



City of Albemarle

Regular Meeting
Monday, January 4, 2010
7:00 PM
City Hall - 144 North Second Street
Meeting Agenda

 Print

Call Meeting To Order:

Invocation:

- 1) [Invocation: Mayor Whitley](#)

Special Presentations:

- 2) [North Carolina League of Municipalities Retirement and Memorial Resolutions](#)

Memorial Resolutions:

Marshall Brian Harrington
Councilmember T. E. White

Retirement Resolutions:

William Gary Burris
David F. Holt
George E. McDaniel
Douglas J. Morris
Terry L. Ritchie
Howard A. Spencer

- 3) [Resolution Honoring the Service of Elworth B. Plyler on the Albemarle Planning and Zoning Board](#)

Mr. Plyler retired from the Planning Board on November 8, 2009 after more than 42 years of service.

Approval Of Minutes:

- 4) [Consider Approval of December 21 Regular Session and Closed Session Minutes](#)

Agenda Adjustments:

Unannounced Delegations:

Municipal Calendar:

- 5) [Municipal Calendar](#)

Old Business:

- 6) [Sign Ordinance Changes in the Central Business District](#)

A public hearing was held on November 2. Council tabled the item for further consideration

If acceptable, approve:

Resolution

Ordinance 10-02

- 7) [Second Reading Ordinance 10-01](#)

New Business:

- 8) [Battalion Chief Tony Upchurch, Asst. Public Works Director Nina Underwood, and Major Ted Smith- To present results of 2009 Employee United Way Campaign](#)
- 9) [Consider Resolution Regarding Intent to Adopt Ordinance Regarding US Highway 52 and US Highway 52 Business Designation](#)
- 10) [Consider Request of NC Department of Transportation to Adopt Concurring Resolutions Regarding Speed Limit on a portion of US Highway 52 Business \(First Street\)](#)
- 11) [Status Report on former Jesse R. Niven Army Reserve Center](#)
- 12) [Report on Permit Application for a Soil Borrow and Gravel Operation](#)
- 13) [Report on NCDOT regulations regarding installation of signs on highway right of way](#)
- 14) [Discuss appointment of Two Members of the Firefighter's Relief Fund Board of Trustees](#)
- 15) [Status Report on Potential Water Sales to Other Government Entities](#)
- 16) [Consider Dates for City Council Budget Planning Retreat](#)
- 17) [Information- City Organization Charts](#)

Adjournment:



City of Albemarle
North Carolina

**Office of the
Mayor and City Council**

**P.O. Box 190
28002-0190**

Resolution 2009-54

WHEREAS, Elworth B. Plyler retired from the City of Albemarle Planning and Zoning Board on November 8, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Plyler is the longest serving member currently on the Planning Board, and the second longest serving member in its history; and

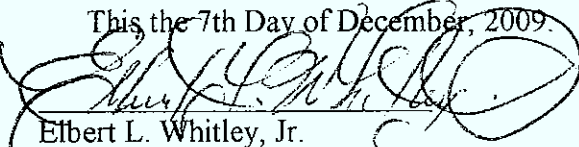
WHEREAS, Mr. Plyler has served as Vice Chairman of the Planning Board since November 23, 1993; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Plyler has been a loyal and dedicated member of the Planning Board with a remarkable tenure of over 42 years;


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council that we hereby express appreciation to Elworth B. Plyler for his years of service to the City of Albemarle; and

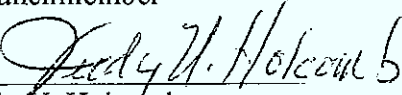
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Elworth B. Plyler. and that a copy be spread upon the minutes of the City Council.

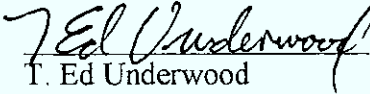
This the 7th Day of December, 2009.


Elbert L. Whitley, Jr.


Mayor



Martha Sue Hall
Councilmember

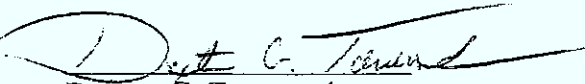

Judy U. Holcomb
Councilmember


T. Ed Underwood
Councilmember


Troy E. Alexander
Mayor Pro Tem


Jack F. Neel
Councilmember


Jeanette M. Napier
Councilmember


Dexter G. Townsend
Councilmember

REGULAR MEETING CITY COUNCIL
December 21, 2009

The City Council of the City of Albemarle met in a regular session on Monday, December 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Annex. Mayor Elbert L. "Whit" Whitley, Jr. presided, and the following Councilmembers were present, to-wit: Martha Sue Hall, Judy Holcomb, Jeanette M. Napier, Jack F. Neel, Dexter Townsend and T. Ed Underwood. Absent, Troy E. Alexander.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Councilmember Underwood and unanimously carried, the minutes of December 7, 2009 regular session and December 7 closed session minutes were approved as submitted.

Mr. Ken Anderson CPA has audited the financial statements for the City of Albemarle for the fiscal year ending 6/30/2009. The audit had no findings and is an unqualified opinion, the highest possible audit opinion. A copy of the audit was mailed to the Mayor and City Council on Thursday of last week.

Mr. Ken Anderson CPA came before City Council to present and discuss his report and answer any questions Council may have. He gave each Councilmember a copy summarizing the financial report which included:

- 1) Available fund balances
- 2) Tax Collection percentages
- 3) Net change in fund balance
- 4) Changes in long term liabilities- debt
- 5) Compliance audits

Mr. Anderson asked that the City look into changing the downward trend on the general fund fund balance, on credit card transactions, to retain the receipts with the monthly statements and noted bookkeeping issues in public housing.

Councilmember Holcomb thanked Mr. Anderson for taking time to break down the report into this summary so as to have a better understanding.

Mayor Whitley stated that City Council has a copy of the monthly departmental reports in their agenda packet and asked if there were any questions.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Councilmember Townsend and unanimously carried the following Ordinance passed second reading and was duly adopted:

(Ordinance 09-42. To amend the sign ordinance to allow the reuse of changeable face portable signs.)

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Councilmember Underwood, and unanimously carried, an Ordinance entitled (Ordinance 10-01) "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALBEMARLE, NORTH CAROLINA, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALBEMARLE BE AMENDED BY REVISING SECTION 82.40 RELATING TO LOITERING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENGAGING IN DRUG-RELATED ACTIVITY IN THE CITY OF ALBEMARLE, NORTH CAROLINA." passed first reading.

The Mayor and City Council discussed authorizing an ordinance to change the designations of US 52 and US 52 Business due to construction of the new section of US 52. The US Department of Transportation had proposed that the US 52 Business designation be eliminated, but the City Manager noted that he had advised Mr. Barry Moose with NCDOT, and he concurred that there is a perceived value among downtown businesses in keeping the US 52 Business designation. The changes proposed would designate the portion of NC 24-27 from South Second Street over to US Hwy. 52 as US 52 Business to bring motorists back to US 52 after traveling through the downtown area.

The City Manager also noted that it would remove the US 52 designation from the existing US 52 from NC 24-27 South down to where the new section of highway intersects, and then designate the new section of highway US 52. We would also need to name the section of road south of NC 24-27 down to the City limits that will no longer be US 52. The City Manger noted that he would recommend Council consider naming this South Second Street since it is a continuation of existing South Second Street.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Councilmember Napier and unanimously carried, the City Council approved designating the portion of NC 24-27 from South Second Street over to US Hwy. 52 as US 52 Business, remove the US 52 designation from the existing US 52 from NC 24-27 South down to where the new section of highway intersects, and then designate the new section of highway US 52.

The Mayor and City Council reviewed the 2010 Bridge Inspections Municipal Agreement between the City of Albemarle and NC DOT for the 2010 Municipal Bridge Inspections.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Holcomb, seconded by Councilmember Underwood and unanimously carried, the City Council approved the 2010 Bridge Inspections agreement between NCDOT and the City of Albemarle.

The Mayor and City Council considered a resolution to request that the ARRA Funding Application be used by NCDENR for the State Revolving Loan Fund. This was provided by Emily Flynn of Municipal Engineering at the request of NCDENR. NCDENR is requesting this in support of the City's application for the \$3 million loan from the State Revolving Loan Fund.

The City Manager stated that the City had originally applied for money to assist in funding this project in the amount of \$3 million from the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) allocation and was not awarded this funding. The City is now requesting that this same project and application be considered for a loan through the regular State Revolving Fund (SRF) in the same amount of \$3 million.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Holcomb, seconded by Councilmember Townsend and unanimously carried, the City Council approved a resolution to request that ARRA Funding Application be used by NCDENR for the State Revolving Loan Fund.

(Resolution 09-55. To use ARRA application to apply for State Revolving Fund (SRF) to construct a wastewater or drinking water system.)

The Mayor and City Council received a presentation on the status of water quality review. Public Utilities Ernie Borders came before Council and stated that

recently the City of Albemarle's water system has been seeing elevated levels of Disinfection By-Products (DBPs). The City has been experiencing an upward trend in HAA5s over the past year. Mr. Borders said that the City is taking a comprehensive approach to this issue and this briefing is to share with Council our efforts to date.

The Public Utilities Department has been looking at all aspects of how this can be addressed, including water treatment, distribution, and storage. Municipal Engineering is looking at our system to determine what changes can be made to address this problem. Mr. Borders explained that when chemicals are used for disinfecting the drinking water, it reacts with natural organic matter in the source water. The disinfectant the City uses in the treatment of drinking water is chlorine. Mr. Borders noted in his letter to Council that the treatment of water will likely require changes to our water treatment process to include the more user friendly chloramines which disinfect as well as keep the development of HAA5s and TTHMs at lower levels.

At this time, Mr. Borders had a question and answer session with Council on their concerns.

Upon questioning, the Mayor stated that with the Stanly News and Press, the local radio station representatives present, and the recording for the television audience, this is being made public for their awareness of this situation.

Councilmember Holcomb thanked Mr. Borders for his presentation and asked that he keep the Council informed.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Neel, seconded by Councilmember Townsend and unanimously carried, the City Council approved Councilmember Holcomb being excused early from the meeting.

The Mayor and City Council considered honoring the 2009 Albemarle High School 1AA Championship Football Team. Councilmember Neel requested that this item be placed on the agenda for discussion. Mr. Neel has suggested that the City Council consider having a meal function for the football team and cheerleaders, and that the Council consider placing signs at the main entrances to the City similar to what was done several years ago. The City Manager noted that we would need NCDOT approval to install these signs, unless they are installed on private property off of the right of way. Also, the City Manager stated that at the ADDC Board of Directors meeting on Monday of this week, Chairman Chris Bramlett suggested that the ADDC should consider hosting

or co-hosting a meal event with the City, and that they could seek sponsorships to defray some of the costs of the function.

Councilmember Neel stated everything should be coordinated through the Albemarle Boosters Club. The players will be receiving rings which will be paid for by the boosters club. ADDC has mentioned a dinner for the football team and cheerleaders at the senior center. Mr. Neel also said that it would be nice to have this dinner at the time the rings are given to them and the City Council, ADDC and the boosters club all participate having this in February.

The City Manager was asked to contact NCDOT about placing the signs at the main entrances to the City.

The Mayor and City Council considered attendance at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Prayer Breakfast on January 16, 2010. This annual event is sponsored by the Stanly County NAACP and will take place from 8 am to 10 am at Stanly Regional Medical Center. The guest speaker for this breakfast is Congressman Larry Kissell. The City Manager noted that he can purchase tickets for any member of the City Council interested in attending.

The Mayor and Councilmembers Hall, Napier, Neel, Townsend and Underwood stated that they would be attending the prayer breakfast.

The Mayor and City Council received a status report on repairs to a street in Phase II of Anderson Ridge Subdivision. Councilmember Townsend requested an update on the status of these repairs, where a subcontractor for Windstream hit a water line resulting in damage to the street.

Engineering Services Director Jon Mendenhall reviewed for Council this incident creating a water line break in Phase II of Anderson Ridge Subdivision. Mr. Mendenhall handed out a map to Council of the area involved and stated that the City made the repair to the damaged water line on October 24 but surface water is continuing to cause a problem. He stated that the subcontractor has been contacted and they stated that this is a legal issue and that they will be contacting their attorney this month.

Mayor Whitley asked that Mr. Mendenhall to get with the City attorney about this matter.

