SUMMARY OF PLANNING BOARD ACTION

SUBJECT:

Review of Metropolitan Regional Priority List, 2006-2012

Transportation Improvement Program

MEETING DATE:

March 2, 2004

RECOMMENDATION:

Planning Board members made the following comments in its review of the proposed Regional Priority List for the 2006-2012 Transportation Improvement Program:

- Move up the Chapel Hill Traffic Signal System in the list.
- The points system criterion which awards points for air quality to proposed road widenings does not make sense.
- The points system should increase the number of points awarded for sidewalk projects.
- Projects which result in use of the single occupant vehicle use should not be rated as highly as projects which promote alternatives to the use of the automobile.
- Plan for and begin adding routes for transit corridors to the list.
- The points awarded for the Fixed Guideway project are insufficient.
- Consider impacts of the proposed Carolina North on the Estes Drive improvement project (#25 on list). Retain a priority for making bicycle and pedestrian improvements on this road.

VOTE:

The Planning Board decided to submit the individual comments above to the Council.

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