



**CITY OF CLAREMONT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Regular Meeting
May 2, 2016
7:00 PM
Claremont City Hall**

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 3. INVOCATION-** Jason Sigmon, Mt Calvary Lutheran Church
- 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** Councilman Dayne Miller
- 5. MAYOR'S REPORT & PROCLAMATIONS**
 - A. Proclamation Recognizing Audrey Gantt
 - B. Proclamation Municipal Clerk Week
 - C. Proclamation National Police Week
 - D. Proclamation Public Services Week
- 6. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. Regular Meeting Minutes –April 4, 2016
 - B. Call for Public Hearings
 - C. Action Plan
- 7. CITIZEN'S CONCERNS AND COMMENTS**
- 8. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Budget Transfers
- 9. PUBLIC HEARINGS**
 - A. Voluntary Annexation 3000 Frazier Drive
- 10. PRESENTATION**
 - A. Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Budget
- 11. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Resolution 26-15 Appointment to the Planning Board
 - B. Resolution 27-15 Appoint a Member to the Library Board
 - C. Resolution 28-15 Directing the Clerk to Investigate a Petition for Voluntary Annexation- 2879 Montclair Drive
 - D. Resolution 29-15 Call for a Public Hearing Voluntary Annexation 2879 Montclair Drive
 - E. Ordinance 15-15 Extend the Corporate City Limits- 3000 Frazier Drive
 - F. Resolution 30-15 Directing the Clerk to Investigate a Petition for Voluntary Annexation- 2681 Heart Drive Tract 2
 - G. Resolution 31-15 Call for a Public Hearing Voluntary Annexation 2681 Heart Drive Tract 2
 - H. Ordinance 16-15 Budget Amendment to Amend the FY 15/16 Budget

I. Change Location for the June 6, 2016 Meeting

J. Ordinance 17-15 Budget Amendment to Account for the Building Reuse Grant

12. DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Department Dashboard Report

13. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

14. CLOSED SESSION

A. Economic Development G.S. 143-318.11(4)

15. ADJOURN

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Read the Proclamation

Audrey Gantt will be retiring with 39 years of service to Claremont Elementary School. The City would like to show her our appreciation.

Recommendation: Informational Only

Proclamation

Honoring Audrey Gantt

Whereas, Audrey Gantt has faithfully served Claremont Elementary School for 39 years, and

Whereas, Serving in numerous capacities, beginning her career as a teacher assistant in the Physical Education Department; and

Whereas, Serving ten different principals during her tenure, and

Whereas, Eighteen years of her service serving as Secretary. Mrs. Gantt has served Claremont Elementary School wherever needed. From answering telephones, ordering supplies, helping to conduct fire drills, assisting students with medical needs, payroll for the teachers and staff, and always standing ready to serve ; and

Whereas, Mrs. Gantt has touched the lives of thousands of students throughout her 39 years of service at Claremont Elementary School, serving multiple generations of Claremont families.

Whereas, Many of the City's Council and staff passed through the halls of Claremont Elementary School during Mrs. Gantt's tenure.

Whereas, Mrs. Gantt will be greatly missed by all those she has come to know and love at Claremont Elementary School and within the community.

Now, Therefore, I, Shawn R. Brown, Mayor of Claremont, do recognize Audrey Gantt for her dedication and service to Claremont Elementary School and the Claremont community.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2016

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Read the Proclamation

May 1- May 7, 2016 is recognized as Municipal Clerks Week.

Recommendation: Informational Only

Proclamation

Municipal Clerks Week
May 1 – May 7, 2016

Whereas, The Office of the Municipal Clerk, a time honored and vital part of local government exists throughout the world, and

Whereas, The Office of the Municipal Clerk is the oldest among public servants, and

Whereas, The Office of the Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels, and

Whereas, Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all.

Whereas, The Municipal Clerk serves as the information center on functions of local government and community.

Whereas, Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their state, province, county and international professional organizations.

Whereas, It is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Now, Therefore, I, Shawn R. Brown, Mayor of Claremont, do recognize the week of May 1 through May 7, 2016 as Municipal Clerks Week, and further extend appreciation to our Municipal Clerk, Wendy Helms and to all Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2016

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Read the Proclamation

May 15th is Peace Officer Memorial Day. The week of May 12th- May 21st will be observed as National Police Week.

Recommendation: Informational Only

Proclamation

National Police Week
May 12 – May 21, 2016

Whereas, the Congress of the United States of America has designated May 15th as Peace Officer Memorial Day, and in the week in which May 15th falls as National Police Week; and

Whereas, the members of the law enforcement agency of the City of Claremont play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the City of Claremont; and

Whereas, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards and sacrifices of the law enforcement agency, and that of our law enforcement agency recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and

Whereas, it is known that 123 American Police Officers were killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States in 2015. So now our community joins with other cities and towns to honor all Peace Officers everywhere.

Now, Therefore, I, Shawn R. Brown, Mayor of Claremont, call upon all citizens of the City of Claremont and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 12th – May 21st, 2016 as “National Police Week” with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all people may join in commemorating law enforcement officer, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and in doing so have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2016

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Read the Proclamation

2016 marks the 56th annual National Public Services Week. May 15th – May 21st has been set aside as Public Services Week.

Recommendation: Informational Only

Proclamation

Public Services Week
May 15 – May 21, 2016

Whereas, Public Services infrastructure, facilities and services provided in our communities are an integral part of our citizens health, safety and well being; and

Whereas, such facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public service professionals, engineers, managers and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for the planning, building, operation and maintenance of transportation, water supply, water treatment, solid waste system, public buildings and other structures and facilities essential to serve our citizens; and

Whereas, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders and children in our country to understand and appreciate public services programs in their communities; and

Whereas, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design and construction are dependent upon the efforts and skills of public service officials; and

Whereas, the year 2016 marks the 56th annual National Public Services Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association;

Now, Therefore, I, Shawn R. Brown, Mayor of Claremont, do recognize the week of May 15 through May 21, 2016 as Public Services Week in Claremont and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2016

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting: May 2, 2016

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Consent Agenda

1. Regular Session Minutes – April 4, 2016

2. Call for Public Hearings at the June 6, 2016 meeting

A) FY 16/17 Budget

A public Hearing is needed before the budget can be adopted.

B) Zoning Ordinance- Landscaping

A public hearing is required before amending the zoning ordinance. Last month the Planning Board recommended changing the landscaping section of the zoning ordinance to give signs and buildings more visibility and allow the planner more discretion with landscape buffers. The proposed zoning amendments are attached.

C) Zoning Ordinance- Protest Petition

A public hearing is required to amend the zoning ordinance. The state legislature changed the state statutes regarding the use of protest petitions in rezoning and the City must amend its ordinance to comply with the new law. The proposed zoning amendments are attached.

3. Action Plan

Council was presented the Action Plan at the April meeting. This action will formally adopt the 2016 Action Plan.

Recommendation: Approve as Presented



City of Claremont Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, April 4, 2016

The regular City Council meeting of the City of Claremont was held in the Council Chambers located at Claremont City Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 4, 2016.

The following members of the Claremont City Council were present: Mayor Shawn Brown, Councilmember Timothy Lowrance, Councilmember Dale Sherrill, Councilmember Lee Miller, Councilmember Dayne Miller and Councilmember David Morrow.

The following personnel of the City of Claremont were present: City Manager Catherine Renbarger, City Clerk Wendy Helms, Police Chief Gary Bost, Fire Chief Bart Travis, Public Services Director Tom Winkler, Public Services Supervisor Bo Prince, Captain Allen Long, Recreation Coordinator Michael Orders, Finance Officer Stephanie Corn, City Planner Elinor Hiltz and City Attorney Bob Grant.

Others in attendance were: Robert Smith, Rev. Dennis Richards, Charlie Heritage, Les Morrow and John Cathey.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shawn R. Brown called the Claremont City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was then approved as presented.

3. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was given by Reverend Dennis Richards from First Baptist Church. Councilmember Lee Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Brown spoke of the opening of the Health Smart Pharmacy which occurred on April 4, 2016. Mayor Pro Tem Dale Sherrill read a letter submitted by Deputy Trent Davis thanking Mayor Brown for helping with an injured player at Bunker Hill Optimist.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. March 7, 2016, Regular Meeting Minutes – Councilmember David Morrow made a motion to accept March 7, 2016 regular meeting minutes as presented. Councilmember Dayne Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. CITIZEN'S CONCERNS & COMMENTS- none

8. OLD BUSINESS-

A. Budget Transfer- Transfer of funds was made to align line items to expenditures. Informational only.

9. PUBLIC HEARING- Motion was made by Councilmember Timothy Lowrance to go into a Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m. to discuss a voluntary annexation at 2985 Oxford Way. Second was made by Councilmember Dale Sherrill. Motion passed unanimously.

A voluntary annexation petition was received February 17, 2016. Investigation of sufficiency was completed and found to be sufficient. Advertisement was published in the Observer News Enterprise on March 24, 2016, to call for a public hearing. A public hearing was held on Monday, April 4, 2016. Staff recommends approving Ordinance 11-15 to extend the corporate city limits to include 2985 Oxford Way. Voluntary annexation was a condition of the Conditional Use Permit the City issued.

