



## Legislation Text

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Appointments to Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee

**PURPOSE:** This agenda item is for the Town Council to make reappointments to the Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee. This does not include any new appointments.

**DEPARTMENT:** Town Clerk

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Wendy Welsh, Interim Town Clerk, 919-918-7310, [wwelsh@carrboronc.gov](mailto:wwelsh@carrboronc.gov)

**COUNCIL DIRECTION:**

Race/Equity  Climate  Comprehensive Plan  Other

The Town Council follows the Advisory Board Recruitment and Appointment Policy which was adopted on 11-21-2017. Text amendments to this policy were approved by the Town Council on 12-1-2020 and 4-13-2021, respectively, to the section entitled “Composition” which related to expanding the racial and ethnic diversity on advisory boards and commissions. It should be noted that the Advisory Board Recruitment and Appointment Policy has been evaluated using the Racial Equity Lens tool which was finalized in May 2023. A copy of this completed lens is attached here as Attachment D.

**INFORMATION:** The Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee consists of five members.

- Three are recommended by the Town of Carrboro and appointed by Orange County Board of Commissioners
- Two are appointed by the Town Council.

All members shall be residents of the unannexed portions of the Northern Study Area.

The Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee (NTAAC) currently has one member up for reappointment by the town council, Lisa Brown. There is also one member that needs to be reappointed by Orange County Board of Commissioners, Anahid Vrana.

Lisa Brown is a 17-year resident of the Northern Transition Area and is up for reappointment. Lisa is active in nonprofit management as a consultant and is well informed on Carrboro and Orange County events. Her belief in the importance of NTA representation underscores her dedication to ensuring the board reflects the voices of those it serves.

Anahid Vrana is the chair and is up for reappointment for her fourth term. Anahid is a 45-year resident of the Northern Transition Area and members have asked her to continue to bring history and continuity to the group. Anahid has served on many committees for Carrboro and has a passionate interest in the area’s future. Being of Armenian descent, Anahid knows the importance of diversity and culture for a healthy community and hopes to

incorporate new members into the group, but she is willing to serve a fourth term.

The council needs to recommend Anahid Vrana's appointment to the Board of County Commissioners for reappointment. It should be noted that there are no new applicants for this designated seat.

Information on these members is included as Attachment B.

A matrix of NTAAC is included as Attachment C.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the Town Council reappoint Lisa Brown to the NTAAC for a second full-term and recommend Anahid Vrana to be reappointed by the Board of County Commissioners (Attachment A)