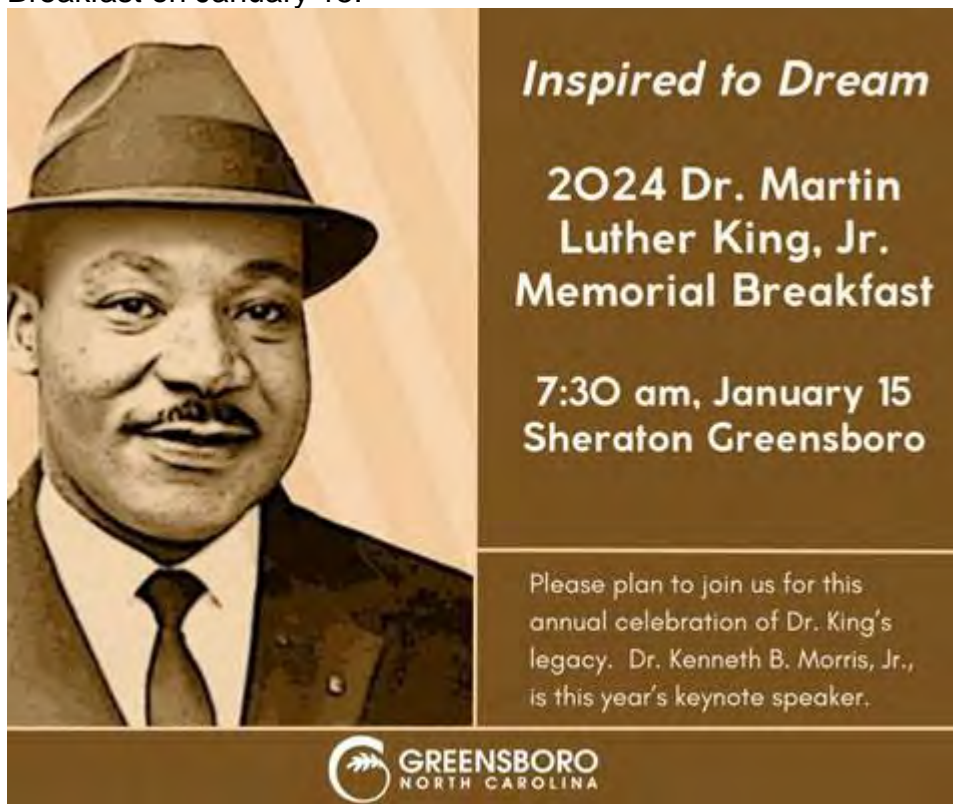
The community is encouraged to submit nominations now! Anyone is eligible to submit a nomination – tell us who is making a difference and helping to make Greensboro more sustainable and resilient! The fast-approaching deadline for nominations is Friday, February 9. We will celebrate the winners during the LiveGreen Awards Ceremony, at the City’s Earth Day celebration, 1-4 pm, Saturday, April 20, at Keeley Park. For more information, contact the OSR at LiveGreen@greensboro-nc.gov or by calling 336-373-2712.

City & Guilford County

- Guilford County’s Continuum of Care is looking for [volunteers](#) for its January 24 and 25 Point in Time count on the homeless in Greensboro.

Human Rights

Plan to join the Human Rights Department for the City's annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Breakfast on January 15.




Inspired to Dream

2024 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast

**7:30 am, January 15
Sheraton Greensboro**

Please plan to join us for this annual celebration of Dr. King's legacy. Dr. Kenneth B. Morris, Jr., is this year's keynote speaker.

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Parks & Recreation

Truist Soccer Complex at Bryan Park: Parks and Recreation has extended the Request for Proposals (RFP) process for the management and operations of the complex. The RFP was issued at the beginning of the month and will remain open through March 15, 2024. This extension allows interested parties additional time to prepare a response. The intent is to initiate a new contract for the management and operations of the entire 21-field complex beginning January 1, 2025.



Greater Greensboro Senior Games and SilverArts Recognition: At the 2024 NC Senior Games Conference in Asheville, the Greater Greensboro Senior Games and SilverArts program were recognized with two awards – the Peaks of Greatness Award for increased participation over the last five years and the 2023 Record Year Award for the highest participation in the program. Congratulations to the entire team serving Greensboro’s active older adults on receiving these honors! Registration for this year’s Senior Games and SilverArts programs occurs in February, with competitions scheduled in April and May.



Housing & Neighborhood Development

The Doorway Project: As of January 5, the Doorway Project is at 91% full. Since the inception of the program in November, 14 residents have transitioned into other housing options or left on their own volition. There has been only one resident discharged from the program, due to disrupting other guests. During the January 9 inclement weather event, which caused water build up around seven units, those residents were transported to the IRC for the night out of an abundance of caution. Those residents were returned to the units on January 10.

Home Repair Update: Community response has been tremendous for this grant program, which was approved by City Council in November 2022. The program is designed to address the repair needs of low-income homeowners. Due to the high volume of contacts, the City has paused taking information from new, interested residents for this program. As of last week’s submittal deadline, over 80 applications are currently under review. Initial review indicates that most homes may be eligible for

Lead-Safe Greensboro program, due to age. See attachment summarizing Home Repair program data.

Weekly Demolition: Please find attached the weekly demolition project report through January 11. This format will allow you to follow the structure through the process each week as it will move from one process to the next, until demolition or a 6 month delay.

