

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, August 21, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	Michael Nelson
Aldermen	Joal Hall Broun
	Mark Dorosin
	Jacquelyn Gist
	Diana McDuffee
	Allen Spalt
	Alex Zaffron
Town Manager	Robert W. Morgan
Town Clerk	Sarah C. Williamson
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough

PRESERVATION OF THE ADAMS' PROPERTY

Frances Shetley, a resident of 1130 Hillsborough Road, asked the Town do whatever it can to preserve the Adams' property.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Diana McDuffee and duly seconded by Alderman Allen Spalt.

**A RESOLUTION RE-AFFIRMING THE TOWN'S DESIRE TO
PRESERVE PROPERTY ALONG BOLIN CREEK
Resolution No. 11/2001-02**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen have a long standing desire to protect the Bolin Creek corridor through land preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Town has demonstrated this goal by requiring that developers set aside 40 percent of development for open space, much of it along Bolin and other creeks; and

WHEREAS, the Town is committed to pursuing ALL options for protecting available land along the creek; and

WHEREAS, the Adams' Tract, one of the most beautiful, pristine pieces of land left in Carrboro, is currently on the market; and

WHEREAS, the Town is currently exploring options for locating a new public works facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN THAT:

Section 1. Purchasing the Adams' Tract solely for use as a Public Works Facility is not a reasonable option.

Section 2. The Town will seek to preserve this property by exploring all available options and will seek to form a relationship with a land conservancy or a similar organization to ensure the preservation of as much of this property as possible.

Section 3. If the land is purchased, development of the Adams' Tract for public purposes other than recreation will be considered only if it proves to be the best option for preserving the majority of the tract in a natural state.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 21st day of August, 2001:

Ayes: Alex Zaffron, Mark Dorosin, Joal Hall Broun, Michael Nelson, Diana McDuffee, Allen Spalt

Noes: Jacquelyn Gist

Absent or Excused: None

Linda Haack encouraged the Board to take an environmental approach in its decision regarding the Adams' Tract. She stated that according to the Town Manager, two other pieces of property are being considered for possible purchase for a public works facility and they are considerably lower in price than the Adams' property. Ms. Haack also suggested that the Town of Carrboro work with the Town of Chapel Hill to construct a joint public works facility.

Alderman Broun requested that the Agenda Planning Committee schedule a staff report on efforts to co-locate the public works facility with Orange County and Chapel Hill.

Alderman Gist requested that the town staff consider building a multi-story public works facility.

PRESENTATION ON THE BOLIN CREEK DEVELOPMENT

Giles Blunden made a presentation on a proposed development to be known as Bolin Creek—a co-housing neighborhood of 46 homes that is currently in the planning stages. This project would be located on the eight-acre parcel located at the end of Hanna Street that was previously approved for Hanna Ridge.

Steve Rose, 113 Hanna Street, stated that the developer should consider how many houses this property can properly support.

REQUEST FOR LITTER CLEAN UP

Saul Threlkeld, a resident of 106-B Fidelity Street, expressed concern about littering in Carrboro. He recommended that all signs be regulated and those putting them up should be required to remove them in a timely manner with fines for noncompliance. Mr. Threlkeld suggested that the Town hold a litter awareness week and that businesses be invited to participate.

The Board requested that the Town Clerk provide copies of Mr. Threlkeld's proposal to the Mayor and Board members and that the Agenda Planning Committee schedule a Board discussion of this proposal.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOTION WAS MADE BY MARK DOROSIN AND SECONDED BY ALEX ZAFFRON TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 14, 2001 MINUTES. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

STATUS REPORT ON THE DOWNTOWN VISIONING PROJECT

Alderman Zaffron presented a status report on the Downtown Visioning Project.

The Board requested information from Walkable Communities on how design conflicts will be resolved and asked that the planning committee discuss providing child care.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPENSATION POLICY FOR THE TOWN

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen received a report from the Compensation Policy Subcommittee and continued its discussion on the development of a compensation policy for the Town.

Alderman Gist asked that merit awards be goal-based for all employees be included in the list for consideration.

Alderman Spalt asked that the following items be considered in the compensation policy: cost to the Town when experienced employees leave the Town's employment; the Town's policy on counter offers to employees leaving the Town's employment; and negative impacts on employees when changes are made to the pay plan.

Alderman Zaffron asked that models that address multiple pay issues similar to Carrboro, including compression, retention and recruitment problems, and simplifying the pay plan.

It was the consensus of the Board to schedule a two-hour work session on September 4th to receive a report from the Town staff on the structural elements of the pay plan and to further discuss the list of ideas and areas of interest for inclusion in the Town's Compensation Policy.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE LIAISONS

Alderman Zaffron gave a report on MPO activities. Alderman Zaffron stated that the Lloyd Street traffic signal should be installed by the end of 2001.

Alderman Spalt volunteered to draft a letter to MPO on providing local input in crosswalk decision-making.

Alderman Broun gave a report on activities of the Orange County Economic Development Commission and Appearance Commission.

Mayor Nelson gave an update from the Arts Committee and the Friends of the Century Committee.

Alderman McDuffee gave a report on the Orange County Library Services Task Force, the Chapel Hill Transit Task Force, and the Soccer Task Force. Alderman McDuffee requested that the TAB's role in transit improvement discussions be clarified.

The Board requested to have input on the transit MOU.

Alderman Gist gave a report from the Carrboro Day Committee, the Human Services Committee, the Solid Waste Advisory Board, and the Recreation and Parks Committee.

Alderman Spalt gave a report from on Schools and Land Use Council, the Capital Improvements Task Force, and the recent Board of Adjustment meeting regarding the Pine Street issue. Alderman Spalt stated that the County has agreed to fund the Carrboro recycling site.

FUNDING FOR FAMILIAS DEL PUEBLO ROAD RACE

Mayor Nelson stated that the Town had received a request for funding from Familias del Pueblo Road Race in the amount of \$500 and requested that the Board consider funding this request.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLEN SPALT AND SECONDED BY JOAL HALL BROUN TO APPROVE A TRANSFER OF \$500.00 FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND FOR THE FAMILIAS DEL PUEBLO ROAD RACE. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

N.C. METROPOLITAN COALITION

Alderman Zaffron asked that the Town staff check on whether the membership dues had to been paid to the N.C. Metropolitan Coalition.

DISCUSSION OF PINE STREET SITUATION

The Board requested that the chairs of the Planning Board, Appearance Commission and Transportation Advisory Board be invited to attend the August 28th meeting for the Board's discussion of the Pine Street agenda item.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALEX ZAFFRON AND SECONDED BY JOAL HALL BROUN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:30 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

Mayor

Town Clerk