



# Board of Commissioners Work Session Agenda

Monday, September 19, 2016 –5:00 p.m.

Wake County Justice Center, Conference Room 2800

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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Chair James West

- I. Wake County Economic Development: Strategies in Targeted Growth Areas –**  
*Adrienne Cole, Wake County Economic Development Director; Sara Lawrence, Program Director, Innovation Led Economic Growth, RTI; and Michael Hogan, Economic Development Analyst, RTI*

The Wake County Board of Commissioners has identified economic development in vulnerable communities as a priority issue. In May 2016, Commissioners requested that Wake County Economic Development engage a consultant to conduct a best practices analysis of what economic development organizations around the country are doing to aid targeted growth communities. This research was to identify best practices that are driving investment into Targeted Growth Areas and job creation for residents in these communities. The Board will also receive a presentation on the findings of this research.

**Action Requested:** That the Board of Commissioners receives the information from RTI and provides feedback on potential efforts in economic development.

**Attachments:**

1. Presentation/Report
2. Commissioner ED Priorities sorted by WCED with additional context