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SEPT. PRESS RELEASES**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Tuesday, September 1, 2015

Contact: Michael Wukela, Office of the Mayor @ 803-413-5052

Mayor Benjamin and City Council to proclaim "Solarize Columbia Day"

New partnership is the latest step towards a greener more sustainable Columbia

Columbia, SC – Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin and City Council will issue a proclamation today making the City of Columbia the most recent South Carolina community to embrace the Solarize South Carolina Campaign.

The Proclamation announces the partnership between the City of Columbia, [Solarize South Carolina](#), and the nonprofit [SmartPower](#). The city is now the first municipality in the Midlands to officially participate the new, statewide, residential solar power initiative.

Solarize South Carolina is a community outreach program designed to help Columbia residents go solar and save on electricity costs. When 60 or more Columbian residents sign a contract for solar before January 31, 2016, the City will earn a free 5 kW solar system for any of its municipal buildings.

Solarize South Carolina is an initiative of the nonprofit organization SmartPower (www.smartpower.org) and solar financing company [Dividend Solar](#). Solarize South Carolina's goal is to outfit 2,000 homes across the state with solar over the next 18 months. Operating statewide, Solarize South Carolina hopes to triple the amount of

residential solar, helping homeowners save money and creating new jobs across the state.

“Columbia is proud to be a statewide leader in Solarize South Carolina,” said Columbia Mayor Stephen Benjamin. “Working together with SmartPower and all our local community organizations, we will help make Columbia – and South Carolina – a true leader in solar power!”

This is the latest in a series of green initiatives for the City of Columbia which include installing electric car charging pods in city parking garages and energy efficient lighting in city buildings as well as encouraging green commuting, keeping 13 tons of electronics out of landfills through the E-waste recycling program and working to protect our waterways and drinking water by recycling 400 gallons of used cooking oil through the Southern Fried Fuel initiative. Now the City will be taking the next step to promote using the cleanest resource we have that residents feel every day – the sun.

Solarize Columbia will accelerate the adoption of solar and increase public awareness of new solar-friendly state rules that allow net metering, giving significant financial advantage to residents who go solar.

Solarize South Carolina makes it even easier for residents to go solar by offering a zero-down financing option to make solar more affordable, allowing homeowners to save immediately on energy bills. By signing up on the Solarize SC website (www.solarizesc.org), homeowners will be able to quickly find out if their home is compatible for solar with a free, no obligation solar assessment by a pre-screened local installer. Residents should check “Columbia” under Affiliation to ensure that the City gets credit for customers who go solar.

The Net-Metering program from SCE&G credits the renewable energy producer at the same rate the utility charges for service. The excess energy that is not used by the producer is then pushed back into the energy grid at the same rate. The newly enacted Net-Metering 2.0 will still credit the producer at the same rate, but will now buy all produced energy at a wholesale rate.

“If you have ever thought about going solar, there’s never been a better time,” said Sara Hummel Rajca, SmartPower’s Community Outreach Manager for Solarize South

Carolina. "With Columbia's leadership, tax incentives, low cost financing, and all our neighbors joining in this community campaign, going solar just makes sense!"

Solarize Columbia kicks off with its first event September 3. For more information about Solarize South Carolina and Solarize Columbia, contact Solarize South Carolina Community Outreach Manager Sara Hummel Rajca at shummelrajca@smartpower.org.

Residents who want to see if their home is good for solar can get started at www.solarizesc.org.

Upcoming Solarize South Carolina Events:

Sept. 3: The Basics of Solar at Richland Library Northeast, 6:30-8 p.m.

Sept. 10: The Basics of Solar at University of South Carolina Green Quad, 6:30-8 p.m.

Sept. 12: Solar Info Table at Soda City Farmers Market, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Sept. 16: The Basics of Solar at Richland Library Southeast, 6:30-8 p.m.

Sept. 19: Solar Info Table at National Drive Electric Week at Whole Foods, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sept. 23: Solar Lunch Break at University of South Carolina Green Quad, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Sept. 30: The Basics of Solar at Richland Library Cooper, 6:30-8 p.m.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Contact: Libby Gober at 803-545-3061

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WHO: Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine

WHERE: City Hall, 1737 Main Street

WHEN: Wednesday, September 9, 2015 from 5 - 8 p.m.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call 803-545-3061.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, September 01, 2015

Contact: Shireese M. Bell at 803-760-9125 or smbell@columbiasc.net

Greenview Park Tennis Courts Closed for Maintenance

The tennis courts at Greenview Park will be closed until Friday, September 18 for resurfacing, the City of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department announced.