Creative Greensboro

Residencies/ Grant Opportunities: Creative Greensboro has launched Creative Allies, a new municipal residency program to bring an artistic lens to the work of City departments. This program will offer two, one-year artist residences with the Human Rights and Housing and Neighborhood Development departments, and the artists in residence will work with community members in either Dudley Heights or Kings Forest. Artists who are interested in applying for Creative Allies can learn more about the program and apply on Creative Greensboro's [website](#) by February 14. Creative Allies is part of Neighborhood Arts, which focuses on the five reinvestment neighborhoods of the [Housing GSO](#) plan. Artists will help with planning, community engagement and creative problem-solving in partnership with the City departments. The goal of Creative Allies is to amplify the voices of residents and help better align the work of City with community histories and needs.

Culminating 2023 Grow Residency Begins: Sharon Graeber, a Greensboro native and architect, will be 2024's first artist in residence for the Greensboro Residency of Original Works (GROW) program at Creative Greensboro. Her residency begins on January 8. Graeber will offer sessions on Introduction to Design for elementary, middle, and high school students. High school students who participate in the residency's Saturday design workshops will be invited back on February 3, to create design portfolios. She will also host Community Conversations where members of the public are invited to share their perceptions of the architectural profession. She will also create a series of paintings that reflect her memories of growing up in east Greensboro. Her residency will culminate during First Friday on February 2, with an exhibit of her paintings and a presentation of her learnings from the Community Conversations.

Theater Opportunities/ Events: Creative Greensboro presents the New Play Project Winner "One Third" by Larry Bliss, directed by Robin Rich-McGhie, January 18, 19 and 20 at 7 pm and January 21 at 2 pm at the Stephen D. Hyers Theatre in the Greensboro Cultural Center, 200 N. Davie St. The Friday performance will be followed by a moderated talk back with the playwright and cast. The show is free to attend with a suggested donation of \$10 at the door to help continue the New Play Project. For more information, contact Todd Fisher at Todd.Fisher@greensboro-nc.gov or 336-373-2974.

Greensboro Public Library and History Museum

Greensboro History Museum Receives \$25,000 Grant: The Greensboro History Museum received a \$25,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The grant will fund the redesign of the small gallery in the pre-WWII area of the core history that includes the African American Harlem Renaissance-era artist Malvin Gray Johnson; formerly enslaved Orpheus McAdoo who brought Black American music to South Africa in the late 1800s; musician Margaret Mitchell Faulkner who founded NC A&T's music department; and mathematician Virginia Ragsdale, known for her 1906 Ragsdale Conjecture. The History Museum is one of five NC projects, and 260 humanities projects across the country, to receive a combined \$33.8 million in grants.

Computer Clinic: January 10 from 10:30 am to noon at McGirt-Horton Branch

Learn more about your laptop, phone, or tablet. You can also get answers to questions about specific digital tools including your specific device. We can help you with Microsoft products, text editing, searching, online source evaluation, and much more.

All Abilities: Winter Sensory Crafts and Play at the Glenn McNairy Branch: January 14 from 3-4 pm at the Glenn McNairy Branch

Celebrate winter with sensory crafts and play during this "All Abilities" program offered for children with special needs. These are designed to be inclusive, fun events that encourage all families to take advantage of the library's free programs and resources. Children of all ages and siblings are welcome.

Hands-On Coding and Robotics for Teens and Tweens:

January 28 from 2:30-5:30 pm at Benjamin Branch

Drop by the library to get hands-on experience with coding and robotics, including one-on-one instruction with volunteers from the American Association of University Women's STEM Education program.

Raised Bed Gardening:

January 29 from 6:30-7:30 pm at Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch

Learn about the advantages of raised bed gardening with NC Cooperative Extension.

Intergovernmental Relations

State and Federal Legislative updates, along with the City's Federal Grant Program Status Tracker, are in the attached documents.

Please Join Us!
Willow Oaks Development Opportunity
Open House

January 18th, 5:30-7:30 PM

Willow Oaks Community Center
700 Bingham Street

Please let us know if you are interested in attending:
<http://bit.ly/WODevOpenHouse>



We are holding this event to speak with builders about development opportunities within the Willow Oaks Neighborhood and to answer questions about the overall process.

Come out on the 18th to:

- Speak with City staff,
- See a full inventory of available properties



For more information please contact Cari Hopson at
cari.hopson@greensboro-nc.gov or by phone at 336-373-7573

HOUSING & NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPACT

Unsafe Structure Demolition Project

All Structures Entering Phase II are Planned Demolitions

NOTE: Currently Routing Contract Renewals to Continue Processing

Project Summary

DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES			
0	6 Month Delay with Cash Bonds		1 Structures – Under City Attorney Review
61	Structures in Compliance		4 Structures Demolished by the Owner
26	Structures Demolished by the City		8 Structures in Process of Demolition by the City
27	Cases Remaining from OLD Backlog		

RECEIVERSHIP PROGRAM REPAIRING STRUCTURES (38 Ordinances to Repair Remain)			
24	MHSC Resolutions Adopted for Receivership		7 Petitions Pending for Superior Court
48	Structures in Compliance of Housing Code		

Demolitions Underway

1	PHASE V – Structures Demolished		
	336 MLK Jr Dr		2710 Twin Lakes Dr

0	PHASE IV – Structures Assigned to Demolition Contractor to be Demolished		

4	PHASE III – Structures Assigned to Asbestos Abatement Contractor to Remove Asbestos		
	805 Lexington Ave		812 Lexington Ave
	814 Lexington Ave		1012 Haywood St