The Mayor and City Council received a status report on the City Hall project. The City Manager noted to Council that he is very pleased to report that the City received the Certificate of Occupancy from the Stanly County Building Inspector this week. The contractor has worked hard to complete the paving and all of this is complete except the separate section south of the former fire station. The parking lot striping was also completed this week. The furniture deliveries are anticipated beginning next week through the first of January. The storm drain between City Hall and CUMC has been raised to ground level as requested by Councilmember Neel, and the fence requested by Mr. Neel has also been installed.

The City Manager also noted that invitations to the dedication and open house on January 3 were being mailed today, and plans are being finalized for the dedication. The City Manager suggested having a reception with desserts, coffee and punch in the community room as part of the open house. Employees will be stationed throughout the building to answer questions and direct visitors.

Councilmember Neel stated that the fence between the City Hall and CUMC looks good and the storm drain is also okay. He stated that this past Sunday, people were parking in the City parking lot where evidently the barricades had been removed.

Councilmember Hall stated that she would like to get accustomed to the new Council Chambers in the new City Hall before the first meeting on January 4. Mayor Whitley stated that maybe everyone could come in early on January 4 before the 7 pm meeting.

The City Manager said that once everything is operational, each one can come in and be shown everything. Staff will be moving in starting Tuesday, January 5.

Public Utilities Director Ernie Borders stated that Monday, January 11 will be the first day of business in the new City Hall.

The Mayor reminded everyone that the open house will be on Sunday, January 3, 2010.

The Mayor and City Council discussed filing the upcoming vacancy of the IS Manager Position. For some time staff has discussed making this a separate department head position due to the increasing importance and complexity of technology. This area is now critical to every aspect of the City's operations. Michael Ferris and Colleen Conroy have recommended moving this out of the Finance

Department, and it would be a separate department reporting to the Assistant City Manager.

Assistant City Manager Michael Ferris came before City Council and stated that IS Manager Gabe Dimeglio will be leaving and staff is looking at plans for the future and if IT should be a separate department answering to the Assistant City Manager. This position is currently under the Finance Department. He explained how IT has evolved over the past decades and how this department handles all departments and functions related to pcs, laptops and phones. Mr. Ferris asked for Council's feedback on this issue.

Councilmember Townsend asked the number of employees currently in IT. Mr. Ferris stated that there are currently 3 employees but that this area may expand in the future.

Councilmember Neel asked the number of department heads we currently have and which ones answer to the Assistant City Manager and which ones answer to the City Manager. The City Manager replied that there are currently 10 departments. Public Works, Public Utilities, Parks and Recreation , Police and Fire report to the City Manager and Finance, Public Housing, Human Resource, Planning and Community Development, and Engineering Services answering to the Assistant City Manager. Mr. Neel also stated that he would like a copy of the City's organizational chart.

Upon questioning, Mr. Ferris stated that Gabe Dimeglio's last day is January 3. The Mayor and City Council thanked Mr. Dimeglio for his service to the City.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Neel, seconded by Councilmember Napier and unanimously carried the City Council approved making the Information Systems Manager an independent department.

The Mayor and City Council considered attendance at the Stanly County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting. This will take place on Thursday, January 14, 2010 at 6:00 PM at the Stanly Regional Medical Center Family and Education Center. The meeting announcement was available for Council to review. The City Manager stated that he can RSVP for any member of the board who is planning to attend.

Mayor Whitley and Councilmembers Neel and Townsend stated that they would be attending.

The Mayor and City Council discussed attendance at the National League of Cities Congressional City Conference for March 14-17, 2010. Council received a copy of this meeting brochure.

Councilmembers Hall and Townsend stated that they would be attending. The Mayor asked that if anyone else was interested in attending, to please let the City Manager know.

The Mayor and City Council received a report about the culvert on Northbrook Drive and that it has been extended and road shoulder widened, pursuant to concerns expressed by Councilmember Neel a few weeks ago.

Councilmember Neel thanked the staff for this effort.

The Mayor and City Council received information on a Notice of Permit Application for a Soil Borrow and Gravel Operation. Council received a copy of this notice and accompanying map. The City Manager noted that he wanted City Council to be aware of this in case they received any questions from neighboring property owners, who also received notification. This property is zoned Heavy Industrial District, which permits this type of activity.

Councilmember Neel asked how this area would look once they have completed this operation. The City Manager stated that his information did not address this but he can make an inquiry to the state. Councilmember Neel asked the City Manager to make the inquiry.

The Mayor and City Council reviewed information of Hospice of Stanly County's acknowledging the donation from Mayor and City Council. The Mayor and City Council made personal donations to sponsor this tree.

The Mayor and City Council received an invitation to attend a ribbon cutting for NC Air National Guard 145th Combat Operations Group Headquarters

Building. The City Manager stated that they could RSVP directly to the National Guard, or he can RSVP for them.

The Mayor and Councilmembers Hall, Neel and Townsend stated that they would be attending the ribbon cutting.

Mr. Shawn Gould came before Council as an unannounced delegation. This was a criminal situation where he had a vehicle confiscated due to items being stolen.

The Mayor explained to Mr. Gould that Council cannot make a legal decision on something like this. He told Mr. Gould he would have to let the legal system determine the outcome of this situation.

The City Manager let Mr. Gould know that he could file a complaint through the City of Albemarle Chief of Police. Chief Michael would do an internal investigation to see if the officers were in the wrong in this case.

Parks and Recreation Director Toby Thorpe was asked to come forward and give an update on the countywide comprehensive plan. Mr. Thorpe said that the online survey will stay online until the end of the year for response. He said that the written survey had been sent and returned and the numbers crunched. There will be the first draft of the plan by February 2010.

Mr. Thorpe stated that he had talked with the subcommittee of the Carolina Thread Trail and mentioned the 3 routes that connect to Rowan, Anson and Union counties.

Councilmember Napier asked that Council send a fruit basket to Councilmember Holcomb's mother and Councilmember Alexander's wife due to illness.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Napier, seconded by Councilmember Underwood and unanimously carried the City Council approved sending fruit baskets to Councilmember Holcomb's mother and Councilmember Alexander's wife.

Councilmember Townsend asked when the next Council retreat would take place. Mayor Whitley stated that this is usually done in January or February. The City Manager stated that typically this occurs in February each year. Staff and management will have their retreat the end of January 2010.

Councilmember Hall wished everyone a Merry Christmas. She asked that information be brought before Council at some point, of the possibility of selling water to other entities.

The City Manager said that per conversation with Mr. Doby of Doby and Beaver, the documents for the Street Tree Ordinance public hearing will not be ready in time for the January 4 Council meeting and the public hearing will have to be reset for the second meeting of the month on Tuesday, January 19.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Councilmember Napier and unanimously carried, City Council reset the public hearing to consider adopting a street tree ordinance to Tuesday January 19, 2010 at 7 PM.

Mayor Whitley stated that Councilmember Holcomb's mother is sick in the hospital causing her to have to leave the meeting early tonight and Councilmember Alexander's wife is in the hospital also causing him not to be here. He also stated that this is the last Council meeting of 2009 and the next meeting will be in the new City Hall on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 7 pm. The Mayor wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Underwood, seconded by Councilmember Neel, and unanimously carried, the City Council adjourned to a closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318 (a) 4 and 5 to discuss economic development and real estate transactions.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Councilmember Underwood, and unanimously carried, the City Council reconvened to open session. Mayor Whitley announced a closed session was held pursuant to NCGS 143-318 (a) 4 and 5 to discuss economic development and real estate transactions and there was nothing to report at this time.

Mayor Whitley stated that there is a request by Henry Farmer that the City grant him permission to use the walking trail at Rock Creek Park as access to his property for purposes of harvesting timber on his property.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Councilmember Underwood, and unanimously carried, the City Council agreed to have the City Attorney draw up an agreement allowing access to Mr. Henry Farmer the use of the walking trail at Rock Creek Park for purposes of harvesting timber on his property with a \$10,000 bond in case of damages to the road occur.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

CITY OF ALBEMARLE
MUNICIPAL CALENDAR -2010

January

- 1 City Holiday – New Year’s Day
- 3 City Hall Dedication and Open House
- 4 Regular Meeting City Council
- 11 ADDC Board of Directors
- 14 Stanly County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting – SRMC
- 16 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast - SRMC
- 18 City Holiday – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- 19 Regular Meeting City Council
- 20 Joint City Council/Planning Board/Board of Adjustment Meeting
- 26 Local Government Liaison Meeting - Stanfield

February

- 1 Regular Meeting City Council
- 3-5 NC City County Management Association Winter Seminar – RTP
- 8 ADDC Board of Directors
- 15 Regular Meeting City Council
- 23 Stanly County Council of Governments – Norwood

March

- 1 Regular Meeting City Council
- 8 ADDC Board of Directors
- 15 Regular Meeting City Council
- 14-17 National League of Cities Congressional City Conference – Washington, DC
- 17 Joint City Council/Planning Board/Board of Adjustment Meeting
- 23 Local Government Liaison Meeting – Stanly County

April

- 2 City Holiday – Good Friday
- 5 Regular Meeting City Council
- 12 ADDC Board of Directors
- 19 Regular Meeting City Council

JANUARY

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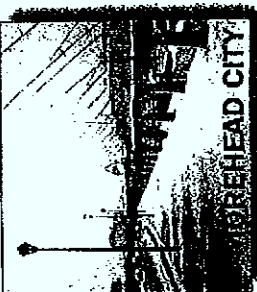
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1 City Holiday
New Year's Day
NEW YEAR'S DAY

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3 City Hall
Dedication and
Open House
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4 Regular Meeting
City Council
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11 ADDC Board
of Directors

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13 ESSENTIALS OF MUNICIPAL
GOVERNMENT | WILMINGTON

14 Stanly County
Chamber of
Commerce Annual
Meeting - SRMC

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16 Dr. Martin
Luther King, Jr.
Breakfast-SRMC

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18 City Holiday
Dr. Martin Luther
King, Jr. Holiday
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

19 Regular Meeting
City Council
7 pm

20 Joint City Council
/Planning Board/
Board of Adjustment
Meeting

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26 Local Government
Liaison Meeting -
Stanfield

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FEBRUARY

NCEAGUE OF MUNICIPAL

SUNDAY

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SATURDAY



1
Regular Meeting
City Council
7 pm

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GROUNDHOG DAY

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NC City County Management Association

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Management Association

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Winter Seminar - RTP

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ADDG Board of Directors

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VALENTINE'S DAY

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Regular Meeting
City Council
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PRESIDENTS' DAY

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_____ introduced and read the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Albemarle deems in the public interest to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Albemarle to regulate signs in the CBD-Central Business District and directs that a public hearing be conducted in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Albemarle, North Carolina, on October 20, 2009 and October 27, 2009 did cause to be published in the Stanly News and Press, a newspaper published in the City of Albemarle, North Carolina, notice to the public and interested parties that a public hearing would be conducted relating to and concerning the aforesaid amendment.

WHEREAS, the hearing was conducted at 7:00 p.m. on November 2, 2009, in the Council Room at the City Hall Annex, in Albemarle, North Carolina, this being the time and place stated in said notice; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Albemarle does hereby find and determine that the adoption of the text amendment to the ordinance is reasonable and in the public interest due to its consistency with the city of Albemarle Land Development Plan

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Albemarle, North Carolina, that the Code of Ordinances of the City of Albemarle be amended to regulate signs in the CBD-Central Business District.

ORDINANCE 10-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALBEMARLE, NORTH CAROLINA, PROVIDING THAT THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALBEMARLE BE AMENDED BY REVISING REGULATIONS RELATING TO SIGNS IN THE CBD-BUSINESS DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the City Director of Planning and Community Development has recommended changes in the Zoning Ordinance relating to the regulation of signs in the CBD-Central Business District; and

WHEREAS, Council has considered the Director's recommendations and deems the recommended changes in the CBD-Central Business District to be in the public interest, it is therefore

ORDAINED by the Council City of Albemarle, North Carolina, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 92 of the Code of the Code of Ordinances be and the same is hereby amended by adding to Section 92.027, General Provisions, the following:

“(F) Construction Standards. All signs shall be constructed and installed in accordance with the applicable provisions of the North Carolina State Building Code.”

“(G) Maintenance of Signs. All signs shall be maintained in good structural and aesthetic condition. Deficiencies such as chipped paint, broken plastic, missing letters and exposed light bulbs shall be evidence of a lack of maintenance.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 92 of the Code of Ordinances be and the same is hereby amended as follow:

(A) Delete from Section 92.029 (B) (1) Wall Signs, paragraph (d) the following:

“. . . except in the CBD/Central Business District where signs must be mounted flat with the building wall and must not project more than 12 inches from the building wall.”

