A regular meeting of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 in the Board Room of the Carrboro Town Hall.

Present and presiding:	
Mayor	Mark Chilton
Aldermen	Joal Hall Broun
	Dan Coleman
	Jacquelyn Gist
	Randee Haven-O'Donnell
	Lydia Lavelle
Interim Town Manager	C. Matthew Efird
Town Clerk	Catherine C. Wilson
Town Attorney	Michael B. Brough
Absent or Excused:	
Alderman	Sammy Slade

## SPECIAL VIEWING OF A PRESENTATION BY ENRIQUE PENALOSA

Seth LaJeunesse, Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee, discussed the upcoming special viewing of Enrique Penalosa, speaking on Power, Politics, and Cities. This viewing is scheduled for October 27 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the Century Center.

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## CHARGES ISSUED

The Town Clerk issued charges to recent appointees of the Planning Board: Heather Hunt and Bethany Chaney recent appointee of the Transportation Advisory Board Carly Sieff, and recent appointee to the Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee Amy Jeroloman.

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## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN COLEMAN AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LAVELLE TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 4, 2011 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SLADE)

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# A REQUEST TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO THE PLANNING BOARD

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen were requested to consider making an appointment to the Planning Board.

No action was taken on this item.

It was the consensus of the Board for the Town Clerk to follow-up with Ms. Fritz and request that she provide comments to the Board on if, and how, she meets the exceptions, as referenced in the Advisory Board Appointment Guidelines, for an appointment after having served two full terms on the Planning Board.

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# **CONSIDERATION OF A CHARGE FOR THE GREENWAYS COMMISSION**

A draft Greenways Commission charge was prepared for the Board's review and consideration.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Coleman and seconded by Alderman Lavelle:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CHARGE FOR THE GREENWAYS COMMISSION Resolution No. 32/2011-12

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

Section 1: That the following language is hereby adopted for the Greenways Commission Charge:

Carrboro Board of Aldermen

## CHARGE OF THE GREENWAYS COMMISSION

As a member of the Greenways Commission, I recognize and honor that in the Town of Carrboro the term "greenways" refers to unbroken chains of preserved open space surrounding stream and wildlife corridors, headwaters, water recharge areas, and significant ecosystems that also provide bicycle and pedestrian connections between neighborhoods and for the community. As such I will:

- (1) Recommend to the Board policies, programs, and actions that may assist the town in safeguarding the water quality, environment and livability of the community by establishing greenways.
- (2) I will also encourage effective stewardship and management of such greenways and promote educational, recreational, and public health usage consistent with the protection of this resource.

Section 2: The Town Clerk shall invite members of the Greenways Commission to attend a meeting of the Board of Aldermen so that they may be issued their charge.

Section 3: This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2011:

Ayes: Dan Coleman, Lydia Lavelle, Mark Chilton, Joal Hall Broun, Jacquelyn Gist, Randee Haven-O'Donnell

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: Sammy Slade

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# ROSSBURN WAY TRAFFIC CALMING REQUEST

The Board of Aldermen reviewed a traffic calming request for Rossburn Way.

Jeff Brubaker, the Town's Transportation Planner, made the presentation to the Board. Town staff collected data at Palomar Point and Bixley Drive locations. He discussed evaluation results with Rossburn Way classified as both a local and subcollector street. He also stated that the high speeds gathered during the survey were concerning for the TAB members.

Paula Pruitt, of 102 Branning Court, stated that she is the neighborhood homeowners' association president and suggested the implementation of Stage 1 traffic calming measures prior to the implementation of Stage 2. She asked if traffic calming measures slowed the response for the Fire Department. She asked if the Town could provide data that compared the impact of public safety response times with the number of children impacted.

Jill Hill requested that the Board consider Rossburn Way as a local street rather than a subcollector street. She stated that the TAB made their recommendation based on a local street and explained that the street does not meet the subcollector requirement of having sidewalks on both sides. She expressed a high level of concern for her children's safety on Rossburn Way and asked the Board to thoughtfully consider the measures at hand and all citizens' safety.

Katie Ballman, of 304 Rossburn Way, stated that she is the mother of three children and that she is concerned with the safety of the children along Rossburn Way. She asked the Board to consider Rosburn Way as a local street. She stated that the speeds of vehicles are too high for the road and asked the Board to figure out the option for the community.

