

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. D(2)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: August 17, 2004

TITLE: Status Report on the Draft 2030 Long-Range Transportation Plan

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING	PUBLIC HEARING: YES ___ NO <u>X</u> ___
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution B. Presentation	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Dale McKeel – 918-7329

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the Board of Aldermen with a status report on the development of a Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Urban Area 2030 Long-Range Transportation Plan. The attached resolution would receive the report.

INFORMATION

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO) adopted a 2025 Long Range Transportation Plan in May 2003. Environmental Protection Agency air quality conformity regulations require that this plan be updated prior to April 2005. In order to meet this deadline, the DCHC MPO has begun preparing a Long Range Transportation Plan for the year 2030.

The draft 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan was presented to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) on June 23, 2004. The TAC approved the release of this analysis as the draft 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan for public comment. The TAC will hold a public hearing on the draft 2030 plan on August 25, 2004. The TAC also agreed to hold open the public comment period until September 29, 2004 at which time it is anticipated that the TAC will approve the 2030 plan. Attachment B is a presentation that provides an overview of the draft 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan.

After the TAC adopts a 2030 plan in September, the plan will be reviewed by state and federal transportation agencies. Their review is expected to begin in September and be completed in the spring of 2005.

FISCAL IMPACT

None known.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the attached resolution receiving the report.