There are seven additional locations in the City that are open for recreational and league play. Those locations are:

- Columbia Tennis Center, 1635 Whaley St.
 - Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 - Friday, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
 - Saturday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 - Sunday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- South East Park, 951 Hazelwood Rd.
 - Monday – Sunday, 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.

The following locations are open Monday through Sunday from dawn to dusk:

- Earlewood Park - 1111 Parkside Dr.
- Mays Park - 4100 Trenholm Rd.
- Hampton Park - 117 Brandon Ave.
- Heathwood Park - 800 Abelia Rd.
- Woodland Park - 1500 Olde Knight Parkway

For more information, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 803-545-3100.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 2, 2015

Contact: [Mary Pat Baldauf](mailto:Mary.Pat.Baldauf@cityofcolumbia.com), (803) 545-2722 or 237-6357

NASCAR Executive to Keynote the City of Columbia's 2015 Green Business Conference

NASCAR Vice President for Green Innovation Dr. Michael Lynch will deliver the keynote address at the ninth annual Green is Good for Business Conference on Tuesday, September 29 to share the successful story of NASCAR Green, one of the most powerful sustainability platforms in the country.

NASCAR's three massive green programs are among the largest in sports, and the sanctioning body serves as a proving ground to validate new technologies.

As part of the program, NASCAR:

- **Operates the largest renewable energy projects in sports**
- **Manages the largest waste diversion program in sports**
- **Serves as a proving ground to validate new technologies**
- **Collaborates with the industry and other organizations that care deeply about sustainability**
- **Champions sustainable behavior to millions of fans align with NASCAR fan values**

"NASCAR Green is a game changer. It is a model sustainability program and has successfully engaged some of the very people green businesses want to engage," said Mary Pat Baldauf, City of Columbia Sustainability Facilitator.



Registration for the conference is \$50 per person. Online registration is available at <http://greenisgoodforbusiness.eventbrite.com>. Exhibit space and sponsorships are also still available at <http://supportgreenbusiness.eventbrite.com>.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 2, 2015

Contact: Michael Wukela, Office of the Mayor @ 803-413-5052

Celebrate the Year of the Shag

Columbia, SC – Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin and the City of Columbia are inviting everyone to come out and join the Capital City Shag Club and shag lovers from across the state in downtown Columbia as we celebrate South Carolina's State Dance at the inaugural "Year of the Shag" Celebration events this weekend.

Events include:

Saturday, September 5th

Shagging and Line Dancing

1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Intersection of Main and Hampton Streets

- Shag and Line Dance Lessons available
- Kickoff and "Year of the Shag" Proclamation to be held at 1:00 p.m.
- Amateur Shag Contest to be held at 2:00 p.m.

Saturday Night Shag Dance featuring "The Sensational Epics"

7:00 to 11:00 p.m.

Marriott Hotel Carolina Ballroom (1200 Hampton St,)

Sunday, September 6th

Shagging at the State House

from 1:00-4:00 p.m

South Carolina State House North Steps

For more information contact Marie Kiesel, Capital City Shag Club Chair of the 2015 "Year of the Shag" at 803-606-3030 or via email at mkiesel@sc.rr.com.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, September 3, 2015

Contact: Office of Business Opportunities at 803-545-3950

Commercial Revolving Loan Fund Committee Meeting Agenda

The Commercial Revolving Loan Fund Committee will conduct a meeting on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 10 a.m. The agenda is attached for your review.

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For Immediate Release

September 4, 2015

Contact: Public Relations, Marketing & Media at 545-3013

City Offices Closed In Observance of Labor Day

City of Columbia offices will be closed on Monday, September 7, 2015, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

Garbage and recycling pick up will remain on schedule.

