

TOWN OF CARRBORO

Planning Board

301 West Main Street, Carrboro, North Carolina 27510

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2014

LAND USE ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT RELATING TO DESIGN STANDARDS FOR BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN PATHS

Motion was made by Adamson and seconded by Poulton that the Planning Board recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the draft ordinance, with consideration for the following comment:

- That the AASHTO guidelines be referred to once rather than twice within the ordinance.

VOTE:

AYES: Adamson, Barton, Chaney, Clinton, Cohen, Davis, Foushee, Hunt, Poulton

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Baptista

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

Associated Findings

By a unanimous show of hands, the Planning Board membership also indicated that no members have any financial interests that would pose a conflict of interest to the adoption of this amendment.

Furthermore, the Planning Board of the Town of Carrboro finds that the proposed text amendment is in the public interest because it clarifies the design standards for a recreation facility identified in the table of Active Recreational Areas and Facilities but not otherwise defined in the Land Use Ordinance, and that the proposed text amendment is consistent with Carrboro Vision 2020 regarding recreation and parks, and bicycle and pedestrian transportation, specifically in the following provisions:

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4.0 The safe and adequate flow of bus, auto, bicycle and pedestrian traffic within and around Carrboro is essential.

4.31 The town should fully implement its bicycle and pedestrian network plan. This plan should identify links needed now as well as links that will be needed now as well as links that will be needed by 2020.

4.52 New developments should bear the costs of upgrading connector and arterial facilities in areas adjacent to their properties to the extent appropriate, including upgrades to serve pedestrians and bicycles, give the added load to the infrastructure and anticipated use of facilities.

VOTE:

AYES: Adamson, Barton, Chaney, Clinton, Cohen, Davis, Foushee, Hunt, Poulton

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Baptista

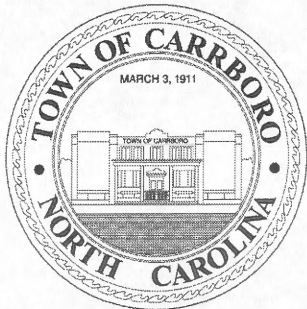
NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:



Bethany E. Chaney, Chair

March 6, 2014



TOWN OF CARRBORO
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
RECOMMENDATION
March 6, 2014

SUBJECT: Land Use Ordinance Amendments Relating to Design Standards for Bike and Pedestrian Paths

MOTION: The Transportation Advisory Board recommends that the Board of Aldermen approve the draft ordinance, with the following recommendation:

- Replace all references to “the AASHTO 2012 Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities, 4th Edition” with “the most recent AASHTO guide for the development of bicycle facilities”.

Moved: LaJeunesse

Second: Štolka

VOTE: Ayes (6): Štolka, LaJeunesse, Nicopoulos, Barclay, McDuffee, Boone. Nays (0). Abstain (0). Absent (1): Haac.

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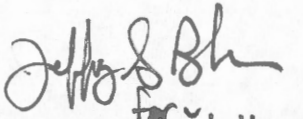
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Moved: Nicopoulos

Second: Štolka

VOTE: Ayes (6): Štolka, LaJeunesse, Nicopoulos, Barclay, McDuffee, Boone. Nays (0). Abstain (0). Absent (1): Haac.


for
Kurt Štolka

TAB Chair

3 / 18 /14
DATE

From: [Hayne, Cassandra Kay](#)
To: [Anita Jones-McNair](#)
Cc: [Christina Moon](#)
Subject: RE: Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting -weather-cancelled-UPDATE
Date: Tuesday, March 04, 2014 4:36:14 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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Hi All,

I am in support of the amendments listed. I'm particularly excited about 4.31 on the amendment. I think this will increase accessibility where terrain makes bicycling a particular challenge to less confident bikers (many of the areas lacking the paths are up steep, traffic intensive hills).

If anyone has a particular issue or discussion about 1.11 I'd be interested.

I don't have any financial connections to these matters (I think we each need to say that?)