(B) Delete the first two sentences of Section 92.029 (B) (2) Ground mounted signs, paragraph (a) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

“Ground mounted signs shall be located a minimum of ten feet behind the street right of way, except for the CBD/Central Business District where in no set back will be required.”

SECTION 3. Chapter 92 of the code of Ordinances be and the same is hereby amended

as follows:

(A) Insert in Section 92-032 (B) Regulations governing these signs are as follows: the following new paragraph:

“(6) Pole Signs are signs suspended from or mounted on poles. Pole signs are allowed if:

“The setback of the building exceeds 20’ from the right-of-way; Minimum of 9’ from grade/sidewalk to the lowest edge of the sign; Maximum height of 20’ to the highest edge of the sign or pole; Maximum of 10 % of the wall area for size of signage to be divided by wall, projecting or pole signs; not to exceed a cumulative total of 120 square feet; Existing poles will be allowed to remain in their present location.”

(B) Add to Section 92.032 (B) (1), Wall signs and projecting signs, the following:

“A projecting sign, wall sign, or combination of both may be located on any building wall of a structure so long as the maximum sign surface area of all signs on one wall does not exceed 10% of the area of the building wall to which the sign or signs are attached up to a maximum of 120 square feet.”

“Projecting Signs are attached to the building and extend perpendicular to the building. Projecting signs are allowed with the following provisions:”

“Maximum of 9’ from grade/sidewalk to the lowest edge of the sign; Maximum of 6’ from the side of the building to the outside edge of the sign; Maximum of 10% of the wall area for size of signage, up to 120 square feet; The sign can’t extend vertically above the natural roof line or parapet wall.”

(C) Delete from Maximum Area on chart the following:

“2 square feet for each lineal front of building walling facing a public street” and add in lieu thereof “10% of the building wall(s) facing a public street.”

(D) Delete from Chapter 92.032 (B) (2), Canopy and awning signs, (b) the words “eight and one half” and insert in lieu thereof the word “seven;” and the word “four” and insert in lieu of the word “eight.”

SECTION 4. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall become effective upon final adoption.

This ordinance was introduced and signed by a Councilmember _____, a member of the Council of the City of Albemarle, North Carolina.

Member of Council

This ordinance was introduced and passed its first reading at the meeting of the Council held on _____, 2010, and was continued for further hearing on _____, 2010. At the meeting of the Council held on _____, 2010, this ordinance passed its second reading, was Adopted, and ordered published as by law provided.

Dated _____, 2010.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk

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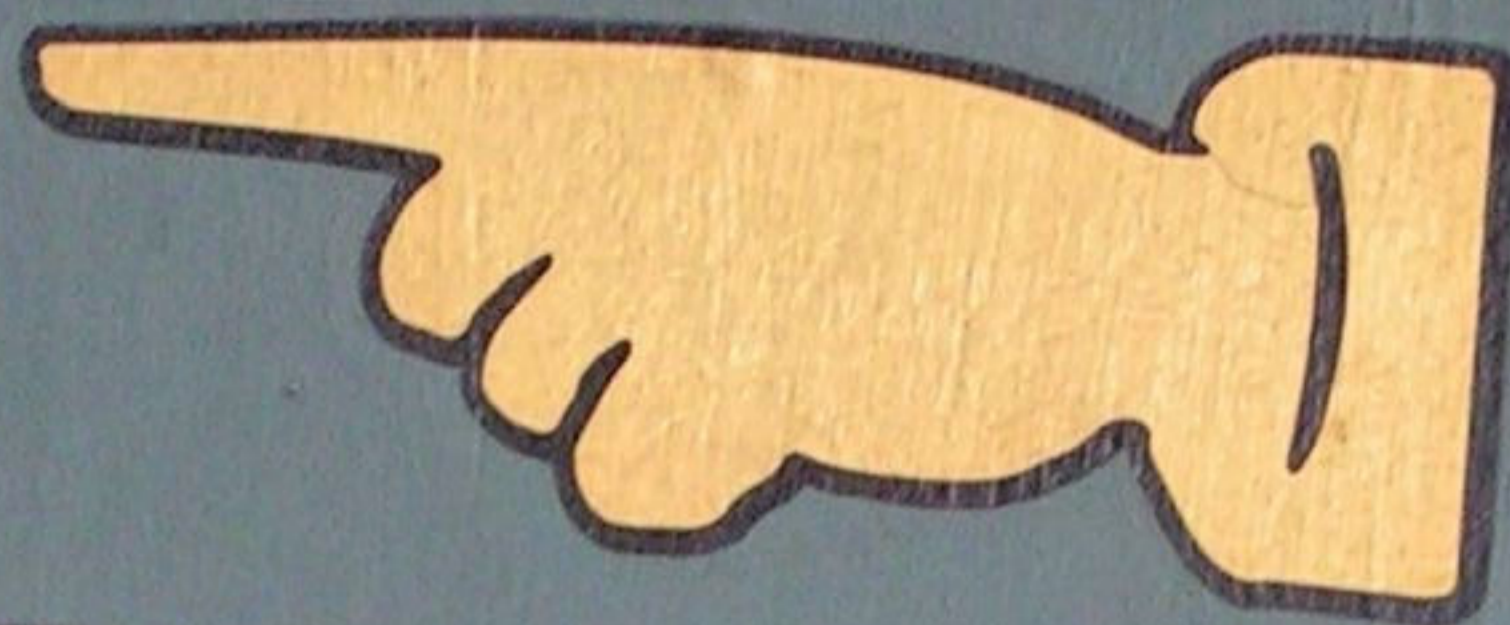
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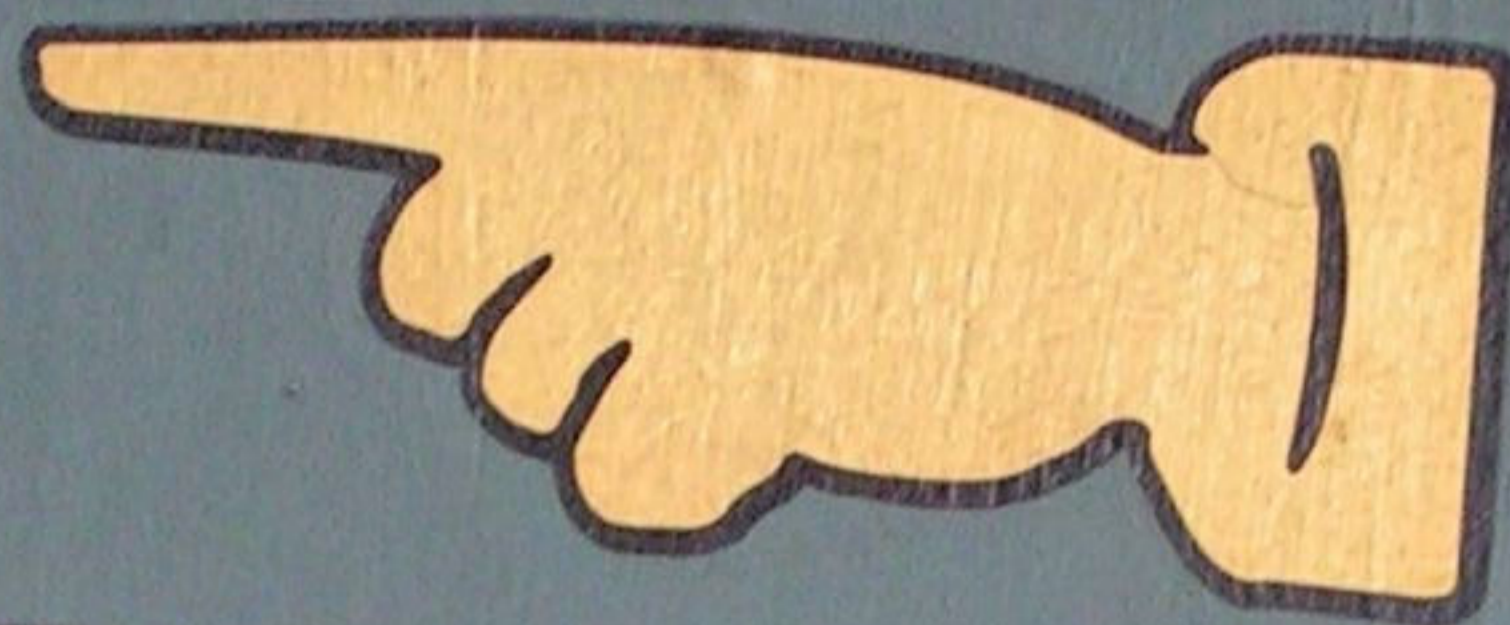


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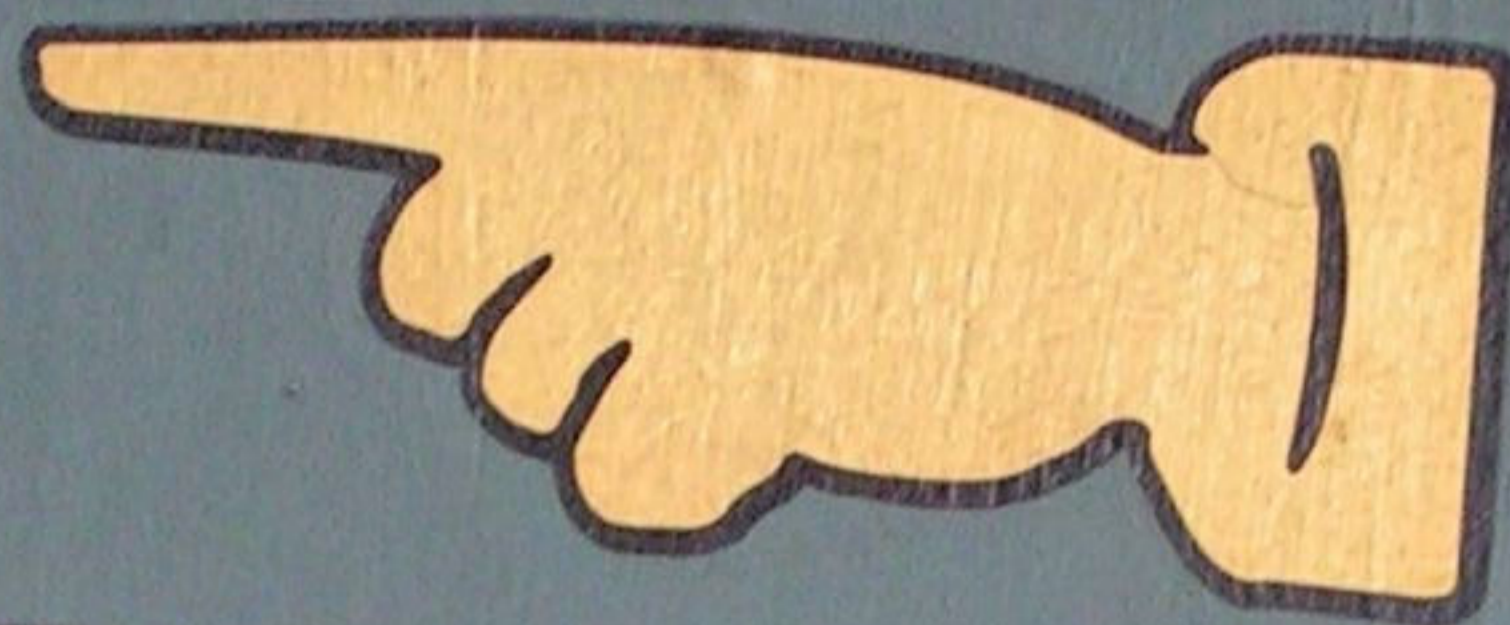


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ORDINANCE 10-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALBEMARLE, NORTH CAROLINA, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALBEMARLE BE AMENDED BY REVISING SECTION 82.40 RELATING TO LOITERING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENGAGING IN DRUG-RELATED ACTIVITY IN THE CITY OF ALBEMARLE, NORTH CAROLINA.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council City of Albemarle, North Carolina, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 82, SECTION 40, entitled “Loitering for the Purpose of Engaging in Drug-Related Activity” is hereby amended as follows:

A. By Revising Subsection B thereof to read as follows:

(B) For the purposes of this section, a “KNOWN UNLAWFUL DRUG USER, POSSESSOR, OR SELLER” is a person who has, within the knowledge of the arresting officer, been convicted in any court within this state in the past 10 years of any violation involving the use, possession or sale of any of the substances referred to in the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act, G.S. Ch. 90, Article 5, or has been convicted of any violation of any substantially similar laws of any political subdivision of this state or of any other state or of federal law within the past 10 years. (Insert (A) attached)

B. By Revising Subsection C thereof to read as follows:

(C) It shall be unlawful for a person to remain or wander about in a public place for the purpose of violating any subdivision of the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act, G.S. Ch. 90, Article 5. Circumstances that may be considered in establishing a person’s purpose include, without limitation, the following:

- (1) Repeatedly beckoning to, stopping, or attempting to stop passers-by, or repeatedly attempting to engage passers-by in conversation;
- (2) Repeatedly stopping or attempting to stop motor vehicles;
- (3) Repeatedly interfering with the free passage of other persons;
- (4) Such person is a known unlawful drug user, possessor, or seller;
- (5) Such person repeatedly passes to or receives from passers-by, whether on foot or in a vehicle, money or objects;
- (6) Such person takes flight upon the approach or appearance of a police officer;

(7) Such person is at a location frequented by persons who use, possess, or sell drugs; or

(8) Any vehicle involved is registered to a known unlawful drug user, possessor, or seller, or is known to be or have been involved in drug-related activities.