Motion was made by Councilmember Timothy Lowrance to close the Public hearing at 7:09 p.m. Second was made by Councilmember Lee Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

A public hearing to amend the City Zoning Ordinance was moved to later in the meeting allowing Planner, Elinor Hiltz time to return from the Town of Catawba.

10. NEW BUSINESS-

A. Child Abuse Prevention Proclamation- The Children's Protection Agency of Catawba County ask for support of a Proclamation of Child Abuse Prevention Month. Mayor Brown read the proclamation into record.

B. Ordinance 11-15 Extend the Corporate City Limits at 2985 Oxford Way- A voluntary annexation petition was received February 17, 2016. Investigation of sufficiency was completed and found to be sufficient. Advertisement was published in the Observer News Enterprise on March 24, 2016, to call for a public hearing. Said public hearing was held on Monday, April 4, 2016. Voluntary annexation was a condition of the Conditional Use Permit the City issued to developer.

Motion was made by Councilmember David Morrow to approve Ordinance 11-15, to extend the corporate City limits at 2985 Oxford Way. Second was made by Councilmember Dale Sherrill. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Resolution 23-15 Call for Public Hearing for Voluntary Annexation 3000 Frazier Drive- City Council was presented a petition for voluntary annexation from the owners of 3000 Frazier Drive. The City Clerk was directed at the March 7, 2016 meeting to certify the sufficiency of the petition. Finding the annexation to be sufficient Council will call for a Public hearing on Monday May, 2, 2016 to get citizen input on the voluntary annexation of 3000 Frazier Drive.

Motion was made by Councilmember Timothy Lowrance to Call for a public hearing on May 2, 2016 for citizen input on the proposed voluntary annexation of 3000 Frazier Drive. Second was made by Councilmember Lee Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Ordinance 13-15 Establish a Capital Project Fund for Industrial Development Fund Grant- On February 1, 2016 the Council passed a resolution authorizing an Industrial Development Grant Fund application and the required local match to provide sanitary sewer service to Substance Inc. at their new facility in the International Business Park.

Claremont was subsequently awarded a \$120,975 Industrial Development Fund Utility Account (IDF) Grant. This ordinance creates a capital project fund for this project.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dayne Miller to establish a capital project fund for the Industrial Development Fund Grant. Second was made by Councilmember David Morrow. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Ordinance 14-15 Budget Ordinance- The Water & Sewer amendment will account for the transfer of \$40,325 from the Water & Sewer Fund to the Substance Inc. Capital Project Fund. This amount is the local government match for the Industrial Development Fund Grant. Other transfers will align the budget for the final months of the 2016 fiscal year.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dale Sherrill. Second was made by Councilmember David Morrow. Motion passed unanimously.

F. Approve Contract for WPCOG Administration of IDF Grant- Council was presented an administrative services contract for administration of the City's Industrial Development Fund Grant. The cost for these services is \$3,500 which was included in the proposed grant funding application and is considered a part of the required local government match.

Motion was made by Councilmember Timothy Lowrance to accept the contract with WPCOG for administration of the IDF Grant. Second was made by Councilmember David Morrow. Motion passed unanimously.

G. Approve Contract with The Wooten Company for Engineering Related to IDF Grant- Council was also presented a contract between The Wooten Company and the City for engineering design, contract administration and construction observation of the extension of the City's sanitary sewer system to serve the Substance Industrial Site on Frazier Drive. This extension consists of 1,150 linear feet of 8-inch gravity sewer. Included in the agreement is the field survey and plat needed for an easement across the lot located at the SW corner of Frazier Drive and South Oxford Street. The total costs to provide these services are \$18,850 which was included in the proposed funding application and is considered a part of the required local government match.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lee Miller to accept the contract with The Wooten Company for Engineering related to the IDF Grant. Second was made by Councilmember Dayne Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

H. Resolution 24-15 Authorize Grant Application for NC DEQ Merger/Regionalization Grant- The NC Department of Environmental Quality is now accepting grant applications for up to \$50,000 for studies related to the merger or regionalization of water or sewer systems. These grants provide the opportunity to evaluate the potential consolidation of two or more systems into one system or the potential physical interconnection with another system for regional wastewater treatment or regional water supply.

The grants are limited to \$50,000 with no match required. Applications are due at the end of the month. A Resolution Authorizing the Grant Application is required. Letters of support from potential partners are also required. The City should know by July if the State plans to award Claremont the grant. If awarded, a contract for the study of future wastewater treatment would be executed as soon as possible.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dale Sherrill to adopt Resolution 24-15 authorizing the grant application. Second was made by Councilmember David Morrow. Motion passed unanimously.

I. Resolution 25-15 Authorize Grant Application for NC DEQ Asset Inventory Assistance Grant- The NC Department of Environmental Quality is now accepting grant applications for up to \$150,000 to inventory existing water and/or sewer systems and document the condition of the inventoried infrastructure. Other components could include performing a risk analysis to establish which components are most critical and establishing future costs for replacement/repairs/upgrades. This grant does require a local government match based on Affordability Criteria. For Claremont, the local government match would most likely be 20 percent.

Motion was made by Councilmember Timothy Lowrance to adopt Resolution 25-15 authorizing the application for the NC DEQ Asset Inventory Assistance Grant. Second was made by Councilmember Dayne Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

J. CMAQ Sidewalk Project Update- In 2013, the City was awarded Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds to construct 8,030 linear feet of sidewalk throughout the City. Total project costs were estimated to be \$650,000 with federal funds of \$520,000 and a local match of \$130,000.

The following sections of sidewalk were planned:

- Centennial Boulevard – from existing sidewalk to Lookout
- Calvin Street – between Depot and Lookout
- Calvin Street – between Lookout and School Drive
- South Depot Street – from end of sidewalk to Frazier
- Yount Street – from Depot to Bethlehem
- Bethlehem Drive – from Yount to Catawba Street
- School Drive – from Calvin to Main Street

The original costs estimates for installing the sidewalk were completed in 2009 and did not fully incorporate all costs nor did the estimates have the benefit of design drawings. Recently revised cost estimates are much higher than originally anticipated.

Staff recommends requesting that DOT allow the City to modify the scope of work of the project to delay the Centennial Boulevard section of sidewalk to allow the project to be financially feasible and to continue moving forward. If the scope of the work were to be modified, the City could apply for additional funding to complete the remaining segment as early as May, and be awarded funding as early as October of 2016.

Public Hearing- North Carolina General Statutes require that the City Council hold a Public Hearing prior to any changes in City Ordinance. This public hearing is to solicit public comment about a residential architectural standards zoning text amendment.

The amendment would delete residential architectural standards from attached and detached houses and residential garages and would clarify that houses must face the sidewalk. Removing residential architectural standards is required by recently passed state legislation.

Motion was made by Councilmember David Morrow to open a public hearing at 7:45 p.m. Second was made by Councilmember Dale Sherrill.

City Planner Elinor Hiltz gave Council a brief overview of the changes to the code.

Motion was made by Councilmember Timothy Lowrance to close the public hearing at 7:48 p.m. Second was made by Councilmember Dayne Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

K. Ordinance 12-15 Zoning Text Amendment- City Planner Elinor Hiltz presented Ordinance 12-15 a zoning text amendment to delete residential architectural standards from attached and detached houses and residential garages and to clarify that houses must face the sidewalk.

Councilmember David Morrow read the following statement. “This text amendment is in the public interest because it preserves the public’s ability to place carports and garages in the side yard, near the driveway, and it improves community appearances by regulating the way houses face the street. The removal of some content from our current ordinance is required by state law.”

I move to approve this amendment because it is not inconsistent with the Land Development Plan. Second was made by Councilmember Dayne Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

L. 2016 Action Plan Draft- City Manager Renbarger discussed the 2016 Action Plan with Council. She requested Council to review the document and make any changes. Formal adoption of the action plan will come before Council at the May meeting.

11. DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Monthly Department Dashboard Report- The dashboard report was accepted as presented.

Fire Department- Chief Travis recognized Georgia Mintz. Ms. Mintz completed her senior project and presented it to the Catawba County Firefighter Association. The fire department will hold their Annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, May 7th.

Recreation- Michael Orders addressed Council speaking about the Yard Sale and HOPE 5K that will also be held on May 7th.

Rescue- Robert Smith spoke on behalf of the Rescue Squad. They will hold the 16th Annual BBQ and Poker Run on April 16th. Raffle tickets for the 20 guns in 20 days can be purchased from any member.

12. CITY MANAGER REPORT – City Manager Catherine Renbarger spoke about a meeting

between Council and local businesses that will be held on May 10, 2016 at 7 a.m.

13. ADJOURN

With no further business of the board motion was made by Councilmember Lee Miller to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Second was made by Councilmember Dayne Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

Attested:

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk

Sec. 9-3-156 Landscaping of parking area.

The landscaping requirements of this section shall apply to land, public and private, designated as multi-family, recreational, institutional, industrial and commercial land uses which are required to have or provide ten (10) or more parking spaces or whose parking will cover more than five percent (5%) of the property.

