

Christina Moon

From: Andrea Treimel <atreimel@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 7, 2019 11:18 AM
Subject: Historic Rogers Road Rezoning

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing in support of the new zonings proposed for the Historic Rogers Road area. As expressed by the community, I support the effort to have mixed use services available, especially including home occupations, offices for needed services, and perhaps even a small coffee shop.

- proposed HR-MU mixed use zoning should allow for more density than drafted
- we need office services by non profits and others
- proposed HR-MU mixed use zoning should have buffers the same as other MU areas (20 feet)
- please respect the wishes of the historic community as expressed in the 2016 RENA report

As a local resident, I look forward to these positive changes.

Sincerely,

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From: Stephen Treimel <Stephen.Treimel@erg.com>
Sent: Monday, April 8, 2019 5:07 PM
To: boa; mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org; Patricia J. McGuire; Christina Moon; Martin Roupe
Subject: Historic Rogers Road Rezoning

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing in support of the new zonings proposed for the Historic Rogers Road area. As expressed by the community, I support the effort to have mixed use services available, such as home occupations and offices for needed services.

- The proposed HR-MU mixed use zoning should allow for more density than drafted.
- Local residents need office services by non-profit organizations and others.
- The proposed HR-MU mixed use zoning should have buffers the same as other MU areas (20 feet).
- Please respect the wishes of the historic community as expressed in the 2016 RENA report.

As a local resident, I look forward to these positive changes.

Sincerely,

Stephen Treimel
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April 9, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Karen Reid, wife, mother, grandmother, and retired teacher from the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School System and 38-year resident of the Historic Rogers Road Community. Our children were born and grew up in this very quiet and close-knit community, where neighbors sat on their front porches and waved, no matter how many times you passed them on the then dirt road (Purefoy). Neighbors knew each other by name. Children played together, grew up together and formed lifelong friendships, much like extended families.

On April 2, 2019, I had an opportunity to not only speak before the Chapel Hill Planning board, but to also listen to comments from planning board members, as well as comments from neighbors surrounding the Rogers Road Historic Community. I left that meeting with the feeling that many of our neighbors thought that we (the Rogers Road Historic Community) initiated the idea of developing the Greene Tract, but that couldn't have been further from the truth. In our effort to become proactive in the future of what was about to happen in our neighborhood, we thought that we should have a voice in plans that would directly affect our community this time around and began actively working on a vision of how we wanted our community to look, as well as function. The sentiment from several of our surrounding neighbors, as well as some planning board members was definitely in favor of preservation of the Greene Tract (protection of the habitat for the Four Toed Salamander, mature trees that attract various bird life, maintenance of bike trails, etc.) and someone even suggested that the Greene Tract stay undeveloped. I hope that we will all keep in mind that acres of trees, even mature trees had to be cut down, natural habits sacrificed, and miles of natural animal trails had to be destroyed in order to make room to develop comfortable homes that we all enjoy today. While I agree with preservation, I believe that we must keep in mind that affordable housing in both Chapel Hill and Carrboro has become so expensive that many people commute daily in order to work here (teachers, firefighters, hospital workers, etc.), but often find that they cannot afford to live here, which is reflected in the dwindling diversity in many Chapel Hill-Carrboro public school classrooms.

The lack of public transportation, density of low-income housing in one area, the distance of the nearest grocery store and the proximity of the landfill were also cited as reasons for not placing affordable housing in this area. I would like to point out that our neighborhood is currently on the city bus route, but the city bus does not run anywhere near the existing affordable housing project called, Eastwood (Billy Holiday Street) and that their residents find ways to get groceries, to get to and from appointments, as well as run errands. So, with that being said, there are ways to work around the transportation piece.

The median household income of the Historic Rogers Road Community families would classify many of us as low-income households, even without considering the household incomes of Habitat residences. As many of you may already know, we have three Habitat Communities within and surrounding our community, as well as upper income households/communities. Let's not miss out on this opportunity to provide much needed affordable housing to hardworking people who are struggling to survive in Chapel Hill and Carrboro.

As far as building homes near a landfill is concerned, the landfill is now closed after many years of sacrificing and fighting to be heard. Now, the former landfill serves as a processing-transfer center. Now that the landfill is permanently closed, new residents will not have to endure the nauseating stench of decaying garbage, drink contaminated water from cracked wells, listen to constant blasting, or deal with infestations of wild dogs and vultures, so building next to the "landfill" should not be an issue. In fact, the Chapel Hill Police Department was built on a Coal Ash Landfill (Coal Ash Landfill Found in Chapel Hill, Our Town Chapel Hill, December 15, 2017), not to mention the discovery of low-level biological waste that was discovered that the Horace Williams Airport (**UNC Land Tract Needs Cleaning Before Buildup**, The Daily Tarheel, 11/22/2000), **as well as other well-known establishments in and around the area.**

I am writing in support of the new zonings proposed for the Historic Rogers Road area as expressed by the community. I support the effort to have mixed use services available, especially including home occupations and offices for needed services. Please review and respect the wishes of the historic community as expressed in the 2016 RENA report.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Karen M. Reid

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From: Richard Smith-Overman <rsmithoverman@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2019 6:49 PM
To: Christina Moon
Subject: RENA

April 11, 2019

Tina Moon
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Dear Ms Moon

As a twenty-five year resident of the Town of Chapel Hill, I am writing in support of the new zonings proposed for the Historic Rogers Road area. I support the efforts, as expressed by the community, to have mixed use services available, especially those allowing for home occupations, offices for needed services, and perhaps even a small coffee shop.

In respecting the wishes of the historic community as expressed in the 2016 RENA report, proposed HR-MU mixed use zoning as drafted should allow for greater density and needed office space for non-profit service providers and others as well as provide for buffers to be the same as other MU areas (20 feet)

As a local resident, I look forward to these positive changes.

Sincerely,

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Christina Moon

From: Susan Simone <simone@purplevalley.net>
Sent: Sunday, April 14, 2019 8:52 PM
Subject: Historic Rogers Road Area rezoning

I am writing in support of the new zoning proposed for the Historic Rogers Road area. As a resident on Tallyho Trail, adjacent to this neighborhood, I am very excited about the effort to bring mixed use development to this area. I have seen too many repeat pattern projects go up on Homestead with no mix of "use" or "affordability".

In the late 1990's I completed documentary projects about both the historic African American community in Northside and the Homestead Place Habitat homes on Rogers Road. I feel the rezoning of this historic neighborhood will address both issues of equity and affordability, and goals of the towns of Chapel Hill and Carrboro for livability and scale.

I have read the RENA report and feel the proposed zoning allows for the mix of homes and small businesses that fulfill the expressed wished of the Rogers Road community. The rezoning meets all of the required standards for buffers etc.

It's a great plan for our community.

Sincerely,
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