ITEM NO. $\underline{D(1)}$

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: May 3, 2005

TITLE: Presentation of Manager's Recommended FY2005-06 Budget

DEPARTMENT: Town Manager	PUBLIC HEARING: YES NO _x_
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution B. Proposed Fee Schedule	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven E. Stewart, 918-7315

PURPOSE

By state law, the Town Manager is responsible for submitting a balanced budget for the Carrboro community to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen by June 1st. Tonight, the Board is presented with the FY2005-06 Recommended Budget. The recommended budget is submitted earlier than required by law so that the Board and community have sufficient time to discuss the initiatives put forth in the budget.

INFORMATION

The Town's budget calendar sets aside time for two budget work sessions, if desired, and incorporates a public hearing as mandated by state law. The key dates for the budget process include:

Tuesday, May 10	Budget Work Session
Thursday, May 19	Budget Work Session
Tuesday, May 24	Public Hearing on FY2005-06 Recommended Budget
Tuesday, June 7	Board directs Town Manager to prepare final budget
Tuesday, June 21	Adoption of FY2005-06 Budget, Pay Plan, and Miscellaneous Fees and
	Charges Schedule

Budget work sessions allow time for a thorough understanding of the budget recommendations. The Board is asked to decide if one or more work sessions are needed and to establish an agenda. Department heads will be available to answer questions at both work sessions.

The budget document and related decision package booklet will be provided on the night of the meeting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The town staff recommends that the Board accept the Manager's Recommended FY2005-06 Budget Document and decide on work session dates and agendas for work sessions.