

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, December 9, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	Michael Nelson
Aldermen	Hilliard Caldwell
	Jacquelyn Gist
	Diana McDuffee
	Allen Spalt
	Alex Zaffron
Town Manager	Robert W. Morgan
Town Clerk	Sarah C. Williamson
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough
Absent	
Alderman	Hank Anderson

GRANT APPLICATION/FUNDING FOR ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES

Marty Mandell addressed the Board concerning an electric car project. Ms. Mandell stated that there are funds available through the N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources to fund alternative fuel vehicles.

The Board requested that Ms. Mandell prepare a grant proposal for the Board's review on December 16th

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 2, 1997 MINUTES. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

REQUEST TO CANCEL DECEMBER 23RD BOARD MEETING

The administration requested that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen consider canceling its regular meeting scheduled for December 23, 1997.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST TO CANCEL THE DECEMBER 23RD BOARD MEETING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

APPOINTMENTS TO ARTS COMMITTEE

Mayor Nelson and Alderman Zaffron recommended that the Board of Aldermen appoint the following individuals to serve on the town's newly established Arts Committee: Janet Callahan, Berkeley Grimbball, Joyce Preslar, Danita Mason-Hogans, and Elizabeth Boisson.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST TO APPOINT JANET CALLAHAN, BERKELEY GRIMBALL, JOYCE PRESLAR, DANITA MASON-HOGANS, AND ELIZABETH BOISSON TO THE ARTS COMMISSION. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

RESOLUTION RELEASING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDS TO TRIANGLE J COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

The Board of Aldermen was requested to adopt a resolution releasing \$977.03 appropriated by the 1997 General Assembly to Lead Regional Organizations to assist local governments with grant applications, economic development, community development, and to support local industrial development activities and other activities as deemed appropriate by their local governments

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Alex Zaffron and duly seconded by Alderman Jacquelyn Gist.

A RESOLUTION RELEASING \$977.03 IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDS
TO TRIANGLE J COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Resolution No. 17/97-98

WHEREAS, in North Carolina the Lead Regional Organizations, as voluntary organizations serving

municipal and county governments, have established productive working relationships with the cities and counties across the state; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly continued to recognize this need through the appropriation of \$864,270 to help the Lead Regional Organizations assist local governments with grant applications, economic development, community development, support of local industrial development and other activities as deemed appropriate by their local governments; and

WHEREAS, these funds are not intended to be used for payment of members' dues or assessments to a Lead Regional Organization or to supplant funds appropriated by the member governments; and

WHEREAS, in the event that a request is not made by a unit of government for release of these funds to our Regional Council, the available funds will revert to the State's General Fund; and

WHEREAS, in Region J funds in the amount of \$48,015 will be used to carry out the economic development plan approved by the COG Board of Delegates and especially to improve the economy of the counties and towns of the Region by strengthening ties to and consequently benefits of the Research Triangle Park.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Carrboro requests the release of its \$977.03 share of these funds to the Triangle J Council of Governments at the earliest possible time in accordance with the provisions of Section 16.5 of Senate Bill 352, the 1997 ratified budget bill.

The foregoing resolution, having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this 9th day of December, 1997:

Ayes: Alex Zaffron, Hilliard Caldwell, Michael Nelson, Diana McDuffee, Jacquelyn Gist, Allen Spalt

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: Hank Anderson

Alderman Spalt expressed concern about Triangle J internationalizing the region's economy.

The Board requested that Alderman Zaffron, the town's Triangle J Council of Governments' delegate, relay the Board desire that these funds not be used to internationalize the region's economy.

PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN CODE TO PROHIBIT PARKING ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF PRINCE STREET BETWEEN QUEEN STREET AND ITS TERMINUS

The purpose of this item was for Board of Aldermen to receive public comment on a proposed ordinance, which would prohibit parking along the west side of Prince Street between Queen Street and its terminus.

Kenneth Withrow, the town's Transportation Planner, stated that the Public Works Director had indicated that his department had encountered problems with getting garbage trucks down Prince Street when cars are parked on both sides of the street.

Alberta Neely, a resident of Prince Street, stated that she had experienced problems with having her garbage picked up because of cars being parked on both sides of the street. Ms. Neely expressed concern that fire trucks and rescue squad vehicles might not be able to get through the congestion. Ms. Neely stated that the congestion makes the street look unsightly.

Loy Long, a resident of Prince Street, stated that he has no problems with the cars parking on the street.

Sarah Weaver stated that she lives directly across the street from the business on Prince Street. Ms. Weaver spoke in favor of prohibiting parking on one side of the street.

Frank Horton, a resident of Prince Street, expressed concern that if parking is prohibited on one side of the street at all times, patrons of the hair salon will take those spaces.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY ALEX ZAFFRON TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

It was the consensus of the Board to place this matter back on the agenda for December 16th and that the town staff be requested to provide a recommendation.

PRESENTATION OF "A LANDSCAPE WITH WILDLIFE FOR ORANGE COUNTY"

Livy Ludington and Haven Wiley with the Triangle Land Conservancy, presented their publication entitled, "A Landscape With Wildlife For Orange County."

SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT/AUTUMN WOODS APARTMENTS

The purpose of this item was to consider the conveyance of an easement to the owners of Autumn Woods Apartments for a private sanitary sewer line.

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE A DEED OF EASEMENT TO CONVEY THE EASEMENT ACROSS THE TOWN'S GREENWAY. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

CLARIFICATION OF CONDITION/BERRYHILL CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

The Board of Aldermen approved a Conditional Use Permit for the Berryhill Phase 3 and 4 Subdivision on June 17, 1997. This CUP included a condition to delete lot 25. The developer has requested a clarification of the Board's intent of this condition as noted in Wayne Hadler's letter dated December 2, 1997. The administration requested that the Board of Aldermen clarify the intent of CUP condition # 7.

Mayor Nelson stated that it was his intent that Lot 25 be left as open space.

Wayne Hadler, representing the Berryhill Group, stated that it was his impression that the Board did not want any building in the stream buffer.

Jim Brandewie, with the Berryhill Group, asked for the Board's consideration in approving the revised plans.

It was the consensus of the Board to place this item back on next week's agenda with the request that the town's engineer be present to discuss the revised plans.

APPOINTMENT TO ORANGE COUNTY EMS COUNCIL

MOTION WAS MADE BY HILLIARD CALDWELL AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST TO APPOINT DORIS FOUSHEE BYNUM AS THE TOWN'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE ORANGE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

REQUEST FOR STATUS REPORT ON 1997 RETREAT ACTION AGENDA

Mayor Nelson asked for a status report on the 1997 Retreat Action Agenda items.

REQUEST FOR STATUS REPORT ON LOCAL AREA COMPUTER NETWORK

Alderman McDuffee requested a status report on the town's local area computer network

OPENING OF STRATFORD DRIVE CONNECTION

Alderman Spalt asked for a status report on the effort to open Stratford Drive

Mr. Morgan stated that the town staff is working with the developer to make improvements to the street in order that the town can accept the street. Mr. Morgan stated that the town has to accept the street before the connection can be made.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY HILLIARD CALDWELL TO
ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:20 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

Michael R. Nelson
Mayor

Sarah C. Williamson
Town Clerk