1. Parking area landscaping requirements of this section are as follows:

- a. Credit for using existing trees on site greater than or equal to those required by standards shall be two (2) trees for every one (1) tree retained.
- b. When using an existing tree, the area under the drip line (maximum extension of branches) of the tree must remain undisturbed. This includes grading, fill, paving, etc.
- c. If an existing tree dies, it must be replaced with two (2) trees during the next planting season.
- d. If any vegetation dies, replacement is required within the next planting season.
- e. Landscaping shall be placed in a manner, which meets the intent of this chapter, and shall be maintained.
- f. Any fraction of requirements shall be rounded up to the next whole number.
- g. Landscaping shall not obstruct the view of motorists using any street, private driveway, parking aisles or the approach to any street intersection so as to constitute a traffic hazard. **Landscaping shall not obstruct sign faces.**

2. Landscaping requirements for interior areas of parking areas (Interior areas are defined as the area within the property used for vehicular storage, parking and movement):

- a. Landscaped planting areas are to be located within or adjacent to the parking area as tree islands, at the end of parking bays, inside medians, or between rows or cars.
- b. There shall be one (1) large shade tree for every one thousand five hundred (1,500) square feet of total parking area.
- c. There shall be one (1) shrub for every five hundred (500) square feet of total parking area. Shrubs must be eighteen (18) inches tall at planting and reach a minimum height of thirty (30) inches in three (3) years.
- d. All trees and shrubs are to be planted within a landscaped planting area not less than one hundred seventy-five (175) square feet in area.
- ~~e. No vehicular parking space shall be farther than fifty (50) feet from a planting area.~~
- f. No more than forty percent (40%) of the trees and/or shrubs shall be deciduous.

3. Landscaping requirements for street yards of parking areas (Street yard beds are defined as the area between the public right-of-way and interior area. **The street yard width or location may have to be adjusted to accommodate avoid planting in conflict with utility lines**):

- a. Street yard **beds** are required to be a minimum of ten (10) feet in width. **The street yard bed may have to be shifted back or made wider in some places to give street yard trees extra clearance from utility lines.**
- b. One (1) large shade tree is required every fifty (50) feet or one (1) small tree is required every twenty-five (25) feet along the street frontage.
- c. Shrub beds (fifty (50) square feet minimum and a minimum of ten (10) shrubs per shrub bed) are required every forty (40) feet along the street frontage. Berms may be used instead of shrubs with the following stipulations: 1) berms must be the required height of shrubs with no more than a 3:1 slope; 2) shorter shrubs may be used in combination with berms as long as the required total height is met; 3) berms must be capped or topped with groundcover vegetation; 4) berms shall be grassed; 5) berms must occupy sixty percent (60%) of the frontage area; 6) fences may be used in combination with berms as long as the fence is compatible in materials and color to the building and is not more than forty percent (40%) of the required height.

d. Protection of utility lines: Small trees may not be planted closer than 15 feet to utility lines. Shrubs may not be planted closer than 6 feet to utility lines.

4. Tree and shrub specifications:

a. *Tree* as used herein means any tree, evergreen or deciduous, whose mature height of its species can be expected to exceed fifteen (15) feet for a small tree and thirty-five (35) feet for a large tree (except in cases where this would require the planting of incompatible species with the surrounding environment, such as overhead utility lines, then acceptable species may be used). The tree, existing or planted, shall be at least eight (8) feet in height and six and one-quarter (6 1/4) inches in circumference (two (2) inches in diameter) measured at one-half (1/2) foot above grade for newly planted trees and measured at four (4) feet above grade for existing trees.

b. *Shrub* shall attain ~~a minimum of~~ thirty (30) inches in height ~~when mature within three (3) years of planting~~. All shrubs shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches tall when planted. All shrubs planted on berms may have lesser height provided the combined height of the berm and plantings after three (3) years is at least thirty (30) inches in height. (Ord. of 12-7-04, No. 37-02)

ARTICLE K

Buffers

Sec. 9-3-191 Intent.

The purpose of this article is to preserve and protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of Claremont by promoting the environmental and public benefits of buffers. It is intended to improve compatibility and provide transition between different zones and preserve the character and aesthetics of an area. (Ord. of 12-7-04, No. 37-02)

Sec. 9-3-192 Planting specifications.

1. *Industrial zones (M-1) that abut residential zones (R-1, R-2)*. A planted buffer shall reach a minimum height of eight (8) feet. Plants used on a buffer shall be a species that forms a continuous year-round opaque screen within three (3) years after planting. The planted buffer shall be composed of two (2) rows of plants no more than ten (10) feet apart in each row. One (1) of the plant types listed in subsection 4. below shall be used, and the plants shall be located no further apart than the distance indicated for each plant type. The planted buffer area shall be at least ten (10) feet wide.

2. *Commercial or business zones (B-1, B-2, B-3) that abut residential zones (R-1, R-2) and non-residential uses in residential zones (R-1, R-2)*. A planted buffer shall reach a minimum height of six (6) feet. Plants used on a buffer shall be a species that forms a continuous year-round opaque screen within three (3) years after planting. The planted buffer shall be composed of one (1) row of plants no more than ten (10) feet apart in the row. One (1) of the plant types listed in subsection 4. below shall be used, and the plants shall be located no further apart than the distance indicated for each plant type. The planted buffer area shall be at least ten (10) feet wide.

3. ~~Required buffer heights and Buffer topographic considerations and other exceptions.~~

a. The required height of the planted buffer shall be measured in relation to the elevation of the edge of the adjacent area to be screened. In such cases as the ground elevation of the location at which the screen is to be planted is less than the elevation of the proposed building site, the required height of the screen shall be increased in an amount equal to said difference in elevation.

b. ~~In lieu of compliance with the above buffer and screening requirement, an applicant may submit to the planning director for his review and approval a detailed plan and specifications for landscaping and screening.~~

c. ~~In situations where the topography would render most practical required screening noneffective, the planning director may allow the screening to be located outside of the required buffer and placed in a location that will enable the screening to be effective in meeting the intent of this section.~~

4. *Plant types and spacing*. Below are listed the types of plants that shall be used in planted buffers and the maximum distance each plant type shall be planted apart. Substitution for another plant type not listed is to be made in writing to the Zoning Administrator and is subject to verification that the proposed plant will thrive and provide adequate screening. No more than thirty percent (30%) of the total plantings in a buffer shall be deciduous plants.

Plant	Distance Apart (in feet)
Arbor Vitae	4
Ligustrum Japonicum and varieties	5
Photinia	5
Holly	5
a. Nellie R. Stevens	5
b. Fosters #2	4
c. Savannah	4
d. Bufordi	5
Eleangnus Pungens	5
Osmanthus Varieties	4
Pfizer Juniper	4
Doublefle Viburnum	5
Forsythia	3
White Pine	8 to 10
Scotch Pine	5 to 6
Deodara Cedar	8 to 10
Dogwood	8 to 10
Flowering Cherry	8 to 10
Flowering Crabapple	8 to 10
Bradford Pear	8 to 10
Oak	8 to 10
Linden	8 to 10
Leyland Cypress	8 to 10

Sec. 9-3-193 Additional planting specifications.

1. The specifications for planted buffers in Article K shall be required in all industrial and commercial zones when these areas abut residential zones and for all nonresidential uses in residential zones.
2. All plant types required in this article shall consist of plants at least three (3) feet in height when planted.
3. When two (2) rows of plantings are required, plants shall be staggered in a triangular pattern so that there is a plant spaced the required distance apart as specified in Section 9-3-192.4.
4. When the existing natural buffer provides adequate screening, the existing buffer should remain. The Zoning Enforcement Officer shall determine if sufficient buffer does exist.
5. When industrial and commercial property is developed adjacent to vacant property zoned residential, a buffer shall be required.
6. The buffer shall be shown in detail on the site plan approved by the City of Claremont.
7. The buffer shall be installed and approved before a certificate of occupancy will be granted except when seasonal weather conditions are not conducive. In this situation a temporary certificate of occupancy may be issued for up to sixty (60) days.
8. The buffer shall be maintained, and dead and diseased plants replaced by the owner or occupant of the

premises. The outside storage of materials shall be prohibited in the area between the planted buffer and the residential district. The owner or occupant of the premises shall properly and continuously maintain this area.

9. If a fence is erected on the residential district side of the planted buffer by the party establishing the buffer, the fence shall be one of the following types:

- a. A six (6) foot high wood, basket weave type fence;
- b. A six (6) foot high picket type fence;
- c. A six (6) foot high chain link type fence;
- d. A six (6) foot high open type fence;
- e. A six (6) foot-high solid masonry wall.

10. Fences with barbed or razor wire shall be located on the inside of the buffer. (Ord. of 12-7-04, No. 37-02)

Other Sections

Sec. 9-3-62, 64, 66, 68, 74, 76: ~~Hedges, garden walls, or fences may be built on property lines or as the continuation of building walls. A garden wall, fence, or hedge (minimum three (3) feet in height) shall be installed along any street frontage adjacent to parking areas. (Applies to urban workplace, shopfront, highway business building, apartment building, civic building, and industrial building)~~

Sec. 9-3-86, 90, 93, 94, 96, 98, 99, 100, 102, 104, 107, 109: *Land uses in each of these sections have their own particular screening requirements: car washes, home day cares, essential services 1-2, essential services 3, outdoor recreation facilities, outdoor display or vehicles and boats, outdoor storage, outdoor storage of construction equipment, parks, schools, truck terminals, and solar farms.*

Sec. 9-3-276 Protest petitions.