-Cassandra

From: Anita Jones-McNair [AMcNair@townofcarrboro.org]
Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2014 4:06 PM
To: Jacquelyn Gist; Hayne, Cassandra Kay; 'murrelldoris@yahoo.com'; 'Annetta Streater (astreater@chccs.k12.nc.us)'; 'Susan Barry <writer.sjbarry@gmail.com> (writer.sjbarry@gmail.com)'; 'eric allman' (ecallman@hotmail.com); 'venady@msn.com'; 'Daniel Siler'; 'my name'
Cc: Christina Moon
Subject: RE: Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting -weather-cancelled-UPDATE

Recreation and Parks Commission Members:

The next meeting is scheduled for the first Monday in April. Everything will stay on the agenda with the exception of the Proposed LUO Text Amendment referred to Recreation & Parks Commission because it is time sensitive. I've attached the agenda item/recommendation and encourage you to email comments/recommendations to me so that it can be submitted as comments from members of the Recreation and Parks Commission in the Board report.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Anita Jones-McNair, CPRP 

Recreation and Parks Department Director

From: [Daniel Siler](#)
To: [Christina Moon](#)
Cc: [Jeff Brubaker](#); [Anita Jones-McNair](#); [eric](#)
Subject: Re: FW: Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting -weather-cancelled-UPDATE
Date: Wednesday, March 12, 2014 7:35:12 PM

Tina and Jeff, thanks again for the hospitality this afternoon. I reviewed the AASHTO guide as it relates to bicycle facilities and want to offer one point of consideration.

In section 15-196 of the LUO, developers earn recreation points for building certain types of facilities. The current language refers to "Hiking/Biking **Trails**." In the AASHTO guide, there is a clear distinction between trails and **paths**; **paths** must be ADA compliant, and presumably require a larger upfront cost due to those improvements.

As we consider the amendment, I would ask the question: Is the existing point score appropriate for both trails and paths, or should there be a different value for one over the other? (If trails earn 64 points for every 4000 square feet, should paths earn more than that?) If the existing value is appropriate, than the simplest fix might be to change the word "trail" to "path" in section 15-196.

Please let me know if my point isn't clear (or if I'm misinterpreting the ordinance!)

Thanks, and have a great evening,
Daniel

Daniel Siler
M: 919.597.9447

On Wed, Mar 12, 2014 at 2:50 PM, Christina Moon <CMoon@townofcarrboro.org> wrote:

Daniel,

We will leave a copy of the bike guidelines in the Planning Division side (upstairs and to the left) available for you to look at. No need to make an appointment, unless you would like to be able to discuss what you've read.

Thanks.

Tina

Subject: Re: Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting -weather-cancelled-UPDATE
From: daniel.siler@gmail.com
Date: Sat, 8 Mar 2014 15:29:57 -0500
To: ecallman@hotmail.com

Eric, hello!

Any chance that the AASHTO guide that's referenced in the amendment is available either at Town Hall or the Rec & Parks HQ?

I figure it's probably a good template, but wouldn't mind taking a look. Otherwise, the only comment I'd have is a minor typo in section 4.31.

Thanks, and have a great weekend!

Daniel Siler

[919.597.9447](tel:919.597.9447)

On Mar 7, 2014, at 9:43 PM, eric <ecallman@hotmail.com> wrote:

Anita,

Thanks for getting these to us and thanks to town staff for preparing these amendments. Sorry the weather did not allow us to meet as a committee and hear more about these items and also to discuss their relevance to the Rec and Parks. I am not as familiar with ASHTO '12, but I know that the Rec and Parks Master Plan refers to the older version of ASHTO and many other planning documents mention and defer to ASHTO guidelines. I think the proposed amendments are appropriate and represent the goals and direction of the Recreation and Parks Department.

Eric

From: AMcNair@townofcarrboro.org
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sassyk105@gmail.com
CC: CMoon@townofcarrboro.org
Subject: RE: Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting -

weather-cancelled-UPDATE
Date: Tue, 4 Mar 2014 21:06:03 +0000

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Recreation and Parks Department Director

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TRANSMITTAL DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

March 12, 2014

Christina Moon, AICP
Planning Administrator
Town of Carrboro
301 W. Main St.
Carrboro, NC 27510

SUBJECT: Joint Planning Review of Proposed Ordinance Amendments

Dear Tina:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the following Land Use Ordinance amendments received by us on February 24, 2014 and proposed for town public hearing on March 25, 2014:

- *Clarifying the Design Standards for Bike and Pedestrian Paths intended for Recreation Facilities.*
- *Modifying the Provisions Relating to Solar Setbacks.*
- *Adding Permissible Uses to M-1 Zoning District subject to a Conditional Use Permit and Certain Criteria.*

We have reviewed the amendments and find no inconsistency with the adopted *Joint Planning Area Land Use Plan*.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Perdita Holtz, AICP
Planning Systems Coordinator