

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO.: E(2)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: JUNE 18, 2002

TITLE: A Brochure to Guide Proper Care and Maintenance of Open Space

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING DEPARTMENT	PUBLIC HEARING: Yes ____ No <u>X</u>
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution B. Open Space Brochure	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: PHILIP PRETE, 918-7326 PATRICIA MCGUIRE, 918-7327 GLYNIS GORE, CHAIR ENV. ADVISORY BOARD C/O PLANNING DEPT., 918-7326

PURPOSE:

The Environmental Advisory Board, in their role of researching and providing guidance on matters that relate to environmental quality, with Planning Department Staff review and assistance, has prepared a brochure that is intended to guide homeowners and residents in Carrboro on the proper use and maintenance of open space associated with residential developments. A resolution to receive the brochure, and to acknowledge and thank the Environmental Advisory Board for their service to the community, is recommended for the Board's adoption.

INFORMATION:

The Environmental Advisory Board (EAB), in a spring 2001 planning session, established goals for projects and efforts beyond the minimum of responding to requests and referrals from the Board of Alderman and reacting to development proposals, to include discrete projects related to their charge. One of the priority projects that the EAB embarked upon was to prepare guidance for homeowners, residents, and homeowners associations for proper care of open space as required in the Land Use Ordinance.

At the March 7, 2002 EAB meeting, the EAB approved draft text for a brochure on open space care, and transmitted the draft to Planning Department Staff, for review, revision as appropriate, formatting, and submittal to the Board of Aldermen. (ATTACHMENT B).

The brochure provides basic guidance on care and maintenance of open space and is intended for distribution to residents, homeowners, and homeowners associations in Carrboro, as well as placement on the Town's web page.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends that the Board receive the attached brochure, and acknowledge the EAB for their dedication to completing the brochure, and their service to the Town.