AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: June 19, 2007

TITLE: Adoption of the Local Priority List for FY 2009-2015 Transportation Improvement Program

DE	PARTMENT: Planning	PUBLIC HEARING: YES NO _X_
AT A.	TACHMENTS: Resolution	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Adena Messinger – 918-7329
B.	Annotated Carrboro Adopted Priority List	Patricia McGuire - 918-7327
C	for 2007-2013 TIP Status of current Orange County programs	
C.	in the STIP	
D.	Highlight of Carrboro's projects in the STIP	
E.	2009-2015 MPO ranking methodology	

PURPOSE

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization has initiated the preparation of the 2009-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). At the beginning of this process, local governments are requested to provide a local priority list of projects. The Board is requested to review the 2007-2013 list and the Transportation Advisory Board's comments, and adopt a 2009-2015 local TIP priority list. (**Attachment A**).

INFORMATION

The TIP includes cost estimates and funding schedules for highway, bicycle, pedestrian, rail, public transit, and aviation projects over a seven year period. Typically, the TIP is updated every other year, though the recent transition from an even to an odd-numbered year necessitated adoption of two TIP document in two years. The priority list adopted by the Board of Aldermen in 2005 for the 2007-2013 TIP (current) is attached and includes updates on those projects (**Attachment B**).

The North Carolina Board of Transportation has just adopted the State Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY2007-2013. The State TIP incorporates some of the requests from Carrboro and other members of the Durham Chapel Hill Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO). The DCHC MPO Technical Advisory Committee adopted a metropolitan TIP that is consistent with the current State TIP on May 9th. An excerpt of the STIP showing the projects from Orange County is attached (**Attachment C**). **Attachment D** highlights the STIP projects in Carrboro.

The DCHC MPO has begun the process of updating its regional priority list for consideration in the State TIP for FY 2009-2015. The MPO has prepared a ranking methodology for development of the MPO priority list (**Attachment E**).

The Transportation Advisory Board began discussions on the 2009-2015 local priority list at their June 7th meeting; however, due to the full agenda, were not able to complete the discussion to make a formal

recommendation to the Board of Alderman. Because the MPO is requiring municipalities to submit their priority lists by the end of June, staff has invited TAB members to provide informal comments for the Board's consideration. Any comments received will be distributed when available.

FISCAL IMPACT

None with the consideration of transportation priorities.

RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen review the TAB's 2009-2015 TIP comments and adopt a resolution detailing a local priority list for Carrboro for FY 2009-2016.