

# BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO.: B(5)

## AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 7, 2002

**TITLE: REQUEST TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE OWEN RESEARCH LABORATORY  
EXPANSION CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**

<b>DEPARTMENT: PLANNING DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING: YES <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b> <b>A. RESOLUTION SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING</b> <b>B. VICINITY MAP</b>	<b>FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:</b> <b>MARTY ROUPE, 918-7333</b>

### PURPOSE

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC) has submitted an application for a one-time expansion of a nonconforming use of their research facilities located at 350 South Old Fayetteville Road. Per Section 15-124(g)(6) of the Town of Carrboro Land Use Ordinance (LUO), the applicant must receive a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to construct the one-time expansion. Prior to reaching a decision on a request for a CUP, the Board must hold a public hearing to receive input. The Administration recommends that the Board set a public hearing for October 21, 2003 for consideration of the conditional use permit request.

### INFORMATION

UNC has conducted medical research in several buildings on this site located adjacent to University Lake for over forty years (**see Attachment B**). The buildings themselves were primarily built in the 1940s and the physical characteristics of the site have remained largely unchanged since that time. The property is now zoned Residential-10 (R-10) and the research activities (Use 3.220) taking place on the site constitute a nonconforming use per Section 15-146 of the LUO. A Land Use Permit has never been issued for use of the site. A detailed staff report analyzing the proposed project will be provided at the public hearing.

### RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends that the Board adopt the attached resolution that sets a public hearing for October 21, 2003 for consideration of the conditional use permit request.