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PRESS RELEASE

Public and Media Relations Department

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For Immediate Release

Friday, September 4, 2015

Contact: Sara Hollar, Forestry and Beautification at 545-3860

SCE&G To Perform Tree Trimming Activities As Scheduled for 2015

SCE&G will perform tree trimming activities, and re-conductor work along overhead utility lines in the following neighborhoods for the next two weeks:

Distribution Line Tree Trimming:

Arsenal Hill Neighborhood Organization

Elmwood Park Neighborhood Organization

Cottontown/Bellevue Historic District

Pinehurst Community Council

Midland Terrace Neighborhood

Druid Hills Neighborhood Association

Forest Hills North

Rochelle Heights/Victory Gardens

Bradley Community Council

Godbold Place Homeowners

Re-conductor Projects

Shandon

Wales Garden

Bradley Community Council

Godbold Place Homeowners

Citizens with specific questions or concerns should contact Forestry and Beautification at 803-545-3860 or SCE&G at 1-800-251-7234 to meet and discuss in advance of the work being completed.

The trimming will be completed by SCE&G contractors and work will be closely monitored by the City's 4 Certified Arborists from the Forestry and Beautification Division.

The purpose of the trimming activities is to increase safety and reliability of the electric service. SCE&G reports an 89% improvement in reliability in vegetation related outages in areas where trimming is completed compared to a year ago. The trimming guidelines include removing vegetation within 8-12 feet below and beside the power lines and up to 20 feet above the power lines.

SCE&G and their contractors trim in accordance with International Society of Arboriculture guidelines, using ANSI A300 pruning methods leaving good cuts that will generate new growth.

SCE&G's re-conductor work includes pole replacements and new wire in select locations. The goal of re-conductor work is to improve reliability.

For more information about SCE&G's tree trimming efforts, including helpful tips and suggestions regarding the planting of trees and other vegetation, visit www.sceg.com/treetrimming.

You can also contact SCE&G's 24 hour Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-800-251-7234 or email SCEGContactUs@SCANA.com

For continued updates from the city of Columbia follow us on Twitter [@cityofcolumbia](https://twitter.com/cityofcolumbia) or "like" the [City of Columbia](#) on Facebook.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE: September 4, 2015

CONTACT: Sara Hummel Rajca at (803) 727-2156 or Shummelrajca@smartpower.org

Solarize Columbia Installation Event

WHAT: A roof top solar installation event kicking off the launch of Solarize Columbia (www.solarizesc.org).

WHO: Mayor Steve Benjamin, Vision Solar, a local solar homeowner, and the Solarize Columbia Team

WHERE: At the home of
Mr. Zach White
4607 Bethel Church Rd.
Columbia, SC 29206

WHEN: Tuesday, September 8, 2015
10:30-11:30 a.m.

For more information contact: Sara Hummel Rajca, Community Outreach Manager for SmartPower at (803) 727-2156 or Shummelrajca@smartpower.org.

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Friday, September 4, 2015

Contact: Erika Moore, City Clerk at (803)545.3043

City of Columbia Municipal Election

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

COLUMBIA, SC - The Municipal Election Commission of the City of Columbia announces the general election for the City of Columbia to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015. The filing period closed on Friday, September 4, 2015 at noon. The following candidates shall be included in this election for terms ending on December 31, 2019:

District 2 Councilmember

Aaron Bishop

Katie F. Bolden

Doretha A. Bull

Ed McDowell

Alexzena Furgess

At-Large Councilmember

John Adams

Joseph Azar

Howard Duvall

Nammu Y. Muhammad

Cameron A. Runyan (Incumbent)

Andy Smith

District 3 Councilmember

Moe Baddourah (Incumbent)

Citizens desiring to vote in the upcoming election must be registered by Sunday, October 4, 2015.

Phone: 803.576.2240

Email: rcvoterapplication@rcgov.us

Online Voter Registration & Precinct Search: www.scvotes.org

Absentee voting begins on Monday, October 5, 2015.

Richland County Elections & Voter Registration Office

2020 Hampton Street

Columbia, SC 29204

Office Hours: 8:30 am – 5:00 pm (Monday – Friday)

Phone: 803.576.2244

Email: absenteeballots@rcgov.us

For additional information please contact the Office of the City Clerk at (803)545.3045 or visit www.columbiasc.net/elections.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Friday, September 4, 2015

Contact: Zoning Division at 803-545-3333

Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Agenda

The Board of Zoning Appeals will conduct a meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 10 a.m. The agenda is attached.

This agenda, past agendas and the approved minutes of previous meetings can also be found at <http://www.columbiasc.net/planning-boards-commissions/boza/agendas-minutes>.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 4, 2015

Contact: Planning Division at 803-545-3222

Design/Development Review Commission Meeting Agenda

The Design/Development Review Commission will meet at 4 p.m. on Thursday, September 10th, at City Hall (City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor), 1737 Main Street. The agenda is attached for your review.

