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Burton Street Neighborhood Newsletter

August 2020

Neighborhood News

APD Update from Community Resource Officer Alec Dohmann

West Asheville police officers continue to patrol Burton Street and increased their presence on Ivy Street and Boyd Avenue. This month, the majority of criminal activity was focused on the storage facility. Asheville police are attempting to work with the business in deterring crime in that area, and the business has cooperated and allowed police to enter the property during late evenings. This helps deter criminal activity in and around the Burton Street Community.

Officer Dohmann asks that if any members of the Burton Street Community have any other concerns, contact him via email (adohmann@ashevillenc.gov) or call the non-emergency number (828-252-1110) and ask to speak with him.

Burton Street Rezoning Case Update

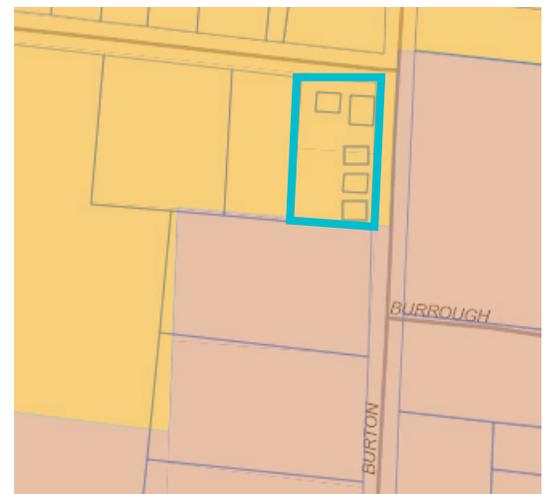
Thank you to all of the residents who attended the June BSCA meeting to discuss the rezoning case. The case will be presented to City Council on August 25th. The BSCA will conduct a virtual meeting to prepare for the Council meeting. Please visit the BSCAL website for more information or sign up for email updates.

Burton Street Development Proposal

The city has received an application for development in the Burton Street community. Application 20-04337PZ proposes the development of five cottages with parking at 94 Baker Avenue / 64 Burton Street. The plan also proposes adding a driveway apron and changing 92 and 94 Baker Avenue to have a carport underneath. The City of Asheville began processing this application on July 22, 2020 as a Level I development review.

Want more information on the proposal?

- Read more about this proposal here: <https://simplicity.ashevillenc.gov/permits/20-04337PZ>
- Contact Shannon Tuch, Development Review Specialist for the City of Asheville, via phone at (828) 259-5817 or by email at stuch@ashevillenc.gov
- Sign up for development updates: <https://notifications.ashevillenc.gov/>



The proposed changes would occur on the properties highlighted by the blue box.

A-B Tech Scholarships

A-B Tech Community College offers scholarships to those that already attend or are interested in attending the college. There are general scholarships as well as more specialized scholarships for allied health, culinary, hospitality, business education, engineering and applied technology, and emergency services. Before applying, one must complete the A-B Tech admissions process and the FAFSA and submit transcripts and references to the admissions office. More information is available online at abtech.edu/scholarships, or contact one of the campus representatives directly with the below contact information.

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- (828) 398-7951 or duanecadams@abtech.edu

Sherron D. Kincaid-Bristol, MSW, LCSWA, Support Services Counselor

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- (828) 398-7562 or leronicamcasey@abtech.edu

Asheville City Schools Return to Learn Updates

After further consideration and hearing more from staff and families, Asheville City Schools has decided to move from Plan B to Plan C, at least through the first nine weeks. This means the schools will start on August 17th with at-home remote instruction for all students Kindergarten - 12th grade.

Asheville City Schools have provided two options for student learning in 2020-2021. Option 1 will be operating 100% online for at least the first nine weeks of school for students in Kindergarten through 12th grade (Plan C). This means that students will be provided with at-home remote instruction beginning on August 17th. Option 1 would implement a plan to transition back to face-to-face learning later in the year as determined at the state and local level. Option 2 allows students K-12 to attend a Full-Time Virtual Academy. The Virtual Academy is designed to serve students who do not plan to transition back to face-to-face learning at any point during the 2020-2021 school year.

For more information, visit <https://www.ashevillecityschools.net/>

BSCA Outreach Program Announcement

The Burton Street Community Association will be unveiling an outreach program under the E. W. Pearson Project Collaborative/Isaac Coleman Grant entitled "Burton Street Portable Technology Lab" to serve the families and students in the Burton Street Neighborhood. Additional information about the plans for the project to follow. This program will be a collaborative effort with St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church under their Educational Program as the program will use two of the St. Paul meeting rooms located in the Education Building.

Announcement:

City Trash Pickup

Please set trash and recycling cans in the street at curbside for pickup instead of on the sidewalk. This is to increase accessibility of sidewalks in the neighborhood as well as make trash pickup easier.

BSCA Meeting

The Burton Street Community Association monthly meeting held on the 3rd Monday of the month has been moved to a virtual platform to comply with Covid-19 social distancing.