SECTION 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall become effective upon final adoption.

This ordinance was introduced and signed by a Councilmember _____, a member of the Council of the City of Albemarle, North Carolina.

Member of Council

This ordinance was introduced and passed its first reading at the meeting of the Council held on December 21, 2009, and was continued for further hearing on January 4, 2009. At the meeting of the Council held on January 4, 2009, this ordinance passed its second reading, was Adopted, and ordered published as by law provided.

Dated January 4, 2009.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk



Albemarle Fire Department

1610 E. Main St. - PO Box 190 - Albemarle N.C. 28001

Phone: 704-984-9480 Fax: 704-984-9476

November 11, 2009

To: City Manager and City Council

From: Battalion Chief Upchurch

Subject: 2010 United Way Campaign

The City of Albemarle United Way Campaign for 2010 began on Monday, October 12, 2008. Nina Underwood, Major Ted Smith and I were the coordinators for the event.

The United Way in Stanly County has 15 partner agencies that have requested assistance for 2010. This year's campaign was more challenging than any other. With these uncertain economic times and the United Way of Metrolina having been in the news in the past year, we knew our collection efforts and participation would be difficult.

For the 2010 campaign 134 of the 285 City of Albemarle employees gave some type of contribution, with 25% of those giving "my fair share". Our goal for this year's campaign was to equal our pledge amount for last year, which was \$15,154.76.00, however we were 10.08% short. The total amount raised for the 2010 United Way Campaign for Stanly County was \$13,626.79.

Although we fell short, this year's campaign is what I consider to be an accomplishment. The success of the campaign was made possible by numerous vendors who made donations, by the City Manager and City Council who provided fifteen (15) fair share days.

I would like to take this opportunity to tell all of our employees "Thank You!" for your support. Attached you will find a copy of the prize winners and a breakdown of the amount collected for each department.

Sincerely,

H.E. (Tony) Upchurch, Jr. - Battalion Chief
Albemarle Fire Department



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

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GOVERNOR

December 15, 2009

EUGENE A. CONTI, JR.
SECRETARY

Mr. Raymond Allen, City Manager
City of Albemarle
P.O. Box 160
Albemarle, NC 28002-0160



Dear Mr. Allen:

Attached are Municipal Speed Limit Ordinances declaring speed zones on US 52 within the City of Albemarle.

If you are in agreement with this, please sign the ordinance, affix town seal and return to this office for further handling. **PLEASE DO NOT ALTER OR ADD TO THIS ORDINANCE.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Sean Epperson at 704/982-0101.

Sincerely yours,

Barry S. Moose, P.E.
Division Engineer

BSM:sme;jt

Attachments

CC: Ms. Pate Butler, PE, Regional Traffic Engineer



**Certification of Municipal Declaration
To Repeal Speed Limits and Request for Concurrence**

Concurring State Ordinance Number: 1041098

Division: 10 County: STANLY Municipality: ALBEMARLE

Type: Municipal Speed Zones

Road: US 52 Car: 20 MPH Truck: 20 MPH

Description: N. First St. (US 52) from Main St. (NC 73) to North St.

Municipal Certification

I, _____, Clerk of _____, do hereby certify that the municipal governing body, pursuant to the authority granted by G.S. 20-141(f), determined upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation and duly declared, on the _____ day of _____, 20____, the repeal of speed limits as set forth above on the designated portion of the State Highway System, which shall become effective when the Department of Transportation has passed a concurring ordinance and signs are erected giving notice of the authorized speed limit.

The said municipal declaration is recorded as follows:

Minute Book: _____ Page: _____ Ordinance/Resolution Number: _____

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my

hand and the municipal seal this _____ day (municipal seal)

of _____, 20_____.

(signature)

Department of Transportation Approval

Division: *G. Scott Cobb* Title: *Division Traffic Eng* Date: *12/15/09*

Region: *Pete Butler* Title: *RTE* Date: *12/15/09*

**Certification of Municipal Declaration
To Repeal Speed Limits and Request for Concurrence**

Concurring State Ordinance Number: 1041101

Division: 10 County: STANLY Municipality: ALBEMARLE

Type: Municipal Speed Zones

Road: US 52 Car: 20 MPH Truck: 20 MPH

Description: South First Street (US 52_NC 73) from Main Street (NC 73) to Hearne Street.

Municipal Certification

I, _____, Clerk of _____, do hereby certify that the municipal governing body, pursuant to the authority granted by G.S. 20-141(f), determined upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation and duly declared, on the _____ day of _____, 20____, the repeal of speed limits as set forth above on the designated portion of the State Highway System, which shall become effective when the Department of Transportation has passed a concurring ordinance and signs are erected giving notice of the authorized speed limit.

The said municipal declaration is recorded as follows:

Minute Book: _____ Page: _____ Ordinance/Resolution Number: _____

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my

hand and the municipal seal this _____ day (municipal seal)

of _____, 20_____.

(signature)

Department of Transportation Approval

Division: J. Sarah Cole Title: Division Traffic Eng Date: 12/15/09

Region: Pate Brown Title: Regional Traffic Date: 12/15/09

**Certification of Municipal Declaration
To Enact Speed Limits and Request for Concurrence**

Concurring State Ordinance Number: 1060752

Division: 10 County: STANLY Municipality: ALBEMARLE

Type: Municipal Speed Zones

Road: US 52B Car: 20 MPH Truck: 20 MPH

Description: (First St) between a point 0.27 mile south of SR 1625 (Main St) and a point 0.15 mile north of SR 1625.

Municipal Certification

I, _____, Clerk of _____, do hereby certify that the municipal governing body, pursuant to the authority granted by G.S. 20-141(f), determined upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation and duly declared, on the _____ day of _____, 20____, the speed limits as set forth above on the designated portion of the State Highway System, which shall become effective when the Department of Transportation has passed a concurring ordinance and signs are erected giving notice of the authorized speed limit.

The said municipal declaration is recorded as follows:

Minute Book: _____ Page: _____ Ordinance/Resolution Number: _____

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my

hand and the municipal seal this _____ day _____ (municipal seal)

of _____, 20____.

(signature)

Department of Transportation Approval

Division: J. Scott Cole Title: Division Traffic Eng Date: 12/15/09

Region: Pat Burns Title: RTE Date: 12/15/09



United States Department of the Interior



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Southeast Regional Office
Atlanta Federal Center
1924 Building
100 Alabama St., SW.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

IN REPLY REFER TO:

S7417 (SERO-RC)
NC-Albemarle, Niven ARC

December 29, 2009

Mr. Joseph F. Calcara
Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for
Installations and Housing
ATTN: Mr. Mark Jones
110 Army Pentagon
Room 3E464
Washington, D.C. 20310-0110

Dear Mr. Calcara:

We have received and approved a Federal Lands to Parks application from the City of Albemarle, North Carolina (City), for the acquisition by the City of 4.114 acres of the closing Jesse F. Niven, Jr. U.S. Army Reserve Center, Albemarle, North Carolina. Acquisition of this property will enable the City to provide a central location for its Parks and Recreation Department's administrative, programming, and facility maintenance operations in one location. The property is developed with access roads and facilities which are perfectly suitable for conversion into the City's Parks and Recreation Department headquarters.

There were two competing interests in this property, namely, the City's Parks and Recreation Department and the Stanly Community Christian Ministries. In order to resolve these competing interests, the property has been subdivided to satisfy both community needs. The majority of the property (3.694 acres, plus 0.42 acres of access easement) will be conveyed to the City for public park and public recreation purposes. The smaller portion (0.216 acres) will be conveyed separately to the City for homeless purposes. We wish to take this time to thank Mr. Gerry Bresee, U.S. Army Engineer District, North Atlantic, for his excellent assistance in the resolution

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of the dual interest in this property. We appreciate his expertise and patience in the lengthy time it has taken to resolve this complicated property conveyance.

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior, by the provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, and a delegation of that authority by him, I hereby request assignment of the property to the Secretary of the Interior for conveyance to the City of Albemarle, North Carolina, for public park and recreation purposes in accordance with Section 550 (e) [formerly Section 203(k)(2)] of the said Act, as amended.

Please advise this office if all oil, gas, and mineral rights and deposits in the subject property are to be reserved in the name of the United States. It will expedite conveyance of this property if your letter of assignment indicates that no objection is interposed to the proposed transfer, subject to the usual terms and conditions in transfers of real property. The conveyance will recognize a public benefit allowance of 100 percent.

Please furnish us with the estimated fair market value of the land, the original acquisition cost, and any expenses of transfer to be reimbursed by the transferee. If you desire additional information in support of this request for assignment, we will be glad to furnish it. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 404-507-5689, or via e-mail at (Bill_Huie@nps.gov).

Sincerely,


William L. Huie
Program Manager
Federal Lands to Parks
Southeast Region

Enclosures

cc:

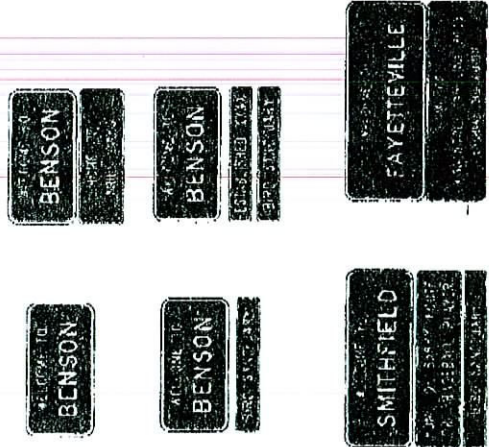
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Mr. Raymond Allen, City Manager, City of Albemarle

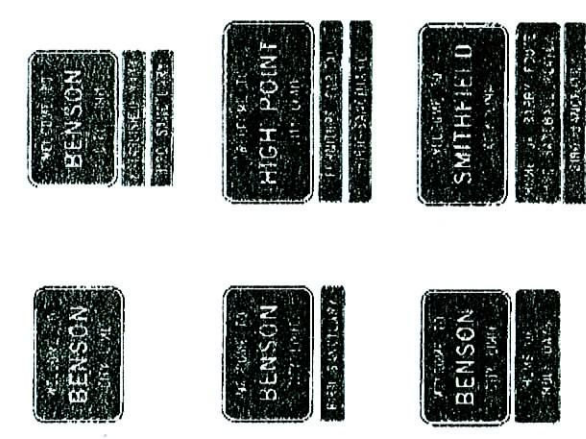
Mr. Gerry Bresee, Real Estate Branch, U.S. Army Engineer Division, North Atlantic, Baltimore

**TYPICAL SIGN LAYOUTS FOR FACILITIES POSTED BELOW 45 MPH
MAXIMUM SIZE FOR "WELCOME TO" SIGN SHALL NOT EXCEED 48" X 30"**

TYPICAL NON CITY LIMIT OPTIONS



TYPICAL CITY LIMIT OPTIONS



TYPICAL COUNTY LINE OPTIONS



Optional "Welcome To" Typical Sign Parameters for Facilities Posted Below 45 MPH

Reading Facility Type	Max. Sign Size (ft.)	Min. Sign Size (ft.)	Sign Type	Sign Color	Sign Spacing (ft.)	Sign Spacing (ft.)	Sign Spacing (ft.)
City	48	30	Rectangular	White	10	10	10
County	48	30	Rectangular	White	10	10	10
Highway	48	30	Rectangular	White	10	10	10

Notes: * The maximum sign size shall not exceed 48 feet by 30 feet. ** The minimum sign size shall not be less than 30 feet by 10 feet. *** The sign spacing shall be a minimum of 10 feet between signs. **** The sign spacing shall be a minimum of 10 feet between signs. ***** The sign spacing shall be a minimum of 10 feet between signs.