This agenda, past agendas, and the approved minutes of previous meetings can also be found here: www.columbiasc.gov/planning-boards-commissions/pc/agendas.

Should you have questions regarding items on this agenda, please contact the Planning Division at 803-545-3222.

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**For Immediate Release**

Friday, September 4, 2015

Contact: Chanique Belton at 803- 545-3075

Mayor's Campaign Against Breast Cancer Isabel Law Breakfast

WHAT: 2015 Mayor's Campaign Against Breast Cancer Isabel Law Breakfast. Proceeds will go to Palmetto Health Foundation for the Bosom Buddies Fund to assist women with post-mastectomy bras and other support materials.

WHO: Mayor Steve Benjamin, City Staff & Officials, Palmetto Health Foundation and Local Volunteers

WHERE: City Hall Parking Lot, 1737 Main Street

WHEN: Friday, October 16 from 6 – 9 a.m.

COST: Tickets are \$7

Tickets can be purchased at the following locations:

- Fire Department Headquarters, 1800 Laurel Street
- City Hall, 1737 Main Street
- Police Department, #1 Justice Square
- Public Works, 2910 Colonial Drive
- Washington Square Payment Center, 1136 Washington Street

The breakfast menu will include: bacon, eggs, grits, hash browns, biscuits, pancakes, sausage and liver pudding.

To place an order in advance, contact Connie Bailey at 803-545-4268 or email breastcancer@columbiasc.net. Pre-Orders must be submitted by **noon on October 14**.

For more information about the breakfast event or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Chanique Belton at 803-545-3075 or Connie Bailey at 803-545-4268.

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**For Immediate Release**

Tuesday, September 8, 2015

Contact: Public & Media Relations at 803-545-3020

9th Annual Mayor's Walk Against Domestic Violence

Join us on Saturday, October 10, 2015 for the 9th Annual Mayor's Walk Against Domestic Violence. This year's walk will begin at 9 a.m. at Finlay Park, 930 Laurel Street. This is a free event and it is open to the public.

Registration is open for participants and exhibitors. Participant registration ends October 9. Exhibitor registration ends September 14. Register today at www.columbiasc.net.

For more information about registration for 9th Annual Mayor's Walk Against Domestic Violence, please contact the Public and Media Relations Department at 803-545-3020.

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Contact: Marli Drum at 803-776-PETS

The City's Pet of the Week: Ziva! (ID# A203418)

Ziva is a playful one-year-old Tree Walking Hound mix. She'll love her new owner so much that she won't want to share them with anyone else! Ziva is also spayed, microchipped and housebroken.

Visit Ziva and other pets available for adoption at the Columbia Animal Shelter, 127 Humane Lane. Visit www.columbiasc.net/animal-services or call 803-776-PETS for more information.

All of our pets need loving homes! To view other animals available for adoption, visit Petfinder.com. Please refer to the ID number listed above when visiting the website.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, September 8, 2015

Contact: Community Development at 803-545-3373

Loan Committee Meeting Agenda

The Loan Committee will conduct a meeting on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 9 a.m. The agenda is attached for your review.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

Contact: Community Development at 803-545-3373

The City Announces CAPER Public Comment Period

In accordance with federal regulations, the City of Columbia's Community Development Department is announcing a 30-day public comment period to review the draft of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. Citizens will have the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed draft by attending public hearings or submitting comments through September 21, 2015.

The purpose of the comment period is to allow citizens an opportunity to review and comment on progress, achievements and expenditures of federally-funded programs in the City of Columbia. Public Hearings will be held at 6 p.m. on:

Tuesday, September 15, 2015

City Hall Council Chambers, 3rd Floor

1737 Main Street, Columbia, SC 29201

A draft summary of the CAPER report can be found at www.ColumbiaSC.net/communitydevelopment. A summary of citizen comments will be included in the 2014-2015 CAPER that will be submitted to HUD.

Public comments regarding the CAPER report should be sent to Dollie Bristow, Community Development Department at 1225 Lady Street, Suite 102, Columbia, SC 29201, emailed to ddbristow@columbiasc.net or faxed to 803-255-8912.

