

A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, January 24, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	Mark Chilton
Aldermen	Joal Hall Broun
	Jacquelyn Gist
	Randee Haven-O'Donnell
	Alex Zaffron (arrived at 7:33)
Town Manager	Steven E. Stewart
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough
Town Clerk	Sarah C. Williamson

Absent:

Alderman	John Herrera
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Susan Stone and Rob Morris, with the Carrboro Parks Project, presented a check for \$1,962 to the town that will allow completion of the Town Commons shade sail project. Ms. Stone thanked those who contributed to the project.

Mayor Chilton presented a resolution of appreciation to the Carrboro Parks Project.

MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT: CMAQ FUNDS TO PROVIDE SHARED RIDE SERVICES IN CARRBORO

The purpose of this item was to authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to execute a Municipal Agreement with the N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for CMAQ funds to provide shared ride services to areas in Carrboro that are more than a quarter mile from fixed route transit service. A resolution recommending the Board of Aldermen authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to sign and execute the Municipal Agreements was recommended for the Board's approval.

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

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND TOWN CLERK TO SIGN AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NCDOT FOR PROJECT C-4931 FOR THE PROVISION OF SHARED RIDE SERVICES IN CARRBORO Resolution No. 77/2005-06

WHEREAS, the Municipality has requested CMAQ funding in order that Chapel Hill Transit may provide shared rider feeder service to areas not receiving regular bus service in Carrboro, Orange County, North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation has programmed funding in the 2006-2012 Transportation Improvement Program, as revised, for said bus service under Project C-4931, Orange County; and,

WHEREAS, the Municipality proposes to enter into an Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for said bus service as described in said Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, under the proposed Agreement and subject to the Agreement provisions, the Department shall reimburse the Municipality to the extent of fifty percent (50%) of the approved eligible costs up to the maximum federal award amount of \$39,020. The funding for this project is as follows:

Implement FFY '06 - \$ 12,500 (CMAQ)
Implement FFY '06 - \$ 12,500 (Local Match)
Implement FFY '07 - \$ 13,000 (CMAQ)
Implement FFY '07 - \$ 13,000 (Local Match)
Implement FFY '08 - \$ 13,520 (CMAQ)
Implement FFY '08 - \$ 13,520 (Local Match)
Total Cost \$ 78,040 (CMAQ/Local Match)

WHEREAS, the Municipality shall ensure that at least fifty percent (50%) matching funds are provided as well as all costs that exceed the federal award amount of \$39,020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Agreement for Project C-4931 in Orange County is hereby formally approved by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Carrboro and that the Mayor and Clerk of this Municipality are hereby empowered to sign and execute this Agreement between the Municipality and the Department of Transportation.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this 24th day of January, 2006:

Ayes: Joal Hall Broun, Mark Chilton, Jacquelyn Gist, Randee Haven-O'Donnell, Alex Zaffron

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: John Herrera

PUBLIC HEARING: STREET CLOSING REQUEST FOR THE UNC KIDNEY KARE RUN

The UNC Kidney Center has submitted a Permit Application for the temporary use of town streets from 8:00 am to 9 am on Saturday, April 1, 2006 to accommodate the UNC Kidney Center *Kidney Kare 8k Run / 4k Walk*. The town staff recommended that the Board approve the temporary street closing permit for the UNC Kidney Center *Kidney Kare 8K Run/4K Walk on Saturday, April 1, 2006*.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY ALEX ZAFFRON TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, ABSENT ONE (HERRERA)

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

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSING OF, OR SLOWING OF TRAFFIC ON,
THE FOLLOWING STREETS TO ACCOMMODATE THE
UNC KIDNEY CENTER *KIDNEY KARE 8K RUN / 4K WALK*
Resolution No. 73/2005-06

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Carrboro that the following streets are allowed to be temporarily blocked or subject to slowed traffic between 8 am – 9:00 Am on Saturday, April 1, 2006 to accommodate the UNC Kidney Center *Kidney Kare 8K Run / 4K Walk*. This event is to be held in accordance with the permit issued by the Board of Aldermen pursuant to Article III of Chapter 7 of the Town Code.

- Hillsborough Road (between McDougle School service Road and Lorraine) (bike lane only). Runners make a right turn onto Lorraine.

- Lorraine St. between Hillsborough and James St. Runners make a right turn and proceed north on James St.
- James Street between Lorraine and Quail Roost. Runners make a left turn onto Quail Roost and re-enter the McDougle School grounds.

The Town shall supply the appropriate traffic control devices to give notice of the temporary traffic controls.

The Event Coordinator will be responsible for notifying Central Communications when the street is closed and when it is reopened to vehicular traffic.