2	PHASE II – Structures Assigned to Asbestos Testing Contractors		
	1508 Perkins St (HOLD – CDBG Qualified)		1202 Ardmore Dr (HOLD – CDBG Qualified)

1	Structures with Demolition – Need Eviction Resolution from the Courts		
	4693 Long Valley Rd (Legal Working to Get a Court Order)		

4	Structures Approved for a 6 Month Demolition Ext	Cash Bond	Deadline
	2207 Lutheran St	\$18,626.96	03/04/2024
	614 Julian St	\$18,876.80	03/04/2024
	1012 Caldwell St	\$19,969.12	05/06/2024
	1001 Fairmont St	\$47,854.88	06/09/2024

NOTE: State Law Requires the City wait for 90 Days after Adoption before Proceeding with Demolition

3	New Ordinances Adopted for Demolition	Ordinance Adopted	City Can Proceed
CDBG	1317 Woodside Dr (Fred & Doris Hill) CT 103.00	09/13/2023	12/12/2023
CDBG	1815 Larkin St (Heirs of Julia E. Gray) CT 113.00	11/09/2023	02/07/2024
	1701 Glenoaks Dr (Hans Williamson)	11/09/2023	02/07/2024

RECEIVERSHIP CASES IN PROCESS

7	Cases Scheduled for Superior Court	Court Case #	Receiver Proposed to Ct
	5516 Traders Way	23 CVS 3669	Confluence Capital Group
	316 Tate St	23 CVS 9746	Metamorph Investments
	3401 Argyle Ln (Non-Compliant Bond Forfeited \$27,646.75)	23 CVS 9748	JGC & Associates
	1035 S. Josephine Boyd Blvd (Resolutions Issued)	23 CVS 9749	ASJ Wilson Construction
	1609 Ball St (Resolutions Issued)	23 CVS 9745	Confluence Capital Group
	3719 Frazier Rd (Resolution Issued)	23 CVS 9747	Metamorph Investments
	1604 Tucker St (Resolution Issued)	23 CVS 9743	Posh Realty

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2	Cases Scheduled for a Resolution of Receivership by MHSC	Meeting Date	Status
	3103 Kilkenny Ave	02/01/2024	
	748 Park Ave	02/01/2024	
	705 Morehead Ave (Structure is Almost Repaired)		
	1102 Willard St	Foreclosure	Petition Not Filed

DEMOLITION LIEN COLLECTION – Legal Action Requested for Collection through Foreclosure

Date Filed	Owner	Address	Lien Amount	Status
04/08/2022	Dean C. Shirley	2325 Pinecroft Rd	\$14,199.92	CAO
05/06/2022	Ronald T. Cobb	703 Cranbrook St	\$9,092.56	CAO
06/03/2022	Margaret Marshall	2105 Maywood St	\$11,802.30	CAO
06/03/2022	Bulent Bediz	823 Highland Ave	\$13,601.35	CAO
07/27/2022	Namon Powell	1004 Logan St	\$21,544.21	CAO
07/27/2022	Rogelio Gonzalez	3820 Yanceyville St	\$30,936.39	CAO
08/02/2022	Lonnie & Lucille Cockerham	403 N. Dudley St	\$50,378.79	CAO
08/10/2022	Delasio Santee Foust	3604 Busic Ave	\$19,425.35	CAO
08/18/2022	Jimmy Oakley Heirs	1323 Lees Chapel Rd	\$16,156.73	CAO
08/25/2022	Raymond E. Phillips	611 Bennett St	\$18,067.85	CAO
08/25/2022	City of Greensboro, Cheryl Whalen	1004 Willow Rd	\$11,791.47	CAO
09/28/2022	RJ Calton Heirs	2400 Fleming Rd	\$64,088.94	CAO
11/09/2022	Samuel Plata Patricio	513 Broad Ave	\$10,280.25	CAO
11/09/2022	Richard L. Dunn	513 Garrett St	\$655.00	CAO
06/09/2023	Nellie J. Jones, LLC – Bulent Bediz	809 Lexington Ave	\$29,014.42	CAO
06/09/2023	David R. Bediz	817 Lexington Ave	\$24,106.44	CAO
06/09/2023	Bulent Bediz	928 Glenwood Ave	\$31,848.00	CAO
06/30/2023	Michael Brandon Gray	435 Arlington St	\$445.00	CAO
06/30/2023	Dwight M. Ray	1308 Fireside St	\$750.00	CAO
07/26/2023	Heirs of Mary Jane Mebane	206 Huffman St	\$7,816.10	CAO
10/23/2023	Isaac Moore Sr	2833 Camborne St	\$22,951.59	CAO
11/21/2023	John E. and Michael Scott Reddish	2415 Spruce St	\$20,767.29	CAO
11/21/2023	Heirs of Carolyn M. Boyd	417 Boyd St	\$13,797.43	CAO
11/21/2023	T&T Enterprises	1007 Avalon Rd	\$9,930.30	CAO
11/28/2023	Dorena Jackson Heirs, Other Heirs	503 Law St	\$8,504.91	CAO
12/15/2023	John Fitzgerald	336 MLK Jr Dr	\$115,648.00	CAO
12/20/2023	Louay Shawket	2710 Twin Lakes Dr	\$20,464.46	CAO
TOTAL OWED to the CITY			\$598,065.05	

Manager's Report
Troy D. Powell
01/11/2024

BECOME AN EARTH DAY VENDOR!


