

— City of CHARLOTTE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Lewis and City Council Members

FROM: Gregg Guetschow, City Manager

SUBJECT: Sale of City-owned property to Rodney and Trudy Lea

DATE: June 10, 2016

The City owns a small parcel of land abutting the north side of 428 N. Washington Street measuring 22.5 feet by 130 feet. The owners of 428 N. Washington, Rodney and Trudy Lea have proposed to purchase this parcel from the City to expand the size of their property. This parcel has been used for parking by the occupants of 428 N. Washington on occasion, a situation that has sometimes led to disputes with the neighbor to the north.

This property is part of a larger parcel of land the City owns that was used as a city dump. The portion proposed for sale is one means access to the larger parcel. For that reason, the proposed deed, a copy of which will be found elsewhere in your agenda packet, reserves to the city the right to ingress and egress over the parcel.

City Assessor Randy Jewell estimated a value for the parcel of between \$2000 and \$4000. Because our maintaining means of ingress and egress over the parcel limits its utility to a future owner, I proposed to sell the parcel at the lower value of \$2000. The Leas have agreed to this amount.

Sale of surplus property is governed by Section 15.3 of the City's charter which imposes two special conditions: 1) the resolution authorizing the sale must be kept on file with the City Clerk for 25 days before its final adoption; and 2) the resolution must be passed by roll call with five affirmative votes.