

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE
MUNICIPAL RECORDS RETENTION AND DISPOSITION SCHEDULE**

Draft Resolution No. 123/2010-11

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO THAT: The records retention and disposition schedule and retention governing the records series listed herein are hereby approved. In accordance with the provision of Chapters 121 and 132 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, it is agreed that the records do not and will not have further use or value for official business, research, or reference purposes after the respective retention periods specified herein and are authorized to be destroyed or otherwise disposed of by the agency or official having custody of them without further reference to or approval of either party to this agreement. It is further agreed that these records may not be destroyed prior to the time periods stated; however, for sufficient reason they may be retained for longer periods. This schedule is to remain in effect from the date of approval until it is reviewed and updated.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

According to G.S. §121-5 and G.S. §132-3, you may only destroy public records with the consent of the Department of Cultural Resources. This schedule is the primary way DCR gives its consent. Without approving this schedule, your municipality is obligated to obtain the Department's permission to destroy *any* record, no matter how insignificant.

Each records series listed on this schedule has specific disposition instructions which will indicate how long that series must be kept in your offices. In some cases, the disposition instructions are simply "Retain in office permanently," which means that those records must be kept in your offices forever.

The Department of Cultural Resources provides microfilming of the minutes of major decision-making boards and commissions in a municipality. Once those records are filmed, we will store the silver negative (the original) in our security vault.

There is a nominal fee for filming and duplicate film. Contact the analyst assigned to your municipality for the most current information.