BOARD OF ALDERMEN

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: October 2, 2007

TITLE: Town Code Amendment Dealing with the Duties of and Quorum Requirements for the Carrboro Arts Committee

DEPARTMENT: Recreation and Parks	PUBLIC HEARING: YES/NO
 ATTACHMENTS: A. Ordinance B. Memo from Anita Jones-McNair ref. Arts Committee Update 	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Anita Jones-McNair - 918-7381

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board of Aldermen to consider adopting an amendment to the Town Code dealing with the duties of and quorum requirements for the Carrboro Arts Committee.

INFORMATION

On September 11, 2007, Alderman Gist requested staff to provide a status report on various Arts Committee requests. The committee is now working with the Recreation and Parks Department. Making changes at this time will facilitate the transition. The committee was seeking resolution to several active issues:

- 1. Amend the language of the Arts Committee charge to grant the committee authority to constitute a quorum at meetings based on the majority number of members present at monthly meetings.
- 2. Authority to work collaboratively with the community and private sector on projects including fundraising efforts.
- 3. Relinquish the responsibility of supervising the hanging of the art exhibits.
- 4. Providing an Emma's Kid Art Exhibit to raise funds for children in Africa.
- 5. Use \$500.00 to support the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Art Project.

A memo was sent to the Board on September 14, 2007. In the memo, numbers 4 and 5 were covered. The committee discussed and agreed upon a resolution during their September meeting. The only items that were still open included changes to the Town Ordinance. An amendment to the ordinance is included.

FISCAL IMPACT

None at this time.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen approve the ordinance amendment. Staff also recommends that if changes are made to the committee's charge, then the responsibility for hanging the art exhibits will become the responsibility of the Recreation and Parks Department.