~~1. *General.* A protest petition may be presented against any proposed amendment. The protest petition must be signed by at least twenty percent (20%) of the property owners of the area which would be affected by the amendment or those immediately adjacent thereto, either in the rear thereof or on either side thereof, extending one hundred (100) feet there from, or of those directly opposite thereto extending one hundred (100) feet from the street frontage on the opposite lots. In this case the amendment shall not become effective except by favorable vote of three fourths of all members of the Claremont City Council.~~

~~2. *Petition requirements.* No protest petition against any change in or amendment to this chapter or the zoning map shall be valid unless presented in the form of a written petition actually bearing the signatures of the requisite number of property owners and stating that the signers do indeed protest the proposed amendment or change. Furthermore, the protest petition must be received by the City Clerk in sufficient time to allow the city at least two (2) normal working days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, before the date established for a public hearing on the proposed change or amendment in order to determine the sufficiency and accuracy of the petition (G.S. 160A-387). (Ord. of 12-7-04, No. 37-02; Ord. of 8-7-06, No. 18-06) If any resident or property owner in the city submits a written statement regarding a proposed amendment, modification, or repeal to a zoning ordinance to the clerk to the board at least two business days prior to the proposed vote on such change, the clerk to the board shall deliver such written statement to the city council.~~

2016 ACTION PLAN
CLAREMONT, NORTH CAROLINA





MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

This Action Plan serves as a guide for the current City Council for the decisions they will make over the next two-to-five years. The near term goals detailed within this document may be accomplished during the current City Council's term if they so desire, but at the same time the vision may change, and some action items may be delayed or cancelled. The Action Plan is not binding but it is a useful starting place for discourse before making decisions.

Mayor

Shawn Brown

Council

Dale Sherrill

Dayne Miller

Tim Lowrance

Lee Miller

David Morrow

Manager

Catherine Renbarger

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INTRODUCTION

On January 12, 2016 Claremont City Council participated in a two-hour visioning session with the intent to craft an Action Plan. With two newly elected council members, the beginning of a new calendar year and the beginning of the budget process, it was time to plan. During the course of the evening, a consensual vision of the future that could form a one-to-two-year work plan started to emerge.

Council and City Administration will be able to refer to this Action Plan in making budget decisions and carrying out City functions over the next two years. At the same time, this Action Plan is not binding, and Council directives are subject to change as situations change. Through visioning and creating an Action Plan, Council, as one body, voices a long-term vision of the future that Administration and Council strive to meet.

THE VISIONING PROCESS

During the visioning session, facilitator Anthony Starr of the Western Piedmont Council of Governments asked questions of Council. Council voted on responses to communicate priorities, and were asked the following questions:

- Key City accomplishments over the past year
- Issues and concerns for the City
- Trends and opportunities for the City
- What should the City's economic development policies look like in 5 years?
- The Jessup-Kline Building: what need of the City can be addressed?
- The City should start or do more of...
- The City should stop or do less of...

MISSION STATEMENT

Before the discussion started Council reviewed the City's Mission Statement and Core Values and made no revisions, indicating that the Council still believes in Claremont's expressed mission.

"A progressive city dedicated to preserving small town values while planning for the future."

City Council Core Values:

- Effective local, regional and state partnerships
- Excellent and cost-effective services including police, fire, rescue, and public works
- Long-term financial stability
- Planned growth and economic development
- Fiscal accountability
- Leisure and cultural activities
- Environmentally-sensible practices
- Citizen Involvement

ACTION PLAN OUTLINE AND GOALS

This Action Plan narrows Council's feedback into goals that can be accomplished within approximately the next two years. At the beginning of the visioning session the Council established that *"If everything is a priority, then nothing is a priority."* This Plan identifies the highest priorities out of the many ideas suggested on the night of January 12th. The priorities are organized into five categories.

- Attracting New Developments
- Parks, Recreation and Leisure
- Transportation
- Water & Sewer Infrastructure
- Emergency Services

The Action Plan will discuss each category.

ATTRACTING NEW DEVELOPMENT

Attracting new development is critical to ensure Claremont continues to grow and thrive as a community. During the visioning discussion, City Council listed several successes in attracting new development in the past two years, such as the Oxford Crossing Apartments, Substance Inc. and the spec building in the business park, and the Healthsmart Pharmacy. The City would like to build on these successes and attract new businesses near the interstate and downtown.

GOALS

Use public relations and marketing to attract new businesses

Aggressively market and promote development along the I-40 Exit and Centennial Boulevard Corridor

Recruit new commercial development given the new housing developments that have occurred within the past year (Oxford Crossing, Chloe Court/Villas in the Oaks)

Oversee and support the Catawba County Economic Development Corporation's (EDC's) methods of recruiting world class companies to Claremont International Business Park

Network with local landowners to discuss potential of land for commercial development

Support community with young and diverse populations

Support new housing and amenities

Participate in Catawba County's efforts to retain educated youth

Increase visibility with high school youth in hopes of retaining them in the community

Communicate with new residents, including those at Oxford Crossing

Attract industry

Form an Economic Development Advisory Group to provide input and guidance on the needs of the business community

Develop principles regarding the use of economic incentives

Revitalize downtown

Network with local landowners for redevelopment opportunities

PARKS, RECREATION, AND LEISURE

The City has emphasized recreation events during the past few years, as evidenced by the hiring of a Parks and Recreation Specialist. In addition, the City continues to focus on park upgrades and general maintenance of the park, as well as exploring ways to expand recreational offerings.

GOALS

Expand recreation programs

Further develop Claremont Daze by hosting more activities to appeal to people region-wide

Explore recreational programming for the elderly

Consider funding and building a new community center in the long term

Create Greenway Trail in Claremont by revisiting the Carolina Thread Trail Greenway Plan

Examine recreational options for the Jessup-Kline building and/or lot

Conduct a feasibility study of the Jessup-Kline building

Solicit public input to discuss options for the Jessup-Kline building and/or land: community center, event space, library, museum, concert venue, farmers market, outdoor event space, or greenway.

TRANSPORTATION

Claremont is proud to be constructing the beginning of Centennial Boulevard Extension through a public-private partnership and hopes the entire thoroughfare will be complete one day. The City's recognizes the importance of having a developed and well-connected transportation system.

GOALS

Improve sidewalks

Repair and expand sidewalk system

Continue CMAQ sidewalk project

Develop Centennial Boulevard Extension

Plan for the Centennial Boulevard Extension to reach W Main St in the future

Work with Partners to Improve Areas of Congestion

Monitor traffic along key areas to identify areas of concern

Advocate to DOT regarding action needed in congestion areas

WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE

During the visioning discussion, the City Council recognized the need for sound water and sewer infrastructure. Within the past two years, the City has made investments, such as upgrading our distribution system water meters to Automatic Meter Readers (AMR) , creating a much more efficient and accurate process. Continued investment is needed to ensure the City is prepared for future growth.

GOALS

Increase sewer capacity and plan for the future

Increase capacity at our wastewater treatment plants to ensure adequate capacity for new projects

Expand sewer coverage to existing developments without sewer

Develop and begin implementing a plan for the long-term treatment of wastewater

Conduct public relations campaign regarding water and sewer infrastructure

Use a variety of tools to communicate the importance and need for water and sewer investment and the rationale for future rate increases

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Understanding how vital public safety is to the City, the City Council has recently invested in fire, police, and rescue equipment. Examples of this investment include the purchase of a new fire truck, the hiring of a new Fire Chief, and the renovation of the Police Department building. The City plans to continue investing in this sector to enhance services.

GOAL

Expand rescue medical coverage within the City of Claremont

Maintain dialogue with Claremont Rescue Squad on how to best provide emergency services

Expand the City's response to medical calls within the City limits

IMPLEMENTATION

A plan is not significant unless it is implemented. The City Manager may refer to the Action Plan Matrix for the Action Plan’s implementation recommendations. The City Manager will be chiefly responsible for the Plan’s implementation but will rely on Council’s direction regarding the feasibility and timing of certain items. This Plan should be reanalyzed and assessed annually. While the plan is a guide for upcoming years, it is a living document that is subject to change.

