

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. D(2)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: October 16, 2012

TITLE: CCTV Cameras Installed as Part of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Signal System Upgrade Project

DEPARTMENT: Planning	PUBLIC HEARING: YES ___ NO <u>X</u> ___
ATTACHMENTS: None	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Brubaker – 918-7329 Andy Vogel – 918-7305

PURPOSE

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Board of Aldermen to discuss the status of CCTV cameras installed as part of NCDOT TIP Project U-4704 – Chapel Hill-Carrboro Traffic Signal System Project.

INFORMATION

The construction phase of this project occurred from 2010 to 2012, and the project is now substantially complete. One component of it was to install CCTV cameras, including two in Carrboro. The locations are near the Main-Weaver-Roberson intersection and near S. Greensboro St. and Merritt Mill Rd.

According to the technical documentation produced during the design phase, the CCTV cameras are for incident verification and traffic monitoring by staff of the Traffic Operations Center (TOC) of the Town of Chapel Hill. NCDOT owns the cameras. NCDOT staff have indicated that it is acceptable to eliminate media and internet access to the camera streams. Town of Chapel Hill staff indicated that Chapel Hill will also eliminate internet and media access.

The project has received approvals at various times. It has been included on Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Plans (MTIPs) approved by the MPO since at least the 2004-2010 MTIP. It was originally scheduled to be completed using a combination of federal Surface Transportation Program (STP-DA) funding and a non-federal match, but it received American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding in 2009. An amendment to the MTIP to reflect the ARRA funding was approved by the MPO in April 2009.

FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACT

No fiscal or staff impacts accrue from receiving the update.

If the Town were to request that the cameras be taken down, the Town may need to reimburse NCDOT and the Town of Chapel Hill for installation costs, estimated to be approximately \$28,000.

RECOMMENDATION

No recommendation is provided.