Town of Carrboro



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

CUP Minor Modification - Carrboro Plaza, Addition of Freestanding Walk-up ATM

PURPOSE: Wells Fargo as represented by the Carrboro Shopping Center, LLC, has submitted an application to add a freestanding walk-up ATM machine to the Carrboro Plaza Shopping Center (see attached). The ATM is proposed to be located within the southeastern quadrant of the existing parking lot.

DEPARTMENT: Planning

CONTACT INFORMATION: Jeff Kleaveland; 919-918-7332

INFORMATION: The Conditional Use Permit for Carrboro Plaza located at 104 Highway NC 54 (PIN 9778185680) was approved by the Board of Aldermen in 1983. Subsequent permit amendments have been approved since this date. The original permit is attached.

The applicant seeks permission to remove one parking space and convert one space into a handicap parking space to install a walk-up ATM per the attached site plan. This will result in a net loss of one parking space. They will also install a handicap ramp on the adjacent sidewalk with a striped crossing to the ATM. The ATM will have bollards installed to prevent drive up use and to protect the ATM unit.

<u>Parking</u>: Carrboro Plaza, has excess parking capacity and the loss of one parking spaces will not create a non-conformity. The owner's property management representative has provided the attached letter stating that the loss of the parking space is acceptable.

<u>Stormwater</u>: There is no stormwater impact as the ATM will be occupying an existing paved area. It does not negatively impact the existing water flow pattern to existing stormwater inlets. The plans have been recommended for approval by Sungate.

<u>Lighting</u>: The proposed ATM has three downward-facing soffit lighting fixtures that are fully shielded. They are not sufficiently bright, or mounted high enough, to increase the footcandle readings at the property lines.

<u>Signage</u>: The ATM's signage must abide with the Carrboro Plaza master sign permit which has no additional square footage to allocate to the ATM. By the LUO, this will prohibit addition signage that is visible from the street R/W's but it will not prohibit the signage that faces internal to the site. The applicant has agreed to deactivate the illuminated banding at the top of the structure. Such illuminated bands are prohibited by Section 15-281(e) of the LUO.

<u>Miscellaneous:</u> The plans have been reviewed by Public Works, Police, Fire, Inspections and Transportation and are found to be acceptable.

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FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: Staff time; fees collected from the applicant.

RECOMMENDATION: Town Staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen review, deliberate and make a decision regarding the applicant's request. If the request is approved it is recommended that the attached resolution approving the Minor Modification to the Carrboro Plaza Conditional Use Permit be adopted.