ACTION PLAN MATRIX

Action Item	Time Frame	Party Responsible	Status
<i>In order of Priority; priority given to ideas that promoted developing the I-40/Centennial Blvd and aggressively marketing Claremont</i>			
Plan for the Centennial Boulevard Extension to reach W Main St in the future	5 years	Planning & Admin	ongoing
Continue CMAQ sidewalk project for Centennial Boulevard/Yount St/School St	1-2 years	NCDOT/Admin/Public Services	started
Recruit new commercial development given the new housing developments that have occurred within the past year	1-2 years	Council & Admin	started
Aggressively market and promote development along the I-40 Exit and Centennial Blvd. Corridor	1-5 years	Council & Admin	ongoing
Network with local landowners to discuss potential of land for commercial development	1-2 years	Council & Admin	started

Network with local landowners for redevelopment opportunities downtown	1-2 years	Council & Admin	ongoing
Oversee and support the Catawba County EDC's methods of recruiting companies to Claremont International Business Park	1-2 years	Admin	ongoing
Communicate with new residents, including those at Oxford Crossing	1-2 years	All staff	not started
Set policies for the use of economic incentives	1-2 years	Council & Admin	pending
Maintain dialogue with Claremont Rescue Squad on how to best provide emergency services	1-2 years	Fire	pending
Increase capacity at our wastewater treatment plants to ensure adequate capacity for new projects	1-2 years	Council & Admin & Public Services	started
Expand sewer coverage to existing developments without sewer	10 years	Council & Admin & Public Services	not started
Develop and begin implementing a plan for the long-term treatment of wastewater	1-2 years	Council & Admin & Public Services	started
Increase visibility with high school youth in hopes of retaining them in the community	1-5 years	Council & Youth Council	ongoing
Use a variety of tools to communicate the importance and need for water and sewer investment and the rationale for future rate increases	1-2 years	Council & Admin & Public Services	started
Repair sidewalks	2-4 years	Public Services	ongoing

Expand sidewalk system	5 years	Public Services	ongoing
Solicit public input to discuss Jessup-Kline options	1-2 years	Council & Admin	not started
Advocate to DOT regarding action needed in congestion areas	1-5 years	Council & Admin	ongoing
Further develop Claremont Daze by hosting more activities to appeal to people region wide	1-2 years	Parks & Recreation	ongoing
Explore recreational programming for the elderly	1-2 years	Parks & Recreation	ongoing
Consider funding and building a new community center in the long term	5 years	Council & Admin	not started
Conduct a feasibility study of the Jessup-Kline building	1-2 years	Admin	started
Create Greenway Trail in Claremont by revisiting the Carolina Thread Trail Greenway Plan	5 years	Planning & Admin	started
Form an Economic Development Advisory Group composed of citizens, company heads, and school representatives	1-2 years	Council & EDC	not started
Monitor traffic along key areas to identify areas of concern	1-2	Public Services, Police	ongoing
Support new housing and amenities	5 years	Council & Planning	ongoing
Support and participate in Catawba County's efforts to retain educated youth	1-2 years	Council & Admin	not started

#1 - KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Council members listed Claremont's accomplishments occurring since the last Action Plan in 2014. The unranked key accomplishments in the council's opinion were:

- ◇ expanding the business park
- ◇ hiring new City Manager
- ◇ providing roll-out trash and recycling
- ◇ getting a new housing development: Oxford Crossing
- ◇ hiring Parks and Recreation Director
- ◇ revamping salary and benefit package
- ◇ enabling downtown wifi
- ◇ helping retail businesses develop: Healthsmart Pharmacy is an example
- ◇ making progress with the DOT for Centennial Blvd Ext
- ◇ fostering school and community relationships
- ◇ experiencing a seamless hiring process for new City Manager
- ◇ progressing on sidewalk grants
- ◇ advertising and promotion of events
- ◇ using social media effectively
- ◇ recognizing the need for better infrastructure
- ◇ acquiring a new fire truck
- ◇ updating fire, police, and rescue facilities and equipment
- ◇ hiring new Fire Chief
- ◇ repainting and refurbishing City Hall
- ◇ maintaining city properties and Parks and Recreation properties
- ◇ making a greenway plan
- ◇ upgrading water meters
- ◇ renovating the Police Department
- ◇ upgrading the park

#2 – ISSUES AND CONCERNS

Facilitator Anthony Starr explained that every so often it is necessary to discuss negative things to create change. Council members expressed top “issues and concerns” and then voted on the most important ideas. A “1” signifies a top priority vote and a “2” signifies a second-priority vote. Ideas are listed in order from most votes received to least votes received.

<u>Idea</u>	<u>Vote Tally</u>
◇ concerns regarding rescue medical coverage south of Hwy 70	1,1,2,2,2
◇ there are still sewer capacity issues in spite of recent new developments	1,1,2
◇ there is a lack of citywide sewer	1,1,2
◇ there is a lack of citizen understanding for rate increases	2
◇ there is negative PR about new housing development-Oxford Crossing	
◇ there are complaints about Post Office hours	
◇ there is a need for downtown revitalization	
◇ there is concern about repair and expansion of sidewalks	

#3 –TRENDS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Council discussed actions the City should look towards in the future, perhaps because of geographic, demographic, or economic trends or because of other types of opportunities. Council members were given three rounds of votes for this topic. A “3” denotes a third-round vote, or third-priority ranking for certain voters, and “1’s” and “2’s” again represent first and second priorities.. The ideas in order of votes received were:

<u>Idea</u>	<u>Vote Tally</u>
◇ develop the I-40 Exit and Centennial Blvd corridor	1,1,1,1,1
◇ redevelop certain downtown properties	3,3,3
◇ provide a community center: safe gathering place, place to exercise	2,2
◇ provide programs for the aging population	2,2
◇ recruit new commercial development because of the new housing development	3,1
◇ reach out to diverse populations because of the new housing development	3,2
◇ attract a younger population and provide housing and amenities for them	2
◇ expand and build Claremont Daze and all recreation programs	3
◇ develop the Carolina Thread Trail	
◇ have attracted new businesses in business park Phase I and Phase II	
◇ have attracted world class companies	

#4 –ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

This Action Plan visioning session included an economic development discussion question because so much discussion around City Hall recently pertains to economic development. What follows are Council’s views on economic development. This topic also had three rounds of voting on priorities.

<u>Idea</u>	<u>Vote Tally</u>
◇ revisit incentive policies so not to set a bad precedent for giving incentives	1,1,1,2,2,3
◇ explore opportunities with landowners to sell land for particular opportunities	1,1,1,2
◇ aggressively market Claremont	2,2,2,3
◇ continue to work with EDC	3,3
◇ establish an Economic Development Advisory Group composed of citizens, company heads, and school representatives	3,3
◇ retain educated youth-perhaps partner with the County to do so	
◇ develop community center as Economic Development strategy; can be job training center for people with diverse needs	

#5 –JESSUP-KLINE BUILDING

While all Council members were in the same room in an informal setting they took the opportunity to discuss the Jessup-Kline building and property because they had not yet established a consensual direction regarding that City property. This is a recap of the conversation:

The main obstacles to renovating the Jessup-Kline Building are the **railroad right-of-way**, the **structural feasibility**, and the **cost**.

The property should be surveyed to see how much of the building is in the railroad right-of-way, and an engineer should produce a structural report of the building. If the building is fit for habitation, it could perhaps be used for a **community center, meeting and event space, library, museum, or indoor concert venue**. If the building must be demolished, the City could perhaps use the land for **a farmers market, outdoor even space, or greenway**.

The possible next steps are **to solicit public input and form a committee, to create a nonprofit organization**, and to **obtain cost estimates**.

#6 –CITY SHOULD START DOING OR DO MORE OF...

The question “What should the City start doing or do more of?” was intended to collect suggestions that had not been said during the “Trends and Opportunities” discussion, or to solicit other small actionable ideas. The Council put forth the following ideas:

<u>Idea</u>	<u>Vote Tally</u>
◇ promotion and marketing	1,1,1,1, 2,2
◇ increase visibility at high school to retain younger workers	2,2,2,1
◇ citizen academies; citizen participation	1
◇ attract retail	2
◇ public relations	
◇ emergency services offerings	
◇ community events year-round	

#7 –CITY SHOULD STOP DOING OR DO LESS OF...

The last question of the night was “What should the City stop doing or do less of?” The Council concluded with:

<u>Idea</u>
◇ stop letting businesses dictate incentives
◇ less worry about today; think about tomorrow
◇ stop worrying about neighbors; do what is best for Claremont
◇ ask staff what to do less of

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Catherine Renbarger, City Manager

Action Requested: Citizen Concerns

Open the floor for comments or questions from the audience.

Recommendation: No action needed

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Stephanie Corn, Finance Officer

Action Requested: Budget Transfers

Cleaning up line items before year end.

Recommendation: Informational, no action needed.



CITY OF CLAREMONT

Shawn R. Brown
Mayor

Catherine Renbarger
City Manager

4/28/2016

I, Stephanie Corn, authorize the following line transfers in the 15/16 budget.

<u>Line</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
10-5300-5300 Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 383.00	
10-5300-3200 Office Supplies		\$ 383.00
10-5300-1700 Maint. Of Vehicles	\$ 300.00	
10-5300-3100 Gas, Oil, Grease		\$ 300.00
10-5100-4500 Contracted Services	\$ 2,100.00	
10-5100-3100 Gas, Oil, Grease		\$ 2,100.00

Stephanie Corn, Finance Officer

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Open public hearing

A public hearing is needed to allow citizen input on the voluntary annexation of 3000 Frazier Drive, the future site of Substance Inc. Advertisement was published in the Observer News Enterprise on April 21, 2016.

Recommendation: Make a motion to enter into a Public Hearing

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Elinor Hiltz, City Planner

Action Requested: Resolution 26-15 Appointment to the Planning Board

The Planning Board is requesting Les Morrow be appointed to fill the unexpired term left due to the passing of Rupert Little. The term will expire 04/01/2019.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 26-15



**CITY OF CLAREMONT
NORTH CAROLINA**

RESOLUTION 26-15

APPOINTMENT TO THE CITY OF CLAREMONT PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS, there is an open seat on the City of Claremont Planning Board, due to passing of Rupert Little; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Planning Board a replacement should be made; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Planning Board has recommended Les Morrow to fill the position;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina that Les Morrow will fill the remainder of unexpired term of Rupert Little. This term shall expire 04/01/2019.

