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Special Invitation – Community Forum

You are invited to a special community forum to hear NC Representative Ed Goodwin give the most up-to-date information regarding the High Speed Ferry project that will connect Plymouth, Edenton, Columbia, Hertford and possibly Elizabeth City and Manteo using an integrated network of modern high-speed passenger ferries. Bunny Sanders will give an additional project overview on behalf of the Kenan–Flagler Business School at UNC Chapel Hill.

This forum will take place at <u>6:00 p.m. this coming Thursday</u>, <u>August 22 in the Cooperative Extension Building located at 128 East Water Street</u> in downtown Plymouth. Enormous planning has already gone into this major regional project that is expected to result in significant economic growth throughout in the Albemarle region.

Also, Representative Goodwin will provide an update on the \$50,000.00 requested to rebuild the Adams Street outdoor basketball court.

Additionally, I have asked Representative Goodwin and NC Senator Bob Steinberg to reintroduce legislation to reduce the local match requirement for Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (P.A.R.T.F.) grants from 50% to 10%. Representative Goodwin will discuss the timeline to reintroduce this legislation that will make it much easier for smaller communities across North Carolina to submit recreation grant requests.

We hope to close with a question and answer session that will allow follow-up questions concerning these projects.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

Brian A. Roth Mayor of Plymouth