

Town of Carrboro

301 W. Main St. Town Hall

Carrboro, NC 27510

Meeting Minutes Board of Aldermen

Saturday, June 16, 2018

The Rizzo Retreat and Conference Center

Present: Mayor Lydia Lavelle, Alderman Bethany Chaney, Alderman Barbara Foushee, Alderman Jacquelyn Gist, Alderman Randee Haven-O'Donnell, Alderman Damon Seils and Alderman Sammy Slade

Also Present: Staff: Anita Jones-McNair, Recreation and Parks Director, Arche McAdoo, Finance Director, David Andrews, Town Manager, Rebecca Buzzard, Projects Manager, Julie Eckenrode, Interim HR Director, Trish McGuire, Planning Director, Annette Stone, Community and Economic Development Director, Cathy Dorando, Town Clerk, Bob Hornik, Town Attorney

Facilitated by Betsy Ayankoya

Retreat Opening Activity – Aaron Keck

The Board discussed their strategic values and developed a list of items for focus, moving forward. These items should be revisited by staff and the Board within the next year. This discussion could be used as a beginning for a comprehensive planning process. The issues for follow-up are listed below:

BOARD RETREAT VALUES DISCUSSION

Policy

- •Do we know what has worked?
- •What changes do we need to make to improve our community?
- •Are there other town "to look to" that have successfully addressed our issues of affordability/clarification
- •What are the lessons learned so far from:
 - A: Transition Area I
 - B: Running water to areas on Hwy 54
- •How can we apply these lessons to achieve our goals next time?
- •How do we make use of zoning, both in transition area and town limits to achieve broad town goals (affordability, climate change, diversity)?

Data

More Data broken up by:

- •Income
- Housing
- •Economic
- Race
- •Gender
- Age
- •Length of Residency

Commercial

- •How do we create or identify zones or small area plans to address commercial stock?
- •How do we reduce commercial rental cost in new buildings?
- •What businesses do need to attract for jobs and meet needs?
- •How do we expand commercial tax base?

Economics

- •What is our current economic base?
- •Is it what we want?
- •What do we want it to look like to change the face of data and generally?

Values

- •Given our stated values/ priorities, what should Carrboro look like in 50 years?
- •What tools are available to us to enable us to achieve our vision?
- •What are the community's values?
- •Do we need to add to the list?

Demographics

- •How are we integrating seniors and their needs/ challenges/ contributions, to the community?
- •How to accommodate seniors?

Diversity

•Recognize widest range of our community cultures. Ex: Asian descent, Korean, Japanese, etc

- •Who do we want to attract to Carrboro?
- •How do we attract them?
- •What isn't working?

Housing

- •How do we provide workforce/ service economy
- •What policies drive housing cost?
- •How do we create or identify zones or small area plans to address housing stock?
- •What do we mean by wanting diverse housing what does it look like?
- •Who lives in it?
- •Where?
- •How to effectively mitigate the development of high cost housing- work with developers

Staff was directed to schedule a future work session item in the fall have the Board agree on the values above.

Staff was asked to schedule the next retreat for February/March on a Saturday. Staff was directed to schedule around football/basketball/soccer game days. It was requested that the retreat begin at 9am and end at 2pm.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERMAN SEILS, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN FOUSHEE TO ADJOURN THE RETREAT MEETING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL