

Tuesday – August 31, 2004
East Asheville Community Center
906 Tunnel Road, Asheville, N.C.

7:00 p.m. – Community Meeting

Present: Mayor Charles R. Worley, Presiding; Vice-Mayor R. Carl Mumpower; Councilwoman Terry M. Bellamy; Councilman Jan B. Davis; Councilman Joseph C. Dunn; Councilwoman Diana Hollis Jones; Councilman Brownie W. Newman; City Attorney Robert W. Oast Jr.; City Manager James L. Westbrook Jr.; and City Clerk Magdalen Burleson

Absent: None

The following topics/concerns were raised by residents and addressed by City Council and City staff: need for traffic calming on Avon Road due to cut-through traffic, excessive speeding, and additional traffic; request for trash cans to be placed in an upright position after collection; increase in cut-through traffic in Redwood Forest community; large trucks leaving Super Wal-Mart site deposit mud on Swannanoa River Road and when it rains, the road is slick; re-seeding in areas on Super Wal-Mart site have not taken place; need for strict City enforcement of conditional use permit standards on Super Wal-Mart site; request for City to use eminent domain process on one property owner on New Haw Creek Road in order to obtain easement for sidewalks in that area; any improvements on Fairview Road resulting from Super Wal-Mart project, e.g., sidewalks or overhead lighting; any anticipated changes to the Police Resource Center in Oakley; request for traffic calming in Oakley community; sidewalk at the intersection of U.S. 70 and Riceville Road needs to be cleaned up; request to make Haw Creek more pedestrian friendly; concern that women are not being hired by the City in non-traditional positions; request for City to actively investigate the incident of vandalism at the Super Wal-Mart site; announcement of Kids America Day; request for more police presence near Sondley Estates; request for City assistance in stopping resident on Lynnstone Court from throwing their trash on Avon Road; City should consider regionalism when renegotiating the Water Agreement; and complaint of cars parking on both sides of the road and not leaving enough space for emergency vehicles or school buses to get through, particularly on Beverly Road.

Mayor Worley adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR