

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, March 5, 2002 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
	John Herrera
	Diana McDuffee
	Alex Zaffron
Town Manager	Robert W. Morgan
Deputy Town Clerk	Richard White
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION WAS MADE BY JOAL HALL BROUN AND SECONDED BY JOHN HERRERA TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 26, 2002 MINUTES. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND CHARGES OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Nelson read a proclamation designating March 9, 2002 as the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Durham Alumnae Chapter International Day of Service.

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE REFORM OF U.S. IMMIGRATION LAW AND POLICY

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Herrera and duly seconded by Alderman Dorosin.

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE REFORM OF
U.S. IMMIGRATION LAW AND POLICY
Resolution No. 108/2001-02

WHEREAS, immigrant workers are increasingly essential to filling a wide range of jobs in our society; and

WHEREAS, national immigration policy is in conflict with our current workforce needs and our values; and

WHEREAS, recent changes in Social Security Administration practices have resulted in dozens of immigrants losing their jobs in Carrboro and throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, immigration reform is needed to remedy this situation, which is affecting millions of immigrants and their families here and abroad; and

WHEREAS, 12.3% of the residents of Carrboro are Latinos, and Latino buying power is \$2.3 billion in North Carolina and \$450 billion nationwide; and

WHEREAS, undocumented immigrants pay federal, state and local taxes, including Social Security and Medicare; and

WHEREAS, local governments bear the significant infrastructure and operational costs of providing services to all their residents; and

WHEREAS, not providing a legal means of working and living in this country forces millions of immigrants into a clandestine way of life, creating a black market for documents that threatens national security and the personal welfare of immigrants.

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Town of Carrboro calls upon the United States Government to reform immigration laws in order to provide undocumented immigrants with legal permission to work and live here and institute a long-term immigration policy that will address the economic and national security needs of the United States, and calls upon citizens, businesses, the Towns of Chapel Hill and Hillsborough, Orange County, our congressional and state delegation and other interested parties to endorse similar resolutions in order to encourage the national government to take action.

The following resolution having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this the 5th day of March 2002:

Ayes: Joal Hall Broun, Mark Dorosin, Jacquelyn Gist, John Herrera, Diana McDuffee, Michael Nelson, Alex Zaffron

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: None

Nolo Martinez, state director of Latino/Hispanic Affairs, encouraged the Board to support the resolution and to ask Congress to consider changing immigration laws.

Carol Brooke, North Carolina Justice and Community Development Center, offered services to local employers to help them with responses to the no-match letters.

Alex Asburn, El Centro Executive Director, spoke in support of the resolution.

Aaron Nelson, Director of Chapel Hill/Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, stated that the Chamber has not yet taken action on the resolution.

Mark Chilton, Empowerment Director, identified three problems that Latino/Hispanic residents are facing: 1) landlord/tenant relations; 2) overtime pay; and 3) worker safety.

**REQUEST FOR MINOR MODIFICATION/MORNINGSTAR MINI-STAR STORAGE
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**

Mr. David Blevins, with Development Engineering, representing the Morningstar Group, has submitted a modification request for the Morningstar Mini-Storage Conditional Use Permit (CUP). The request consists of dividing the four-phase project into six (6) phases. The Administration requested that the Board of Aldermen review, deliberate and make a decision regarding the conditional use permit minor modification request.

Marty Roupe, the town's Interim Land Use Administrator, made the presentation.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Broun and duly seconded by Alderman Gist:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR MODIFICATION TO THE CUP FOR THE
MORNINGSTAR MINI-STORAGE AUTHORIZING SIX (6) PHASES
Resolution No. 100/2001-02

WHEREAS, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen has approved a Conditional Use Permit for the Morningstar Mini-Storage facility located at 510 Jones Ferry Road on November 14, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen modified the CUP plans to allow four phases instead of one phase on September 25, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has requested a modification to allow six phases; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Ordinance specifies that requested phase changes must be processed similarly to other modification requests; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has determined that the requested phase change is a minor modification, which requires approval by the permit issuing authority (in this case, the Board of Aldermen).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen that the minor modification to the Morningstar Mini-Storage facility authorizing six phases is approved.

