

## Public Records Request #2772

The following materials have been gathered in response to public records request #2772. These materials include:

- Email

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### Further Information

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**From:** Burch, Amanda  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 8, 2018 9:08 AM  
**To:** Dimple Ajmera (dimpletajmera@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] Carolinas Chinese Chamber of Commerce Press Release

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**From:** General CarolinaChineseChamber [mailto:general@carolinaschinesechamber.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018 9:06 PM  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL EMAIL] Carolinas Chinese Chamber of Commerce Press Release

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## Carolinas Chinese Chamber of Commerce 2018 Gala

The Carolinas Chinese Chamber of Commerce (CCCC) is celebrating its 6th anniversary on March 10th at the Charlotte Marriott City Center. Special guests include Ms. Holly Ham, Executive Director of the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and Counselor Ming Li from the Chinese Embassy. Other distinguished guests include US Congressman Robert Pettinger (NC), US Congressman Ralph Norman (SC), NC Lt. Governor Dan Forest, NC state senators Ralph Hinse, Tommy Tucker and James Davis, Charlotte City Council Dimple Ajmera and Chapel Hill City Council Hongbin Gu. US Senator Thom Tillis (NC) will send his personal greetings to this event.

The Celebration will commemorate the accomplishments of the past 6 years and discuss the exciting plans for the future. In 2018 this Chinese Chamber will spearhead the “Carolinas Chinese American Civic Center” (CCACC) to provide assistance to Chinese American living in the Carolinas. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for CCACC during the celebration.

A Gala will not be completed without the cultural performance of local groups.

This is a momentous occasion to network and help develop opportunities for more Chinese entrepreneurs to visit and invest in the Carolinas. As the incoming President Michael Wang said, with about 250 people attending this Gala, what better time to start developing new relationships that will bolster more investment in North and South Carolina.

For Media and Press, Please contact us at [General@CarolinasChineseChamber.com](mailto:General@CarolinasChineseChamber.com) to learn more about this event and CCCC.

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**From:** mike fulton <michaelwfulton@yahoo.com>  
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Ms. Levine,

Attached is a copy of your last email to me. The problem is that CMPD is non-responsive. I called the Windsor Park liaison officer ten months ago. He never returned my call. I spoke to a patrolman who said that a Lieutenant Hunter would call me. He never called. When I contacted you, you told me that you would check on the "investigation" and get back to me. That was ten months ago.

The police department is apathetic to the problem on my street and to my concerns. I tried repeatedly to get someone's attention ten months ago. I even approached a very unpleasant officer named Lieutenant Durant who became extremely belligerent when he figured out that I was the one who called the Mayor's office and the D.A.'s office.. I gave up trying to make someone care about the situation after that encounter.

The chop shop operation has been back in operation for over a year, and I have found dead rats on my front steps and tiremarks on my lawn (The the muddy tread marks lead right to the driveway at 4531 Carriage Drive Circle). Why does he do this? Because I spoke to the guy's mother after he was arrested. (That's what I guess, anyway).

I called Eastway precinct and left a message for officer Campos, the neighborhood liaison officer, at 3:12 this afternoon, November 16, 2018. He was the officer who drove away after I told him that I had information about the chop shop and drug sales at 4531 Carriage Drive Circle three or four weeks ago.

Mr. Em is a dangerous person. CMPD certainly thinks so. The last time the police had to deal with him in my neighborhood, members of the SWAT team and 23 policemen descended upon my block and told everyone to stay inside. I couldn't even go to my house after I drove into the neighborhood. That is why I am mystified by the fact that I have gotten no response from CMPD. I live across the street from this disturbed man.

I was hoping that your office could at least pressure CMPD to move on this problem by requesting that Captain Putney meet with me. Since you can do no more, however, I have collected every email address of every administrator at CMPD and everyone remotely related to CMPD administration. I also have the email address of Representative Alma Adams, Governor Roy Cooper, Lieutenant Governor Dan Forest, The FBI, and the State Bureau of Investigation AND the entire city council. I have composed a letter that is intended for mass mailing this weekend. It'll be interesting to see who responds, if anyone.

Please know that I appreciate your timely responses to my concerns. Should my communication with Mayor Lyles' office be mentioned in ensuing conversations, I will speak highly of both you and the mayor. I am sure that your office is a lightning rod for a lot of unhappiness and dissatisfaction in the city. I wouldn't want to work in a mayoral capacity. That's why I voted for Mayor Lyles. Better her than me! :)

Have a happy Thanksgiving.

Very truly,

Mike Fulton  
704-906-5549

----- Forwarded Message -----

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**To:** michaelwfulton@yahoo.com <michaelwfulton@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018, 3:25:13 PM EST  
**Subject:** RE: Congratulations

Mr. Fulton,

We spoke on the phone about this earlier in the week and I put in a request for the officers observe the activity at 4531 Carriage Drive Circle in the evening hours, between 10:00pm and 2:00am. It is still marked as "open" so it doesn't seem like they have completed their investigation yet, but I will let you know once I get a response from them.

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**Attachments:** 1a-proclamation-city format.docx

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Thanks in advance for your assistance and we still welcome the Mayor to our location to learn more about what we do. We would even welcome a reception at Code Ninjas, should she ever be in need of a location in Ballantyne to host her. Thanks!