**North Carolina Department of Transportation
Division of Highways
Traffic Engineering and Safety Systems Branch**

**STANDARD PRACTICE
for
Optional "Welcome To" Signs**

The purpose of this standard practice is to establish guidelines for optional "Welcome To" signs at or near municipality limits, county lines, or community limits along NCDOT roadways. This practice allows municipalities and counties the flexibility to display slogan(s) that depict their character or identity on official highway signs. This practice also allows municipalities and counties to display an emblem, seal, or flag on signs located on roadways posted 45 mph or greater. Communities with official boundaries recorded at the county courthouse and that appear on the official and most current North Carolina State Transportation Map may also participate in optional "Welcome To" signs; however, signs for communities are allowed only on secondary roadways and emblems, seals, or flags are not allowed on these signs. This practice sets reasonable guidelines by restricting the number of slogans and overall sign size, as well as to consolidating installations along NCDOT roadways by including municipality and county limit signing within "Welcome To" signing. The intent is also to promote statewide consistency in responses for "Welcome To" signing requests.

It is the standard practice of NCDOT to allow the installation of optional "Welcome To" or "Entrance" signs on the highway right-of-way for municipalities, counties, and communities as specified in this practice. Optional "Welcome To" or "Entrance" signs shall be located and erected according to the standards of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), the North Carolina Supplement to the MUTCD, the North Carolina Roadway Standards, and the standards and criteria herein.

CRITERIA

- Requests for optional "Welcome To" signs should be directed to the appropriate Division Engineer and shall include required resolutions. All slogans, emblem design, and any official seal to be displayed on any optional "Welcome To" sign must be reviewed and approved by the Division Engineer.
- All costs associated with administration, designing, fabricating, erecting, inspection, and maintaining any approved optional "Welcome To" signs will be the responsibility of the requesting party or others. An agreement between the requester (responsible party) and the NCDOT is required. This agreement is written and executed by the Division.
- Optional "Welcome To" signs shall be erected at or near the municipal/boundary limits at locations approved by NCDOT. Only one installation of a welcome sign or sign assembly is permitted per direction of roadway.
- When optional "Welcome To" county signs are installed, these signs replace the standard Welcome To/ Entering/Leaving signs I2-7 and I2-8 as described in the NC Supplement to the MUTCD Chapter 2D.48.B.

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- When optional "Welcome To" city or town signs are installed at the city or town limit, the "City Limit" message shall be within the "Welcome To" (top) sign. This sign/panel replaces the 12-5 or 12-6 standard City Limit signs as described in the NC Supplement to the MUTCD Chapter 2D.48.C.
- Each optional "Welcome To" sign request requires resolutions specifying any slogan(s) [including any existing slogans that are desired to remain on signing and any new slogans] and seal/emblem/graphics (seal/emblem/graphics not applicable to community signs) as follows: 1) a "Welcome To" sign for a municipality or community within the municipal limits requires a resolution from both the municipality and the county. 2) A "Welcome To" county sign or sign for a community not within a municipal limits requires a resolution from the county. 3) The resolution from the municipality and county also must specify a maximum installation of three years for any dated sign message. At or after the end of the third year, division forces should remove the dated sign message. All approved resolutions must be forwarded to the Division Engineer with a copy to the State Traffic Engineer prior to final approval for optional "Welcome To" signing.
- Optional "Welcome To" municipality and county signs may include a maximum of two slogans not to exceed three lines of copy in total. If a new "Welcome To" sign is located at the municipal limit, then the message "City Limit" shall be included in the main (top) sign. The message "City Limit" is not considered in the maximum lines of copy and the two panel maximum applies. The following options A, B, and C apply. (See typical sign layouts for maximum sizes and additional design information):

OPTION A: New or Modified Sign at City Limit Boundary

(This location is required when it is possible to install sign at city limit):

If the proposed "Welcome To" municipality location is at the boundary line of the municipality, then the following design configurations should be followed:

1. The message "City Limit" shall be included in the main (top) sign. ("City Limit" is not included as a part of the three lines of copy and two slogan maximum.)
2. One or two slogans not exceeding a total of three lines of copy in total may be attached as supplemental panels below the main sign.
3. If applicable, a Bird Sanctuary panel may be used as one of the two supplemental panels in lieu of the M16-10 (30" x 18") sign shown in the NC Supplement to the MUTCD.

EXAMPLES: (NOT DRAWN TO SCALE)



OPTION B: New or Modified Sign Not at City Limit Boundary

(This location is only allowed when installation is not practical at city limit boundary):

If the proposed "Welcome To" municipality location is not at the boundary line of the municipality, then the following design configurations should be followed:

1. The message "City Limit" shall not be included in the text of the main sign or as part of the supplemental panels.
2. If one slogan is used and does not exceed one line of copy, the slogan may be incorporated into the "Welcome To" (main/top) sign or may be attached as a supplemental panel.

3. If two slogans are used, one of the slogans may be incorporated into the sign and the other slogan will be attached as a supplemental panel or both slogans can be attached as individual supplemental panels.
4. If applicable, a Bird Sanctuary panel may be used as one of the two supplemental panels in lieu of the M16-10 (30" x 18") sign shown in the NC Supplement to the MUTCD.

EXAMPLES: (NOT DRAWN TO SCALE)



OPTION C: New or Modified Sign at/near* County Limit Boundary:

Optional "Welcome To" county signs may include a maximum of two slogans not to exceed three lines of copy. The proposed "Welcome To" county sign should follow the design configurations as shown below:

1. If one slogan is used and does not exceed one line of copy, the slogan may be incorporated into the "Welcome To" sign or may be attached as a supplemental panel.
2. If two slogans are used, one of the slogans may be incorporated into the sign and the other slogan will be attached as a supplemental panel or both slogans can be attached as individual supplemental panels.
3. If applicable, a Bird Sanctuary panel may be used as one of the two supplemental panels in lieu of the M16-10 (30" x 18") sign shown in the NC Supplement to the MUTCD.

EXAMPLES: (NOT DRAWN TO SCALE)



* Note: Location of "Welcome To" county signs may be adjusted within the county boundary, but should be installed as close as possible to the county line. If further than 200 feet from the county boundary, location must be approved by the Division Engineer, or designate.

- Optional "Welcome To" municipality and county signs may include an emblem, seal, or flag if space is available within the maximum size limits of the sign (see attachment). Letter size and font, and emblem size criteria shall meet attached design criteria.
- Optional "Welcome To" signs for approved communities are allowed only on secondary roadways.
- Optional "Welcome To" signs for approved communities will be allowed only one slogan. The slogan may be included in the sign or be attached as a supplemental panel. Emblems, seals, or flags are not allowed on "Welcome To" community signs. To qualify for signs, a community must have official

boundaries recorded at the county courthouse, must be approved by the Division Engineer, and comply with all other applicable criteria herein.

- When a slogan panel is requested to be added to an existing "Welcome To" sign, an appropriate engineering study should be conducted to determine if the sign support system requires modification to meet current safety standards. When a new or modified slogan panel is requested, the existing "Welcome To" sign shall be revised or modified to meet the current design standards. If the existing sign is larger than the current standards allow, the sign(s) shall be redesigned to meet the current standards. The width of a new slogan panel shall match the width of the "Welcome To" sign and the entire installation shall meet design criteria herein.
- All costs associated with modifying existing signs and/or supports including the engineering study will be the responsibility of the requesting party.
- When an optional "Welcome To" sign becomes worn, faded, or is damaged (or supports for the sign are damaged), the Department will notify the requester (responsible party) that the sign and/or supports needs to be replaced/repared. The requester will have 90 days to provide full payment to replace or repair the subject signs/supports. If the Department does not receive the requested payment, the Department will cancel the agreement and remove the existing sign(s). The Division Engineer may require the requester to supply the replacement sign. Signs shall meet all NCDOT specifications and design requirements, herein, and attached, and sign sheeting standards as specified in TEPL topic S-68 (<http://www.doh.dot.state.nc.us/preconstruct/traffic/tepl/Topics/S-68/S-68.html>).
- The Division may require the requester to hire and pay a pre-qualified private contractor that is approved by the Department and licensed to work in North Carolina, to install and/or maintain the signs. All materials and workmanship must comply with the Department's current version of the Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures. Traffic control shall be in accordance with the MUTCD, North Carolina Supplement to the MUTCD, and the current version of the NCDOT Roadway Standard Drawings. The Contractor shall not be allowed to perform any work on weekends or official State holidays. The Contractor shall furnish Proof of Insurance prior to beginning work within the Department's Right of Way.
- All optional "Welcome To" signs for full control of access facilities require a sign design from the Traffic Engineering Branch. The Traffic Engineering Branch will provide a sign design for any location upon request, excluding emblem or seal design. Sign designs for installation on non-full control of access facilities must be approved by the Division Engineer, or designate, prior to fabrication. See typical sign layouts for sign parameters based on facility type and posted speed limits.
- All optional "Welcome To" signs shall meet the following design criteria:
 - 1) sign and supplemental panel(s) shall have white message and border on a green background
 - 2) sign message and slogan text shall be in standard highway font (no script or special fonts allowed)
 - 3) sign shall be fabricated from aluminum
 - 4) sign shall be retro-reflective, including emblems, seals, or flags
 - 5) sign support systems shall meet all safety requirements; and
 - 6) all signs shall be rectangular in shape
- Overhead installation of "Welcome To" signs shall not be permitted.

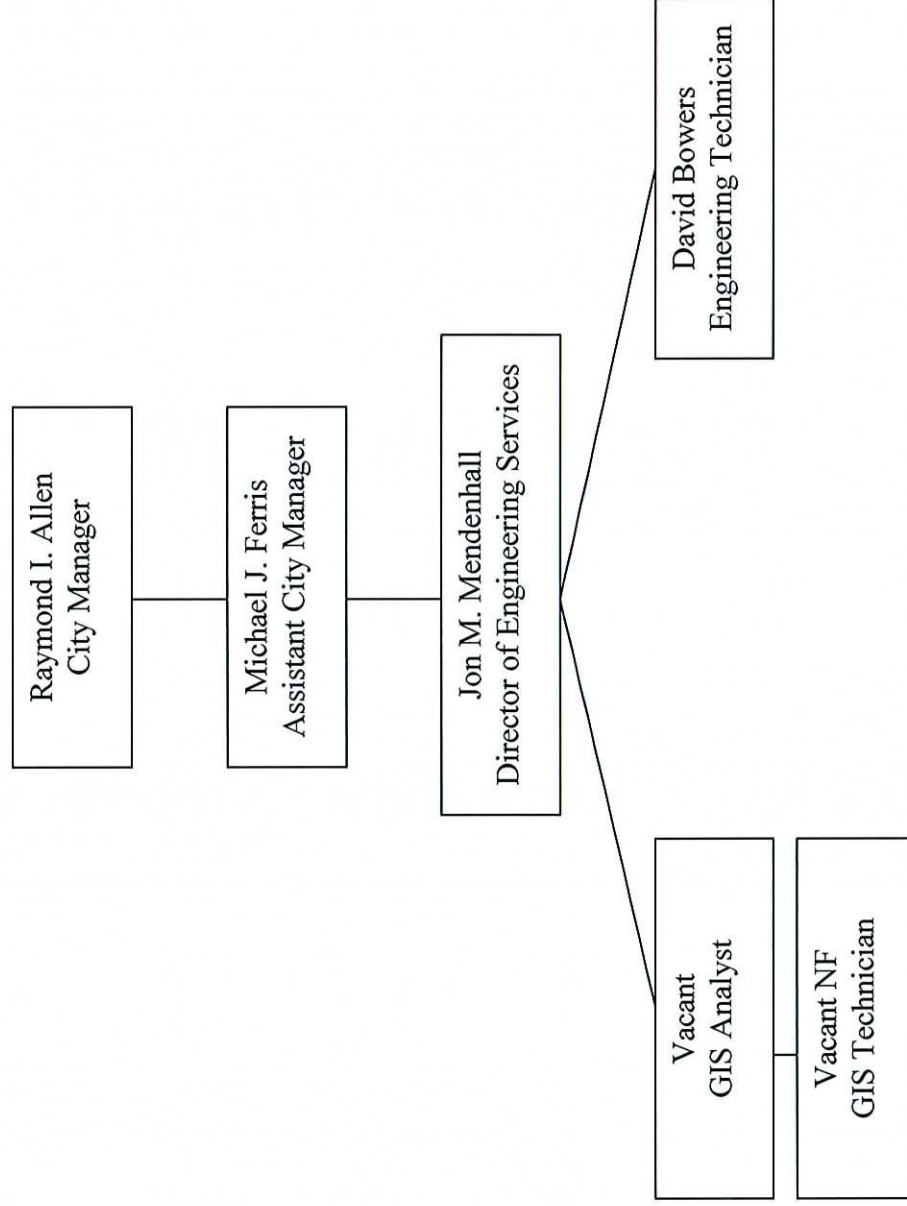
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- Existing "Welcome To" signs in place at the time this policy goes into effect may remain in place until replacement or upgrade is necessary as directed by the appropriate Division Engineer or until replacement or modification is requested by the municipality, county, or community is implemented. At the time of replacement, any new signs shall conform to this practice.
- The Department has the responsibility and authority to relocate or remove signs on highway right-of-way if a need for a higher priority regulatory, warning, or guide sign is identified.
- The NCDOT reserves the right to cover, relocate, or remove any signs for maintenance or construction operations, or when deemed to be in the best interest of the NCDOT or the traveling public, without advance notice. The NCDOT reserves the right to remove signs when roadway improvements or changes in the roadway cross section or configuration will no longer accommodate the existing signs. If existing signs no longer meet the Department's size and design requirements for an upgraded roadway and existing signs are removed, the municipality/community/county may request to upgrade their signs, provided that minimum spacing is available on the upgraded roadway.
- This practice is not intended for use in removal of existing signs; however, when a new project is established for the North Carolina highway system, or when existing signs are in need of replacement, repair, or maintenance, conformance with this practice is required.
- As described in General Statute 136-30 (a), (b), and (d), the NCDOT has the authority to control all signs within the right of way of the State Highway System.