EARTH DAY 2024



GREENSBORO
Office of Sustainability
& Resilience

April 20
1-4 pm
Keeley Park

Presented by the Office of Sustainability & Resilience



Showcase your business or organization's sustainable practices, nature conservancy, and more.

- Free to participate
- 3K estimated visitors
- Registration deadline: March 1

SIGN UP:

[tinyurl.com/
GSOEarthDay2024](https://tinyurl.com/GSOEarthDay2024)



More info: kaitlyn.farina@greensboro-nc.gov

NOMINATIONS DUE FEB. 9!



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Greensboro Federal Grant Program Status Tracker

FY 2022 – 2023 Awarded

CITY DEPARTMENT	PROGRAM	PROJECT	AWARDED	STATUS	NOTES
Transportation	USDOT Safe Streets for All	MPO Comprehensive Plan	\$775,000	Awarded Feb 2023. Awaiting NTP.	Can apply for future implementation.
Transportation	Safe Routes for Schools	Greensboro's Safe Routes to Schools project.	\$500,000	Awarded April 2023. Agreement needs to be executed.	Continuation. FHWA funding dispersed by NCDOT.
Transportation	Urbanized Area Formula		\$6,800,000		Direct allocation via MPO. Apportionment increased from IIJA. Funds are shared among City, Guilford County and PART.
Sustainability/Resilience	DOE/Energy Efficiency Block Grant Funding	Greensboro EECBG	\$314,150	Submitted 4/28/2023	IIJA Formula funds.
Police Department	BJA Collaborative Crisis Response & Intervention Training	Greensboro Behavioral Health Response System	\$249,998	Awarded Fall 2022	

Police Department	BJA Community Violence Intervention & Prevention	Expansion of CVI Program	\$2,000,000	Awarded Fall 2022	
Water Resources	Asset Inventory and Assessment (AIA) grants	Sanitary sewer evaluation survey	\$400,000	Awaiting notification	
Water Resources	Stormwater Planning Grant	North Buffalo Creek Master Plan	\$400,000	Awaiting notification	
Parks and Recreation	Land and Water Conservation grant award	Windsor Chavis Nocho	\$4,384,285	Awarded Fall 2023 Awaiting Notification from Agency re: release of funds to State.	
Sustainability/Resilience	USDA Forest Service – Urban Forestry	Tree Canopy Audit	\$825,000	Awarded Fall 2023	First Round of IJA funding.
Police Department	Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program	Greensboro Police Department's Railroad Trespass Initiative Overtime Response	\$96,000	Awarded Fall 2023	
Transportation	Roadway Safety Planning Grants	Greensboro Urban Area MPO SS4A Planning and Demonstration Project	\$370,280	Awaiting Notification from Agency re: release of funds	

FY 2023 Applied & Pending Notification

CITY DEPARTMENT	PROGRAM	PROJECT	AWARDED	STATUS	NOTES
Sustainability/Resilience	EPA – Consumer Recycling Education and Outreach (REO) Grant Program	Greensboro REO Program	\$1,700,000	Submitted 2/15/2023	First Round of IJA funding.

Transportation	FTA - Transit Oriented Development Grant	J. Douglas Galyon Depot Study	\$10,000,000	Submitted 10/10/2023	
Planning	PRO-Housing Grant	Development ordinance modification, education campaign for developers, builders, and realtors and demonstration projects.	\$1,350,000	Submitted 11/1/2023	

Upcoming Federal Grant Opportunities

CITY DEPARTMENT	PROGRAM	PROJECT	AWARDED	STATUS	NOTES
Transportation	USDOT RAISE	Ideas: Greenways, Complete Streets, Transit	To be determined	Open late September 2023	
Transportation; Parks/Rec	USDOT Reconnecting Communities & Neighborhood Access/Equity	Ideas: Greenways or BRT lite. Reapply for AGGIES under planning.	\$3.16 billion available	Opens July 2023. Closes Sept 18, 2023. This NOFO is combined with new opportunity, NAE funding.	NCDOT applied in Year 1 for the Accelerating Greensboro Growth by Increasing Equity and Safety (AGGIES) - \$400k planning. Not awarded. Anticipate a call in July 2023. Will apply again by August - September 2023. Will apply again by August - September 2023.
Transportation	USDOT Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation Grants (SMART)	GDOT identified smart city corridor projects along Gate City Boulevard	\$100 million available	Open Sept 2023	Must receive planning grant before seeking implementation award.
Transportation	USDOT Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant program (MEGA, Infra, Rural)	None	\$5.5 billion available	Open Now. Closes Aug 21, 2023.	Discussed. No project identified.

