



Date: May 19, 2016
To: Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager
Through: Wanda S. Page, Deputy City Manager
From: Bertha T. Johnson, Budget and Management Services Director
Subject: Public Hearing on the FY2016-17 Budget and FY2017-22 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Executive Summary

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comments on the proposed FY2016-17 Budget and FY2017-2022 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Recommendation

The administration recommends the Council hold a public hearing on June 6th, 2016 to receive comments on the proposed FY2016-17 Budget and FY2017-22 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Background

The City Council held a public hearing on March 7th to obtain input from residents on the development of the FY2016-17 budget and FY2017-22 CIP. The City Manager will present the proposed budget on May 16th, 2016. **North Carolina G.S. 159-12(b) requires that the City Council hold one public hearing on the city manager's proposed budget to allow citizens to provide comments to the City Council.** This item is the required public hearing on the proposed FY2016-17 Budget and FY2017-22 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

During the budget development process, City Council also held five "Coffees with Council" to obtain input from residents on the development of the FY16-17 budget and CIP. As well, the City engaged the community through its online web portal, *Durham Speaks*. Conducting the public hearings, online engagement, and Coffees with Council supports **Goal 4 of the City's Strategic Plan (Innovative and High Performing Organization) which is to provide professional management that encourages a culture of innovation, collaboration and transparency** to deliver quality services through an exceptional workforce. We want to ensure that residents are informed and provided opportunities for engagement in the development of the City's budget and long-term Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

SDBE Summary

Not Applicable.