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CONTACT: Public and Media Relations @ 803-545-3020

City of Columbia Supports U.S. Surgeon General's Call to Action to "Step it Up" and Improve Walking and Walkable Communities

The National League of Cities (NLC) applauds U.S. Surgeon General Vivek H. Murthy for issuing [*Step It Up! The Surgeon General's Call to Action to Promote Walking and Walkable Communities*](#) today. This call to action marks a historic step in ensuring that Americans of all ages and abilities have access to safe and convenient opportunities to be active and move safely throughout their communities. The Surgeon General's call to action comes as NLC has been working with city leaders to [*promote walking and expand walkable communities*](#) for their residents.

In recent years, the City of Columbia and partners have taken steps to improve its multi-modal network and advance the culture of bicycling, walking and transit. Examples include additions to the Three Rivers Greenway, the completion of Phase I of the Vista Greenway, installation of bicycle corrals and the first High intensity Activated cross Walk (HAWK) pedestrian signal in South Carolina.

"Since the implementation of the Walk Bike Columbia initiative, the City of Columbia has proven to be a leader in improving its biking and walking related programs and policies," stated Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine. "With this new call to action, I look forward to seeing the continued growth and expansion of our bicycle friendly community in our famously hot City."

The call to action provides actionable steps that city leaders can take to improve their city's walkability and wheelchair accessibility. The report also identifies opportunities and actions that multiple sectors, including health care, education and industry can take to support these efforts.

"Everyone deserves to have a safe place to walk or wheelchair roll. But in too many of our communities, that is not the reality," said Dr. Vivek H. Murthy, the 19th U.S. Surgeon General. "We know that an active lifestyle is critical to achieving good overall health. And walking is a simple, effective and affordable way to build physical activity into our lives. That is why we need to step it up as a country ensuring that everyone can choose to walk in their own communities."

[Studies show](#) that when cities implement design solutions to promote walkable communities and active transportation, such as sidewalks, curb cuts and more green spaces, they have greater potential to reap significant public health, economic, environmental and social benefits. These benefits can include improved health of residents and an increase in property values, tourism and economic investment. Walking also provides opportunities for people to build stronger relationships with neighbors and supports stronger overall community bonds among residents.

As city leaders wrestle with issues of growing income inequality and skills gaps, improving walkability is another tool that leaders can use to expand opportunity and foster greater equity and inclusion for all residents. Community design and development that supports walking can help connect low-income communities and communities of color to jobs, housing, education and healthy food options.

NLC looks forward to working with city leaders and continuing to support their efforts to promote walkable communities across the nation. "For years, cities have been on the front lines, taking action to improve the safety, health and well-being of our residents. This call to action provides city leaders with additional strategies and approaches to create safe, walkable communities and reduce disparities in the nation's cities and towns," said Mayor Becker.

Join the conversation about the call to action using the hashtag [#StepItUp](#).

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, September 10, 2015

Contact: Office of Business Opportunities at 803-545-3950

Small business lender matchmaker event scheduled for September 24

Day-long workshop will address current lending practices and feature one-on-one lender networking

In a true collaboration between municipal, state and federal government, the City of Columbia, along with several partner organizations, will host a small business lender matchmaker event on Thursday, September 24, 2015 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Columbia, S.C. Partners of the event include the S.C. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Providing small business owners with the opportunity to connect with potential lenders, the event will feature a lender-led panel discussion, a matchmaking session and exhibitor displays.

Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt emphasized the importance of these lender matchmaker events, saying, "South Carolina's pro-business environment continues to receive high marks, and initiatives like the upcoming lender matchmaker event are a big reason why. Providing our businesses with the resources they need to succeed is critical to the health of our economy and a key component of our economic development efforts."

City of Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin also stressed the importance of the lender matchmaker event, stating, "We recognize that major corporations like Apple, Amazon, Mattel and Walt Disney all started as small businesses. We believe that kind of talent exists right here in Columbia and we're going to do everything we can to help those small businesses find the capital investment they need to reach their full potential."

The event will take place at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, 1101 Lincoln Street, Columbia, S.C. Interested small business and lender participants can register [online](http://bit.ly/1MH5KZL) at <http://bit.ly/1MH5KZL>. The price of registration is \$35. For more information, visit www.scommerce.com or contact [Tessa Monahan](#) at 803-737-1336 or [Angelo McBride](#) at 803-545-3960.