§ G.S. 136-30. Uniform signs and other traffic control devices on highways, streets, and public vehicular areas. (a) State Highway System. - The Department of Transportation may number and mark highways in the State highway system. All traffic signs and other traffic control devices placed on a highway in the State highway system must conform to the Uniform Manual. The Department of Transportation shall have the power to control all signs within the right-of-way of highways in the State highway system. The Department of Transportation may erect signs directing persons to roads and places of importance. (b) Municipal Street System. - All traffic signs and other traffic control devices placed on a municipal street system street must conform to the appearance criteria of the Uniform Manual. All traffic control devices placed on a highway that is within the corporate limits of a municipality but is part of the State highway system must be approved by the Department of Transportation. (d) Definition. - As used in this section, the term "Uniform Manual" means the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways, published by the United States Department of Transportation, and any supplement to that Manual adopted by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

City of Albemarle

Department of Engineering Services

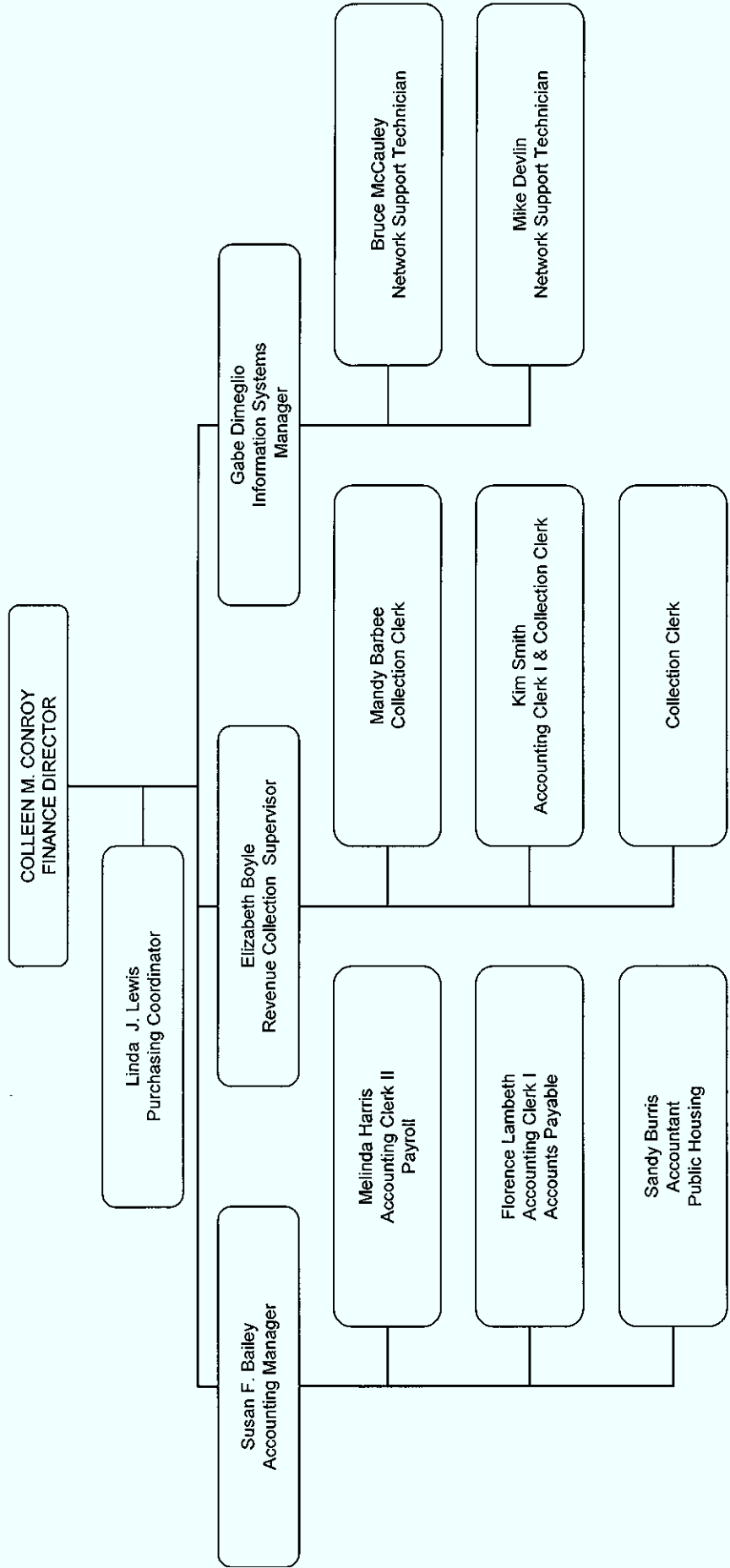


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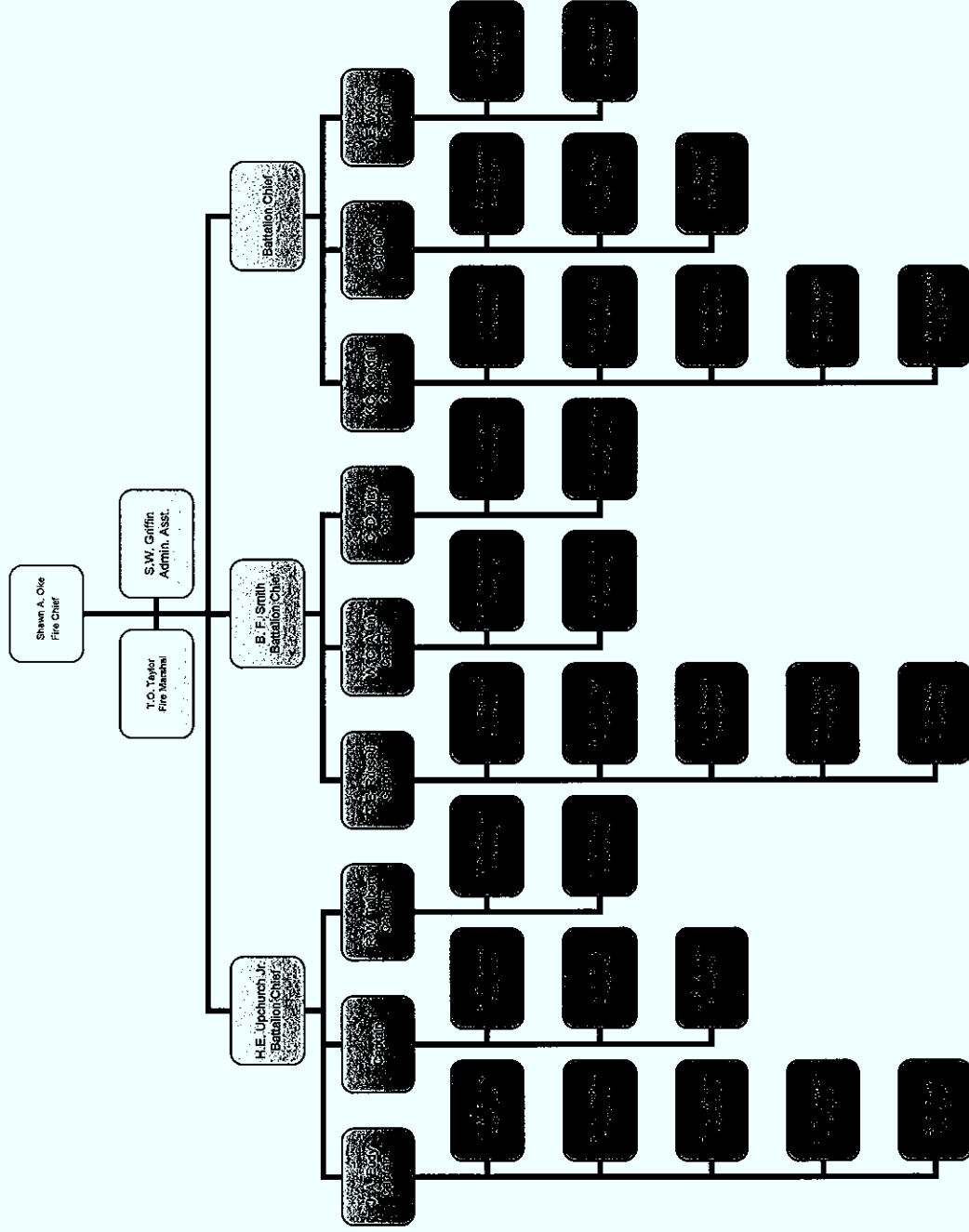


