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Councilpersons Smith, Young, and Haynes,

I hope you have had a lovely weekend with your families!

In hopes of being a useful, neighborly resource in advance of the council meetings, I thought I'd start offering this sort of one-page on the agenda for things that catch my eye. If you have other ways that I can be of assistance, please let me know.

This week's thoughts:

1. Regarding resolution item J: I have not noticed the removal of a board & commission member before. Typically members resign, which leaves an opening. [This looks to be more serious](#), and would typically come up in the Boards & Commissions meeting, which was cancelled for the 11th.
2. Word is folks are [concerned about item K](#), especially the price tag, but we've obviously got to have legal representation. Please be extra careful during this time, and ask lots of questions moving through this process! You have my faith and trust.
3. [Regarding the Brevard Rd. public hearing](#): Expect concerned neighbors and expressed desires about the greenway protections. Families with children live in houses facing Brevard, and density is going to be a hard sell, even with the promises of increased multi-modal infrastructure. With Brevard as a spine of single-family neighborhoods in West Asheville, I would suggest a vote against it since there are other places to consider first. Another perspective would be: get in front of the oncoming burst of activity anticipated by the I-26 Connector project in close proximity.
4. Under New Business Item C, I'm glad to see that there seems to be more use of equity lense language, and hopefully that's in part due to successful work coming out of Ms. Archie's office. However, keep a careful eye on Goal 18 regarding Vision Zero. In every element of messaging and design, the goal is to get everyone to work, school, and home safely, which we all want. However, some cities [like LA](#) and [Chicago](#) are noticing an issue with the enforcement arm, which allows more opportunity for black and brown neighbors to be even more vulnerable to traffic stops.

I'm sure there's more. Peace and health to you and yours!

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