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August 10, 2005

Mayor Kevin Foy Town of Chapel Hill 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Dear Mayor Foy,

With the planned development of the Horace Williams Tract by the University, Orange County will have to relocate its Solid Waste Management Department administrative offices by the end of 2006 from the current site of the Town of Chapel Hill's Public Works Department. The County has begun planning for this change and has retained the services of an architectural firm to design a new Solid Waste Operations Center on County property located adjacent to and immediately west of the active mixed solid waste landfill on the south side of Eubanks Road.

The property on which the new facility will be situated is located in the rural buffer. The Board of Commissioners adopted a resolution in May indicating the Board's intent to request that OWASA provide both water and sewer service to the new facility. In accordance with the provisions of the Water & Sewer Management, Planning, and Boundary Agreement to which the County, Towns, and OWASA are parties, we are formally soliciting the comments of your governing board regarding the County's plans to request water and sewer service to this essential public facility.

We would appreciate any feedback on this matter from your governing board by September 15, 2005. Note that although our resolution contemplated feedback from the Towns and OWASA by June 7, changes to the project planning timeline since adoption of the May 17 resolution mitigated the need for immediate feedback from our partners in the agreement. Your consideration of this issue and provision of any written comments by mid-September will help us with our building design schedule.

Sincerely,

Moses Carey, Jr.

Chair, Board of County Commissioners



ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO CONNECT OWASA PUBLIC WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO THE PROPOSED NEW SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS CENTER, TO BE LOCATED IN THE RURAL BUFFER

Whereas, extension of public water and sewer service into the Rural Buffer is governed by the Water & Sewer Management, Planning and Boundary Agreement (herein known as the Agreement); and

Whereas, The Town of Carrboro, The Town of Chapel Hill, The Town of Hillsborough, Orange County, and the Orange Water and Sewer Authority (OWASA) are parties to the Agreement; and

Whereas, Orange County intends to construct a new Solid Waste Management Department Operations Center on Orange County Tax Parcel 7.18.27C, a 4.05 acre parcel of land owned by Orange County; and

Whereas, the parcel contains a site with Environmental Health Division approval for a septic system suitable for a typical 6,500-sq. ft. office building; and

Whereas, the Operations Center is planned to include a community meeting room and educational facility that would generate sufficient visitors/occupants, perhaps up to 75 at one time, as to likely overburden the available septic system site; and

Whereas, the parcel on which the Operations Center is to be constructed is located in the Rural Buffer of the Joint Planning Area, located in the Long Term Interest Area of OWASA as described in the Agreement, borders and is directly adjacent to the current Orange County Landfill, which is located in the Town of Chapel Hill's Transition Area of the Joint Planning Area and located in OWASA's Primary Service Area; and

Whereas, the parcel on which the Operations Center is to be constructed is situated such that an extension of public water and sewer service to serve it would touch no other non-County owned property and thus not provide any likelihood or opportunity for further extension of these services into the Rural Buffer; and

Whereas, the Agreement does not prescribe the method by which public water and/or sewer service is to be extended to serve an essential public facility located in the Rural Buffer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Orange County hereby notifies the Town of Carrboro, The Town of Chapel Hill, The Town of Hillsborough, and OWASA that it intends to apply to OWASA for public water and sewer service to serve only Orange County Tax Parcel 7.18 _27C and that this application will be made under the provisions of the Agreement authorizing public water and sewer service in the Rural Buffer to serve an essential public facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Orange County welcomes comments, respectfully requested to be received on or before June 7, 2005, from The Town of Carrboro, The Town of Chapel Hill, The Town of Hillsborough, and OWASA regarding Orange County's intention to serve Orange County Tax Parcel 7 18.27C with public water and sewer provided by OWASA.

This, the 17th day of May, 2005

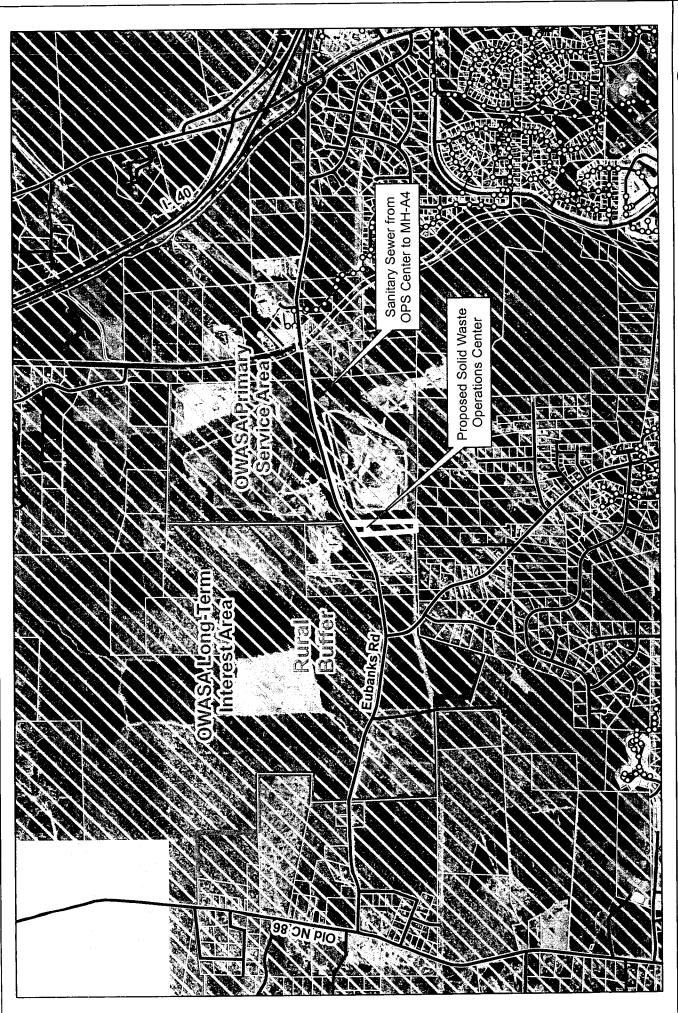
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Chair, Orange County Board of Commissioners

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Clerk to the Board of Commissioners



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