Adopted this 2nd day of May 2016.

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting: **May 2, 2016**

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Catherine Renbarger, City Manager

Action Requested: Resolution 27-15 Recommend a Member to the Catawba County Library Board

The Catawba County Library recently underwent a strategic planning process. As a result, the county has decided to seek targeted nominations for 2 of the 7 board members from branch libraries operating in the municipal districts of Claremont, Conover, Maiden and Newton. The County is now requesting to fill a vacancy with a member who lives within the City of Claremont and has asked Council to make a nomination to represent Claremont. This member would serve as an advocate for library services in our community. Nicky Setzer is willing to serve.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 27-15 and recommend Nicky Setzer as the City representative.



**CITY OF CLAREMONT
NORTH CAROLINA**

RESOLUTION 27-15

APPOINTMENT TO THE CATAWBA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, there is an open seat on the Catawba County Library Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Claremont currently has no member serving the Library Board; and

WHEREAS, the City of Claremont would like to have an advocate for library services from our community, leveraging their personnel resources and relationships to connect with the community and further the vision and mission of the Library; and

WHEREAS, the City of Claremont recommends Nicky Setzer to serve as its representative on the Catawba County Library Board of Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina that Nicky Setzer will be recommended to Catawba County as Claremont's appointed member of the Catawba County Library Board of Trustees.

Adopted this 2nd day of May 2016.

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Catherine Renbarger, City Manger

Action Requested: Resolution 28-15 Directing the City Clerk to Investigate the Petition for Voluntary Annexation

The City has received a petition from the property owners at 2897 Montclair Drive for voluntary annexation. The City Clerk is directed to investigate the sufficiency of the voluntary annexation at 2897 Montclair Drive and certify to the Claremont City Council the results of her investigation.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 28-15



**City of Claremont
North Carolina
Catawba County
Petition Requesting Annexation**

Date: 4-14-16

Catawba County Tax Parcel #(s): 37521286 7239

To the City Council of the City of Claremont:

1. I/We the undersigned owners of real property, respectfully request that the tax parcels listed above and the area described in Item 2 below be annexed to the City of Claremont. Furthermore I/we do declare and certify that all legal owners of real property in the annexation area have signed this petition in Item 3 below.

2. The area to be annexed is (choose one):
 - Contiguous to the primary corporate limits to the City of Claremont. A complete and accurate legal description of the property and a recently prepared survey map are attached.

OR

 - Not contiguous to the primary corporate limits of the City of Claremont. A complete and accurate legal description of the property and a recently prepared survey map are attached. In addition, I/we certify that:
 - (A) The nearest point of the property to be annexed is no more than three miles from the primary corporate limits of the City of Claremont; and
 - (B) No Point of the property to be annexed is closer to the primary corporate limits of another city than to the primary corporate limits of the City of Claremont; and
 - (C) The property to be annexed is not a subdivision as defined by N.C.G.S. 160A-376 or if it is that the entire subdivision as defined by this statute is included in the proposed annexation area.

3. I/we acknowledge that any zoning vested rights acquired pursuant to G.G. 160A-385.1 or G.S. 153A-344.1 must be declared and identified on this petition. I/we further acknowledge that failure to declare such rights on this petition shall result in a termination of vested rights previously acquired for the property. If zoning vested rights are claimed, indicate below and attach proof. (Copy of a valid building permit, CUP, etc.)

Name (Please type or print)	Address (Please type or print)	Vested Rights?*	Signature
		Yes or No	
Todd R Holland	PO Box 604 Lincolnton NC 28093	No	<i>Todd R Holland</i>
Rebecca P Holland	PO Box 604 Lincolnton NC 28093	NO	<i>Rebecca P Holland</i>

* If you answer yes, you must attach a detailed description of the right you are claiming; otherwise you will forfeit this right within the City

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**CITY OF CLAREMONT
NORTH CAROLINA**

RESOLUTION 28-15

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLERK TO INVESTIGATE A PETITION
RECEIVED UNDER G.S. 160A-31**

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of an area in said petition was received on April 18, 2016 by the Claremont City Council; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-31 provides that the sufficiency of the petition shall be investigated by the City Clerk before further annexation proceedings may take place; and

WHEREAS, the Claremont City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina deems it advisable to proceed in response to this request for annexation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina that:

The City Clerk is hereby directed to investigate the sufficiency of the above described petition and to certify as soon as possible to the Claremont City Council the results of her investigation.

Adopted this 2nd day of May 2016.

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk



**CITY OF CLAREMONT
NORTH CAROLINA**

CERTIFICATION OF SUFFICIENCY

To the Claremont City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina:

I, Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk, do hereby certify that I have investigated the petition attached hereto and have found as a fact that said petition is signed by all owners of real property lying in the area described therein, in accordance with G.S. 160A-31.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Claremont, this 2nd day of May, 2016.

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Resolution 29-15 Call for Public Hearing

City Council will call for a Public hearing on Monday June 6, 2016 to get citizen input on the voluntary annexation of 2879 Montclair Drive.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 29-15

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Ordinance 15-15 Extend the Corporate City Limits at 3000 Frazier Drive

A voluntary annexation petition was received March 2, 2016. Investigation of sufficiency was completed and found to be sufficient. Advertisement was published in the Observer News Enterprise on April 21, 2016, to call for a public hearing. Said public hearing was held on Monday, May 2, 2016. Staff recommends approving Ordinance 15-15 to extend the corporate city limits to include 3000 Frazier Drive.

Recommendation: Approve Ordinance 15-15 to Extend the Corporate City Limits to include 3000 Frazier Drive.



**CITY OF CLAREMONT
NORTH CAROLINA**

ORDINANCE # 11-15

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF
CLAREMONT, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, the Claremont City Council has been petitioned under G.S. 160A-31 to annex the area described below; and

WHEREAS, the Claremont City Council has by resolution directed the City Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of the petition; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk has certified the sufficiency of the petition and a public hearing on the question of this annexation was held at Claremont City Hall at 7 p.m. on May 2, 2016, after due notice of publication on April 21, 2016; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Claremont City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina that:

Section 1. By virtue of the authority granted by G.S. 160A-31, the following described territory is hereby annexed and made part of the City of Claremont as of May 2, 2016:

Beginning at a point in the 60' Right of Way of Frazier Drive and running from said beginning point North 08 degrees 41 minutes 48 seconds West 59.80 feet to an existing 7/8" pipe being the north eastern corner of the City of Claremont (Deed Book 2214, Page 1060); thence North 08 degrees 31 minutes 55 seconds West 210.28 feet to an existing 7/8" pipe being a corner of William E. Bailey (Deed Book 760, Page 568); thence with the line of Carol H. Hipps (Deed Book 3095, Page 1140), North 08 degrees 32 minutes 54 seconds West 230.81 feet to an existing 7/8" pipe the same being a corner of Carol H. Hipps; thence with the line of William A. Poling (Deed Book 3249, Page 1474) North 13 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds West 143.67 feet to a point; thence along the line of Donna D. Huffman (Deed Book 2906, Page 1613) North 08 degrees 41 minutes 04 seconds East 337.75 feet to a point in the line of Elizabeth A. Smyre (Deed Book 984, Page 416); thence with the line of Elizabeth A. Smyre, South 70 degrees 21 minutes 41 seconds East 309.56 feet to an existing 7/8" iron rod; thence continuing along the line of Elizabeth A. Smyre, North 80 degrees 19 minutes 45 seconds East 469.80 feet to 1/2" rebar set; thence with the line of Hickory Springs MFG Co. (Deed Book 1414, Page 927) the following 7 calls: (1) South 38 degrees 01 minutes 54 seconds East 63.66 feet to a calculated point; (2) South 31 degrees 15 minutes 32 seconds East 40.91 feet to a calculated point; (3) South 34 degrees 41 minutes 34 seconds East 64.47 feet to a calculated point; (4) South 37 degrees 34 minutes 11 seconds East 58.84 feet to a calculated point; (5) South 31 degrees 44 minutes 42 seconds East 33.34 feet to a calculated point; (6) South 57 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds West 99.68 feet to an existing 1 1/4" iron pipe; (7) South 27 degrees 54 minutes 06 seconds East 538.75 feet to a point in Frazier Drive; thence with Frazier Drive a curve with a radius of 370.00 feet and Arc of 41.27 feet a chord of South 75 degrees 28 minutes 22 seconds West 41.25 feet; thence with Frazier Drive, South 78 degrees 40 minutes 06 seconds West 930.67 feet to a point; thence a curve to the right with a radius of 369.96 feet an Arc of 63.48 feet and a chord of South 83 degrees 35 minutes 02 seconds West 63.40 feet to the point and place of beginning and containing 17.65 acres, more

or less, according to survey entitled "Boundary and Topographical Survey For Substance, Inc." dated August 4, 2015 by Fox Surveying Company P. C. and bearing reference to Drawing # 542-D.

Section 2. Upon and after May 2, 2016, the above described territory and its citizens and property shall be subject to all debts, laws, ordinances and regulations in force in the City of Claremont and shall be entitled to the same privileges and benefits as other parts of the City of Claremont. Said territory shall be subject to municipal taxes according to G.S. 160A-58.10.

