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TITLE:

Follow-up to Update on Implementation Strategies and Discussion of Community Outreach Efforts for Historic Rogers Road Neighborhood

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the Board of Aldermen an opportunity to consider information requested in its recent update on implementation strategies for the Historic Rogers Road Neighborhood, particularly the extensive community engagement initiative that is proposed to engage stakeholders, affirm neighborhood interests and aspirations, clarify the vision for development in the area, and prepare for implementation of sewer installation.

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INFORMATION: On March 4th, the Board of Aldermen received an update on the status of implementation of sewer installation and community outreach planning for the Historic Rogers Road neighborhood (see minutes, Attachment B). The Board of Aldermen authorized the allocation of Town funds to be used to contribute to a 14 percent share of the cost of preliminary engineering of the sewer installation for the 86 parcels identified in the 2012 conceptual sewer layout and requested follow-up actions and additional information, primarily related to the proposed community outreach efforts. Staff has prepared and compiled responses to the specified requests, as presented in Attachments C - G.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: On September 8, 2012, the Board of Aldermen expressed its commitment to contributing \$900,000 towards Rogers Road improvements. \$450,000 was appropriated from the Town's fund balance to support Rogers Road-related improvements on April 2, 2013; an additional \$450,000 appropriation will be needed to reach the \$900,000 contribution. The Town's share of the outreach effort under consideration at this time is estimated to be \$7,000.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen review the information presented in this agenda item and consider directing the Town Manager to work with staff of Orange County and Chapel Hill to refine the scope of services for community outreach, to prepare appropriate agreements, and to sign relevant agreements on behalf of the Town. A resolution specifying this direction is provided as Attachment A. Prior to those details being finalized, staff will bring back a budget amendment for the Board's approval.