



Action Minutes

Central West Focus Area: Steering Committee Meeting

Meeting Date/Time: September 3, 2013, 6:05 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Members Present: Lucy Carol Davis, Eric Hyman, Jeff Kidd, Julie McClintock, Sarah McIntee, Firoz Mistry, Bruce Murray, Michael Parker (co-chair), Whit Rummel, Amy Ryan (co-chair), Mickey Jo Sorrell, David Tuttle, and Buffie Webber

Members Absent: Mia Burroughs, Anthony Carey, Jared Simmons, and Abby Parcell

Staff Present: David Bonk, Sue Burke, Mary Jane Nirdlinger, and Megan Wooley

Council Members Present: Jim Ward and Ed Harrison

Consultant Present: Baohong Wan from VHB

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1. Introductions and Opening Remarks	Megan Wooley, Chapel Hill Planning Department, opened the meeting and welcomed attendees. She provided an overview of the agenda and the upcoming meetings.		
2. Public Participation/ Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John De Figueiredo: Lives in East Lake. Almost no one up there know what's going on with the Steering Committee. Outreach needs to be extended. In discussions with neighbors, the following themes have developed: Substantial opposition to having commercial abut Phillips Middle School and traffic on Estes Drive. Opposition if traffic is not abated. • Debbie Jepson: Hoping a questionnaire would be developed. Should be seen by the Steering Committee beforehand. Have a proper Q&A session so that everyone can be heard. • Chris Hakenburg: Patch of Forest South of Estes – largest unprotected space in urban core. Animals and trees are here. Would be more sprawl. Against 		

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	<p>fragmentation of ecological sites. Put interests of grandchildren over that of developers. No demand for sprawl.</p>		
<p>3. Presentation of Data with Question and Answer Period</p>	<p>Sue Burke, the Town's Stormwater Management Engineer, provided an overview about stormwater in the area.</p> <p>David Bonk and Baohong Wan presented additional information about traffic impacts in the area.</p> <p>The Committee asked further questions about the presentations.</p> <p><i>For a copy of the presentations, visit http://www.townofchapelhill.org/index.aspx?page=2184 and scroll to the September 3rd meeting date.</i></p>		
<p>4. Central West Session Overview</p>	<p>Megan Wooley provided an overview of the Community Session that will be held on September 10th at Amity Church. The setup of the Community Session was based on feedback that the co-chairs gathered from the community.</p> <p>The Steering Committee agreed to the structure of the Community Session.</p>		
<p>5. Discuss and Refine the Plan</p>	<p>The Steering Committee discussed what should be on display at the Session and agreed that the four concepts would be shown (A1, A2, B1, and B2).</p>		
<p>6. Public Participation/ Comments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elaine Marcus: What will happen to all the information that is gathered on the 10th? Then the Committee should have a true discussion after the session rather than voting each time. • John Morris: First meeting where there has truly been dialogue. So regrettable that so much time has gone by before real dialogue occurred. Should create a subcommittee to look at the maps and create an alternative. • Fred Lampe: The Committee has not had a discussion about why we think only 25% of the traffic would go on Estes Drive. 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="485 219 1148 277">• Kathryn Butler: Some of the least traffic impact is on hotels and apartments. 		
7. Closing			The meeting adjourned at 9:00p.m.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be on Thursday, September 19th from 6:00-9:00pm at the Transit Building, 6900 Millhouse Road.