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## Media Advisory

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### Media Opportunity with Durham Police Chief Finalists

*Opportunity to Interview Two Finalists Prior to the Public Forum*

**What:** Media Opportunity with the City of Durham Police Chief Finalists

**When:** Wednesday, April 6, 2016, from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**Where:** City Hall Council Chambers  
101 City Hall Plaza  
Durham, N.C. 27701

#### Fast Facts:

- Members of the media will be allowed approximately 30 minutes to interview the two police chief finalists prior to the public forum. A mult box will be provided during the media briefing and during the moderated community forum.
- The two finalists for the police chief position of the [Durham Police Department](#) are [Deputy Chief Cerelyn J. Davis](#), who serves over the Strategy and Special Projects Division of the [City of Atlanta Police Department](#), and Major Michael J. Smathers, who oversees the Field Services Group of the [Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department](#).
- The moderated community forum is set for Wednesday, April 6 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers, 101 City Hall Plaza. Residents pre-submitted their questions to be asked during the forum by email and on the City's Twitter and Facebook pages.

- During the forum, the finalists will answer as many of the pre-submitted questions as possible. Audience members at the forum will also have the opportunity to submit written questions, which will be addressed by the moderator to the finalists as time permits. Following the question-and-answer session, residents will then have a chance to meet each candidate individually. To view the résumés of both candidates, visit the [City's website](#).
- Residents who are unable to attend the forum can watch it in a variety of ways. The forum will be televised live on [Durham Television Network \(DTN\)](#), which is available on Time Warner Cable channel 8 and AT&T U-verse channel 99, on [DTN's live stream](#) from the City's website, and live streamed from the [City's Facebook page](#). Upon conclusion of the forum, it will be re-broadcast on DTN and available for on-demand viewing from the [City's YouTube channel](#).

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