

## Public Records Request #2627

The following materials have been gathered in response to public records request #2627. These materials include:

- Email Correspondence

This information was provided as a response to a public records request on 1/23/20 and is current to that date. There is a possibility of more current information and/or documents related to the stated subject matter.

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### Further Information

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**From:** slug6111@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 3:11 PM  
**To:** Eiselt, Julie; Ajmera, Dimple; Mitchell, James; Winston, Braxton; larken.eqieston@charlottenc.gov; Harlow, Justin; Mayfield, LaWana; Phipps, Gregory; Newton, Matthew; Bokhari, Tariq; Driggs, Edmund  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] FW: The question is: For whom does City Council and CMS superintendent work?

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My reason for sending a copy to each council member is because legal citizens have been grossly over- shadowed by the huge number of Latinos in the gallery on many occasions. I personally believe only legal citizens should have the right of addressing the council. If any one of you attempted to address a council in any country you most likely would be denied, especially if you shouted demands, a right which illegals don't have and shouldn't. Thanks for your time. Cordially, Jesse Harrington

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**From:** slug6111@gmail.com <slug6111@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 11:34 AM  
**To:** 'Lyles, Viola' <vlyles@ci.charlotte.nc.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] FW: The question is: For whom does City Council and CMS superintendent work?

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Let me be very clear, I have nothing against Latinos, the vast majority of illegal immigrants and have travelled to almost all of the countries in Central and South America, visiting Mexico forty four times. Mayor, it is one thing to accept all people regardless, but that acceptance must be within the bounds of our laws. We are indeed a melting pot and if you look at the flow of illegal immigrants into this country you can plainly see there is indeed a national emergency. I saw you on national TV with President Trump yet you state you don't support his policies. Did you mean to state you don't support any of his policies, or is it perhaps the mannerism in which he addresses them? One thing I would like to leave with you: a country that does not uphold its laws will not be a country of laws! I would like to suggest that you reflect on just who you represent, citizens or illegal immigrants? You can't have it both ways Mayor.

Jesse Harrington

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**From:** Lyles, Viola <[vlyles@ci.charlotte.nc.us](mailto:vlyles@ci.charlotte.nc.us)>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 10:16 AM  
**To:** [slug6111@gmail.com](mailto:slug6111@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** RE: [EXT] FW: The question is: For whom does City Council and CMS superintendent work?

Jesse,

I want to thank you for sharing your thoughts on the current immigration crisis in America. As the mayor of an international city with a large immigrant population, I stand opposed to the policies of the current presidential administration. re

I believe in our country serving as a 'melting pot' for all cultures and ethnicities and as such, will support the end of unnecessary deportations of hard-working immigrants. Working together, I know we can create a more hospitable environment for all people who come here looking for a better life.

Vi Alexander Lyles  
Mayor

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**From:** [slug6111@gmail.com](mailto:slug6111@gmail.com) [<mailto:slug6111@gmail.com>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 06, 2019 12:32 PM

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Dear Mayor and Council:

I appreciate the opportunity to state a few remarks which are most often overlooked. Further I appreciate your service to this city. I do not appreciate however, your stand on caving in to individuals who have broken our law by entering our country illegally. You were voted into office to serve those individuals who gave you the opportunity to serve. Illegals immigrants don't have the right to vote, at least that is the law. We often hear, "we are a nation of law". If this is correct then illegal immigrants have broken the law, pure and simple. Most legal citizens of this city are appalled and angry when we see and hear illegal immigrants storm into one of your meetings and issue demands. Illegals do not have the right to demand. Illegal individuals have only one right, i.e. to be treated humanly and due process. None of you or I would ever go to another country and demand!

I want to address one other issue, ICE. ICE is a part of Homeland Security to protect and remove illegal immigrants who break our laws and who often have criminal records. It is a shame that the fine individuals of ICE are not afforded the respect and cooperation of city leader and by the sheriff of Mecklenburg County. Most citizens here respect ICE yet illegals demand opposition, and you dare to listen. I ask that you look at the horrible issues in California.

Since you are so sensitive to the demands of illegal immigrants I would ask that you should set a priority by placing legal citizens first. After all, aren't we a nation of laws?