The following resolution having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this the 5th day of March 2002:

Ayes: Joal Hall Broun, Mark Dorosin, Jacquelyn Gist, John Herrera, Diana McDuffee, Michael Nelson, Alex Zaffron

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: None

AN ORDINANCE REWRITING THE TOWN'S CONSERVATION RESTRICTIONS ORDINANCE

The purpose of this item was for the Board to consider the adoption of an ordinance that rewrites Article III of Chapter 5 of the Town Code, "Water Conservation Restrictions," substantially as requested by the Orange Water and Sewer Authority.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JOAL HALL BROUN AND SECONDED BY JACQUELYN GIST TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE REWRITING THE TOWN'S WATER CONSERVATION RESTRICTIONS ORDINANCE." VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

WORKSESSION: SETBACK REQUIREMENTS

The Board of Aldermen reviewed a report on screening, setback requirements and special exceptions on January 15, 2002. The Board requested that a worksession be scheduled to review setback requirements in further detail. A resolution that can specify further direction to staff, if desired, was provided for the Board's use.

Trish McGuire, the town's Planning Administrator, made the presentation.

Alderman McDuffee expressed her interest in the effects of current regulations on future development with a focus on redeveloped parcels.

The Board provided staff with the following directions:

Mayor Nelson requested that staff look at previous proposals in the B-1G zone and bring back suggested changes that address obstacles and then review the B-2 pocket south of Weaver Street in conjunction with neighborhood preservation.

The Board will hear from Walkable Communities on March 21st and receive a report on the Economic Development Tool Box. A work session on the Downtown Visioning report will follow if time allows.

Alderman McDuffee would like to schedule another work session to discuss the VMU, new subdivisions, and residential redevelopment.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Joal Hall Broun and duly seconded by Alderman Jacquelyn Gist:

A RESOLUTION SPECIFYING FURTHER ACTION ON
SETBACK REQUIREMENTS
Resolution No. 102/2001-02

WHEREAS, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen has held a worksession to review setback requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen that the Aldermen has reviewed materials compiled to address this request and has decided as follows:

- That staff look at previous proposals in the B-1G zone and bring back suggested changes that address obstacles and then review the B-2 pocket south of Weaver Street in conjunction with neighborhood preservation.
- That a worksession be scheduled to discuss the VMU, new subdivisions, and residential redevelopment.

This is the 5th day of March in the year 2002.

The following resolution having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this the 5th day of March 2002:

Ayes: Joal Hall Broun, Mark Dorosin, Jacquelyn Gist, John Herrera, Diana McDuffee, Michael Nelson, Alex Zaffron

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: None

DISCUSSION OF OPTIONS TO ADDRESS REVENUE SHORTFALL

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen have requested additional information concerning the revenue shortfall of \$479, 285. The purpose of this item was for the Board to adopt a financial plan to cover the revenue shortfall.

Mr. Morgan made the presentation.

Mayor Nelson presented a list of recommended reductions.

Alderman Dorosin requested to see all reserve accounts.

Mr. Morgan mentioned that if the Public Works grounds and maintenance budget is reduced, recreation fields and cemetery maintenance would be top priorities. Beautification projects would be last. There would be a noticeable difference in grounds upkeep.

Susie Holloway, Carrboro Day volunteer, stated that plans are in place for that event. The Committee has made three contractual obligations: 1) partnered with Family Fest to do a joint event with shared expenses; 2) contracted for the sound system; and 3) made other purchases. Publicity will be in Spanish and English.

Bob Wright, Carrboro Day volunteer, asked the Board to think of Carrboro Day in two ways when making a decision: 1) Does Carrboro Day do what it is supposed to do - community building? and 2) Is it cost effective?

Joy Presslar, Entertainment Committee chair, stated that entertainers have agreed to perform at reduced rates. She said that it is important to have a day to relax and enjoy.

Ellen Perry, family crafts chair, said that it would be a shame to cut the budget. She added that crafts activities are for everyone.

Alderman Broun assured Ms. Holloway that the Board does not hold the Carrboro Day volunteers responsible for over-committing the Town.

Ms. Holloway stated that she could identify \$2,000 in savings.

