

MEMORANDUM FOR: SHALLOTTE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MEMORANDUM FROM: WALT ECCARD
SUBJECT: OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

During this past month, I worked on the following matters:

1. As discussed last week, the State Treasurer's office sent a message on September 26 that announced an increase in Shallotte (and all other municipalities in the North Carolina health plan) to our pension contribution in the amount of 2.4%. Contacted Senator Rabon and Representatives Iler and Miller and expressed concern that this delayed announcement coming three months into Town's fiscal year created many problems. Worked with NCLM to propose delaying this increase until the fiscal year starting July 1, 2026. The North Carolina legislature adopted a bill to delay this increase to municipalities next fiscal year. The Governor signed this legislation. The legislation saves the Town approximately \$150,000 this budget year.
2. I attended two meetings on the Carolina Bays project. Several hundred people attended the North Carolina public meeting. The comment period closes November 21, 2025. Thereafter the team in charge of the EIS process is expected to meet in early Spring 2026 to choose the least environmentally challenging alternative with a final EIS anticipated in late 2026 or early 2027.
3. With staff worked on the delays on the Price Landing project. Mimi will brief the Board on actions taken.
4. Attended ribbon cutting for the Corning Credit Union.
5. On November 2, welcomed walkers for the annual walk to end homelessness.