A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE TRIANGLE REGIONAL TRANSIT PROGRAM ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS INCLUDE A FULL AND DETAILED STUDY OF SERVICE PROVISION TO THE TOWN OF CARRBORO Resolution No. 191/2009-10

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro has the highest transit ridership per capita in North Carolina according to the 2000 Census (9%); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro supports higher-density, transit-supportive-development, a critical element of a successful and efficient transit service; and

WHEREAS, the Towns of Carrboro and Chapel Hill and the University of North Carolina have worked together to provide public transit service to the local community for over thirty years; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro continues to lead in making investments in bicycling and pedestrian infrastructure, which expand the usefulness of existing and future transit in the community; and

WHEREAS, the objectives in the Carrboro Vision 2020 plan state that the Town of Carrboro should cooperate in the regional planning processes to provide regional transit service conducted by the Triangle Transit Authority and that the Town of Carrboro should support a passenger rail connection between the Horace Williams' property, through Carrboro's downtown, and the main campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and

WHEREAS, the extension of light rail from UNC Hospital to Carrboro would benefit stakeholders outside of Carrboro, such as businesses along West Franklin Street in Chapel Hill and the Northside neighborhood in Chapel Hill, and provide a seamless rail connection to Carrboro from Durham, Duke University, Meadowmont, the East 54/Glen Lennox area; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2010, the Board of Aldermen approved the recommended revisions to the Chapel Hill and Carrboro 2035 Long Range Transit Plan (resolution no. 93/2009-10) stating that the "provision of light rail or another higher-order transit service to Carrboro should continue to be analyzed in future transportation planning processes" and that "further analysis should determine if extending regional light rail service into Carrboro is feasible and cost-effective given the potential ridership of a Carrboro station";

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen that the Board encourages the full inclusion of the Town of Carrboro in the Triangle Regional Transit Program Alternatives Analysis study to determine the feasibility of providing higher order transit service to the Town of Carrboro.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board encourages at least one public meeting on the Alternatives Analysis to be held in Carrboro.

This is the 22nd day of June in the year 2010.



TOWN OF CARRBORO

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

RECOMMENDATION

June 17, 2010

SUBJECT: Triangle Regional Transit Program Alternatives Analysis

MOTION: The Transportation Advisory Board recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the resolution from Connect Carrboro with the following addition: "and that at least one public input meeting be located in Carrboro".

The TAB also requests that, if possible, at least one member of the Board of Aldermen be present at at least one public input meeting.

Moved: Perry

Second: Hileman

VOTE: Ayes (6): Hileman, Perry, LaJeunesse, Krasnov, Michler, Pergolotti. Nays (0).

Abstain (0). Absent (1): Brown.