

Carolyn Williams, 1001 Glencairn Rd., Winston-Salem 27107

Petitioned for added infrastructure spending for Easton Park from 2014 bond referendum. Moved to Easton community in 2005 to find greater purpose and advocacy. Was told by seller, her home had City sewer service and paid for sewer service over a year prior to learning she had a septic tank. However, the City of Winston Salem refunded her for payments. Requested City Service and restrooms be added to Neighborhood Park.

Annette Beatty, ED.D, 1700 Princeton Street, Winston-Salem 27103

Many people feel that the removal of Confederate statues from public display and public land would be the removal of history and lead to conscious denial of history. We have to look around and ask where the statues for the other side are. The confederate flags do not represent the summative history of the United States and do not support the first line of the Gettysburg Address that declared the United States to be a “new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that ALL men are created equal.”

Camille Roddy, 4010 Rosa Street, Winston-Salem 27105

Chair of East Winston Missional Network, has worked with eight United Methodist Churches in the past two years to implement the first program in Winston-Salem to transition children into Kindergarten. One of their efforts is to provide healthy eating and they are concerned that funding was approved to allow another fast food restaurant in East Winston. She shared how that aligned with the poverty report and the Healthy Cities Initiative, building healthy communities and encouraging healthy eating amongst young children. She requested information on how funding could be approved for yet another fast food restaurant.

Pastor Robert Hutchens, 1974 Longburn Drive, Kernersville 27284

Thanked Council Member Montgomery for the opportunity to speak at the workshop. Noted there is a plethora of information on the internet about the dangers of alcohol. It kills people, it results in children being neglected and abused. He expressed concern that people can now start drinking two hours earlier on Sunday. He indicated the Centers for Disease Control's website states "we should maintain the limits on the hours of the sale of alcohol and expand current limits on the hours of sale".

Michael Banner, 515 N. Jackson Avenue, Winston-Salem 27101

Thanked Council for allowing him to speak. Stated he was there to advocate for Urban Farming in the East Winston community. Lives in a neighborhood called "the island" which is nestled between Winston-Salem State University, Highway 311, Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and Brussels Court Creek. The island would like to grow its own food and provide its own economy. As a scientist and farmer, Mr. Banner stated he would like to propose a food forest at the neighborhood park which is greatly underused. Would like to see a food and urban forest in the East Winston community as well as greenhouses of which he would be the point of contact and lead individual with support from the cooperative extension and food consortium in order to be fully accountable. Would like for neighborhood to be the pilot program, and requested to have a seat at the table when there are discussions.

Apostle Sackloth, 3100 Patterson Avenue, Winston-Salem 27105

We have a peaceful city.

Minister James Benjamin, 110 Crossfield Ridge Court, Winston-Salem 27127

Wanted to inform Council that on September 9, 2017 a "Stop the Crime" rally will be held starting at 25th Street and Cleveland Avenue, ending at Russell Funeral Home. The City of Winston-Salem has experienced 17 homicides to date and wants the City to come together with the community to promote peace and unity.

Miranda Jones, 400 Duke Street, Apt. 3, Winston-Salem 27103

Requested Council continue to be vocal and vigilant concerning the Confederate statue in the city. Has asked the United Daughters of the Confederacy to retrieve their item and has asked Senator Lowe and a few other Representatives to investigate the matter. As an educator at North Forsyth, she has noticed that there are not a great number of symbols that depict African-Americans, Mexican Americans nor Native Americans within the city of Winston-Salem.