

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
WORKSESSION**

ITEM NO. (1)

**AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT
MEETING DATE: October 13, 2009**

TITLE: Presentation of NC Powerdown Evaluation of Carrboro Vision2020

DEPARTMENT: Planning	PUBLIC HEARING: YES ____ NO <u>X</u>
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution B. Powerpoint Presentation C. 10 Vision 2020 Successes	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia McGuire, Planning Administrator – 918-7327

PURPOSE

Since speaking in reference to a draft resolution on sustainability that was prepared by the Carrboro Planning Board in the spring of this year, NC Powerdown has been working on an evaluation of Carrboro's Vision 2020 document. NC Powerdown members will make this presentation to the Board of Aldermen.

INFORMATION

NC Powerdown Triangle Peak Oil is a meet up group that hopes to raise awareness about the imminent peak in worldwide oil production, influence policy decisions that concern fossil energy use, and be a resource to members as they convert to lower energy lifestyles.

On May 1, 2008, NC Power down made a presentation to the Joint Review Advisory Boards regarding Peak Oil and requested support for a resolution specifying community action. A draft resolution relating to community sustainability, inspired by the NC Power down request, The Planning Board refined a draft Peak Oil resolution that was provided by NC Power down from June to September 2008, during which time the focus of the resolution was changed from Peak Oil to Sustainability. Drafts of the resolution were shared with the Environmental Advisory Board, Transportation Advisory Board and Economic Sustainability Commission during this time until October, when the Planning Board prepared a "final" draft and distributed for formal advisory board action. The resolution was subsequently revised by the Planning Board in December and again in January. In mid-February, the Planning Board expressed its desire for the draft resolution to be forwarded to the Board of Aldermen and other boards for consideration. The resolution was presented to the Board of Aldermen on March 17, 2009. The Board of Aldermen accepted the resolution and referred it to staff for review.

FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACT

None known at present.

RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the attached resolution.