

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. C(2)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: March 3, 2009

TITLE: Request to Approve Greenways Commission's Letter to the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING	PUBLIC HEARING: YES __ NO <u>X</u>
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution B. Letter to UNC from the Greenways Commission	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Adena Messinger, Transportation Planner – 918-7329

PURPOSE

The Greenways Commission has prepared a letter to the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill regarding the Bolin Creek Greenway planning process. The Greenways Commission is requesting that the Board of Aldermen approve and forward the letter to the university.

INFORMATION

At the October 20, 2008 Greenways Commission meeting, Mary Jane Nirdlinger from the University of North Carolina presented an update on the plans for Carolina North. Following her presentation, members of the Greenways Commission inquired as to whether there were opportunities to strengthen the communication efforts between the Town and the university regarding the Bolin Creek Trail planning process that the Town is undertaking. Ms. Nirdlinger suggested communicating any of the Greenway Commission's interests to Carolyn Elfland, Associate Vice Chancellor-Campus Service.

At the conclusion of the discussion, the Greenways Commission made the following motion:

To draft a letter to Carolyn Elfland (and copied to Tony Waldrop) regarding formalizing the relationship between the Greenway Commission and Carolina North, and to present the letter to Board of Alderman, and to request that the letter come from the Mayor.

Moved: Jacquie Gist; 2nd: Bob Kirschner: Passed Unanimously

George Daniel, Greenways Commission Chair, drafted a letter and presented the draft to the Greenways Commission at their January 26, 2009 meeting. Commission members provided feedback and Mr. Daniels prepared a final draft for Board review and approval (Attachment B).

FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACT

None.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board review and approve the letter from the Greenways Commission and that the Board direct staff to send the letter to the university.

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