



**MANAGER'S BRIEFING
(Virtual Meeting)
June 21, 2021 – 4:00 p.m.**

As part of the city of High Point's COVID-19 mitigation efforts, in-person attendance was not allowed at this meeting. Instead, the meeting was live-streamed, and the public was provided a link to listen to the meeting as it was being live-streamed.

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Present:

Mayor Jay W. Wagner; Mayor Pro Tem Britt W. Moore, At Large; Council Member Cyril Jefferson, Ward 1; Council Member Christopher Williams, Ward 2; Council Member Monica Peters, Ward 3 [Arrived at 4:07 p.m.]; Council Member Victor Jones, Ward 5

Remotely Present

Council Member Wesley Hudson, Ward 4[Joined at 4:33 p.m.]; and Council Member Michael Holmes, Ward 6

Absent:

Council Member Tyrone Johnson, At Large

Staff Present:

Randy McCaslin, Interim City Manager; Eric Olmedo, Assistant City Manager; Greg Ferguson, Assistant City Manager; JoAnne Carlyle, City Attorney; Jeron Hollis, Managing Director; Lee Tillery, Parks and Recreation Director; and Mary S. Brooks, Deputy City Clerk

Others Present:

Jason Reyes, Alta Planning & Design

PRESENTATION OF ITEMS

Mayor Wagner called the Manager's Briefing to order at 4:00 p.m.

2021-267 Presentation-Comprehensive Greenway Master Plan

Staff will be giving a presentation on the Comprehensive Greenway Master Plan.

Lee Tillery, Parks and Recreation Department Director extended greetings; gave a brief history on the Comprehensive Greenway Master Plan (Plan); spoke to working with an consultant-Jason Reyes with Alta Planning and Design that was selected through the bid process; the Parks and Recreation Commission endorsed the Plan at their last meeting; spoke to positive feedback from the community; said that the Southwest Project would be adopted into the Plan; and recognized Mr. Reyes to discuss

the Plan.

Mr. Reyes extended greetings; gave an overview and background information regarding the Plan; spoke to the impact the pandemic made on the use of parks/greenways; highlighted the schedule for the Plan that began in September 2020; the final draft would be presented at the June 21st Council Meeting; the Plan is scheduled to be adopted at the July 19th Council Meeting; spoke to the existing conditions of the greenway to include destinations, equity, and land use; to community outreach and feedback during Public engagement; showed how the greenways would look using maps that showed connections; to the funding for the Plan; to the RAISE Grant Application process that is due on July 12th; to working with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT); to having HUBS and Spokes throughout the city; and provided a link where the draft plan could be viewed www.highpointgreenwayplan.com.

Council Member Jefferson thanked everyone for their efforts; and inquired on the cost for sidewalks versus paths; and asked what locations on the greenway would have sidewalks or paths. Mr. Reyes replied that the cost could range for sidewalks due to utilities, design, and investment; and stated that greenways in wooded areas were easier to build.

Council Member Williams asked if there would be an interactive map in the future for the greenways. Mr. Tillery replied yes; and Mr. Reyes replied that the interactive map could be recommended in the Plan.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore asked was the cost for upkeep tracked; and how much was spent on repairs last year on the greenway. Mr. Tillery replied that the tracking for cost was situational for planning; and that he would provide council with numbers for repairs completed last year.

Mr. Reyes discussed statistics on the cost for greenways throughout North Carolina.

Council Member Jefferson voiced appreciation for the greenways; and said that an investment like this goes with mission of our city.

Council Member Jones inquired on having security cameras along the greenway. Mr. Tillery replied and spoke to the challenges of covering the entire greenway; and that staff would look into security measures.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m. upon motion duly made and seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary S. Brooks, CMC
Deputy City Clerk