



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

Town of Carrboro

Meeting Minutes

Town Council

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

7:00 PM

Remote Meeting

Present: Mayor Damon Seils, Council Member Susan Romaine, Council Member Barbara Foushee, Council Member Randee Haven-O'Donnell, Council Member Danny Nowell, Council Member Sammy Slade

Also Present: Richard White, Town Manager; Mary Bryant, Interim Town Clerk; Nick Herman, Town Attorney

PROCLAMATION-INVASIVE SPECIES AWARENESS WEEK

Mayor Damon Seils read an Invasive Species Awareness Week Proclamation. He acknowledged and thanked Laura Janway, Environmental Sustainability Coordinator, for her work on this resolution and the issue of invasive plant species in Carrboro.

POETRY READING

Fred Joiner, the Carrboro Poet Laureate, read a poem by George Moses Horton called, "A Visit to my Mother's Grave."

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kacy Gordon spoke about her opposition to raising a path and the issues that it causes with stormwater in Bolin Creek.

35 Diane Robertson spoke about affordable housing and preservation of green space and her wish
36 that the Town does not move forward with development of any Town-owned properties without
37 engaging the residents of neighborhoods involved.

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39 **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 18, 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

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41 The minutes were postponed until the following meeting.

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43 **FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

44 The purpose of this item was to provide the Town Council a monthly overview of calls for
45 service.

46 **MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER HAVEN-O'DONNELL, SECONDED**
47 **BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE:**
48 **AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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52 **POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

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54 The purpose of this item was to provide Town Council with a brief overview of the monthly calls
55 for service.

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57 **MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER HAVEN-O'DONNELL, SECONDED**
58 **BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE:**
59 **AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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63 **POLICE DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY EQUITY REPORT AND TRAFFIC STOP**
64 **POLICY UPDATE**

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66 The Purpose of this agenda item was to provide the Town Council a brief overview of the
67 quarterly equity report for the fourth quarter of 2021 and an update on the Traffic Stop Policy.

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69 Town of Carrboro Chief of Police, Chris Atack, was in attendance and answered questions that
70 Council had about the report.

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72 **MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL**

73 **MEMBER FOUSHEE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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77 **STORMWATER UTILITY MONTHLY REPORT**

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79 The purpose of this agenda item was to provide the monthly update regarding Stormwater Utility
80 projects and initiatives.

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82 **MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER HAVEN-O'DONNELL, SECONDED**
83 **BY COUNCIL MEMBER FOUSHEE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE:**
84 **AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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88 **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

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90 The purpose of this item was to provide a regular monthly activities and status report.

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92 **MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL**
93 **MEMBER ROMAINE, TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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97 **PUBLIC HEARING**

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99 The purpose of this agenda item was for the Town Council to hold a public hearing and continue
100 to receive public comment and consider adoption of a draft comprehensive plan, Carrboro
101 Connects 2022-2042.

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103 The Town of Carrboro's Planning Director, Trish McGuire, gave a presentation about the
104 Carrboro Connects plan. Ben Berolzheimer, Town of Carrboro's Associate Planner, Francie
105 Salinger Lawrence, and Scott Goldstein representing Teska were in attendance to provide
106 information and answer questions.

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108 Mayor Seils opened the public hearing.

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110 **Bob Proctor** made comments about the distribution of parks in the Town and the appearance of
111 inequity as far as size, appearance, and amenities of each park in relation to their location.

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113 **Ed Larson** made comments via video. Mr. Larson opposes the expansion of the cemetery and
114 would like to see it become shared, natural, useful space.

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116 **Linda Haac** made comments about the Transportation and Mobility part of the Comprehensive
117 Plan. She said that it is not easy to go through the plan as a regular citizen. Ms. Haac suggested
118 that a sentence be added that says "Carrboro would continue to pursue a Rails to Trails

119 possibility,” which is what is in the new bike plan and in other parts of the transportation plan.
120 Ms. Haac also said that there was a quote in the plan from a resident about extending greenways
121 in the Carolina North Area, but she believes that there is substantial community dissension about
122 this topic. She disagrees with this being representative of the overall community feeling and is
123 not sure why this quote was chosen to be highlighted.

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125 **Patrick McDonough** made comments about strategies that the Town might be able to undertake
126 to achieve affordable housing, racial equity, and climate action goals.

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128 **Diana Newton** made comments about her concerns that more details need to be added in the
129 Comprehensive Plan as far as financial details. She also stated that she thinks a Comprehensive
130 Plan digital dashboard for the public to access would be good for transparency.

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132 **Lisa Bennett** made comments as a former resident of Fidelity Street about the need for keeping
133 the green space and tree canopy in the meadow there. She said that she notices a big difference in
134 temperature where she lives now.

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136 **Nathan Jorgenson** made a comment that he is interested in hearing from the people who support
137 the cemetery expansion versus a park since public comments regarding this viewpoint were
138 referenced in the Comprehensive Plan. He said that he will listen for those comments during
139 upcoming Carrboro Conversations that are planned.

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141 Mayor Seils closed the public hearing.

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143 No motions or votes were made

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147 **A REQUEST FOR A MINOR MODIFICATION TO THE MEADOW RUN**
148 **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**

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150 Town Council was asked to consider approving a Minor Modification to the Conditional Use
151 Permit for Meadow Run subdivision to allow one additional home to be constructed within the
152 subdivision.

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154 Marty Roupe, Town of Carrboro’s Development Review Administrator, gave a presentation.

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156 Dan Waugh, property owner at 6005 Meadow Run Ct., gave details concerning the application
157 which would allow for a small retirement home for Mr. Waugh’s parents.

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159 **A motion was made by Council Member Nowell, seconded by Council Member Haven-**
160 **O’Donnell, to approve the following resolution:**

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162 **A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MINOR MODIFICATION TO THE MEADOW**
163 **RUN SUBDIVISION CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW AN ADDITIONAL**
164 **USE CATEGORY AND ONE ADDITIONAL HOME WITHIN THE SUBDIVISION**

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166 **WHEREAS**, the Carrboro Town Council approved a Conditional Use Permit for the
167 Meadow Run subdivision on January 9, 1990; and

168 **WHEREAS**, the Town of Carrboro desires to see developments constructed in the
169 Town’s jurisdiction in a responsible and marketable manner; and

170 **WHEREAS**, Town Staff has determined that this request constitutes a Minor Modification to
171 the Conditional Use Permit; and

172 **WHEREAS**, the applicant has met the criteria in the Town’s Land Use Ordinance related
173 to Minor Modifications.

174 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Carrboro Town Council that the Minor
175 Modification to the Meadow Run subdivision is hereby approved, adding use category 1.121
176 to the permit, and allowing for one additional home to be constructed, subject to the following
177 additional condition:

178 -That Town Council finds that flexible administration related to recreation facilities
179 requirements is appropriate, in accordance with LUO Section 15-202, because of
180 the peculiarities in the developer’s tract of land in this situation.

181 This the 22nd day of February 2022.

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183 **Ayes: Mayor Damon Seils, Council Member Susan Romaine, Council Member Barbara**
184 **Foushee, Council Member Randee Haven-O’Donnell, Council Member Danny Nowell,**
185 **Council Member Sammy Slade**

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189 **ADJOURNMENT**

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191 **MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER SLADE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL**
192 **MEMBER NOWELL, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. VOTE: AFFIRMATIVE ALL**

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198 **Town Clerk**

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