



# Town of Chapel Hill

## HISTORIC TOWN HALL COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 9, 2017, at 4:00 p.m.  
Chapel Hill Historical Society, Lower Level of Chapel Hill Public Library  
100 Library Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27514

### Meeting Action Notes

Members: Council Member Sally Greene (Chair), Moses Carey, Joel Curran, Richard Ellington, Josh Gurlitz, Commissioner Penny Rich, Alan Rimer, Lee Storrow and Chela Tu.

#### 1. Opening

##### a. Roll Call -

Members Present: Council Member Sally Greene (Chair), Joel Curran, Richard Ellington, Josh Gurlitz, Commissioner Penny Rich, Lee Storrow and Chela Tu.

Members Absent: Moses Carey, Alan Rimer.

Staff Present: Megan Dale, Travis Myren.

##### b. Approval of January 25, 2017 Minutes

Minutes Approved

##### c. Approval of Agenda

Agenda Approved

#### 2. Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

#### 3. Business

##### a. Chapel Hill Historical Society

Background: Richard Ellington will provide an overview of the Chapel Hill Historical Society's mission, services, and space and operating needs. The committee will begin discussing the potential benefits and challenges of locating the Chapel Hill Historical Society in Historic Town Hall.

Action Item: Begin discussing potential benefits, challenges, and questions of locating the Chapel Hill Historical Society in Historic Town Hall.

- Action Taken: The committee received and discussed the presentation. No action was taken.

## **b. Continue Committee Discussion of Museum Essays and Discussion Guide**

The committee continued to discuss the attached readings and planned to visit and meet with museum directors of the City of Raleigh Museum and Durham History Hub for upcoming committee meetings.

## **4. Public Comment**

No members of the public were present.

## **5. Adjournment**

### **Meeting Materials**

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*Sacred Grove* Essays on Museums

“Thinking About Starting A Museum” Discussion Guide

“The Future of Museums” Article

“Museums & Society 2034: Trends and Potential Futures” Report

**Opportunity Statement:** The Inter-Faith Council for Social Services is proceeding with plans to vacate Historic Town Hall. A recommendation is needed regarding the future use and occupancy of this building.

**Goal:** A Historic Town Hall Committee will represent the interests of the Town of Chapel Hill and Orange County to consider the opportunity to renovate the Historic Town Hall building at 100 West Rosemary Street as a Visitor's Center, a History Center, or both for possible occupancy by the Chapel Hill and Orange County Visitor's Bureau, Chapel Hill Historical Society, and/ or Chapel Hill Museum.

**Public Charge:** The Historic Town Hall Committee pledges its respect to the public. The Committee asks the public to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous manner, both with the Committee and with fellow members of the public. Should any member of the Committee or any member of the public fail to observe this charge at any time, the Chair will ask the offending person to leave the meeting until that individual regains personal control. Should decorum fail to be restored, the Chair will recess the meeting until a genuine commitment to this public charge is observed.