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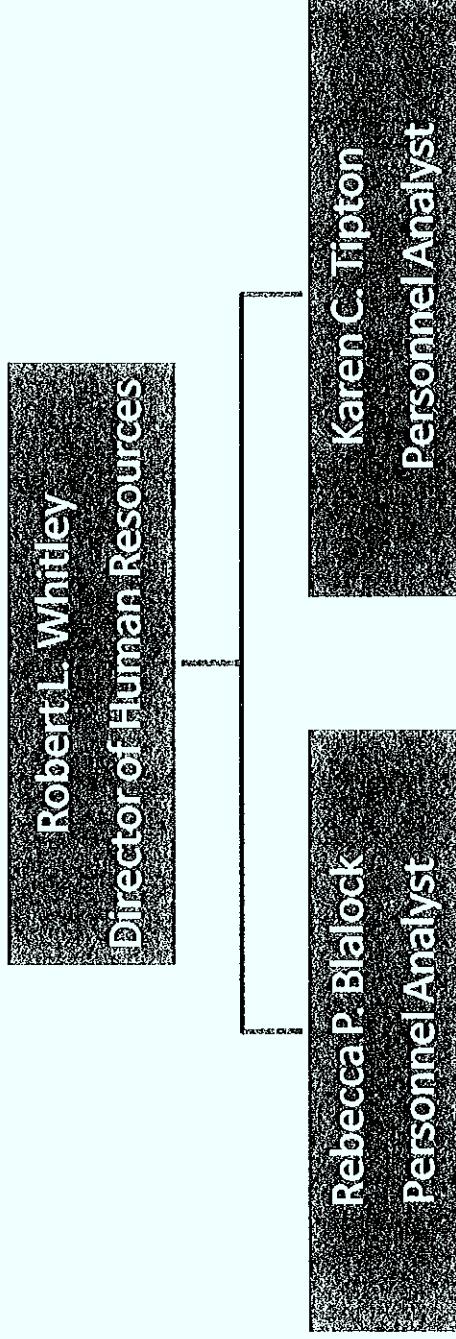
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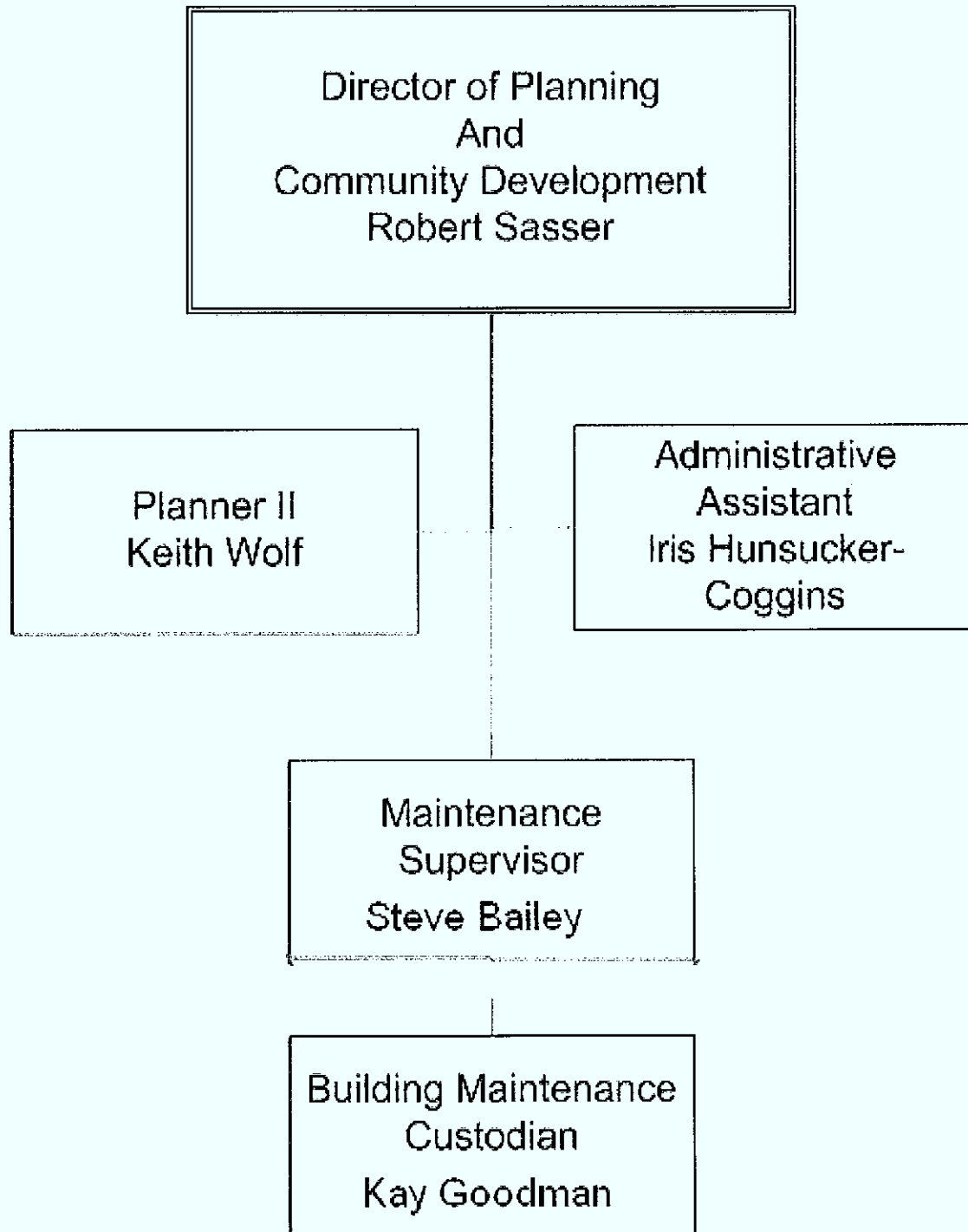


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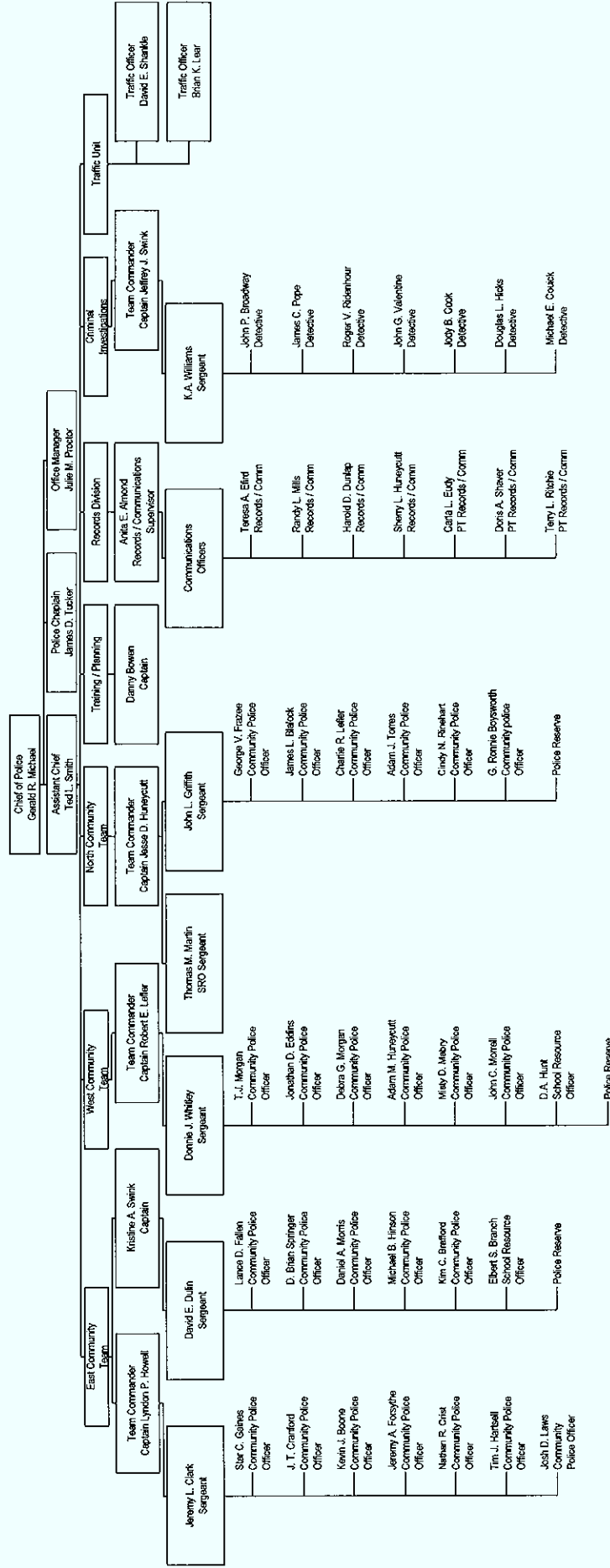


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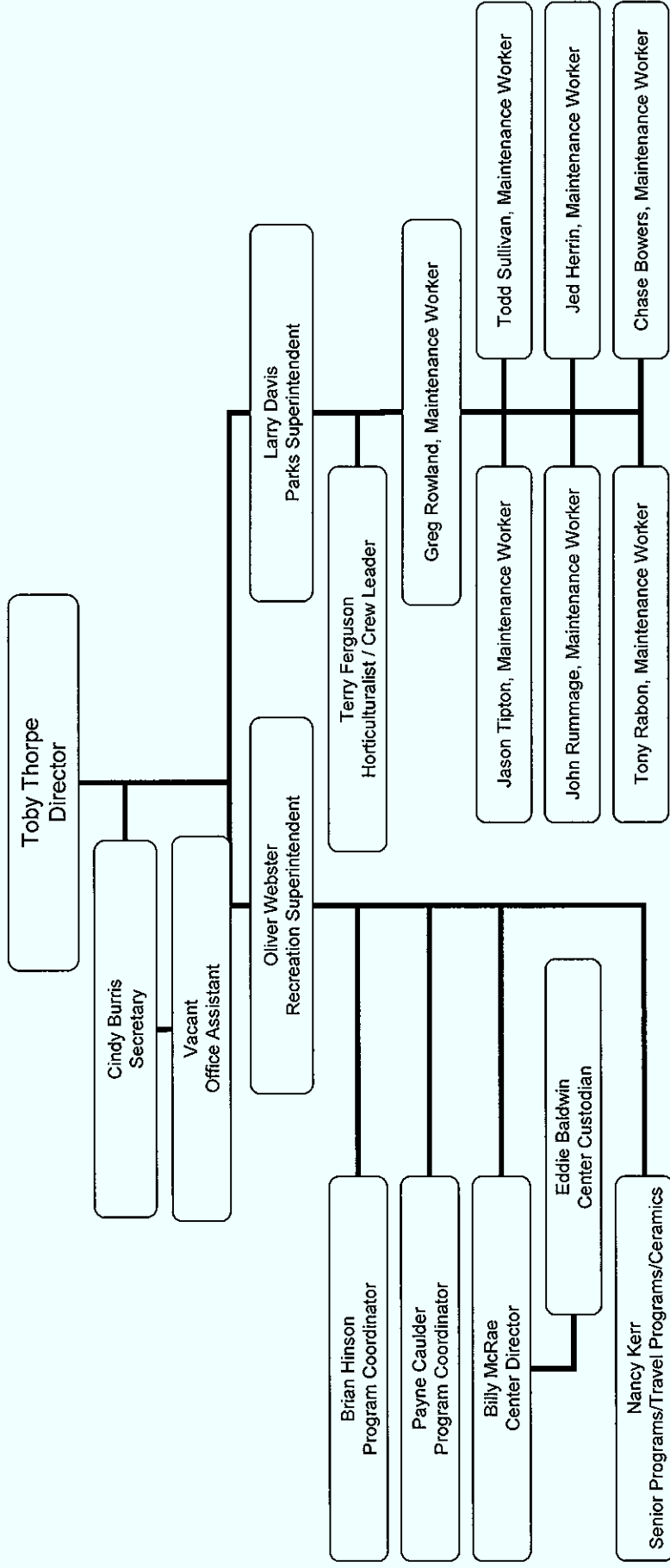


