## **SECOND QUARTER: April 1, 2021 – June 30, 2021**

Cumulus Broadcasting Fayetteville, NC - WFNC-AM - Quarterly Issues Report

"Fayetteville Focus" is a 30-minute weekly program that looks at issues and newsmakers from Fayetteville and the surrounding area. It airs at 6:30am each Sunday morning. The following Issues have been identified as pertinent to the Fayetteville, NC / North Carolina Sandhills region: Public Health, Public Safety, Economy, Education, Community, Military/Veterans, Politics/City-County-State Governments, Crime, Environment and Downtown Revitalization.

\*Public Health

\*Community

\*Education

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Phil Harris, the Executive Director of the Highlands Chapter of the American Red Cross, on the recent serious blood shortage in local blood banks, and Chapter involvement in rescue efforts in natural disasters around the country. Michael Gibson, Director of the Fayetteville-Cumberland Parks and Recreation Department, on how parks and services are being administered as COVID restrictions are relaxed. Greg West, Vice Chair of the Cumberland County School Board, on the start of the annual system budgeting process.

\*Military

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- \*Downtown Revitalization
- \*Politics
- \*Education

Jim Bartlinski, Museum Director of Fayetteville's Airborne & Special Operations Museum, on the facility's re-opening this week after being closed for nearly a year due to the COVID pandemic, the current exhibit honoring the American "ghost army" and the next exhibit spotlighting American prisoners of war. Fayetteville City Council member Tisha Waddell on the proposal being considered by the Council to sell the city's Public Works Commission, the possible uses for the millions of dollars Fayetteville is set to receive from the federal American Recovery Act and her thoughts on the VoteYes Fayetteville initiative to change the Council makeup from nine single-member districts to a structure that includes at-large members. Charles Evans, Chairman of the Cumberland County Commission, and Dee Taylor, Cumberland County Director of Community Development, on county efforts to address the homeless problems, and the

Commission's response to criticism regarding the omission of education in the annual list of priorities.

North Carolina Representative John Szoka on the

*Politics *Downtown Revitalization *Public Health	4/18	Fayetteville Mayor Mitch Colvin on the cost overruns for Segra Stadium, the acrimonious discourse between City Council members regarding the work of the Appointment Committee and the proposal to sell or lease the Public Works Commission. Chris Tart, Cape Fear Valley Health System's Vaccine Clinic Coordinator, on the puzzling turnaround from more people than COVID vaccine doses to fewer people wanting the vaccine and the latest on the controversy around the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.
*Community *Public Safety *Crime	4/25	Fayetteville Observer Opinion Editor Myron Pitts offers his thoughts on the conviction of Derek Chauvin in the murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis. Jimmy Buxton, president of the local chapter of the NAACP, offers his thoughts on the Derek Chauvin trial and conviction for the murder of George Floyd.
*Community *Economy *Education *Politics *Military	5/2	The General Manager of the local AMC Theaters, Allen McWhorter, on how the theaters have fared during the COVID pandemic and his thoughts as Governor Roy Cooper's restrictions are relaxed and more attendees are allowed. North Carolina's reigning Teacher Of The Year, Maureen Stover of Cumberland International Early College High School, on the efforts of teachers throughout the COVID pandemic, the one-year mark of the pandemic is passed. North Carolina Representative Billy Richardson on House Bill 370, a bill he sponsored to aid North Carolina veterans, what he sees as a new spirit of cooperation in the state legislature and the latest on election regulations.
*Economy *Community *Crime *Downtown Revitalization	5/9	Robert Van Geons, President and CEO of the Fayetteville Cumberland Economic Development Corporation, announces that Amazon will be building and operating a large delivery station in Fayetteville.

potential infusion to the county and cities of millions of dollars in federal grant money through the America Rescue Plan, and some legislation being debated including a bill that would strengthen regulations governing police use of force. Shari Fiveash, the new President and CEO of the Greater Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce makes her first appearance on Good Morning Fayetteville the day after being introduced to the community.

\*Crime

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\*Public Safety

\*Politics

\*Downtown Revitalization

Fayetteville Police Chief Gina Hawkins on the celebration of National Police Week and the recent spate of shooting deaths across the country.

Fayetteville City Manager Doug Hewett on his recommended city budget presented to City Council this week and the possible uses of expected revenue from the American Rescue Plan. John Manuel, Minnesota Twins scout and former editor of Baseball America magazine, on the hot topics of this baseball season including the defensive shift and the change of status of

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\*Economy

\*Downtown Revitalization

Fayetteville Mayor Mitch Colvin on the new homeless day center, downtown construction and things getting back to normal. Meghan Reed, the owner of new downtown business Reverie Goods & Gifts, on the negative reaction she received from displaying a Pride flag. Jenny Bell, the Marketing Manager for Cool Spring Downtown District, on the new farmer's market in Festival Park and the new trolleys that offer free downtown transportation.