The Board agreed on the following reductions:

Department	Amount	Board Cuts
Miscellaneous Departmental Operating Cuts	\$107,655	\$ 107,655
Public Works Construction Reserves –remainder	\$8,565	\$ 8,565
Contingency – remainder	\$5,223	\$ 5,223
Delay Transfer to Revolving Loan Fund, Carolina Springs	\$10,000	\$ 10,000
Delay Financing Payment Until July 1, 2002	\$129,937	\$ 129,937
Public Works, cut 10 acres (27 acres to 17 acres)	\$57,396	\$ 57,396
Street Resurfacing	\$75,000	\$ 75,000
Parking Lot, - Forgo \$500,000 purchase	\$57,396	
Reduction of Funds Available to Purchase 17 acres for Public Works	\$28,113	\$ 28,113
Public Works – Grounds and Maintenance	\$38,326	\$ 16,840
Recreation – Youth Baseball	\$6,400	0
Recreation – Senior Games	\$652	0
Recreation – July 4th celebration	\$9,506	\$ 5,000
Recreation – Carrboro Day	\$5,704	\$ 2,000
Recreation – Family Programs	\$1,731	0
Recreation – Middle School Field Hockey	\$1,400	0
Recreation – High School Field Hockey	\$272	0
Recreation - Kite Fly Day	\$330	0

Recreation – Easter Egg Hunt	\$603	0
Recreation – Fishing Rodeo	\$892	0
Recreation – Teen Dance	\$100	0
Recreation – Day Camps	(\$180)	0
Recreation – Spring Classes/Workshops	\$417	0
Recreation – Summer Classes/Workshops	\$235	0
Recreation – Miscellaneous Athletic Events	\$1,080	0
Recreation – Adult Softball	\$1,110	0
Delay Recognition Dinner until next year	\$1,380	\$ 1,380
Graduation Celebration	\$500	\$ 500
Youth in Change	\$1,500	\$ 1,500
Postpone Music Festival until next year	\$3,000	\$ 3,000
Century Center Streamlining	\$5,580	0
Hannah St. sidewalk	\$50,000	\$ 25,000
Contribution to Institute of Government	\$1,281	\$ 1,281
Art Committee	\$895	\$ 895
IF CLOSE PARKS, LOSE REVENUE FROM SHELTER RENTAL	(\$3,360)	0
IF CLOSE PARKS, LOSE REVENUE FROM BALLFIELD RENTALS	(\$3,100)	0
IF CLOSE PARKS, LOSE REVENUES FROM DAY CAMPS	(\$180)	0
TOTAL		\$ 479,285

MOTION WAS MADE BY DIANA MCDUFFEE AND SECONDED BY ALEX ZAFFRON TO APPROVE A FINANCIAL PLAN TO COVER THE REVENUE SHORTFALL. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

Alderman Broun asked that the Board send a letter to legislators requesting the State not to take utilities tax proceeds and to return the other funds.

Mr. Morgan stated that he would seek local legislation to use cemetery trust funds.

REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF THE 2002-2003 ACTION AGENDA

The Board requested that this item be scheduled for next week.

WALKABLE COMMUNITIES

The Manager requested that the Board meet on March 21st to receive a report from Walkable Communities.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JOAL HALL BROUN AND SECONDED BY ALEX ZAFFRON TO SET MEETING FOR MARCH 21, 2002. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

GREENE TRACT WORK GROUP MEETING

Alderman Gist reported that the next Green Tract Meeting is Thursday, March 7 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be at the Southern Human Services Building.

PARKING LOT PURCHASE

Mayor Nelson requested that staff pursue purchasing the third parking lot.

IMMIGRATION RESOLUTION

Alderman Herrera requested that a letter be sent to congressional delegation, the North Carolina League, and the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners with a cover letter requesting that these bodies adopt a similar resolution.

SUSTAINABILITY GROUP MEETING

Alderman McDuffee and Trish McGuire, Planning Administrator will attend the Sustainability Work Group at UNC on Friday, March 8 at 11:30 a.m. in Dey Hall. The Group will look at ways to include UNC in environmental efforts.

STORM WATER UTILITY REPORT

Mayor Nelson requested that this report be scheduled for a future Board discussion.

METROPOLITAN COALITION

Alderman Zaffron informed the Board that the Metropolitan Coalition budget committee would meet this Thursday at 10:30 a.m. to review suggestions on where the Governor should look for revenue to address the shortfall.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY JOAL HALL BROUN TO
ADJOURN. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

Mayor

Deputy Town Clerk