Cordially,

Jesse F. Harrington

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**From:** [slug6111@gmail.com](mailto:slug6111@gmail.com) <[slug6111@gmail.com](mailto:slug6111@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:03 PM

**To:** 'Lyles, Viola' <[vlyles@ci.charlotte.nc.us](mailto:vlyles@ci.charlotte.nc.us)>

**Subject:** RE: [EXT] FW: The question is: For whom does City Council and CMS superintendent work?

Mayor, I realize you and the council could actually care less what legal citizens desire and think. People who serve on any type advisory position should be legal residents, regardless of what you state. One wonders what your position would be if there were enough illegals, whom I suppose will soon receive voting rights and they voted in a block to cause your defeat. You would be the first I believe to cry fowl. I actually supported you in the election but will not again as long as you hold the sanctuary stance. Charlotte is a better city when we obey laws, all laws, and coming to this country, state, and city is illegal. As an individual who travelled to Latin America more times than I can remember try voicing this demanding rhetoric in any of those Latin countries and you will end up in the caboose. The only RIGHT an illegal has is to be treated humanely, not given the rights of legal citizens. Did illegal individuals place you in your position? I think it would be a grand idea if you and the council for once would think of citizens who are hurting because of the high cost of living and the impending tax hike.

This city deserves and needs a mayor and council who represent legal citizens.

Frank Harrington

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**Subject:** RE: [EXT] FW: The question is: For whom does City Council and CMS superintendent work?

Mr. Harrington,

Thank you for expressing interest in the processes of Charlotte's municipal government. Our city's functions rely heavily on the feedback and participation of citizens like yourself. It is the belief in that partnership that is the basis of the City Council's decision on Feb. 11, to allow all residents an opportunity to serve their city.

In Charlotte, we have more than 30 boards and advisory committees. These groups form the foundation of many decisions we make as a Council, and often have a strong influence on city policy.

For this reason, we will now allow everyone living in Charlotte to serve the city they call home, by giving them a voice in determining our path for future growth and development.

Vi Alexander Lyles  
Mayor

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**Subject:** The question is: For whom does City Council and CMS superintendent work?

I hope you will print a voice of many, many individuals who are seldom truthfully heard. Thanks

The Charlotte Observer screams out on front page coverage, "City panels might open to undocumented immigrants". For whom does the city council work? And for whom does CMS Superintendent Wilcox speak? If city council permits undocumented immigrants to serve on city panels it actually breaks the law by including individuals who have committed a crime to represent the voice of the people. Regardless of what the liberal media and far left believe, a crime is a crime and we hear daily that we are a country of laws. Really?! Superintendent Wilcox has the audacity to call on the nineteen thousand CMS employees to rally for students whose parents or families were traumatized by ICE agents, doing exactly what they (agents) are charged to do, protect citizens.. The Observer carries a "Special to the Observer letter, 14 Feb," from city councilman Bokhari who in parts states, "I am a big proponent of getting more people involved in their local government, truthful, and that's great, but not by undocumented immigrants who have committed a crime by being here illegally. Bokhari further states, "we cannot selectively ignore laws in our country. I fully agree! He further states, "I'm just asking, do you think the city of Charlotte is better or worse off by taking a combative approach"? Does one take a combative approach by obeying the law? A crime is a crime and one asks, "are legal citizens awarded and viewed by the same standard? Finally, as often erroneously stated, immigrations laws of this country are not broken, what is broken is adherence to these laws. I deeply implore legal citizens to strongly voice their rejection of these troubling views and voices.

Frank Harrington  
Charlotte  
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**From:** Eiselt, Julie  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 7, 2019 8:03 AM  
**To:** Bolyn McClung  
**Cc:** Lyles, Viola; Mitchell, James; Ajmera, Dimple; Newton, Matthew; Phipps, Gregory; Mayfield, LaWana; Winston, Braxton; Harlow, Justin; Egleston, Larken; Driggs, Edmund  
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The problem in Southwest Charlotte is more acute as you point out.