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For Immediate Release

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Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine Joins First Lady Michelle Obama at the White House to Celebrate *Let's Move!* Cities, Towns and Counties

Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine joined First Lady Michelle Obama and representatives from the National League of Cities (NLC) and several federal agencies at the White House today for a celebratory event honoring the achievements made by local elected officials participating in the [Let's Move! Cities, Towns and Counties \(LMCTC\)](#) initiative.

Devine served as a member of the esteemed panel of city officials that have made health and wellness, particularly childhood obesity prevention, a priority in their communities.

"I'm truly honored to have served on the panel today," Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine stated. "All of our achievements with the Let's Move! program in Columbia is due to the support of City leaders, our partners and the community overall. Our efforts continue to have a positive impact on our citizens. We are so proud to be a Gold Medalist City."

The First Lady announced that **500 cities, towns and counties**, including the City of Columbia, have committed to the [five goals](#) in the LMCTC initiative since July 2012. LMCTC is a key part of the First Lady's *Let's Move!* initiative and helps local elected officials, their staff and communities ensure all children grow up healthy and have the ability to reach their full potential. NLC works in partnership with *Let's Move!* and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to provide assistance to local elected officials.

Let's Move! Columbia is part of a growing national movement to build healthier communities and ensure that the health and well-being of young people today and

that of future generations is a priority. The City is ranked among the top in the nation for its fight against childhood obesity and has earned five gold medals.

At today's event, the First Lady also recognized the [52 communities, including the City of Columbia](#) that have achieved gold medals in each of the five goal areas, which include providing healthy school meals, opportunities for physical activity during and outside of school, and healthier early care and education programs.

The 500 cities, towns and counties honored at today's event come from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. To date, approximately 80 million Americans live in a city, town or county participating in LMCTC.

"This groundbreaking milestone of reaching 500 communities brings us closer to the goal of providing every American with the opportunity to live in a community that prioritizes the health and well-being of their residents," said National League of Cities President Ralph Becker, mayor, Salt Lake City, Utah. "These local policymakers, representing small and large communities from across the country, are transforming their communities into healthier places."

For more information on the achievements by LMCTC communities, visit www.healthycommunitieshealthyfuture.org/spotlights/.

NLC works in partnership with *Let's Move!* and HHS, with support from USDA, the National Association of Counties and other nonprofit organizations, to provide assistance to local elected officials as they implement policy and program changes to improve access to healthy, affordable food and provide opportunities for physical activity for all children. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation provides generous support to NLC to provide technical assistance to local elected officials working to create healthier communities and prevent childhood obesity, including those participating in LMCTC.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 18, 2015

Contact: John Fellows at 803-545-3215

**City and the Midlands Chapter of the American Landscape Architects Hosts
 PARK(ing) Day**

Today, the City is partnering with the Midlands Chapter of the American Landscape Architects (ASLA) to host PARK(ing) Day in Columbia. This is the first year the City of Columbia has participated in the nationally recognized event.

PARK(ing) Day is an annual event involving community members, students, and designers transforming metered parking spaces into temporary parklets, which are sidewalk extensions. The event will take place until 3 p.m. at 1441 Main Street and 933 Gervais Street;

1441 Main Street – Wells Fargo and Drip Columbia

- Two spaces sponsored by Richland Library
- Two spaces sponsored by One Columbia for Arts and History
- One space sponsored by local artist

933 Gervais Street – Panera Bread

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For more information about PARK(ing) DAY, please visit www.Parkingday.org.

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WHO: Councilman Cameron Runyan, Columbia Police Department, representatives from Southern Mutual Church Insurance Company, church leaders and members of the community.

WHERE: First Presbyterian Church, Palmer Bldg., 1420 Lady Street

WHEN: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 from 6 – 8 p.m.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Friday, September 18, 2015

Contact: Street Division at 803-545-3790

Road Repairs in The Vista This Saturday

The City of Columbia Street Division will be making brick and asphalt repairs at Lincoln and Lady Streets in the Vista tomorrow, Saturday, September 19, 2015 from 6 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Motorists and business patrons can enter and exit Lincoln Street via Gervais Street. No portion of Lady Street will be closed to motorists.

For additional information, please contact the Street Division at 803-545-3790.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 20, 2015

Contact: Connie Bailey, City Council Office @ 803-545-4268

City of Columbia Promotes "Pink Out Week" for Breast Cancer Awareness

Columbia, SC – Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin and the City of Columbia are excited to announce several public and employee events taking place during September and October as part of "Pink Out Week" leading up to the annual Mayor's Campaign Against Breast Cancer Isabel Law Breakfast.

