AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: March 6, 2007

TITLE: Creation of the Northern Study Area Plan Implementation Review Committee

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING	PUBLIC HEARING: YESNOX
ATTACHMENTS A. Resolution B. Resolution establishing NSA Plan review process C. Planning Board Recommendation	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia McGuire – 918-7327

PURPOSE

On February 20 and 27, 2007, the Board of Aldermen authorized the creation of the Northern Study Area Plan Implementation Review Committee. The Board is asked to appoint the advisory board and the Board of Aldermen representatives and, if available, other community members to serve on the committee.

INFORMATION

Attachment B provides the resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen on February 27, 2007. The resolution lists members from advisory boards and directs Town staff to recruit applicants for the committee.

Advisory Board representatives. On March 1, staff provided a status report on the review process and possible development moratorium for some projects in the Northern Study Area at the Joint Review Advisory Board meeting. The Board resolution indicated that one member from each of seven standing and one ad hoc advisory board would be selected to serve on the NSAPIRC. The advisory boards and representatives that have been identified are listed below. Attachment A includes the noted representatives. The Planning Board has requested that the Board of Aldermen grant two seats so that Transition Area resident and Planning Board member, Susan Poulton, may also serve.

Advisory Board or Committee	Representative
Planning Board	James Carnahan and Susan Poulton
Appearance Commission	Tom Wiltberger (tentative)
Environmental Advisory Board	Not yet identified
Transportation Advisory Board	Tom High
Recreation and Parks Commission	Not yet identified
Economic Sustainability Commission	Alena Callimanis
Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee	Not yet identified
New Horizons Task Force	Not yet identified

Board of Aldermen Representatives. The February 27, 2007 resolution indicated that two Board of Aldermen members would serve on the NSAPIRC. Attachment A does not include Board of Aldermen representatives as they have not yet been identified.

Other Representatives on the Committee. The February 27, 2007 resolution indicated that the NSAPIRC would include three at-large Carrboro residents. Town staff has placed announcements of these seats on the Town's website and with public service reps of local print and broadcast media. The names of community members interested in serving will be provided when they are available.

Representatives from the Town of Chapel Hill, Orange County, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC-CH) are noted in the resolution. One representative from both Chapel Hill and UNC-CH are specified. The number of representatives from Orange County was not specified. The Town Manager sent a letter to the Managers of Orange County and Chapel Hill and the Chancellor of UNC-CH informing them of the review committee and requesting representatives be identified. The names of selected representatives will be submitted for the Board's consideration as soon as they are available.

FISCAL IMPACT

The community forums and associated costs, including hiring a facilitator, have not been estimated, but will be provided to the Board of Aldermen as soon as possible.

RECOMMENDATION

The town staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the attached resolution appointing advisory board representatives, Board of Aldermen representatives, and, if available, other community members to serve on the NSAPIRC.