Transportation	USDOT Thriving Communities	Technical Assistance	\$25 million available	Opening late July	Applied last year. Not successful.
Police	BJA Byrne JAG	Technology, K9 Support, and Training	\$6.06 million available	Open now. PD has not begun the process for 2023 funding (public comment, Council presentation) - deadlines: initial 8/24 and full application by 8/31.	Formula funding. The BJA will publish the request for applications in August. These are 3 year grants and we are still have the 2020 and 2021 JAGs open.
Water Resources	FEMA Flood Mitigation	Considering potential projects in the Latham Road area once the North Buffalo watershed master plan is complete end of 2023.	\$800 million available (FY22)	Open Sept 2023	Apply through SAA. Will have earlier deadline than FEMA.
Water Resources	FEMA BRIC	Stormwater Master Planning activities ongoing through 2023. The first of three master plans (North Buffalo, South Buffalo and Horsepen Creek Watershed) will be complete Fall 2023 with CIP projects identified. Funding applications will likely be made in Spring, 2024.		Open Sept 2023	Apply through SAA. Will have earlier deadline than FEMA.
Parks/Rec	EPA Urban Waters Small Grant	Bingham Park	\$60,000.00		Will Apply. Pending NOFO

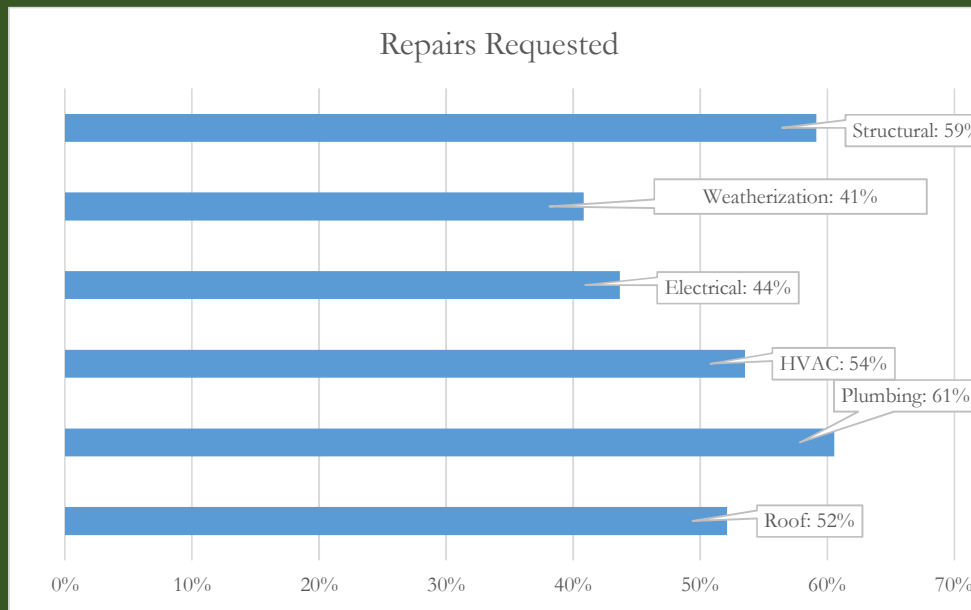
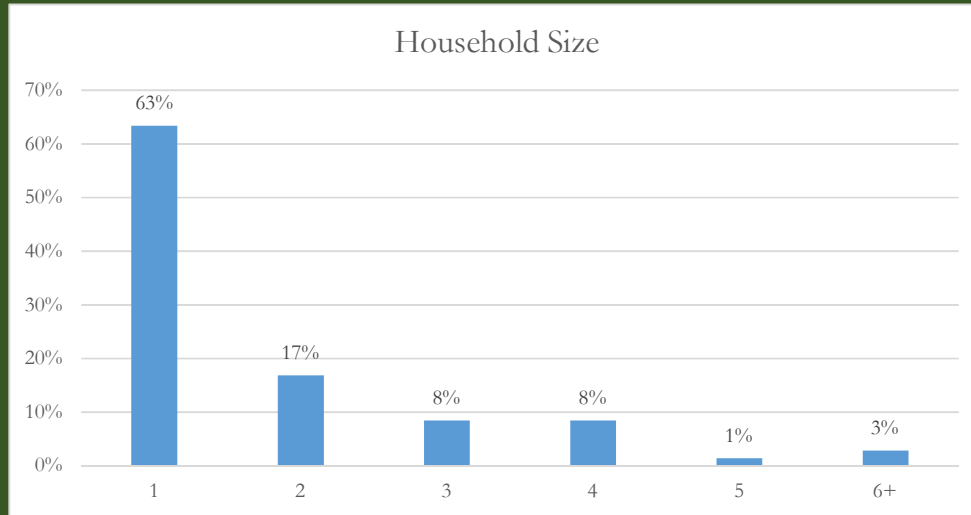
Parks/Rec	EPA Brownfields Cleanup	Bingham Park	\$2 million	Open Fall 2023	Available to only states and tribes. \$2M; Performance period up to 4yrs; sites can only receive funding once; may require up to 20% match
Parks/Rec	EPA Multipurpose Grant	Bingham Park	\$800,000		Would not directly fund remediation, but could provide workforce development training for area residents affected by the presence of brownfield sites in environmental related field.
Housing and ND	Led Based Paint Remediation and Healthy Homes Grant	GSO Repair Program	\$65 million (available as of FY22)	Awaiting NOFO (Anticipated August 2023)	
Housing and ND	Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Program	To Be Determined	Technical Assistance	Housing and ND determining appropriate aligned project for HUD portion of program.	

