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Apex Town Council Improving Quality of Life for Our Community



Hello Neighbors and Friends -

I hope this newsletter finds you safe and well. As we transition into summer, I hope you will be able to participate in events and activities that are meaningful and enjoyable.

Town Council Meeting News

Jun 8th meeting – <u>Agenda</u> and YouTube <u>video</u>.

We began the meeting with two proclamations. Council and Mayor Gilbert read our <u>Juneteenth Proclamation</u> followed by our <u>LGBTQIA Pride Month</u> Proclamation.





With our Consent Agenda, we approved several Public Hearings for the June 22nd meeting. Council also approved residents to serve on the Environmental Advisory Board and the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Resources Commission.

In regard to Public Hearings on the meeting agenda, Council did not approve a rezoning application for a <u>storage facility</u> east of Friendship Road. After listening to the applicant and a number of local residents, Council did not believe the project was a good fit for this property.

Additionally, Council approved amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance to establish <u>electric vehicle parking requirements</u>. Council also approved a <u>Stormwater Utility Fee</u> structure that will go into effect on January 1st, 2022.

With New Business items, Council approved a <u>Unity Mural art project</u> and special event permits for the Town's Juneteenth and Pride Month celebrations. Additionally, Council adopted the <u>Fiscal Year 2021-2022</u> <u>Budget Ordinance and Fee Schedule</u>, and the <u>Fiscal Year 2021-2022/2024-2025 Capital Improvement Plan</u> and associated project ordinances. And

finally, Council approved a <u>Non-Discrimination Ordinance</u> and had a work session discussing the possibility of removing the need for quasi-judicial public hearings to be heard by the Council.



Photo Credit: Apex Public Art Committee

June 22nd meeting – Agenda and YouTube video.

We had a work session before the Council meeting to discuss the final design phase for some of the <u>Downtown improvement plans</u>. We will be having a special Town Council meeting on August 4th at 4:30 to finalize these design plans.

We began the Council meeting with a proclamation for <u>National Parks and Recreation Month</u>. Our Consent Agenda included approval of some encroachment agreements, temporary roads closures for the Town's July 4th and Pig Fest events, and public hearings scheduled for July 27th.

With Public Hearings, Council approved amendments to the Thoroughfare and Collector Street Plan map in the vicinity of <u>Cash Corporate Center</u> and Green Level West Road.

Additionally, Council continued the <u>Williams Farm Planned Unit</u>

<u>Development</u> due to school capacity needs associated with the project. With the <u>Kelly Woods rental housing project</u>, Council denied this rezoning application, citing not a good fit for this property after listening to the applicant and local residents.

In other business items, Council approved the construction of <u>Salem & Tingen intersection improvements</u>. Additionally, Council approved a resolution calling for a <u>bond referendum</u> on November 2, 2021 for street and sidewalk improvements (not to exceed 42 million dollars).

Other Meetings, Community Events, and Outreach

On June 12th, I attended our first Apex Pride Event at Hunter Street Park.





On June 14th, I attended the ground breaking ceremony for EnviroFlight, a bio-agricultural company who relocated their headquarters to our newest industrial and business park, Cash Corporate Center.





On June 19th, I attended our first Apex Juneteenth celebration at the Depot in downtown Apex.





On June 22nd, I attended the monthly virtual Service Groups and Faith Alliance meeting. Guest speakers were Ryan Kelly from Interact of Wake County and Danica Coleman, Victim Advocate with the Apex Police Department. The topic of discussion was ways our local faith communities can assist victims of domestic violence.

In closing, best wishes to you all in the coming month. I hope this summer brings much needed enjoyment for you all. Feel free to stay in touch if I can offer assistance to you. Stay safe and well. – Cheryl

Our Vision

 A community unified in the stewardship of our small town charm, natural environment, and a future where all succeed.

Our Mission

• Provide exceptional public service that cultivates opportunity for the individual and community to live, thrive, and reach their peak.

Strategic Goals

- High Performing Government
- Healthy & Engaged Community
- Environment Leadership & Responsible Development
- Economic Vitality
- Safe Community with Reliable Infrastructure

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