

## BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. D(1)

### AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

**MEETING DATE: March 11, 2003**

**TITLE: A Public Hearing to Obtain Community Input on Town Needs and Budget for Upcoming Fiscal Year 2003-04**

<b>DEPARTMENT: Town Manager</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING: YES x NO</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b> <b>A. Public Hearing Notice</b>	<b>FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:</b> <b>Mike Brough, Interim Town Manager 918-7315</b>

#### PURPOSE:

Annually, the Board of Aldermen adopts a budget, effective July 1- June 30<sup>th</sup> for the Town. The Board, as part of its budget review, schedules a public hearing to receive comments from residents in the community regarding town services. These comments shall be considered in developing the FY2003-04 operating and capital budgets during the budget process.

#### INFORMATION:

To notify citizens of this opportunity to be heard, notice of this public hearing was advertised in The Chapel Herald, on WCHL, and on the town's website (townofcarrboro.org). Notice of this public hearing was also sent to El Centro Latino.

The advertisement notifies residents of a public hearing to receive public input. The ad also invites residents to submit written comments that will be submitted to the Board. Residents may also send an email to the Town Clerk via the Town's website (townofcarrboro.org). All comments will be summarized by the town staff and given to the Board as they are received following the public hearing.

In addition, the Board of Aldermen is requested to provide input to staff on needs or service improvements that they consider important in developing the FY03-04 budget.

Residents will also have another opportunity to speak about Town services and their reactions to the Town Manager's recommended FY03-04 budget in a public hearing on Tuesday, May 6 2003.

#### ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

The Board shall receive community comments on town services and needs for the upcoming budget year and provide input to the Town Manager on needs and service improvements to consider in developing the FY2003-04 budget.