



February 27, 2018

**WORK SESSION
TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 in the Town Hall Board Room. Present were Mayor Rusty Knox and Commissioners Jane Campbell, Jim Fuller, Autumn Rierson Michael and David Sitton. Commissioner Matt Fort was absent. Town Manager Jamie Justice, Assistant Town Manager Dawn Blobaum, Town Attorney Cindy Reid, Finance Director Pieter Swart, Planning Director Jason Burdette, Economic Development Manager Kim Fleming, Human Resources Manager Heather James, Police Chief Penny Dunn, Parks & Recreation Director Kathryn Spatz, Public Works Director Doug Wright and Town Clerk Carmen Clemsic were also present. The meeting started at 4:00 p.m. and recessed at 5:30 p.m.

- **Discussion Items**

Parks & Rec Director Kathryn Spatz, Livability Board Chair Marty Metzger and Landscape Architect Gary Fankhouser provided a review of the plan, process, and timeline of the ***Park at Bailey Springs Project***.

Parks & Rec Director Kathryn Spatz and Livability Board Chair Marty Metzger discussed the ***Nonprofit Grant Funding Allocation Process***. The BOC has historically appropriated \$50,000 to be distributed among qualified, registered, town-based non-profits that apply for funding.

Town Manager Jamie Justice discussed the ***Draft Town of Davidson 2018-2019 Strategic Plan***. Staff will finalize the strategic plan, and members of the community will have the opportunity to review it and comment before the board of commissioners consider it for adoption at a future meeting.

- **Closed Session - § 143.318.11 (a) (3) to consult with attorney**

The board did not go into closed session at this time.

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- **Call to Order**

Mayor Knox called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

- **Announcements**

Mayor Knox announced the Duke Energy Grant Recognition for Davidson Elementary School stream restoration.

Public Information Officer Cristina Shaul announced the following events:

Davidson Mobility Plan Update: 4-Day Charrette Postponed. After initial community engagement and feedback requesting more information and the opportunity for more walks around town to examine areas that need improvements, we have decided to slow down the mobility plan process. Also, the Davidson Mobility Plan will help inform the transportation element of the upcoming Comprehensive Plan update, the plan that describes the long-term vision for our town.

There will be a number of opportunities for the public to engage in the coming months. The website, www.DavidsonMobilityPlan.com, includes details on this plan and ways to get involved, including:

- blog posts,
- wiki mapping,
- walking tours to see areas that need improvement,
- on-the-street interviews,
- stakeholder interviews, and
- a four-day charrette (originally scheduled for early March, but has been postponed)

A section of the greenway running from Robert Walker Dr. going south will be closed for a few days. Starting today, a section of the greenway from Robert Walker Dr. going north past the third bridge will be closed and will remain closed through Friday, March 2. The bridges will be stripped down, and foot boards and handrails will be replaced. We appreciate your patience as we make improvements.

- **Changes to the Agenda**

Item added: Provide further discussion on the ***Park at Bailey Springs***

Commissioner Fuller motioned to approve the agenda as amended with further discussion on the Park at Bailey Springs. The motion was passed unanimously (4-0).

- **Commissioner Reports**

The Commissioners and Mayor provided monthly updates on the boards in which they are members.

- **Advisory Board Report**

Senior Planner & Design Review Board Liaison Chad Hall and Design Review Board member Bruce Barteldt presented the ***Design Review Board/Historic Preservation Committee bi-annual update*** of the recent activities and projects that have come before the advisory board.

- **Old Business**

Town Attorney Cindy Reid discussed the ***Consideration Approval of Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)***. Community Development Block Grants are federal funds for projects that fit specific criteria. These funds are administered through a consortium of which the Town of Davidson is a part of. Staff recommends the town apply for grant funding for sidewalk projects and improvements to Roosevelt Wilson Park.

Commissioner Campbell motioned to approve the Community Development Block Grants. The motion was passed unanimously (3-0).

Further discussion of the ***Park at Bailey Springs project***. Consider Approval of Budget Amendment 2018-16

Commissioner Campbell motioned to approve the Park at Bailey Springs Budget Amendment 2018-16. The motion was passed (3-1). Commissioner Sitton voted against.

- **Discussion**

Planning Director Jason Burdette and Planning Technician Lindsay Laird discussed the ***Proposed Watershed Ordinance Changes***. Per Mecklenburg County's recommendation, planning staff proposes changes to Section 17 (Watershed) of the planning ordinance. Staff will provide an update to these changes, including recent citizen concerns.

Assistant Town Manager Dawn Blobaum discussed the ***Public Facilities Alternatives for 90-day period***. As a follow-up to the February 13 public facilities discussion, the board will discuss alternatives to the original project. Staff is looking for direction on which options to pursue over the 90-day due diligence period. Options 1,3,5,7c, 10 and 11 will be looked into.

Finance Director Piet Swart and Public Works Director Doug Wright discussed potential projects for the ***Mobility and Greenway General Obligations Bonds***.

Planning Director Jason Burdette discussed options to begin ***the Comprehensive Plan update*** process. The RFP process will consist of two board members, two planning board members, a college rep and staff.

Public Information Officer Cristina Shaul discussed potential changes to the ***Town's Vision Statement and Core Value #5***. The mayor and commissioners offered up their suggestions for further wordsmithing and next steps.

Town Manager Jamie Justice and the Board of Commissioners discussed options ***Board Meeting Schedule***.

Commissioner Campbell motioned to approve the revised meeting schedule, option b, no 4 p.m. meetings and the first Tuesday will be moved to Town Hall starting at 6 p.m. and the schedule will be reassessed in 90-days. The motion was passed (3-1). Commissioner Fuller against.

- **Summarize Actions Items**

Town Manager Jamie Justice summarized the board requested action items.

- **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Attest:

Carmen Clemsic
Town Clerk

Rusty Knox
Mayor