Section 3. The Mayor of the City of Claremont shall cause to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Catawba County, and in the office of the Secretary of State at Raleigh, North Carolina, an accurate map of the annexed territory, described in Section 1 above, together with a duly certified copy of this ordinance. Such a map shall also be delivered to the County Board of Elections, as required by G.S. 163-288.1.

Adopted this 2nd day of May, 2016.

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk

Robert Grant, City Attorney



North Carolina, Catawba County

I, _____ a Notary Public of the county and state aforesaid, certify that Mayor Shawn R. Brown and City Clerk Wendy L. Helms personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument. Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this ____ day of _____, 2016.

Notary Public

My Commission expires: _____

(Seal)

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Catherine Renbarger, City Manger

Action Requested: Resolution 30-15 Directing the City Clerk to Investigate the Petition for Voluntary Annexation

The City has received a petition from the property owners at 2681 Heart Drive for voluntary annexation. The City Clerk is directed to investigate the sufficiency of the voluntary annexation at 2681 Heart Drive and certify to the Claremont City Council the results of her investigation.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 30-15



**City of Claremont
North Carolina
Catawba County
Petition Requesting Annexation**

Date: 4-20-110

Catawba County Tax Parcel #(s): 375107699403

To the City Council of the City of Claremont:

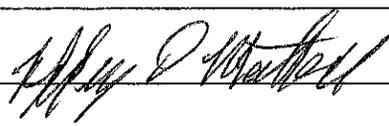
1. I/We the undersigned owners of real property, respectfully request that the tax parcels listed above and the area described in Item 2 below be annexed to the City of Claremont. Furthermore I/we do declare and certify that all legal owners of real property in the annexation area have signed this petition in Item 3 below.

2. The area to be annexed is (choose one):
 - Contiguous to the primary corporate limits to the City of Claremont. A complete and accurate legal description of the property and a recently prepared survey map are attached.

OR

 - Not contiguous to the primary corporate limits of the City of Claremont. A complete and accurate legal description of the property and a recently prepared survey map are attached. In addition, I/we certify that:
 - (A) The nearest point of the property to be annexed is no more than three miles from the primary corporate limits of the City of Claremont; and
 - (B) No Point of the property to be annexed is closer to the primary corporate limits of another city than to the primary corporate limits of the City of Claremont; and
 - (C) The property to be annexed is not a subdivision as defined by N.C.G.S. 160A-376 or if it is that the entire subdivision as defined by this statute is included in the proposed annexation area.

3. I/we acknowledge that any zoning vested rights acquired pursuant to G.G. 160A-385.1 or G.S. 153A-344.1 must be declared and identified on this petition. I/we further acknowledge that failure to declare such rights on this petition shall result in a termination of vested rights previously acquired for the property. If zoning vested rights are claimed, indicate below and attach proof. (Copy of a valid building permit, CUP, etc.)

Name (Please type or print)	Address (Please type or print)	Vested Rights?*	Signature
		Yes or No	
<u>Mattak Properties LLC</u>	<u>2168 Heart Dr Claremont</u>	<u>NO</u>	

* If you answer yes, you must attach a detailed description of the right you are claiming; otherwise you will forfeit this right within the City



**CITY OF CLAREMONT
NORTH CAROLINA**

RESOLUTION 30-15

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLERK TO INVESTIGATE A PETITION
RECEIVED UNDER G.S. 160A-31**

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of an area in said petition was received on April 20, 2016 by the Claremont City Council; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-31 provides that the sufficiency of the petition shall be investigated by the City Clerk before further annexation proceedings may take place; and

WHEREAS, the Claremont City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina deems it advisable to proceed in response to this request for annexation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina that:

The City Clerk is hereby directed to investigate the sufficiency of the above described petition and to certify as soon as possible to the Claremont City Council the results of her investigation.

Adopted this 2nd day of May 2016.

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk



**CITY OF CLAREMONT
NORTH CAROLINA**

CERTIFICATION OF SUFFICIENCY

To the Claremont City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina:

I, Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk, do hereby certify that I have investigated the petition attached hereto and have found as a fact that said petition is signed by all owners of real property lying in the area described therein, in accordance with G.S. 160A-31.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Claremont, this 2nd day of May, 2016.

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Resolution 31-15 Call for Public Hearing

City Council will call for a Public hearing on Monday June 6, 2016 to get citizen input on the voluntary annexation of 2681 Heart Drive.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution 31-15



**CITY OF CLAREMONT
NORTH CAROLINA**

RESOLUTION 31-15

**RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON QUESTION OF
ANNEXATION PURSUANT TO G.S. 160A-31**

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of the area described herein has been received; and

WHEREAS, the Claremont City Council has by resolution directed the City Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of the petition; and

WHEREAS, certification by the City Clerk as to the sufficiency of the petition has been made;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Claremont, North Carolina that:

Beginning at a 3/8" iron rebar (found) in the line of the property of One Heart Drive, LLC acquired by deed recorded in Book 2394, Page 723, which iron rebar is located South 62 degree 52' 19" West 970.05 feet from a mag nail set in the centerline of the intersection of U.S. Highway 70 and Heart Drive; thence with the lone of One Heart Drive South 25degree 37'34" East 559.42 feet to a 1" iron pipe (found), the southwestern corner of the property of One Heart Drive and the Northern corner of the property of J-Mar Investments acquired by deed recorded in Book 1530, Page 914; thence a new line South 61 degree 51'42" West 743.60 feet in a 1/2" iron rebar (set); thence a new line North 25 degree 37'34" West 505.61 feet to a 1/2" iron rebar set; thence North 25 degree 37'34" West 50.52 feet to a point in the center of the 200' right of way (claimed) of Southern Railroad; thence with the center of the right of way of the railroad North 56 degree 09'38" East 213.46 feet to a point in the line of the property of Craig A. Ballard and Vickie L. Ballard acquired by deed recorded in Book 2198, Page 1551; thence with the line of Ballard North 25 degree 38' 48" West 145.20 feet to a 1/2" iron rebar found located in the southern margin of Conover Boulevard, said point also being in the line of Tract 2 of the property of June H. Drum Heirs acquired by deed recorded in Book 2013, Page 1872; thence with the center of Conover Boulevard E and the southern line of Tract 2 North 68 degree 11' 26" East 129.62 feet to a point in the eastern line of Tract 3 of the property of June H. Drum Heirs acquired by deed recorded in Book 2013, page 1872; thence with the western line of Tract 3 South 05 degree 01' 40" East 31.33 feet to a 1/2" iron rebar found; thence South 05 degree 01' 40" East 137.90 feet to a point in the center of the railroad right-of-way, the southwest corner of Tract 3; thence with the center of the railroad right-of-way and the southern line of Tract 3 North 57 degree 33' 04" East 198.00 feet to a point, a common corner of Tract 3 and Tract 4 of the June H. Drum Heirs property acquired by deed recorded in Book 2013, page 1872; thence continuing with the center of the railroad right- of-way and the southern line of Tract 4 North 60 degree 27' 14" East 110.00 feet to a point, a common corner to the property of Teng Yang and Ker Vaug acquired by deed recorded in Book 2464, Page 1706; thence continuing with the center of the railroad right-of-way and the southern line of Yang and Vaug for three calls: (1) North 61 degree 57' 23" East 137.90 feet to a point ; (2) North 61 degree 57' 23" East 20.61 feet to a point; and (3) North 63 degree 10' 31" East 9.41 feet to a point the northwestern corner of the property of One Heart Drive, LLC; thence with the western line of One Heart Drive South 25 degree 37' 34" East 40.54 feet to a 3/8" iron rebar (found), the point of Beginning, and containing 10.358 acres, more or less , according to a survey

entitled "Survey for Matlock Properties LLC" dated June 15, 2011, revised July 13, 2011 by Teddy E. Sharpe, PLS, of Miller Surveying Inc., to which survey reference is hereby made for greater certainty of description

Section 3. Notice of the public hearing shall be published in Observer News Enterprise, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Claremont, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing.

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Wendy L. Helms, City Clerk

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Stephanie Corn, Finance Officer

Action Requested: Ordinance 16-15 Amend the FY 15-16 Budget

Ordinance 16-15 will better align line items for the end of year. This amendment is a result of the need to purchase a server at City Hall and higher than anticipated solid waste cost.

Recommendation: Approve Ordinance 16-15



Council of the City of Claremont

Catawba County, North Carolina

Ordinance 16-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT AMENDING THE CLAREMONT
MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

General Fund

	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Solid Waste 10-540-4900	\$ 5,283.00	
Insurance & Bonds 10-5450-5400		\$ 3,283.00
Natural Gas 10-5450-1300		\$ 1,000.00
Building and Grounds 10-5450-1500		\$ 1,000.00
Engineering 10-4200-0450		\$ 6,000.00
OSHA Mandates 10-4200-0470		\$ 500.00
Maintenance of Equipment 10-4200-1600		\$ 500.00
Small Tools & Equipment 10-4200-3310	\$ 7,000.00	
	<u>\$ 12,283.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,283.00</u>

INTRODUCED at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Claremont on April 4, 2016.

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Claremont on April 4, 2016.

