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301 W. Main St.
Town Hall
Carrboro, NC 27510

**Town of Carrboro
Meeting Minutes
Town Council**

May 7, 2024 **7:00 PM** **Council Chambers - Room 110**

Present: Mayor Barbara Foushee, Council Member Catherine Fray, Council Member Jason Merrill, Mayor Pro Tem Danny Nowell, Council Member Randee Haven-O'Donnell

Also Present: Patrice Toney, Town Manager; Lamar Joyner, Town Clerk; Nick Herman, Town Attorney

Absent: Council Member Eliazar Posada

Mayor Pro Tem Nowell made a motion to excuse Council Member Posada from the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fray.

Motion carried, 5-0.

POETRY READING

Guest poet Giddeon Young shared 5 modern haikus along with two songs played on the flute. The haikus were entitled Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring. The two songs played were called Winter Flute and Summer Flute.

PROCLAMATIONS-Memorial Day 2024, Bike Month, Police Week, & Period Poverty Awareness Week

Upcoming Meetings:

Economic Sustainability Commission, May 8th, 6-7:30pm, Carrboro Hall

Carrboro Appearance Commission, May 9th, 6:30-7:30pm

Stormwater Advisory Commission, May 9th, 6:30-8pm, Town Hall

Arts Committee, May 13th, 7:00-8:00pm

Recreation and Parks Commission, May 13th, 7:00pm, Carrboro Century Center

Work Session May 14th, 7:00pm, Town Hall

PUBLIC COMMENT

60 Karen Kincaid Dunn, Executive Director of Club Nova: Requested that the Council consider
61 including funding to reinstate Club Nova’s transitional employment placement with the Town of
62 Carrboro.

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64 Chris Shore, Club Nova Program Staff: Provided details about how the transitional employment
65 placement program works.

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70 **CONSENT AGENDA**

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72 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON**
73 **APRIL 4, 18, 25, AND MAY 2, 2023.**

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75 **TOWN ATTORNEY RATE INCREASE**

76 PURPOSE: This item allows the Town Manager to authorize an hourly rate increase
77 in contract with Brough Law Firm.

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79 **RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT**

80 PURPOSE: To request Town Council authorize the Town Manager to award a
81 contract to Environmental Air Systems DBA Envirotrol for replacement of the
82 Century Center chiller and Direct Digital Control (DDC) system upgrades.

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84 **Request to Set Legislative Public Hearing for Text Amendments**

85 PURPOSE: To request the Town Council consider setting a public hearing on revised
86 text amendments to the Land Use Ordinance relating to Cafes and Residential Density
87 in Certain Zoning Districts. A resolution setting a public hearing for June 18, 2024,
88 has been provided.

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90 **TOWN COUNCIL 2023-2024 RETREAT SUMMARY**

91 PURPOSE: This item is to provide a summary of matters discussed during the
92 Carrboro Town Council 2023-2024 retreat that took place February 3, 2024.
93 Important topics of discussion include council priorities for the LUO rewrite, the
94 FY24-25 budget, and council norms.

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96 **Council Member Fray made a motion for items 2, 4, and 5. The motion was**
97 **seconded by Council Member Merrill.**

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99 **Motion carried unanimously.**

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101 Mayor Foushee pulled items one and three. Only Council Member Haven O’Donnell,
102 Mayor Pro Tem Nowell, and Mayor Foushee were able to vote on last year’s minutes.

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104 Council Member Haven O’Donnell asked Manager Toney questions about the
105 minutes and requested changes be made.

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107 Council Member Haven O’Donnell expressed concern about airborne particulate
108 matter being released during the replacement of the Century Center’s chiller
109 impacting community members walking by or dining in the area. She requested more
110 information about what is released externally during the process.

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112 Mayor Pro Tem Nowell voiced hesitation around moving the item to a later date and
113 shared that it would be best to vote on this item tonight, so the contract can move
114 forward.

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116 Mayor Foushee asked about the timeframe of the project.

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118 **Council Member Fray said they would move the item as is.**

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120 **Mayor Pro Tem Nowell seconded the motion.**

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Keith Berger, Deputy Public Works Director, provided insight on the project and answered questions from the Council.

Chris Moseley who identified himself as a concerned citizen came to the podium to share that he believes consent agenda items that are funded by tax dollars should be open for public comment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Nowell motioned to approve the minutes. Council Member Haven O'Donnell seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

GENERAL AGENDA

REPORT ON CARRBORO CONNECTS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION AND SCHEDULE FOR LAND USE ORDINANCE UPDATE

PURPOSE: To report on the status of comprehensive plan implementation and other priorities, including the anticipated scope and general schedule for updating the Town's land use regulations.

Trish McGuire, Planning Director, gave a presentation about the Carrboro Connects implementation plan.

Mayor Foushee, Council Member Haven O'Donnell, Council Member Fray, and Mayor Pro Tem Nowell made comments and asked questions about the comprehensive plan.

MATTERS BY COUCIL MEMBERS

No matters by Council members

Council Member Fray made a motion to move to closed session. Council Member Haven O'Donnell seconded the motion.