

Attachment A

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CARRBORO PARKS GROUP
TO INSTALL FENCING SURROUNDING THE LEASH FREE AREA
AT ANDERSON COMMUNITY PARK
Resolution No. 134/2001-02**

WHEREAS, the Board appreciates and commends the spirit of support shown by the Carrboro Parks Project in raising funds and community awareness of the many needs in the public park and recreation program; and

WHEREAS, the need to fence in an area for safety of dogs using the leash free area at Anderson Community Park is apparent.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN RESOLVES:

Section 1. That the Board of Aldermen grants permission for Carrboro Parks Project to have professionally installed fencing per the diagram as presented in their proposal entitled "Anderson Community Park Dog Run Fencing Proposal; and

Section 2. That the Board further requests that the administration work with the principals of the Carrboro Parks Project and insure that the Town receives the right of final approval of all work and receives a copy of the final paid receipt for all work performed.

Section 4. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

Anderson Community Park Dog Run Fencing Proposal



Presented by the Carrboro Parks Project,
March 2002

Summary

The Carrboro Parks Project proposes to raise funds from community members and local businesses in order to install a fence around the leash free area of Anderson Community Park in Carrboro. We believe that fencing in a two acre section of the existing four acre park would dramatically improve the usefulness, safety and popularity of the park.

Problem

The leash free area in Anderson Park ("the dog park") is a popular place for dogs and dog owners year round. While dogs exercise and play, their owners meet fellow community members and enjoy the out of doors. During the day, after work, and on the weekends, anywhere from 5-25 dogs can be found playing in the park.

This popularity comes in spite of the dangers presented by the close proximity of Highway 54 and the distractions of the parking lot and the lake. Dogs often stray outside of the designated park, at times causing their owners to run across Highway 54 in pursuit. The problem is that even well trained dogs cannot be expected to be on voice command when they are in such a distracting environment.

"Not many dogs ever become road wise enough to depend on them being able to think about the danger from traffic when they see another dog, a squirrel, scent a deer, etc. We live in an environment with many dangers and have to handle our dogs accordingly." -Jane Marshall & Mary Dow, APS dog trainers

Proposed Solution

We propose fencing 2 acres of the dog park with a 5 foot tall chain link fence. This area will enclose a rectangular area long enough for the most enthusiastic ball chasers. We also propose having a dual gate entry area to prevent dogs from escaping the park as new dogs enter.

We have designed this proposal to be achievable solely through grassroots funding. Past projects along this line have failed because they attempted to raise more money than the community could supply. By simply aiming to fence the park, and not seeking to add water fountains, benches, lights, etc. we hope to avoid this outcome.

About the Carrboro Parks Project

The mission of the Carrboro Parks Project is to preserve, enhance and expand open space, greenways, parks, recreational and cultural facilities and opportunities to enhance the quality of life in Carrboro. We meet on a monthly basis in the Century Center. In addition to working towards fencing the Anderson Park dog run, we are working on a proposal to plant shade trees in the Town Center Commons. We believe the Anderson Dog Park will be the first in a series of projects that Carrboro Parks Project will plan and finance to improve the quality of life in Carrboro.

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Proposed Dog Park Fencing Project
Anderson Park, Carrboro
2/24/02

5' tall residential chain-link fence
860' total estimated length of fencing
\$4,300 estimated cost, hardware + labor

Estimates provided by Ace Fence Builders, Inc

