

SWCAC meetings
2nd Mondays
7:00 p.m.
Carolina Pines
Community Center
2305 Lake Wheeler Rd.
831-6435

Chairperson:
Mary Belle Pate
772-9460

Community Specialist:
Rebecca J. Brown
831-6100

R.J.Brown@ci.raleigh.nc.us

City Council Office:
890-3050

City Manager's Office:
890-3070

Raleigh Police (District 26)
831-6170

Police Non-Emergency:
831-6311

Crime Prevention:
831-6740

Crime Stoppers:
834-4357

Parks and Recreation
NickyBrewster
831-6435

Trash Pick-up Troubles
831-6194

Potholes
831-6446

Graffiti Hotline:
831-6001

graffiti@ci.raleigh.nc.us

Gang Tip Hotline
890-3904

Next meeting: Monday, October 8, 2007

Carolina Pines Community Center
2305 Lake Wheeler Road
7:00 p.m.



AGENDA

1. Raleigh Police Department report – Officer Upchurch
2. Parks and Recreation Department report – Nicky Brewster
3. Inspections report and issues – Jerry Mahler, City of Raleigh Housing Inspector
4. A major issue that affects every person in our CAC area - the update of the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Raleigh – James Brantley will give us an overview of the update and tell us how we can get involved in planning what is best for our part of the city – streets, zoning categories, McMansions, etc.
5. Two parks – one we have and one we hope to have. Several members of our CAC attended the September Neighborhood Exchange and were inspired by the Friday evening speaker, Jim Diers, author of Neighborhood Power: Building Community the Seattle Way. Now everyone who comes to this October CAC meeting is going to participate in developing neighborhood power as we discuss what we want to see happening at Eliza Pool Park and the park we hope to have in the near future at the corner of Lineberry and Sierra.
6. Old and new Business

A note to everyone: At the September CAC meeting, Officer Upchurch encouraged all citizens to report crimes occurring in their neighborhoods. She also said that when we report a crime, the officer will ask many questions as he/she processes our information. When an officer contacts any person who reports a crime, he asks many questions in order to have all relevant information. Those questions include much information about the person reporting the crime. Such questions include: date of birth, Social Security number, employer, etc., as well as information about the crime itself. All this is necessary now for all of us, in part because some people have made false claims and wasted valuable police time (somewhat like having to give identification when writing a check because of the number of people who write bad checks). Information taken is kept in confidence.



City of Raleigh Community Development Department Annual Performance Report

Notice of Availability for Comment: CAPER

The City of Raleigh's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) will be available for citizen comment for the period of August 27 to September 14, 2007. This report will summarize how the City utilized Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME, and City funding in carrying out its approved housing and community development strategy from 7/1/06 - 6/30/07. The CAPER will be distributed to the City Clerk's office, and a summary will be available on the website, www.raleighnc.gov, under the Community Development home page and from the Community Development Department, 310 West Martin Street, Suite 101. Citizens will have until September 14, 2007 to review and submit written comments. Comments can be sent to the Community Development Department, P.O. Box 590, Raleigh, NC 27602. To request a copy, email Ana.Kimsey@ci.raleigh.nc.us or call 857-4330 (voice) or 890-3107 (TDD).

2008-09 Action Plan

The City of Raleigh will follow the adopted Citizen Participation Plan to complete the 2008-09 planning process. The Community Development Department (CD) will conduct several public meetings to access public and stakeholder input on housing and community development needs in Raleigh and comments on the draft Plan when it is developed. CD proposes to conduct a public meeting on **November 8, 2007** to get citizen input on needs and comment on the operation of existing programs. A public hearing will be held in April 2008 in the City Council Chambers.



Community Services Department



2007 Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange

The 4th Annual Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange was held on September 14 - 15, 2007 at the McKimmon Center, N.C. State University. The event was a huge success with over 150 citizens in attendance! We look forward to your attendance at next year's conference.

New Neighborhood Improvement Grants 2007

Beginning July 1, 2007, changes have been made to the neighborhood grant program. The revised program now makes available grants of up to \$2500 for the purpose of neighborhood improvement. Grants are only available to registered neighborhood associations within the defined low to moderate income areas. The program seeks to empower and strengthen neighborhoods while fostering an enhanced sense of community within Raleigh neighborhoods. For details call 831-6117 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.



Now accepting applications for Spring 2008 Leadership Institute

The Citizens Participation Leadership Institute is a program offered by the City of Raleigh and Shaw University. The Fall 2007 session began on September 6 at the historic *Estey Hall on the campus of Shaw University*. Classes are free of charge and meet on Thursdays from 6 - 9 p.m. with dinner served each session in the Shaw University cafeteria. The Community Services Department is now accepting applications for the Spring 2008 classes. You can obtain an application on line at www.raleigh-nc.org, contact Kevin Smith at 831-6117 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

Spring 2008 Registration Opens for Raleigh Neighborhood College

The Neighborhood College is a program offered by the City of Raleigh in partnership with Wake County. The Fall 2007 session will began on September 6th with **a new partnership with Peace College**. 25 participants are receiving in-depth information on the services provided by City of Raleigh and Wake County governments. Classes are free of charge and meet on Thursdays from 6 - 9 p.m. with a light dinner served each session in the Peace College cafeteria. Only 25 students are accepted per session. For more details, including brochure or application, contact 831-6095 or e-mail Charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us.



Neighborhood Association Registry

This program enhances citizen involvement by providing communication and partnering between various neighborhood organizations in the City of Raleigh, its extraterritorial jurisdiction and City government. The City desires to identify and support existing neighborhood organizations, while encouraging and assisting new neighborhood groups. Our ultimate objective is empowerment of neighborhoods. If you are a member of a Raleigh neighborhood organization, (neighborhood association, garden club, homeowners association, community watch program, etc.) we encourage you to contact your neighborhood leaders and have them complete a Neighborhood Association Registry application. For details call 831-6117 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

Citizen Area Liaisons

Citizen Area Liaisons act as a liaison between neighborhood residents and any organization, agency, and resource, including but not limited to the City of Raleigh. Duties include arranging neighborhood meetings (on an as - needed basis), leading neighborhood discussions on issues facing the area, reporting necessary information to appropriate resources and sharing information and ideas with other area leaders. See your neighborhood improve and thrive over a period of time and gain satisfaction and pride by knowing that you helped to bring about those changes. For more information, contact Luis Olivieri-Robert at 831-6099 or e-mail Luis.olivieri-robert@ci.raleigh.nc.us or Sheila Lynch at 831-6136 or e-mail sheila.lynch@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

New Video Shines Spotlight on Waste Services

Have you ever wondered where your bottles and cans go after they leave your recycling bin? Are you curious why yard waste isn't allowed in your garbage cart? Learn the answers to these questions—and more—by watching “All about Solid Waste Services,” a new program on the Raleigh Television Network! The video, produced by the City's Public Affairs Department in collaboration with Solid Waste Services, airs frequently on RTN Channel 11. Residents without Time Warner cable television can watch the program anytime using the RTNSV streaming video service available online. Visit www.raleighnc.gov/rtn to view the streaming video or download the weekly schedules for all four RTN channels. Unlike previous programs about solid waste, this video features real drivers and service workers talking about their jobs. Take a look and you will see that Solid Waste Services is about much more than just trash.

Plaza West Recycling Drop-Off Center Closes for Good

The drop-off recycling center at Plaza West Shopping Center closed permanently on August 23, 2007. The center's property manager ended the agreement, and all of the recycling collection containers have been removed from the site off Jones Franklin Road. Raleigh residents and small business owners can continue to recycle at the remaining drop-off centers. All six centers accept all 14 materials that can be recycled curbside, and most of them also have containers for recycling cell phones and printer and toner cartridges. To find the drop-off center closest to you, visit www.raleighnc.gov/recycling or call 831-6890.



PLANNING RALEIGH 2030

Comprehensive Plan Update Officially Begins

The update of the Raleigh Comprehensive Plan will officially begin with a kick off celebration on Thursday, October 25th. Please plan on attending the kick off celebration and at least one of the first set of public visioning workshops.

What: Kick Off Celebration

Where: Progress Energy Center for the Performing Arts—Art Gallery

When: 7 to 9 PM, Thursday, October 25th, 2007

There will be short presentations made and background information available. This is a chance to meet and talk with the City Council, the Raleigh City Planning Commissioners, City Planning Staff, the project consultants, and the members of other City boards and commissions.

Public input workshops will be held in three sets of three meetings each, for a total of nine public meetings. This first set of workshops, which will focus on the overall vision for the City's future, will be held on November 13, 14 and 15. Each of these first three meetings will have the same format, function, and background information provided. Eventually public workshops will be held in all parts of the city. Please plan on attending one of this first set of workshops for public visioning:

What: Public Visioning Workshop

Where: Long View Center, 118 South Person Street

When: 7:00 to 9:00 PM, Tuesday, November 13, 2007

What: Public Visioning Workshop

Where: NCSU McKimmon Conference and Training Center, 1101 Gorman Street

When: 7:00 to 9:00 PM, Wednesday, November 14, 2007

What: Public Visioning Workshop

Where: North Raleigh Church of Christ, 8701 Falls of Neuse Road ([tentative location, check the web page for confirmation](#))

When: 7:00 to 9:00 PM, Thursday, November 15, 2007

For additional information, visit www.PlanningRaleigh2030.com