All proceeds from these events will go to Palmetto Health Foundation for the Bosom Buddies Fund to assist women with post-mastectomy bras and other support materials.

Public Events include:

Friday, September 25, 2015

Columbia Fire Department Pink Helmet Drive

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 2 - 4 p.m.

Harbison Blvd., Forest Drive, and Garners Ferry Rd. Wal-Mart locations

Firefighters with survivors and volunteers will be filling helmets with donations from shoppers.

Monday, October 12

City of Columbia Honor Walk

11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Finlay Park, 930 Laurel Street

Free Event – registration is preferred and is due by October 1, 2015.

Food trucks will be available to purchase lunch. These include: 2 Fat 2 Fly, [Kiki's Chicken and Waffles](#) and others. Water for participants will be provided by PepsiCo.

Thursday, October 15

Breast Cancer Committee Bake Sale

11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Washington Square, 1136 Main Street (Main Street and Washington Street entrances)

Cost varies depending on item

Treats for all appetites and palates are available.

Friday, October 16

Mayor's Campaign Against Breast Cancer Isabel Law Breakfast

6-9 a.m.

City Hall Parking Lot

Cost is \$7 per meal

Breakfast will include: eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, pancakes and liver pudding. Celebrity servers will be on hand to serve up this tasty meal.

City of Columbia Employee Events

In addition to these public events, Mayor Benjamin and the City of Columbia have several events planned for city employees in honor of our many employees who have been affected by breast cancer.

During the week of October 12, city departments will be compete to see who can be the best "Pinked Out Office"; and on Wednesday, October 14, 2015, city employees are encouraged to wear pink outfits to show support for the cause.

In addition, the City of Columbia will hold its first ever "Rock the Pink Lip Sync" contest where city employees will compete to see who takes home the pink microphone trophy. The winner will perform at the breakfast.

For more information contact Connie Bailey at 803-545-4268 or via email at breastcancer@columbiasc.net.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Contact: Marli Drum at 803-776-PETS

Pet of the Week: Meet Ana! (ID# A216843)

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Contact: Michael Wukela, Office of the Mayor @ 803-413-5052

Mayor Benjamin to participate in Pope Francis' historic visit

Mayor will help lead International Mayors Forum and attend Papal Mass

Columbia, SC – Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin is traveling to Philadelphia, PA today where this afternoon he will serve as a panelist at the 2015 International Mayors Forum co-sponsored by PricewaterhouseCoopers and La Salle University.

Part of the World Meeting of Families Congress which culminates in Pope Francis' visit to Philadelphia on Saturday and Sunday, the International Mayors Forum will bring together mayors representing diverse cities around the world to discuss the ways in which government at the local level can help strengthen and sustain families through public policy and advocacy.

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The 2015 International Mayors Forum was organized following a special request made by the Vatican's Pontifical Council for the Family, a co-sponsor of the 2015 World Meeting of Families, in an effort to expand the global conversation about family.

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"This is a true honor and I am deeply humbled to have this opportunity not only to represent Columbia in welcoming Pope Francis on this historic visit to our nation," said Mayor Benjamin, "but to help lead this important discussion about the challenges families are facing here in the United States and across the world."

Visit www.worldmeeting2015.org for more information about the World Meeting of Families Congress.

For additional information, please contact the Michael Wukela at 803.413.5052 or via email at mcwukela@columbiasc.net.

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Thursday, September 24, 2015

Contact: City of Columbia Public and Media Relations at 803-545-3020

City Cautions Drivers to avoid Flood Prone Streets and Intersections

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Main and Whaley

Wheat and Amherst

Gervais and Laurens

Adger and Devine

Blossom and Henderson

Bull and Laurel

Blossom and Saluda

Franklin and Marion

Harden and Santee

Duncan (entire block)

Monroe and Maple

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Continue to listen to a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio or to local radio and television stations for updated information or instructions, as access to roads or some parts of the community may be blocked.

Help people who may require special assistance, such as infants, children and the elderly or disabled.

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For additional safety tips on driving when streets are flooded, click [here](#).

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City of Columbia Art Center Offers Fall Workshops

The City of Columbia Art Center is offering several workshops during the fall.

