

MEMORANDUM

TO: Charlotte City Council

FROM: Thomas M. Hitch, City Attorney

RE: **CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

DATE: March 15, 2023

The following is my report to the City Council on issues in which our office has been engaged since the last Council meeting:

1. Change to Even Year Elections/Elimination of Wards/Districts. I have prepared a memorandum contained elsewhere in the packet in which it is my recommendation that we not consider changing wards at this time, but rather, make a change to even-year elections. The reasons for that are set out in my memorandum. I have prepared a resolution setting out the requirement if the Council desires to change to even-year elections.
2. Butternut Creek. Elsewhere in the packet I have prepared a memorandum pursuant to Council's request. I did have the opportunity to speak with counsel for the developer and that is included in my memorandum.
3. Bruch v City of Charlotte MTT. The Tax Tribunal set aside the default of Mr. Bruch and reinstated the matter for hearing on April 3, 2023. Randy Jewell and I will keep the Council apprised.
4. Conversations with the City Manager. From time to time, I continue to have conversations with the City Manager regarding a variety of City matters.

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