Regards,

Julie Eiselt  
Mayor Pro Tem  
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**Sent:** Monday, July 15, 2019 4:12 PM  
**To:** Mitchell, James  
**Subject:** [EXT] CMS Superintendent Suspended | 3 Stabbed | Editorial: Are You OK With A Racist President? | NC Gerrymandering Trial Begins | Panthers O-Line

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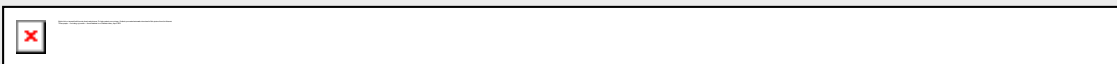
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EDUCATION

### **CMS board suspends Superintendent Clayton Wilcox with pay**

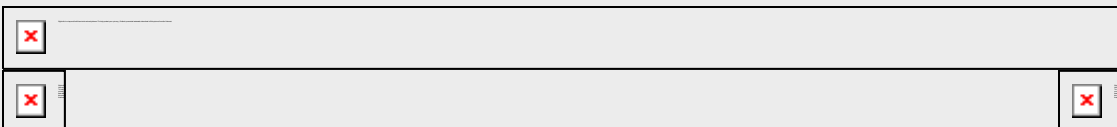
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools said Monday that Superintendent Clayton Wilcox has been suspended with pay, but gave no further details. "CMS..."



LOCAL

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OPINION

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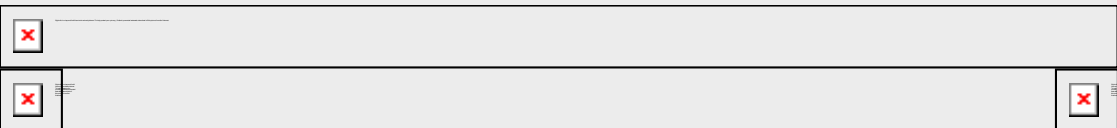
We're not big believers in public officials being responsible for all the bad things other public officials say or do. It's become a...



GOVERNMENT

## NC gerrymandering trial begins. It will have major implications for 2020 and beyond

"Because of the extreme gerrymandering, Democrats cannot win a majority," their lawyer says. "These plans are impervious to the will of the voters."



CAROLINA PANTHERS

## What comes after 'disaster?' For reworked Panthers offensive line, hopefully stability

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SOUTH CAROLINA

## Acting Richland elections director leaves for new job after two months in charge

Thad Hall was the agency's sixth director since 2012.



WORLD

## A half blood Thunder Moon will rise Tuesday. What is that and where can you see it?

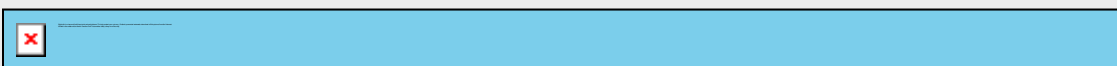
Sky watchers will be able to see a half blood Thunder Moon on Tuesday night. "Half blood" is another term for partial eclipse, as a full...



LOCAL

## Ocean predator off NC eats hundreds of eggs, video shows, as experts watch helplessly

Scientists find hundreds of eggs on the sea floor near the NC coast, then watch as they're eaten.



NORTH CAROLINA

# What's in the water at the North Carolina Zoo? Yet another baby chimp is on the way

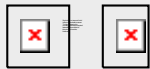
Chimps are endangered and are usually pregnant for about seven months, according to the NC Zoo. The last newborn chimp, Obi, was just born in March.

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**To:** Mitchell, James  
**Subject:** [EXT] Breaking News: CMS board to meet Friday morning to consider superintendent's contract

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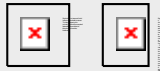
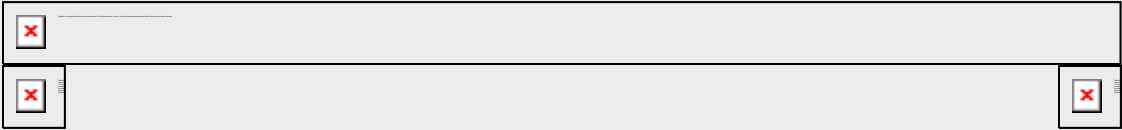
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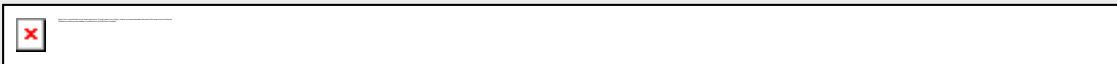
## Afternoon Headlines



EDUCATION

### **Clayton Wilcox to resign as CMS superintendent after two years on job**

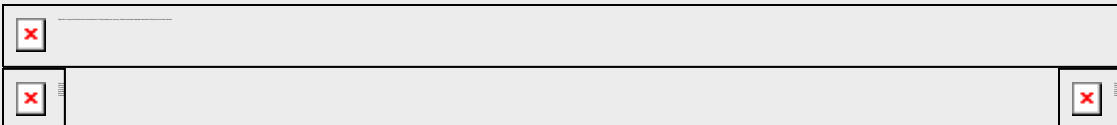
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Superintendent Clayton Wilcox is out of the top job at CMS, the second-largest school system in North...



