

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. D(5)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: APRIL 15, 2008

SUBJECT: A Discussion of Legislative Issues for 2008 General Assembly Short Session

DEPARTMENT: MANAGER'S OFFICE	PUBLIC HEARING: NO
ATTACHMENTS: A – Resolution B – NCLM 2007-2008 Advocacy Agenda C - NCLM Core Principles D – Triangle J Regional Legislative Agenda (2008 update) E – Draft legislation to amend Town Charter to ban housing discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity/expression	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Drew Cummings (918-7314)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agenda item is to facilitate a discussion of legislative issues to present to our local delegation at the upcoming legislative breakfast. The delegation may be able to pursue some of the issues presented during the upcoming short session of the NC General Assembly.

INFORMATION

In previous years, the Board of Aldermen has developed a package of legislative issues to discuss with the delegation. Occasionally, this package has included a piece of local legislation that the Board of Alderman would like to get passed. In the short session, only non-controversial bills can be considered (though what may be considered “non-controversial” is sometimes controversial).

FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACT

None.

RECOMMENDATION

Town staff recommend that the Board of Aldermen discuss and settle on a list of legislative issues / priorities to discuss with our local delegation and, in some cases, to propose as local legislation in the upcoming short session of the General Assembly.