

A worksession of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room.

Present and presiding:

Mayor	Mark Chilton
Aldermen	Joal Hall Broun
	Dan Coleman
	Jacquelyn Gist
	John Herrera
	Randee Haven-O'Donnell
	Alex Zaffron
Town Manager	Steven E. Stewart
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough
Town Clerk	Sarah C. Williamson

CHARTER AMENDMENT CLARIFYING THE FILLING OF BOARD VACANCIES

MOTION WAS MADE BY JACQUELYN GIST AND SECONDED BY DAN COLEMAN TO RECONSIDER THE MOTION MADE AT THE MAY 3, 2006 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGARDING A CHATER AMENDMENT CLARIFYING THE FILLING OF BOARD VACANCIES; THAT THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT NOT BE SENT TO THE LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE 2006 SESSION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND THAT THE BOARD RECONSIDER THIS MATTER IN THE FALL OF 2006. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LAND FOR TOMORROW INITIATIVE

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman John Herrera and duly seconded by Alderman Alex Zaffron.

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LAND FOR TOMORROW INITIATIVE Resolution No. 125/2005-06

Whereas, the Town of Carrboro is committed to protecting lands critical to the future of North Carolina's drinking water, economy, and quality of life; and

Whereas, North Carolina is losing more than 100,000 acres of those special places to population pressures each year; and

Whereas, North Carolina's population is expected to grow by 50 percent in the next 25 years; and

Whereas, the important tourism industry can only survive with natural beauty, clean water and scenic vistas; and

Whereas, there is inadequate funding for protecting stream banks and floodplains, legacy forests, prime farmlands, local parks and recreation, state parks, greenway and inactive rail corridors, game lands, natural, scenic and historic places; and

Whereas, there is no second chance to protect North Carolina's great resources and costs will only increase in the future; and

Whereas, additional state funding will leverage twice as much funding from federal, private and local sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO:

Section 1. The Town of Carrboro urges the 2006 General Assembly to enact legislation authorizing a November 2006 general obligation bond referendum to increase conservation spending in North Carolina by \$200 million per year for five years. In addition, it is requested that any land purchased with this funding be located in both rural and urban areas and such that all socio-economic groups would benefit from these purchases.

Section 2. Copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the town's legislative delegation.

Section 3. 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 9th day of May, 2006:

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

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: None

PROCLAMATION ISSUED

Mayor Chilton issued a proclamation proclaiming May 13-21 as National Tourism Week.

HIGH STREET TRAFFIC CONTROLS

Mayor Chilton noted that the recently installed traffic bumps on High Street have been highly effective in reducing dangerous traffic conditions.

REPORT ON PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKING PROJECT

Bill Rivenbark, Professor, UNC-CH School of Government, presented a report on the performance-benchmarking project.

PRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEE MARKET STUDY

John Maxwell with Springsted, Inc., presented the employee market study.

REPORT ON 800 MHZ RADIO COUNTYWIDE CONVERSION

Jack Ball, Orange County Director of Emergency Management, presented the report.

GENERAL BUDGET DISCUSSION

Alderman Coleman asked about the proposed GIS Upgrade and questioned whether Microsoft Access could be improved to allow for multiple users.

Mayor Chilton asked that Alderman Coleman consult with the town's IT Manager about this.

Alderman Coleman asked about the \$1,000 increase in funding for the ArtsCenter, which would be used for architectural services.

Alderman Broun asked for a report from the Town Attorney on whether this funding would be a conflict of interest since the Board of Aldermen would be the permitting authority for this project.

Alderman Coleman asked that the town staff investigate the cost of installing flush-free toilets in men's room in town facilities.

Mayor Chilton requested information on the Real Time Information System for busses, including how many will be located at Carrboro bus stops.

CARRBORO DAY

Mayor Chilton complimented the Recreation and Parks Dept. on the success of Carrboro Day.

SECOND BUDGET WORKSESSION

Mr. Stewart asked the Board whether the May 18th budget worksession was needed.

It was the consensus of the Board to cancel the May 18th budget worksession.

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

Mayor

Town Clerk