CAROLINA PANTHERS

### **Panthers' pre-training camp mailbag: Curtis Samuel's role? Brian Burns' contract?**

Panthers fans, we back. The Carolina Panthers move into their dorms at Wofford College next Wednesday, July 24, with training camp slated to...

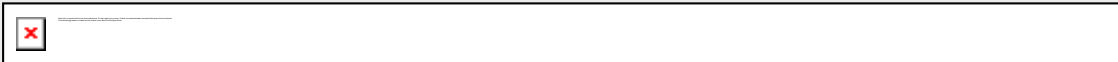




CRIME

## Man found fatally shot in a car that smashed into a Charlotte home, cops say

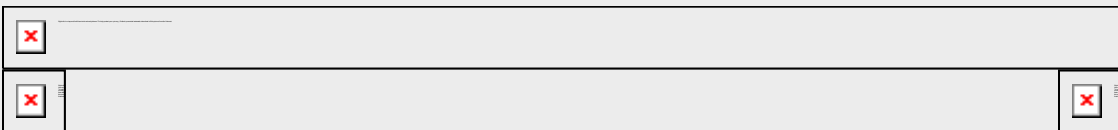
A man with a fatal gunshot wound was found in a car that smashed into a Charlotte home on Friday, Charlotte-Mecklenburg police said. Police...



DRINK

## From deviled egg toast to a curated wine list, what to know about The Goodyear House

The former mill house looks unassuming from the street, as mill houses do — even with the newly constructed addition on the side. But let's...



COLLEGE

## Last in Conference USA? Try first, Charlotte 49ers say

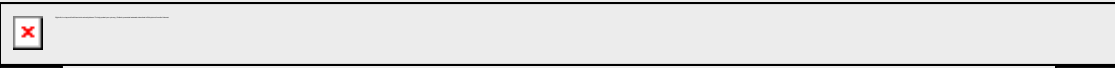
Apparently, media members from around Conference USA don't hold high hopes for the Charlotte 49ers as they picked them to finish last in the...



WEATHER NEWS

## **‘My friend died.’ County leaves homeless outside in extreme heat despite health risks**

Despite 90 degree heat, county hasn’t opened cool locations or told homeless people where to go. James Morgan said his feet feel like they’re on fire.



EDITORIALS

## **Former Charlotte City Council member: Hosting RNC 2020 made sense for Charlotte. Until now**

I’ve owned and operated a hospitality company in Charlotte since 1995. In that time, I’ve served on the boards for the Convention and...



CULTURE

## **Here’s how the story of a boy inspired a street artist to transform a Kannapolis tunnel**

Street artist Shane Pierce never met the little third grader — and it’s likely he never will. But all it took was for Pierce to hear the...



ELECTION

## **In just seven weeks, crowded primaries will determine most Charlotte city races**

Reflecting a dramatically changed electorate, Charlotte's next mayor and most City Council members are almost certain to be chosen in the...



NORTH CAROLINA

## **How the Eastern Cherokee in North Carolina use casino profits to revamp health care**

Light pours through large windows and glass ceilings of the Cherokee Indian Hospital onto a fireplace, a waterfall and murals. Rattlesnake...



LOCAL

## **Trump called out by some Christians for using 'Lord's name in vain' at fiery NC rally**

The same campaign rally where a crowd chanted "send her back" now is under fire for something else.



GOVERNMENT

## **Advocates say they haven't had a voice in affordable housing deals as promised**

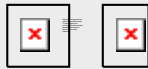
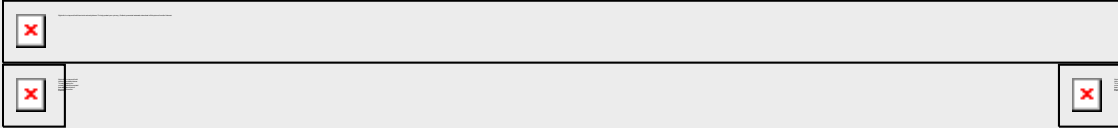
Charlotte housing advocates say the city is not honoring its promise to involve the community when deciding how to spend millions of public...

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