NOT AWARDED

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Transportation	Low-No Emission	2 Chargers, 4 Buses, Backup battery system	\$5.8 million	Submitted 4/2023. Awards announced 6/26/2023.	Collaboration with NCDOT. Not selected. Highly competitive. Next steps - Debrief needed - FTA will send a turn down notice.
Transportation	USDOT Reconnecting Communities	AGGIES	\$400k	Submitted 10/2022. Awards announced 2/2023.	Submitted by NCDOT. Not awarded. First round of IJA. Not awarded; will try again next round.
Sustainability/Resilience	EPA – Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Program	City of Greensboro Organics Plan and Pilot Program	\$500,000	Submitted 2/15/2023	First round of IJA funding.
Sustainability/Resilience	EPA – Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Program	City of Greensboro Center for Environmental Education & Sustainability	\$3,993,062.00	Submitted 2/15/2023	First round of IJA funding.

CITY OF GREENSBORO - HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

NOVEMBER 21, 2023 - JANUARY 11, 2024



\$22,021

Median Household Income

85%

Households with Non-Wage Income

66

Average Age of Head of Household

54%

Heads of Household Over Age 65

87%

Female Head of Household

1.8

Average Household Size

52%

Lead Program Eligible Homes (pre-1978)

51

Average Age of Home



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STATE

General Weekly Session News

- Candidates for the North Carolina Senate 2025 General Assembly can be found [here](#).
- Unofficial North Carolina General Assembly Senate Candidates (2025 Session) can be found [here](#).
- Unofficial Primary Election Candidates for 2025 NC House can be found [here](#).
- 2023-2024 Legislation with Effective Dates of July 1, 2023 through January 1, 2024 can be found [here](#)
- State Budget (HB259) information can be found [here](#).
- No bills were voted on this week.
- The start of the short session is April 24, 2024.

City of Greensboro Legislative Agenda Updates

Chamber	Bill Number	Bill Name	Sponsor(s)	Most Recent Action
House	H140	Civilian Traffic Investigators/Pilot.	Faircloth (R) Hardister (R) Lambeth (R) Ross (D)	6/23/23 Ch. SL 2023-52 Signed by Gov. 6/23/2023
House	H857	Cities/Chronic Violators of Ordinances.	Ashton Wheeler Clemmons (D)	4/26/23 Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S424	Restore the American Dream	Sydney Batch (D) Michael Garrett (D) Jay Chaudhuri (D)	4/5/23 Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate.
House	H468	Camera Enforcement of Greensboro School Zones.	Ashton Wheeler Clemmons (D) Jon Hardister (R) John	3/27/23 Passed 1st Reading Ref to the Com on Transportation,



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			Faircloth (R) Amos Quick (D)	if favorable, Judiciary 2, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S178	Greensboro/School Zone Elec. Enforc.	Gladys Robinson (D) Michael Garrett (D)	3/1/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S219	Camera Enforcement for Speeding in School.	Gladys Robinson (D)	3/8/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S223	Funds/BinghamParkRe mediation.	Gladys Robinson (D)	3/9/23 Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S214	Inspections/Immediate Threat to Occupants.	Gladys Robinson (D) Michael Garrett (D)	3/8/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S213	Greensboro/Civilian Traffic Investigators.	Gladys Robinson (D) Michael Garrett (D)	3/8/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S450	Seized Weapons Security Act.	Michael Garrett (D) Gladys Robinson (D) Jay Chaudhuri (D)	4/3/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H549*	Civilian Traffic Investigators	Baker (D) Willingham (D)	4/4/2023 Ref to the Com on Judiciary 2, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House on
Senate	S251*	Civilian Traffic Investigators.	Lazarra (R) Newton (R)	3/9/2023 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate on



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Bills of Interest

Chamber	Bill Number	Bill Name	Sponsor(s)	Most Recent Action
Senate	S677	Surveyors Right of Entry/Exped. Comm. Bldg.	Jarvis (R) McInnis (R)	10/21/2023 Ch. SL 2023-142 Became Law W/o Signature
Senate	S749	No Partisan Advantage in Elections	Daniel (R) P. Newton (R) Hise (R)	10/10/2023 Ch. SL 2023-139 Veto Overridden
Senate	S747	Elections Law Changes	Hise (R) Newton (R) Daniel (R)	10/10/2023 Ch. SL 2023-140 Veto Overridden
House	H600	Regulatory Reform Act of 2023.	Dennis Riddell (R) Jeff Zenger (R) Mark Brody (R) Allen Chesser (R)	10/10/2023 Ch. SL 2023-137 Veto Overridden
Senate	S749	No Partisan Advantage in Elections	Hise (R) Newton (R) Daniel (R)	10/10/2023 Ch. SL 2023-139 Veto Overridden
House	H259	2023 Appropriations Act	Lambeth (R) Saine (R) Arp (R)	10/3/2023 Ch. SL 2023-134 Became Law W/o Signature
House	H893	Private Commercial Building Inspection	Mark Brody (R) Brenden Jones (R) Reece Pyrtle (R) Jon Hardister (R)	9/20/2023 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H466	Allow Temporary Dwellings During Construction	Crutchfield (R) Johnson (R) McNeely (R) Balkcom (R)	8/21/2023 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate



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				Passed 1st Reading
House	S9*	Greensboro/Winston-Salem Civil Service Board.	Jeff Zenger (R) Jon Hardister (R) Kyle Hall (R)	8/17/2023 Ch. SL 2023-112
House	H488	Code Council Reorg. and Var. Code Amend.	Mark Brody (R) Destin Hall (R) Tricia Cotham (D) Dennis Riddell (R)	8/16/2023 Veto Overridden Ch. SL 2023-108
House	H451*	Noncontiguous Expansion of MSDs.	Jon Hardister (R) Ashton Wheeler Clemmons (D)	7/13/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S91	Amend Rule 4/Acceptance of Service	Galey (R) Sawrey (R) Newton (R)	7/10/23 Ch. SL 2023-97
House	H34	Protect Those Who Serve and Protect Act.	Kelly Hastings (R) Jason Saine (R) Carson Smith (R) Reece Pyrtle (R)	7/7/23 Ch. SL 2023-76
Senate	S299	Reimburse Late Audit Costs with Sales Tax Rev	Lisa Barnes (R) Johnson	6/27/2023 Ch. SL 2023-59 Veto Override
Senate	S99	Bond Referendum Transparency	Carl Ford (R) Eddie Settle (R) Johnson	6/26/23 House Referred To Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S673	Water and Wastewater Regulatory Relief Act.	Paul Newton (R) Benton Sawrey (R) Michael Lazzara (R)	6/23/23 Ch. SL 2023-55 Signed by Gov. 6/23/2023
House	H347	Sports Wagering.	Jason Saine (R) John Bell (R) Zack Forde-Hawkins (D)	6/14/23 Ch. SL 2023-42 Signed by Gov.



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			Ashton Wheeler Clemmons (D)	
House	H603	Temporary Event Venues	Jon Hardister (R) Mark Brody (R) Erin Pare (R) Ashton Wheeler Clemmons (D)	6/15/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S675	Land Use Clarification and Changes	Michael Lee (R) Dave Craven (R) Amy Galey (R)	6/13/2023 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S549	Development Moratoria/Transportation Projects	Sawyer (R)	5/23/23 Reptd Fav Re-ref Com On Transportation
House	H588	Heirs Property Study	Kyle Hall (R) Donna McDowell White (R) Robert Reives (D)	5/4/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H332	Streamline Comm./Multi-family Building Plan Review	Jeff Zenger (R) Steve Tyson (R) Larry Potts (R) Johnson (R) Shelly Willingham (D)	5/3/2023 Passed 1st Reading Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H799	Local Government Audits	Winslow Penny Zenger (R)	5/2/23 House Re-ref Com On Appropriations Reptd Fav Com Substitute
Senate	S515	Water and Sewer Affordability Act.	Vickie Sawyer (R) Jim Perry (R) Michael Lazzara (R)	4/27/23 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
House	H409	Regulation of Accessory Dwelling Units	Matt Winslow (R) Vernetta Alston (D) Steve Tyson (R) Gloristine Brown (D)	4/26/23 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate



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House	H537	Workforce Housing Act.	Jeff Zenger (R) Brian Biggs (R) Jarrod Lowery (R) Ken Fontenot (R)	4/25/23 Re-ref to the Com on Local Government, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
House	H595	Rental Inspections.	Bill Ward (R) Vernetta Alston (D) John Autry (D) Pricey Harrison (D) Frances Jackson (D) Lindsey Prather (D)	4/25/23 Re-ref Com On Regulatory Reform
Senate	S581	County and City Sales Tax Exemption	Tom McInnis (R) Michael Lazzara (R) Vickie Sawyer (R)	4/17/23 Withdrawn From Com Re-ref to Finance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H598	1% Property Tax Levy Limitation.	Mitchell Setzer (R) Bill Ward (R)	4/17/23 Ref to the Com on Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S684	Stormwater Program Revisions	Michael Lee (R) Steve Jarvis (R) Jim Perry (R)	4/13/23 Withdrawn From Com Re-ref to Agriculture, Energy, and Environment. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S704	Citizens Review Board	Mujtaba Mohammed (D) Natalie Murdock (D)	4/10/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S686	Regulatory Reform Act of 2023	Norman Sanderson (R) Mike Woodard (D) Johnson	4/10/23 Ref to Agriculture, Energy,



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				and Environment. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S667	Regulation of Short-Term Rentals	Tim Moffitt (R) Bobby Hanig (R)	4/10/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H562	Addressing the Workforce Housing Crisis	John Bradford (R) Jeff Zenger (R) Ashton Wheeler Clemmons (D)	4/5/23 Ref to the Com on Local Government - Land Use, Planning and Development, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
House	H273	Local Government Budget Hearings.	Matt Winslow (R) Jennifer Balkcom (R)	4/4/23 Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S520	Commuter Rail Study/Piedmont Triad	Garrett (D) Lowe (D) Robinson (D)	4/4/23 Senate Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H252	Multijurisdictional Property	Matt Winslow (R) Mark Brody (R) Steve Tyson (R) Jeff Zenger (R)	4/3/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H205	Transparent Governance & Integrity Act.-AB	Penny Winslow Balkcom	3/29/23 Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House



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Senate	S378	Code Council Reorg. and Var. Code Amend.	Steve Jarvis (R) Tim Moffitt (R) Jim Perry (R)	3/28/23 Passed 1st Reading Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S374	Regulation of Accessory Dwelling Units.	Tim Moffitt (R) Julie Mayfield (D)	3/28/23 Passed 1st Reading Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S365	Development Regulations/Multijurisdiction.	Steve Jarvis (R) Tim Moffitt (R) Johnson	3/27/23 Passed 1st Reading Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H458	Eminent Domain.	Dennis Riddell (R) Destin Hall (R) Dean Arp (R) Steve Tyson (R)	3/27/23 Passed 1st Reading Ref to the Com on Judiciary 1, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
House	H474	Facilitate Small Housing.	Renee Price (D) Mark Brody (R) Allison Dahle (D)	3/27/23 Passed 1st Reading Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
House	H294	NC Housing Choice Incentive	Vernetta Alston (D) Gloristine Brown (D) Jon Hardister (R)	3/21/23 Serial Referral To Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S317	Addressing the Workforce Housing Crisis	Paul Newton (R) Tim Moffitt (R) Paul Lowe (D)	3/16/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S290	Short Term Rentals.	Vickie Sawyer (R)	3/13/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate



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House	H284	Law Enforcement/Destroy Certain Firearms.	Marcia Morey (D) Julie Von Haefen (D) Carolyn Logan (D)	3/7/23 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S251	Civilian Traffic Investigators.	Michael Lazzara (R) Paul Newton (R) Tim Moffitt (R)	3/9/23 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
House	H284*	Law Enforcement/Destroy Certain Firearms.	Morey (D) Von Haefen (D) Logan (D)	3/7/23 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House on
House	H266	Local Governments/System Development Fees.	Amber Baker (D)	3/6/23 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Senate	S188	Local Governing Bds/Compensation Equity Act.	Tim Moffitt (R) Bobby Hanig (R)	3/2/23 Senate Re-ref to Finance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S111	Repeat Ordinance Violators/Taxi Ordinances.	Michael Lazzara (R) Benton Sawrey (R) Tom McInnis (R)	2/16/2023 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Senate	S117*	Expand Use of Civilian Crash Investigators.	Lee (R) Mayfield (D)	2/16/2023 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate on
Senate	S77*	Cities/Civilian Traffic Investigators.	Lowe (D)	2/8/2023 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

*Directly impacts the City of Greensboro or aligns to an item on the legislative agenda



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Important Dates/Meetings

COUNCIL/DELEGATION

Q1 Delegation Meeting - March 2024 - Date TBA

HOUSE

House Select Committee on Homeowners' Associations

Thursday, January 11, 2024

10:00 AM

Session Convenes

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

12:00 PM

SENATE

Session Convenes

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

12:00 PM



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FEDERAL
(2023 Congressional Calendar [here](#))

General Weekly Session News

The Week of 1.8.24 - 1.12.24

- The House and Senate were in session this week.
- The House returned on 1/9 with votes planned on bills addressing China, Taiwan, and Russia.
- The Senate returned at 3 p.m. on 1/9 to vote on the judicial nominee.
- Top-Line Deal Reached: Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer and House Speaker Mike Johnson announced a top-line spending deal on FY24 spending levels over the weekend. With an agreement, appropriators can draft legislation to keep government agencies open past January 19. The deal sets spending at \$1.59 trillion (\$886 billion for defense and \$772 billion for nondefense) for the 12 spending bills. However, the specific allocations and potential inclusion of policy riders in the spending legislation have yet to be agreed upon.
- Border: Senate negotiators remain hard at work on a bipartisan deal to deliver aid for Ukraine and Israel while further restricting the U.S.-Mexico border. Speaker Mike Johnson indicated he could work directly with the President on a deal if Senators cannot agree.
- Defense Secretary: Defense Secretary Llyod Austin is facing bipartisan pressure to explain why he and his team failed to alert the White House when he was hospitalized in the ICU for several days last week.
- State of the Union: President Biden and Speaker Mike Johnson announced the President will deliver his annual State of the Union Address on March 7.
- GOP House Majority: Former House Speaker Kevin McCarthy officially departed Congress at the end of 2023 and Rep. Bill Johnson (R-OH) announced his departure to become President of



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Youngstown State University will begin January 21. Also, last week House Majority Leader Steve Scalise announced he will be receiving a stem cell transplant and will not return until late February. Beginning with Johnson's departure and until Majority Leader Scalise returns, the House GOP's majority will be razor-thin at 219-213 with key votes approaching on government funding.

- Buy America: The House Rules Committee [met](#) on 1/9 to consider [S.J. Res. 38](#), which provides for congressional disapproval of the Federal Highway Administration's "Waiver of Buy America Requirements for Electric Vehicle Chargers" rule. The Senate passed the measure in November. However, the President is expected to veto the bill if it passes the House.

- Driving the News:
 - Blinken to meet with leaders of Saudi Arabia, UAE with aim to avert larger Middle East war ([CNBC](#))
 - Mitch Landrieu stepping down as White House infrastructure coordinator, will join campaign as co-chair ([CNN](#))
 - The U.S. sees a drop in illegal border crossings after Mexico increases enforcement ([NBC News](#))



DATE: January 9, 2024

TO: Taiwo Jaiyeoba, City Manager

FROM: Hart Crane, AICP, Senior Planner

SUBJECT: Summary of 1-4-24 Ole Asheboro Builder Open House Event

On January 4th the Planning Department held an Open House to talk to local builders and developers about City-owned properties and development opportunities within the Ole Asheboro neighborhood. Close to 65 interested builders and community members attended the event. Both local and regional builders were in attendance, as well as planners from other municipalities. The event ran from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Nettie Coad Community Room of the Nettie Coad Apartments. The intent of the event was to help builders better understand the acquisition process, get familiar with the City-owned lots, and meet in-person with the City staff who manage projects in Ole Asheboro.

The Planning Department is holding another Open House event to highlight building opportunities in the Willow Oaks neighborhood on Thursday, January 18th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. That event will be in the Willow Oaks Community Center, located at 1815 Everitt Street.

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