Attested:

Shawn. R Brown, Mayor

Wendy Helms, City Clerk

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Wendy Helms, City Clerk

Action Requested: Change Location of June 2016 Council Meeting

On Tuesday, June 7th the Catawba County Board of Elections will be conducting the Congressional Primary Election. Due to this election the election board will need to use the council chambers on Monday, June 6th.

Recommendation: Change the location of the June 6, 2016 meeting to the Claremont Fire Department.

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting: May 2, 2016

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Catherine Renbarger, City Manager

Action Requested: Approve Ordinance 17-15 Amending FY2015-2016 Budget

In late 2014, the Council granted the authority for the City to apply for a NC Department Building Reuse Grant for Prysmian Cables and Systems USA. In early 2015, the City was officially awarded the grant. Prysmian has now met the requirements of the grant and money is ready to be disbursed. This ordinance amends the budget to account for the \$160,000 the City will receive from the NC Department of Commerce and then grant to Prysmian.

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance 17-15

City Council of the City of Claremont

Catawba County, North Carolina

Ordinance No. 17-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT AMENDING CLAREMONT
MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS
FOLLOWS:

General Fund

	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
<u>Revenues</u>		
NC Commerce Grant		
10.3480.0501	\$160,000	
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Total	\$160,000	
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Economic Dev Grant		
10.8200.8900	\$160,000	
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Total	\$160,000	

INTRODUCED at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Claremont on
May 2, 2016.

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Claremont on
May 2, 2016.

Shawn R. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Wendy Helms, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bob Grant, City Attorney

Claremont April 2016 Dashboard Report

Police Dept.			Fire Dept.			Financials		
	Month	YTD		Month	YTD		% In	% Out
Calls Answered	584	2239	Calls for Service	11	95	General Fund	91%	75%
Citations Served	111	492	Working Fires	3	9	Water/Sewer Fund	90%	56%
Warnings	48	233	Training Hours	64	851			
Number of Arrests	17	48	Prevention Programs	4	50	Rescue Squad		
Accidents	4	21	Structural Responses	4	24		Month	YTD
Warrants	33	95	EMS Calls	5	27	Calls for Service	66	358
Open Cases	6	17				Training Hours	57	255
Other Activities & Announcements			Other Activities & Announcements			Other Activities & Announcements		
Capt. Long and Lt. Clark spoke with a womens group at Bethlehem Church about Senior Safety. Capt. Long and Ofcr. Kirby assisted with a search for a missing person in Davie County.						Thanks to everyone who came out and supported the 16th Annual Pig Picking and Poker Run. Summer Jones and Eric Jones participated in the event at Claremont Elementary on April 22, 2016. The new ambulance is in and we hope to bring it to the next Council Meeting.		
Public Works			Utility Dept.			Planning & Zoning Dept.		
	Month	YTD		Month	YTD		Month	YTD
Vehicles Serviced	15	59	Water Turned Off	9	37	Total Zoning Permits	1	6
Recycling Tons- Mar 2016	8.68	25.67	Water Taps	0	1	Commercial Projects	0	0
Solid Waste Tonnage	46.43	158.53	Water Purchased		16,102,720	New Dwelling Units	1	2
Street Lights Replaced	6	39	Water Sold		13,896,428	Customers w/ Inquiries	2	32
Work Orders	38	109	McLin WWTP Avg.		352,900	New Plats Reviewed	1	2
Sewer Line Jetted	1,014	7,109	North WWTP Avg.		301,000	Plng Brd Agenda Items	4	14
Other Activities & Announcements			Other Activities & Announcements			Other Activities & Announcements		
Received quotes for road repairs. Kelly Blvd water tank maintenace is scheduled to begin.			Continuing to work on inflow and infiltration of the sewer system. Smoke testing to begin on the system.			Water/Sewer and future land use reseach for comprehensive plan. Code enforcement drive arounds.		

Code Enforcement Report
May, 2016

<u>Property Owner</u>	<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Status</u>
Jonathan Miller	3060 Oak St	unfinished house	Owner has spoken with Catawba County Building Inspections, turned the power on, and will pressure wash this week. Will call him again at the end of May.
Gregory Baer	2983 Montclair Dr	junk vehicles	Owner missed deadline to move car to driveway. City is investigating next steps
Janice Salyers	2730 E US Hwy 70	outdoor storage-Tim's Towing	Sent notice of violation on Apr 25 with May 9 deadline
Stanford Furniture	2860 N Oxford St	van without tags	Landowner was not given a deadline but said he would have the van towed. Will remind him again shortly.

Products by Project

Landscaping

Playground

All Products

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Rubberific® Timber

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Rubberific® Mat

Rubberific® Splash Block

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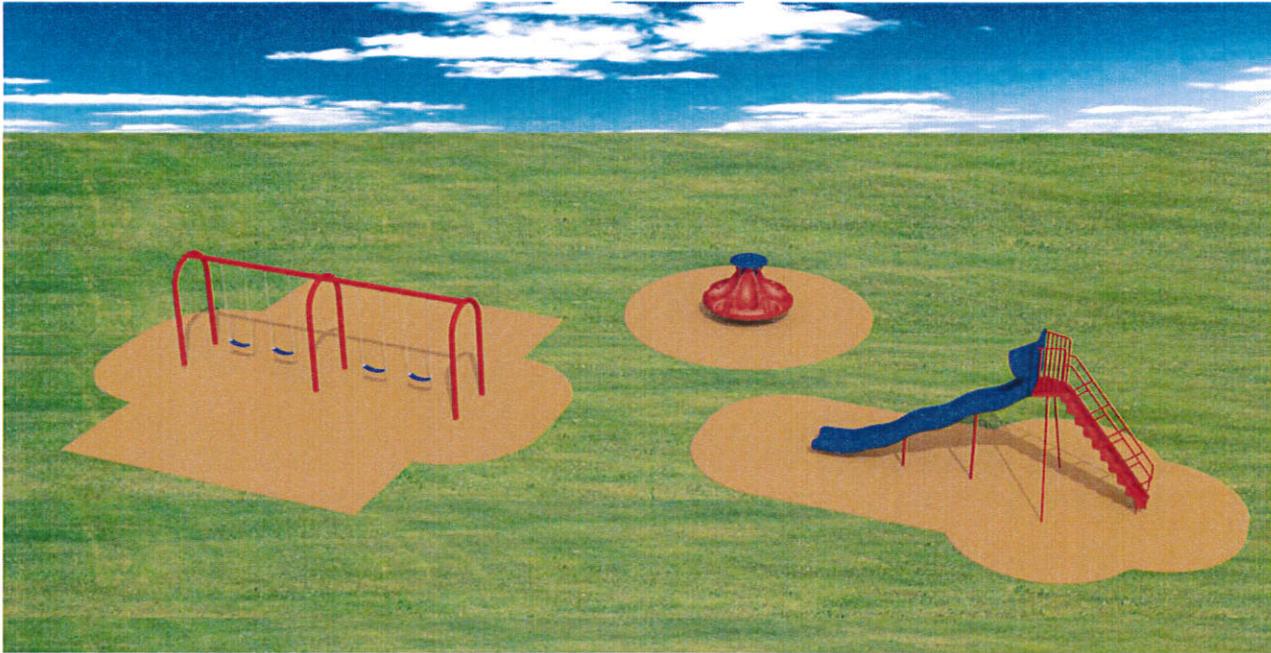
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CLAREMONT NORTH CAROLINA

Recreation Meeting Minutes

April 5th 2016

Members present: **Michael Orders, Henry Helton, Danny Hedrick, Kendra Hedrick, Roger Shook**

- The meeting began with telling the Committee about National Day of Pray event that will be held at City Hall May 5th 2016
- The City wide yard sale was announced to be held on May 7th 2016. Henry noted that the Friends of Library wouldn't be attending.
- For the Memorial Day Service Henry said he would contact the Bugle player from the American Legion to play TAPS.
- Michael spoke about "Movie night in the park". Possible starting out with 2 (Kids night), (Youth night). If we wanted to do more that was possible. These would start around June.
- As a committee we discussed an event for July 4th weekend. The committee would like to see a Buggy/ATV parade leading to the park. At the park the event would host Games, Food Vendors, and Car show. Also if available a band to play that evening. Details are still being discussed.
- Roger asked about having homemade Ice Cream truck (Regular Vendor at Claremont Daze) to join us and sell during the event.
- Kendra stated she would contact Myra's in Valdese (They host a car show) to see if she can find contact information.
- Danny said he would reach out to rescue squad to see if they would like to cook hotdogs.
- Michael brought up Touch-a-truck. The committee was asked if they would like to do the event or try something new this year. Instead of doing Touch-a-truck we discussed doing a water day in the park. This would include: Water Slide, Food vendors, games
- Henry suggested we get all the bands advertisement start ASAP
- Danny asked for a flyer to give out to other municipalities for Claremont Daze
- Kendra asked about advertising on Joy FM and The Big Dawg (92.1 FM)
- Henry had a concern about the Folk art in Newton being at the same time as Claremont Daze. He was notified that the lady over the day's events of the Folk art had been contacting and there would be advertising for Claremont Daze at the Folk Art festival.

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date of Meeting:

To: Mayor and the City Council

From: Catherine Renbarger

Action Requested: Closed Session

Staff is requesting a closed session in reference to G.S. 143-318.11(4) Economic Development.

Recommendation: Make a motion to go into a closed session.