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**Date:** Friday, September 28, 2018 at 2:38 PM  
**To:** Anjali Dighe <[anjali.dighe@codeninjas.com](mailto:anjali.dighe@codeninjas.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: [EXT] Re: Invitation

Hi Anjali,

Is the Senate and General Assembly involved in this grand opening– they're mentioned in the proclamation ?

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**From:** Anjali Dighe [<mailto:anjali.dighe@codeninjas.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 19, 2018 2:11 PM  
**To:** Levine, Mindy  
**Subject:** Re: [EXT] Re: Invitation

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Hi Mindy!

I hope all is well with you. I was wondering if there is a way to get a Proclamation made by the City of Charlotte for Code Ninjas Ballantyne's Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Here is the information requested on the website online:

**Contact Info:**

Anjali and Vivek Dighe  
Code Ninjas Ballantyne  
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**Summary of Organization:**

Code Ninjas is the nation's fastest growing kids coding franchise. In our center, kids ages 7-14 learn to code in a fun, non-intimidating way – by playing and building video games they love. Kids have blast and can't wait to come back. Parents are thrilled as their children gain confidence and new skills including coding, math, logic, and problem-solving, as they progress from white to black belt. Our core promise is, *Kids have fun, parents see results*. We believe in these words so much that it's written on the walls in our center.

**Summary of Event:**

Code Ninjas is hosting a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> and a Grand Opening Ceremony on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Our purpose for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony is to bring in the professional community to show support for the type of work we do. We have organization such as UTC Aerospace, AvidXchange, Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, InfraGard and the Charlotte Business Journal attending. In addition, Lieutenant Governor Dan Forest and Senator Tarte will be in attendance.

**Date for Document:**

Obviously, with our Ribbon Cutting around the corner, I understand the time crunch for this document. If it is possible to have the declaration for one of the two dates, it would be wonderful. I can pick it up as well from your location.

Friday, 5 October, 2018

**Draft Text:**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate and General Assembly of the State of North Carolina are pleased to note the Ribbon Cutting Celebration of Code Ninjas in Ballantyne Village at 14825 Ballantyne Village Way in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, will take place on October 5, 2018; and,

**WHEREAS**, The Ribbon Cutting represents the culmination of an extensive planning and building process, which has been brought to fruition only through the extraordinary labors and efforts of a number of devoted people whose commitment to Code Ninjas has been exceptional and unwavering; and,

**WHEREAS**, Code Ninjas will serve its community with distinction by providing children ages seven through fourteen the opportunity to learn coding, robotics, mathematics, logic, problem solving, and collaboration as they build and design their own video games; and,

**WHEREAS**, Code Ninjas will serve its community with distinction by providing its staff the opportunity to work with young students, build expertise, interact with professionals in the business community, and continue their own paths of success and enlightenment through team projects; and,

**WHEREAS**, Open six days a week with a convenient drop-in structure, Code Ninjas follows a martial arts school-inspired lesson plan where students advance from a white belt to a black belt, with the final requirements to earn this prestigious title is publishing the game online; and,

**WHEREAS**, The Ribbon Cutting of Code Ninjas bears witness to the time-honored ideals of innovation and dedications, which have been the cornerstone of America's free-market society; and,

**WHEREAS**, It is altogether proper and fitting for this Legislature to salute Code Ninjas as a new member of the North Carolina business community and to praise the members of its team for their outstanding service to the people of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, and this State; how, therefore,

Many thanks for your assistance on this, Mindy. Hope we can get this done!! 😊

Best Wishes,  
Anjali Dighe  
Owner, Code Ninjas – Charlotte  
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**From:** "Levine, Mindy" <[melevine@ci.charlotte.nc.us](mailto:melevine@ci.charlotte.nc.us)>

**Date:** Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 10:32 AM

**To:** Anjali Dighe <[anjali.dighe@codeninjas.com](mailto:anjali.dighe@codeninjas.com)>

**Subject:** RE: [EXT] Re: Invitation

Hi Anjali. I will let her know. She returns on Oct. 6 but I am not sure what time yet. Thanks.

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**From:** Anjali Dighe [<mailto:anjali.dighe@codeninjas.com>]  
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Thanks for the response, Mindy. I am not sure if Mayor Lyles will be back on Saturday or not; however, we will be having our Grand Opening take place on the 6<sup>th</sup> of October, if she is free or able to make it on that date. We are developing relationships with the political and corporate worlds for our company. Should Mayor Lyles have some time to meet with my husband, Ve and I to talk about what we are doing, we welcome that conversation and her time.

Best Wishes,  
Anjali Dighe  
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**From:** "Levine, Mindy" <[melevine@ci.charlotte.nc.us](mailto:melevine@ci.charlotte.nc.us)>  
**Date:** Monday, August 20, 2018 at 10:47 AM  
**To:** Anjali Dighe <[anjali.dighe@codeninjas.com](mailto:anjali.dighe@codeninjas.com)>  
**Subject:** Invitation

Anjali,

Mayor Lyles will not be able to attend the ribbon cutting on Oct. 5 as she will be out of town at a conference. Thank you for the invitation.

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