Workshops include:

The **Learn to Draw Comics Workshop** will take students ages 8-14 through the steps of how to draw their favorite super heroes and villains. This one-day workshop will take place at the Art Center on Saturday, October 17, 2015 from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$30 and includes all materials. The maximum class size is 12 participants. **Registration is due by Thursday, October 1, 2015.**

If you are ready for some holiday cheer and card making fun, then attend the **Card Making Workshop** where you will learn assorted techniques to create your own Christmas and holiday cards. This workshop will occur on Saturday, November 7,

2015 from 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Art Center. The registration fee is \$40, which includes supplies. Registration is limited to 14 participants. Ages 8 (must be accompanied by an adult) and up can attend. **Friday, October 30, 2015 is the last day to register.**

The **Pottery Workshop for Children** is a great way for your child to create their own unique Christmas present. The workshop, offered to children ages 5-16, will take place on Saturday, November 14, 2015 at the Art Center. The workshop will be divided by age groups: ages 5-9 will attend the morning session from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. and children ages 10-16 will attend the afternoon session from 1:30– 4:30 p.m. Registration is limited to 12 participants for each workshop, and a minimum of three participants are required. The registration fee is \$35. **Registration is due by Saturday, November 7, 2015.**

Registration forms can be found on the Parks and Recreation Department's [Cultural Arts](#) page. Click the “Workshops” link to view a full list of scheduled workshops.

Mail the registration form and fees to the Columbia Art Center, 1928 Calhoun Street, Columbia, SC 29201. Make checks and money orders payable to the City of Columbia unless otherwise noted.

For more information, please call the Art Center at 803-545-3093 or visit www.columbiasc.net.

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September 28, 2015

Contact: [Mary Pat Baldauf](#), (803) 545-2722 or 237-6357

NASCAR REPRESENTATIVE TO SPEAK AT GREEN BUSINESS CONFERENCE TUESDAY

WHAT: NASCAR's Director of Green Innovation Catherine Kummer will deliver the keynote address at the ninth annual Green is Good for Business Conference on Tuesday, September 29 to share the successful story of NASCAR Green, one of the most powerful sustainability platforms in the country.

WHEN: Tuesday, September 29

- Registration: 8:00 to 8:55 a.m.
- Conference: 9:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

WHERE: Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, 1101 Lincoln Street (Top Floor)

WHO: Coordinated by the City of Columbia and their Climate Protection Action Campaign

- Sponsors include: City of Columbia, SCDHEC, Sonoco Recycling, Haynsworth Sinkler and Boyd PA, Richland County, Lexington County.

OTHER: See attached agenda for session titles and times. There will also be:

- A Green Expo featuring 25 vendors exhibiting sustainable products and services
- Allen University honors students will serve as Sustainability Superheroes. They will be decked out in blue and gold capes and assist attendees as needed.

ONSITE CONTACTS:

- Mary Pat Baldauf
- Samantha Yager

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 29, 2015

Contact: Erika Moore, City Clerk at (803)545-3043

Columbia City Council to Attend USC Fall Reception for Local Governments

WHO: Columbia City Council and Executive staff

WHAT: USC to host fall reception for local City and County Government officials.

WHEN: Thursday, October 1, 2015 from 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: The President's House, USC's historic Horseshoe

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September 29, 2015

Contact: Libby Gober at 803-545-3061

Councilwoman Devine to Host Open House

WHAT: City Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine will host her October Open House.

WHO: Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine

WHERE: City Hall, 1737 Main Street

WHEN: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 from 5 - 7 p.m.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call 803-545-3061.

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Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Contact: Community Development at 803-545-3373

Housing Division of Community Development Loan Committee Meeting

WHAT: Housing Division of Community Development Loan Committee Meeting

WHO: Housing Division of Community Development

WHERE: 1225 Lady Street, Suite 102

WHEN: Thursday, October 1 at 11:00 a.m.

The meeting will address the following:

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND SIGN IN
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES for **September 10th, 2015** loan Committee Meeting

III. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LOAN COMMITTEE

IV. *EXECUTIVE SESSION – Financial and Personal information of a sensitive nature will be considered and discussed.

Presentation of the following Residential Loans for Loan Committee’s review and approval:

- Employee Loan @ at 1004 Carola Ave., Columbia, SC 29203 a 2nd Mortgage for \$40,000
- Citi-Lender II @ 143 Top Forest Drive, Columbia, SC 29209 a 2nd Mortgage for \$32,400

For more information, please contact the Community Development Housing Division at 803-545-3373.

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