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TITLE:

Continued Consideration/Possible Adoption of Carrboro Connects 2022-2042 Comprehensive Plan

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is for the Town Council to continue to consider, including possible adoption of the draft comprehensive plan, Carrboro Connects 2022-2042.

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INFORMATION: The Carrboro Town Council held public hearings on November 16, 2021 and February 22, 2022 and worksessions on March 8 and 22, 2022 on a draft comprehensive plan, [Carrboro Connects](https://www.carrboroconnects.org/) <<https://www.carrboroconnects.org/>> (and included as *Attachment B*- see Full Resolution version for highest quality maps). Agenda materials for the meetings can be accessed at the following links:

November 16, 2021 - [Town of Carrboro - Meeting of Town Council on 11/16/2021 at 7:00 PM \(legistar.com\)](https://carrboro.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=902919&GUID=66E660AB-E51C-462B-8285-D8D375D836E6&Options=&Search=>) <<https://carrboro.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=902919&GUID=66E660AB-E51C-462B-8285-D8D375D836E6&Options=&Search=>>> (see Item 1)

February 22, 2022 - [Town of Carrboro - Meeting of Town Council on 2/22/2022 at 7:00 PM \(legistar.com\)](https://carrboro.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=917885&GUID=0FAE7659-1C0A-43FC-984B-EFAEE7955135&Options=&Search=>) <<https://carrboro.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=917885&GUID=0FAE7659-1C0A-43FC-984B-EFAEE7955135&Options=&Search=>>> (see Item 1)

March 8, 2022 - [Town of Carrboro - Meeting of Town Council on 3/8/2022 at 7:00 PM \(legistar.com\)](https://carrboro.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=937400&GUID=8488EF4E-19B7-4BBD-928E-5A05FC504990&Options=&Search=>) <<https://carrboro.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=937400&GUID=8488EF4E-19B7-4BBD-928E-5A05FC504990&Options=&Search=>>> (see Item 3)

March 22, 2022 - <https://carrboro.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=917889&GUID=453492AE-8BCD-4C82-8422-4F38AB7D10C9&Options=&Search=>>

Revisions identified in Council worksessions have been included in the Adoption Draft which was posted publicly on May 2, 2022. This new draft incorporates feedback received since November 2021 from the Town Council, Advisory Boards, Carrboro Connects Task Force, staff, the public, a multitude of community groups and other stakeholders, with consultant expertise and guidance provided along the way.

This document is now the third full draft. It has been fully formatted and revised to enhance document accessibility and create a product that is visually appealing and logically presented.

A response to the Council's compiled comments that resulted from the worksessions are included in *Attachment C*. The Planning Board recommendation to adopt the plan is included as *Attachment D*. Comments received since the adoption draft was posted online on May 2nd are included as *Attachment E*. Staff

will be prepared to discuss any of these comments at the meeting on May 10th.

An implementation chapter (Chapter 11) is included with prioritization of actions in the first five years of the plan. Regular evaluations of progress are planned to occur each year. Updates every five years are expected. These updates will include checking on the progress of the plan's implementation and assessing whether goals, strategies, and projects, including their prioritization, still meet community needs and interests. These reviews and updates may lead to amending the plan in response to changes in conditions.

Existing Plans that will be readopted as part of the Carrboro Connects 2022-2042 adoption include:

- Updated Bike Plan (2020)
- Community Climate Action Plan
- Energy and Climate Protection Plan
- Downtown Parking Plan
- Economic Sustainability Plan

Action Needed: Per North Carolina State Law, 2019-111, Section 2.9(c), action on a reasonably maintained comprehensive plan or land-use plan that accords with North Carolina General Statutes 160D 501 is needed before July 1, 2022 in order for the Town to continue to exercise its zoning authority.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: There are none noted with consideration and possible adoption of the plan.

RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommends that the Town Council consider this draft of the plan. A draft resolution that provides an opportunity for the Council to consider adoption is provided as Attachment A.