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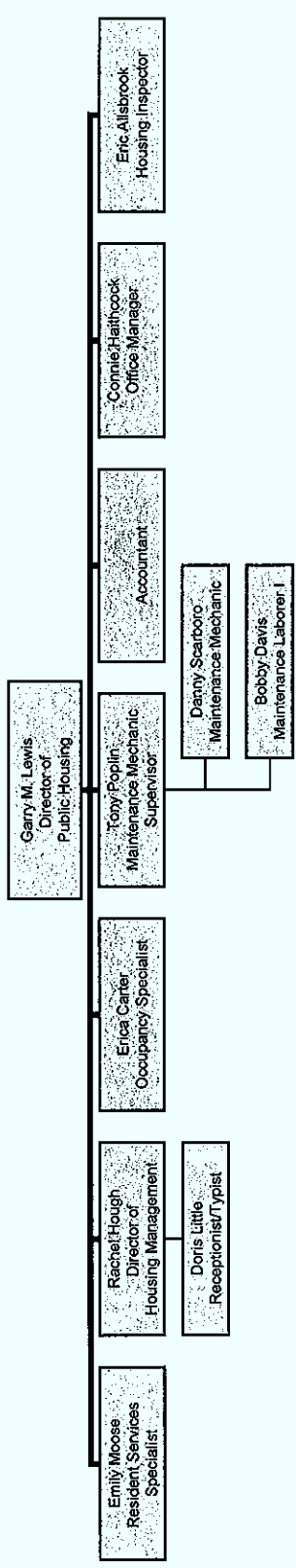
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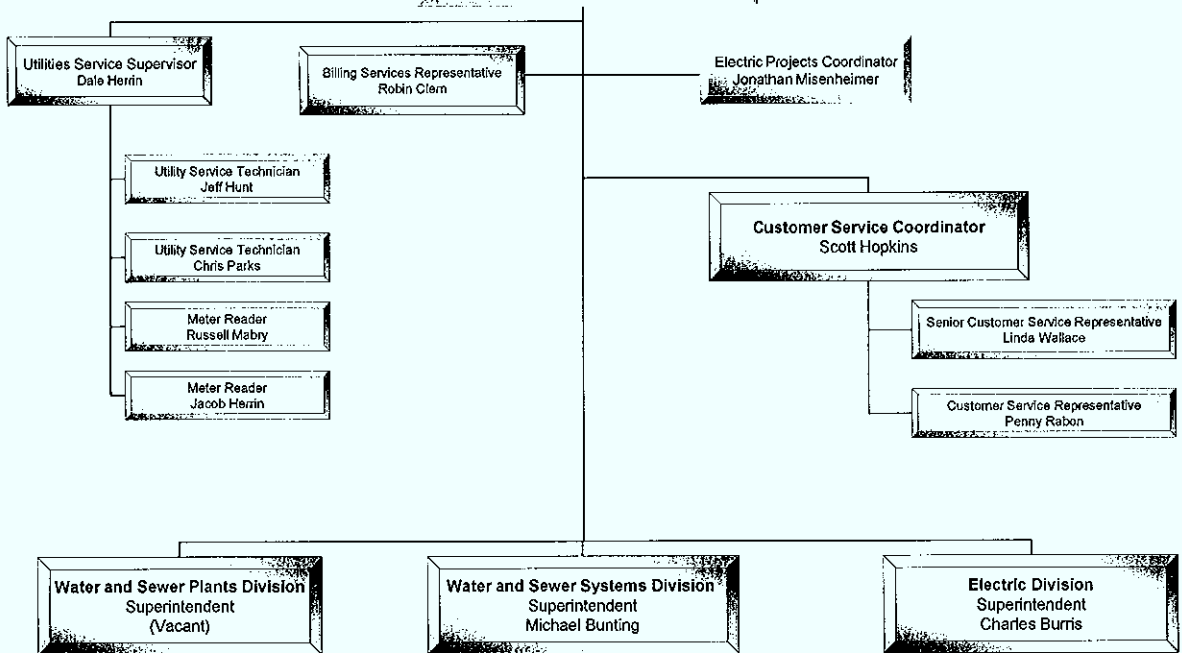




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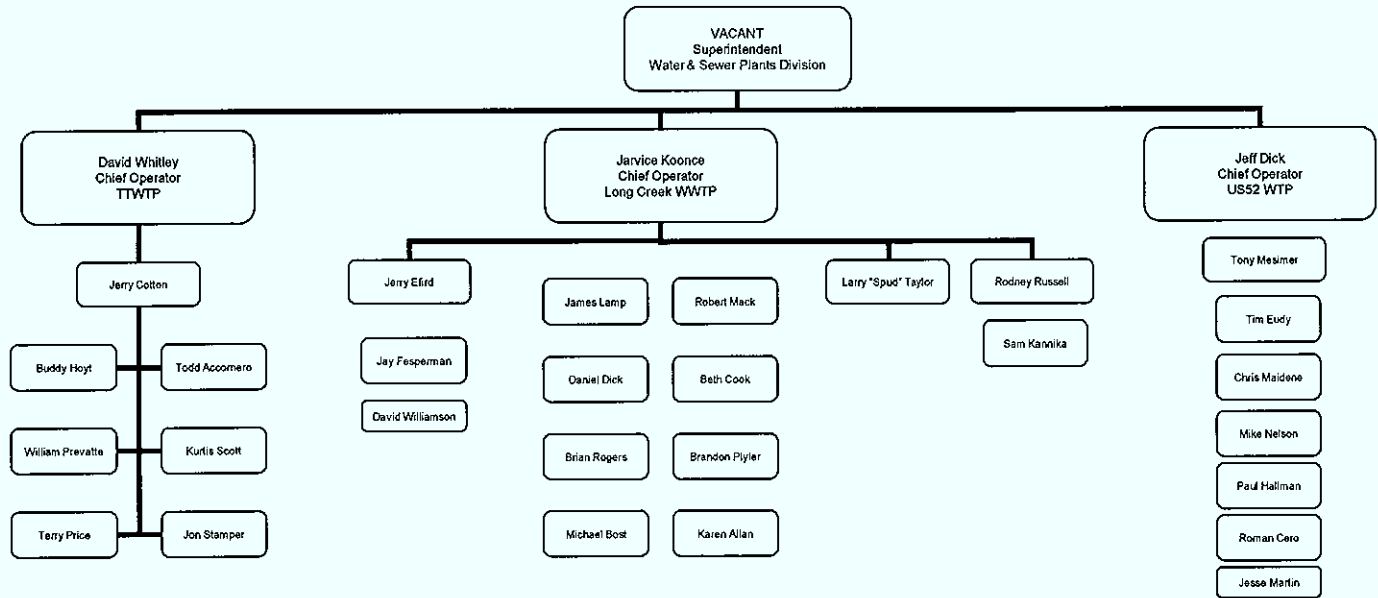
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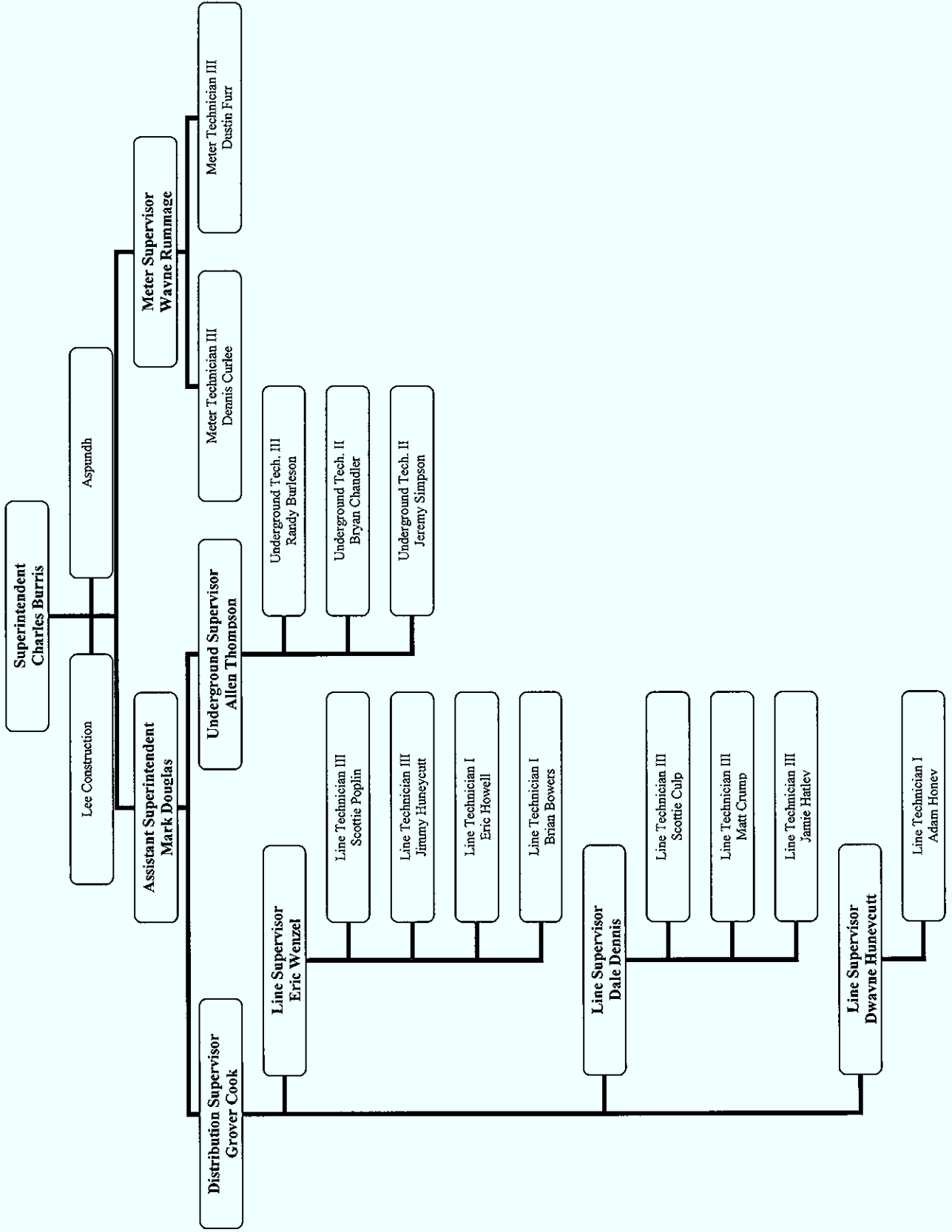
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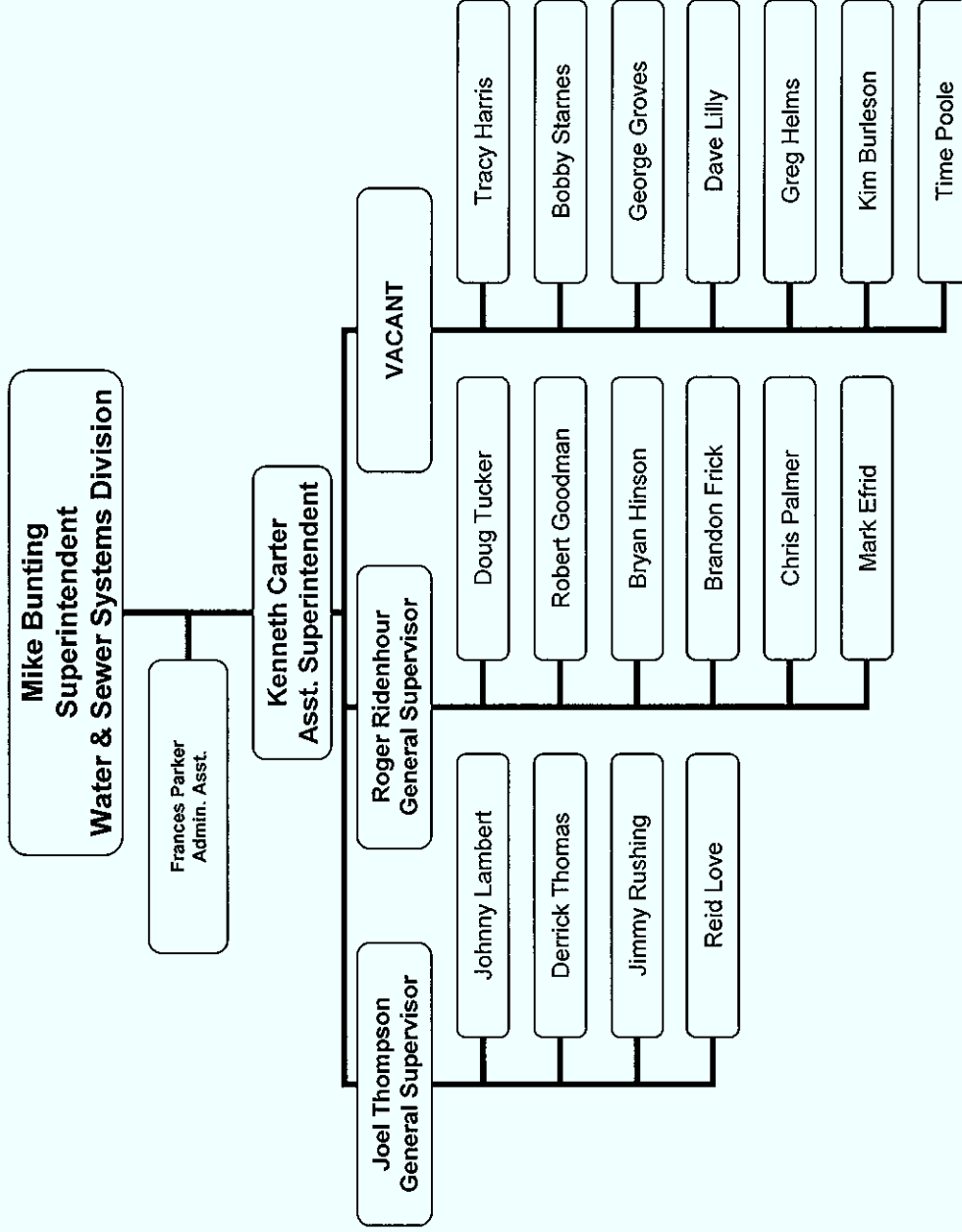
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