Sign up for our BSCA emails to receive the meeting link and call-in phone number by [clicking here](#) or visiting the BSCA website and clicking on "Subscribe to BSCA Email Updates" in the right-hand column.

You can also email bscaleadership@gmail.com to get added to the mailing list.

Stay Updated

Sign up for the City of Asheville email newsletter to stay updated by [clicking here](#) (for electronic version of this newsletter). You can also visit <https://www.ashevillenc.gov/> and click on "Subscribe" under "Stay in the Loop" at the bottom of the page.

COVID-19 Updates

On July 16, Governor Roy Cooper announced that North Carolina will remain in Phase 2 of Safer at Home until August 7. The requirement for face coverings in public spaces, indoor and outdoor, where 6-foot social distancing is not possible is also still in effect.

For more information, visit <https://www.nc.gov/covid19>

Plan Implementation Process Overview

Two different agencies, the City of Asheville and NCDOT, developed the Neighborhood Plan with the BSCA. Thus, coordination was necessary to determine which agency would fund and implement each strategy.

Each month, a working group meets to set plan goals and strategies into motion. This group consists of BSCA leaders, City of Asheville staff, and NCDOT staff.



Plan Implementation Status

Below are notes on the implementation progress to date:

Strategy Status	Implementation Details
1.1.1 - In Progress	Support design standards and policies that aim to preserve or enhance neighborhood character. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSCA will develop a committee to research current housing characteristics to develop a list of preferred community standards.
1.2.1 - In Progress	Improve existing sidewalks to meet ADA design standards. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NCDOT will begin working on plans and cost estimates for the improvements identified in the Pedestrian Accommodations Survey to determine critical areas of need that can be funded by the State in the near future.
1.3.2 - In Progress	Improve sidewalk connections between commercial corridors and include a pedestrian path from Buffalo Street to Patton Avenue that will connect to future greenways. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The City of Asheville will survey properties that may be impacted by the proposed greenway.
2.3.1 - In Progress	Construct a new park and community gathering space at Smith Mill Creek that will include an access point to the future greenway. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NCDOT will work with representatives from NCDOT Right of Way to obtain cost estimates for the land needed to develop a community gathering space along Smith Mill Creek.

Summaries of each monthly working group meeting can be found on the City of Asheville I-26 Connector Project website.

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTACTS

Burton St. Community Association

President | Vivian Conley
Vice President | Thomas Davidson
Treasurer | Zanie Davidson
Secretary | Margaret Fuller

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Burton St. Community Center

For questions regarding facilities and activities:
 Kyle Autrey, Facility Manager
 kautrey@ashevillenc.gov
 828-254-1942

Neighborhood & Community Engagement

Brenda Mills, Neighborhood & Community
 Engagement Manager
 bmills@ashevillenc.gov
 828-259-5506 (office) or 828-712-2324 (mobile)

Asheville Community Resource Officer

NEW! Officer Alec Dohmann
 adohmann@ashevillenc.gov

Community Resource Officer Dohmann is the liaison between neighborhoods and the regular police assigned to West Asheville.

West Asheville Police Lieutenant

Lieutenant Evan Cowan
 ecowan@ashevillenc.gov
 828-259-5625

Lieutenant Cowan oversees the West Asheville area.

Join the BSCA to receive a Burton Street Neighborhood Watch magnet!

Non-members can complete the membership form on the BSCA Leadership website to receive a Neighborhood Watch magnet.

TO REPORT AN ISSUE:

The Asheville App

You may use The Asheville App to report or view the status of a variety of issues, including abandoned vehicles, missed trash or recycling pickup, missed brush pickup, animals, fire hydrant leaks, graffiti, sidewalk safety, and more.



You can download the App in iOS or Android. Or you can report an issue through the app website at:

<https://www.ashevillenc.gov/service/report-a-pothole-sidewalk-issue-or-street-light-outage/>

Neighborhood Flooding

Bobby Austin
 Labor Crew Coordinator
 baustin@ashevillenc.gov

828-259-5980

Tree Maintenance Issues

Mark Foster
 mfoster@ashevillenc.gov

828-259-5979

City Customer Service

828-251-1122

Non-Emergency Police

City of Asheville Police Department

828-252-1110



The Burton Street Community Association is promoting educational, social, economic and culture welfare of its members in the Burton Street Neighborhood.



LAW ENFORCEMENT	PHONE NUMBER
EMERGENCY	911
Asheville Police Department Non-Emergency	828-252-1110
TEXT a Drug Tip to APD	828-259-5692
Crime Stoppers Anonymous Tip Line	828-255-5050
Community Resource Officer: Alec Dohmann	828-251-4032
CITY OF ASHEVILLE	
Customer Service	828-251-1122
Neighborhood & Community Engagement Manager	828-259-5506
ART Station (Asheville Transit)	828-253-5691
BUNCOMBE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	
Covid-19 Information	828-419-0095