Omar Zinn, of 306 Rossburn Way, stated that he has been involved with the neighborhood since inception and suggested the implementation of Stage 1 measures immediately. He suggested the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of Rossburn and Palomar. He stated that if Stage 2 plans are implemented that would recommend against the implementation of speed tables and suggest a chicane. He also asked the Board to consider the effectiveness of a stop sign and other "children at play" signs.

Ann Rusin, of 401 Rossburn Way, is in favor of the installation of a stop sign. She also suggested that traffic calming measures be included on the Chapel Hill side of Culbreth Way.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderman Coleman and seconded by Alderman Lavelle:

## A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON ROSSBURN WAY Resolution No. 33/2011-12

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen adopted the Residential Traffic Management Plan (RTMP) in June of 1996 to provide "a process for identifying and addressing existing problems related to speeding, excessive volumes, and safety on town-maintained residential streets"; and,

WHEREAS, a valid traffic calming petition, in accordance with the RTMP, was received by residents of the Kent Woodlands neighborhood in November 2010; and,

WHEREAS, a traffic evaluation has been completed and the findings have been presented to the Board of Aldermen; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Board has recommended implementation of Stage 1 traffic calming measures as detailed in its recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen that:

- 1. The Board receives the traffic calming report on Rossburn Way.
- 2. The Board recommends implementation of the following Stage 1 traffic calming measures:
  - a. Outreach to the neighborhood;
  - b. Provide informational signage, including but not limited to, the installation of a stop sign; and
  - c. Enforcement by the Carrboro Police Department
- 3. The Board provides the following direction on the potential for Stage 2 traffic calming measures:
  - a. Staff are directed to research the potential for Stage 2 traffic calming measures, present them to the Transportation Advisory Board for a review and recommendation, inform the community on the recommended measures, and report back to the Board of Aldermen.
- 4. Town staff are directed to send a report to the Town of Chapel Hill that details the discussion and directives of the Board and to share the report with Jill Hill and Katie Ballman, residents in the Rossburn Way neighborhood.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote received the following vote and was duly adopted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2011:

Ayes: Dan Coleman, Lydia Lavelle, Mark Chilton, Joal Hall Broun, Jacquelyn Gist, Randee Haven-O'Donnell

Noes: None

Absent or Excused: Sammy Slade

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# 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSIT PLAN

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN COLEMAN AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BROUN FOR TOWN PLANNING STAFF TO MEET WITH CHAPEL HILL TRANSIT STAFF TO DISCUSS ESTABLISHING HOW TO BEST PLAN FOR FUTURE DENSITY IN THE NORTHERN TRANSITION AREA AND OBTAIN THE MOST EFFICIENT TRANSIT SERVICE. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SLADE)

# MLK PARK

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN COLEMAN AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BROUN FOR PICNIC TABLES, TRASH/RECYCLING CANS, AND DOGGY BAG DISPENSERS TO BE CONSIDERED DURING THE FY12/13 BUDGET DISCUSSIONS. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SLADE)

Matt Efird, stated that picnic tables have been added to MLK Park. He stated that there are funds for a port-olet for Wilson Park and staff is also considering the addition of one at MLK Park.

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## NAME OF "ALDERMEN"

Alderman Coleman expressed that he has encountered confusion on the gender neutral use of the term "Aldermen." No action was taken.

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# FIRE DEPARTMENT - LETTER FROM MS. NEELY

The Board gave the Fire Department "kudos" for a thank you letter from Ms. Neely. The Board also expressed gratitude to Ms. Neely for sending the thank you letter.

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### **OCCUPY CHAPEL HILL**

Alderman Gist gave "kudos" to the "Occupy Chapel Hill" group and encouraged people to donate food items to the group. She also encouraged people to stop by and talk to the protestors.

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### **CLOSED SESSION**

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN BROUN AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN COLEMAN TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SLADE)

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### **OPEN SESSION**

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN COLEMAN AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN BROUN TO ENTER INTO OPEN SESSION. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SLADE)

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN COLEMAN AND SECONDED BY ALDERMAN GIST TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:05 P.M. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE SIX, ABSENT ONE (SLADE)

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Mayor

Town Clerk