This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this 24th day of January, 2006:

Ayes: Joal Hall Broun, Mark Chilton, Jacquelyn Gist, Randee Haven-O'Donnell, Alex Zaffron

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: John Herrera

PUBLIC HEARING: STREET CLOSING REQUEST FOR THE POWERMAN NORTH CAROLINA DUATHLON

Set-Up, Inc. has submitted a Permit Application for the temporary use of the town streets from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on Sunday, April 23rd, 2006 to accommodate the *Powerman North Carolina Duathlon*. The town staff recommended that the Board approve the temporary street closing permit for the *Powerman North Carolina Duathlon* on April 23, 2006.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY JOAL HALL BROUN TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, ABSENT ONE (HERRERA)

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

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSING OF STREETS
TO ACCOMMODATE THE POWERMAN NORTH CAROLINA DUATHLON
Resolution No. 74/2005-06

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Carrboro that the following streets are allowed to be temporarily blocked or subject to slowed traffic between 8 am – 12:30 pm on Sunday, April 23, 2006 to accommodate the Powerman North Carolina Duathlon. This event is to be held in accordance with the permit issued by the Board of Aldermen pursuant to Article III of Chapter 7 of the Town Code.

- Hillsborough Road (between McDougle School service Road and Lorraine) (bike lane only). Runners make a right turn onto Lorraine.
- Lorraine St. between Hillsborough and James St. Runners make a right turn and proceed north on James St.
- James Street between Lorraine and Quail Roost. Runners make a left turn onto Quail Roost and re-enter the McDougle School grounds.

- Upon starting the bicycle part of the race, racers exit McDougle School onto Old Fayetteville Rd. and proceed north through the light and into Orange County (where Orange County Sheriff's deputies take over traffic control).

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Noes: None

Absent or Excused: John Herrera

PUBLIC HEARING: LAND USE ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS FOR DOWNTOWN CARRBORO

The Board of Aldermen has been considering architectural requirements for the downtown area. A draft ordinance that incorporates architectural standards has been prepared. It was necessary for the Board of Aldermen to receive public comments prior to taking action on the proposed change.

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

James Morgan stated that the Downtown Design Guidelines are out of date and are due for review. He showed several examples of buildings in the downtown that currently exist but would not comply with the proposed architectural standards. He asked that the Board continue discussion of architectural standards for downtown Carrboro. He also suggested that the town consider giving out awards for good design.

David Ripperton stated that creativity should not be restricted and the current review process should be used. He stated that he feels the height limit should have been left at three stories, and that the town should be more diligent in its review of projects.

Laura van Sant, speaking for Main Street Properties, stated that their proposed project would violate 8 of the 11 requirements in the proposed ordinance.

Gary Giles stated that the proposed architectural standards are loaded with mediocrity and urged the Board to consider performance criteria, and that the Board consider concept review. He urged the Board to reject the draft ordinance. Mr. Giles submitted comments for inclusion in the record. He stated that he feels the Downtown Design Guidelines should be updated periodically.

Jim Spencer stated that the goal is admirable, but the problem comes when you try to quantify design. He stated that he believes town will achieve greater diversity in design with fewer restraints. In addition, he stated that he feels the current regulations address the same issues.

James Carnahan stated that the Planning Board looked at three different options-- support or not support the proposal, go through proposal and make particular suggestions for the 11 items, or that the standards not be adopted and making concept review a requirement for all downtown zones. He suggested that requirement #3 of the proposed ordinance be dropped, that requirement #4 should read: "Either a cornice or an ornamental or articulated parapet shall be provided at the roof," and that exterior siding materials should be expanded.

Jack Haggerty spoke in opposition to the proposed standards, and volunteered to serve on a committee to address specific concerns.

Alderman Broun suggested that Alderman Herrera be given an opportunity to review the recording of tonight's public hearing. In addition, Alderman Broun asked for a brief staff report on whether the building located at 605 W. Main Street could have been constructed under the current land use provisions.

REPRESENTATION ON CHAPEL HILL/ORANGE COUNTY VISITORS BUREAU

Mayor Chilton stated that he had been contacted by the Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitors Bureau indicating that the Town of Carrboro does not currently have a representative on the Bureau.

Alderman Gist asked that Jackie Helvey be contacted to determine her interest in serving on the Visitors Bureau.

SCHOOL CROSGING GUARD AT HIGH SCHOOL/HOMESTEAD ROAD

Mayor Chilton stated that he had received a request from a citizen of the Northeast Annexation Area asking that the town provide a school crossing guard at High School and Homestead Roads.

Mr. Stewart stated that this intersection is not in the Carrboro jurisdiction and that the Town of Chapel Hill has discontinued funding for school crossing guards and that his proposed budget for 2006-07 will recommend that Carrboro discontinue funding school crossing guards. He stated that Carrboro had notified the school system last year that the town would be discontinuing this funding.

Alderman Zaffron stated that these pedestrian issues should be resolved with the proposed NCDOT improvements at this intersection.

OPPOSITION TO HARRIS NUCLEAR PLANT EXPANSION

Alderman Haven-O'Donnell stated that she would be preparing a resolution for the Board's consideration stating the town's opposition to the Harris Nuclear Power Plant expansion.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY JOAL HALL BROUN TO
ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:15 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE FIVE, ABSENT ONE (HERRERA)

Mayor

Town Clerk