



# Board of Commissioners Growth, Land Use and Environment Committee Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 9, 2018 – 10:00 am

Wake County Justice Center, Conference Room 2800

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**Committee Members:** John Burns, Chair  
Sig Hutchinson, Vice-Chair  
Matt Calabria

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** John Burns, Chair

**I. Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Growth, Land Use and Environment (GLUE) Committee meeting on 3-12-2018.**

**II. Item Title: Update on County Financing for Subdivision Roadway Improvements**

*Tim Maloney, ASLA, PLA - Planning, Development and Inspections Director*

Item Summary: In January, the County received petitions from Mallard Crossing subdivision and Rose Hall subdivision requesting County financing to improve their subdivision roads for acceptance into the NCDOT maintained highway system. Both petitions were submitted in accordance with State law. At the March 12<sup>th</sup> GLUE Committee meeting, staff presented the initial details of both requests and facilitated discussion on possible financing scenarios. Staff will provide an update on the two projects.

Attachments:

1. Presentation on County Financing for Subdivision Roadway Improvements

**III. Item Title: Wake County Comprehensive Plan**

*Tim Maloney, ASLA, PLA - Planning, Development and Inspections Director*

Item Summary: The Wake County FY18 budget funds Wake County's first ever Comprehensive Plan to help guide future growth and development. This effort will include updating our current land use plan and development policies while incorporating other master planning efforts by the County including parks & recreation, open space, greenways, affordable housing, transit/transportation, economic development, farmland preservation, and a variety of other elements. To accomplish this effort, the County has engaged a consultant team experienced in preparing these types of plans. Staff will present an overview of the project scope and milestones.

Attachments:

1. Presentation on Comprehensive Plan Update



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**IV. Item Title:    *For Information Only – An Act to Establish a Season for Taking Coyotes and Foxes with Weapons and Trapping***

*Brian Lisenby – State Trappers Association Representative*

*Item Summary:* For information only, the State Trappers Association will present an overview of their advocacy for a new law that establishes a season for taking coyotes and foxes with weapons and trapping. Their position is that implementing this local trapping and hunting bill will proactively increase options available to landowners to prevent or resolve fox and coyote related conflicts.

*Attachments:*

1. Presentation
2. Sample Letter to County Managers
3. Sample Resident Support Letter
4. Fox Coyote Populations
5. County Law Brochure
6. Fox Harvest Seasons
7. Draft Bill

**V. Item Title:    *Wake County Native Plants Initiative***

*Eric Staehle – Senior Facilities Project Manager*

*Item Summary:* The rapid growth experienced by the Triangle brings with it numerous development concerns. One concern, often overlooked, is the loss of the natural landscaping in exchange for horticultural and non-native varieties of plants in the landscape. Some of these varieties, which are invasive, can quickly take over our native landscape. At the March 12<sup>th</sup> GLUE Committee meeting, Chris Snow (PROS Director) and Tom Earnhardt (Public TV's Exploring North Carolina) presented an overview of the current concerns of landscapes associated with new development as well as the benefits of a native landscape. FDC staff will present information on the current Wake County Government standards for new Wake County facilities as well as sharing a process for moving forward with developing a more thorough set of guidelines and criteria for using native plantings on all Wake County Government projects.

*Attachments:*

1. Wake County Native Plants Initiative Presentation



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**VI. Item Title: Energy Design and Management Guideline Update and Request of Adoption**

*David L. Goodwin, Director — General Services Administration*

Item Summary: The Wake County Board of Commissioners established the Citizens Advisory Energy Commission in 1978 to promote conservation of energy in Government, Industry and the Home. The Board of Commissioners approved the Energy Conservation and Management Policy in 1992 that established the first energy guideline and authorized the County Manager to update the guideline. The Board of Commissioners endorsed the Paris Climate Agreement in 2017 to support continued efforts toward sustainability and reduction of greenhouse gases. The Wake County General Services Administration (GSA) department serves as staff to the Commission and, as charged by the Board of Commissioners in 2015, reviewed and reported on 1) supporting advisory groups and their missions, 2) Wake County's Energy status among its peer groups, and 3) the update of its Energy Design and Management Guideline to address Energy Management as a key component of Sustainability.

This presentation provides the GLUE Committee an overview of the Guideline, Key Changes to the Guideline, and Guideline Partners. Request consensus for Adoption of the Energy Design and Management Guideline effective May 1, 2018.

Attachments:

1. *Energy Guidelines Presentation*

**VII. Item Title: 2018 Solid Waste Action Plan**

*John Roberson, P. E. – Solid Waste Director*

Item Summary: Based upon feedback from the GLUE during 2016 and early 2017 the Solid Waste Division has developed an annual Solid Waste Action Plan. The 2017 version was presented in March of 2017. The Action Plan addresses Board goals for landfill longevity, litter reduction and improved recycling. This presentation will put together all the current and planned initiatives on one chart for review by the GLUE.

Attachments:

1. 2018 Solid Waste Action Plan Chart



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**VIII. Item Title: Franchise Feasibility Study**  
*John Roberson, P. E. – Solid Waste Director*

*Item Summary:* Based upon feedback provided by the GLUE at the November 2016 meeting, the Solid Waste Division (SWD) investigated the feasibility of establishing solid waste franchise(s) for waste/recycling curbside service in the unincorporated portions of Wake County with the assistance of a consultant. The attached report was presented at the May 2017 GLUE Committee meeting and included a neighborhood survey and results, a summary of the pros and cons of establishing franchises, a benchmarking of other communities that have established franchises and recommendations on next steps. The physical survey was of 10 neighborhoods and the waste and recycling services that were active in those neighborhoods. The survey was completed without seeking responses from the homeowners, but simply by observation by riding the neighborhood once daily for 2 consecutive weeks.

At the request of the GLUE in May of 2017, staff sent out written surveys to the residents of the same 10 neighborhoods to seek answers to questions regarding how much does their curbside service cost, who provides the service and their satisfaction with the services. This presentation will provide an update to the original study, as well as present the results of the survey.

*Attachments:*

1. Franchise Feasibility Presentation
2. Franchise Feasibility Technical Memorandum (April 27, 2017)
3. Resident Trash & Recycling Survey – Summary of Findings (October 30, 2017)

**IX. Next Steps**

**X. New Business**