

- Provided an update on the Emergency Management Plan stating that the process is moving forward with a target date of August 30th;
- Stated that he met with the Planning Agency to discuss the purpose of the joint meeting of Council and the Planning Agency on August 5th;
- Informed Council that staff will debrief Council on the July 4th event on July 25th;
- Informed Council that a letter to Quadrant regarding City intent to acquire specific historic sites has been sent over the Deputy Mayor's signature;
- Stated that City staff will submit an article to the Clipper to correct inaccuracies regarding an article on lodging tax.

Councilmember Reports:

Councilmember Cumberbatch provided an update on the Centennial 4th of July event and thanked the many volunteers for their hard work and dedication. She stated that the Next event is an Open Air Concert at Ross Plaza on July 15, 2006.

Councilmember Crouse reminded citizens that the Music Festival will begin at 1:00 p.m. on July 15, 2006.

Councilmember Pottorff informed Council that a 4-way stop will be implemented at the intersection of Wilmington and Center Drive within 1 month.

Department Reports:

Council inquired about an increase in Police Department activity compared to last year, the effectiveness with citizen patrols to deter fireworks, and brush fire cost recovery.

Police Chief Pohl stated that Police activity has increased due to the increase in population and recent business development. He stated that the citizen patrol program is successful; however, with the increase in population an increase in the use of fireworks is expected.

Assistant Fire Chief Easton confirmed that the City does have a cost recovery program in place.

New Business:

Resolution Temporarily Closing a Portion of Wilmington Drive

City Administrator McDonald stated that the request was made by the Centennial Committee for the Open Air Concert.

Mayor Young stated that he received concerns from businesses and also had a concern for a decrease in response time from a public safety point of view.

Councilmember Wilcox inquired as to where the stage would be placed.

Councilmember Coffey stated that the stage will be in the park not in the street.

Councilmember Cumberbatch informed Council that no outside vendors are allowed and that DuPont businesses are being promoted.

Councilmember Pottorff reported that 5 bands will be playing at the concert and that the barricades will be moveable for access by public safety personnel.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt a Resolution approving the closure of the designated streets in DuPont Station to support the DuPont Music Concert. Pottorff/Crouse