

## Sandy Kline

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**From:** Carol Abernethy  
**Sent:** Monday, March 05, 2007 4:40 PM  
**To:** 'Suzanne Haff'  
**Cc:** JB Culpepper; Bill Strom; Bill Thorpe; Cam Hill; Ed Harrison; Jim Ward; Jim Ward (w) ; Kevin Foy; Laurin Easthom; Mark Kleinschmidt; Sally Greene (w); Adam Schaefer; Catherine Lazorko; Roger Stancil; Sabrina Oliver; Sandy Kline; Bruce Heflin; Flo Miller; Ralph Karpinos; Toni Pendergraph  
**Subject:** Email RE: Work Session March 7, 2007 Chapel Hill Town Council 4-6pm

Thank you for your email. A copy has been forwarded to each Council Member and to senior staff members.

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**From:** Suzanne Haff [mailto:suzhaff@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 05, 2007 4:02 PM  
**To:** Town Council  
**Subject:** Work Session March 7, 2007 Chapel Hill Town Council 4-6pm

Dear Mayor and Members of the Town Council,

Thank you for scheduling the work session to look at the NW Gateway to Chapel Hill,

As process would have it, much of this area, for many years to come, will reflect your vision for the area and the decisions you make after your work session and within the next few months.

We, in the Gateway community of Northwood, and our neighbors from Sunrise to Rogers Road, from I40 to Homestead want what I believe you want - a neighborhood that has a commercial center that is vibrant where we can spend our time and money, connectivity to that area by bikes and feet, wheelchairs and strollers, public transit, and of course, vehicles.

We would like the area to reflect a tone that will support the alumni, visitors and town folk, helping them to an immediate sense that they are in Chapel Hill, Orange County, NC, a special place with special memories and a special future.

Thank you for your leadership in working for sidewalks on the west side of MLK and thank you for considering putting the trash transfer station someplace that will not taint the town and county with broken promises to the Rogers Road Community and spare the yet to be built Chapel Watch Village and Northwood neighborhoods the 18 wheelers in addition to the trucks and buses from the new Operations Center.

Did you know that Northwood is #2 on the CHCCS list (right above trailer parks and homeless) for low income and that our children are used to economically integrate the schools?

As you consider tree cutting ordinances for single family residences, please consider the stands of trees that are on areas yet to be developed and how you can preserve some of those CO2 eating trees. Please connect your \$200,000 walkability grant for the Timberlyne area with the decisions you make so that everything will fit together as a whole.

At the first meeting of that group, David showed the area to be 1 1/2 miles radius from Food Lion that (in the town). Maybe that group can help with the vision of connectivity across MLK and WDR to

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make this a community similar to Meadowmount.

Did you know that ground water comes down and goes up within a very small area? Our neighborhood is on community well. Will it run dry because of over development?

If we cover all the surface with development and roadways, will we have enough water in the future? Science says we will not. Moderation is, of course, the key.

Lastly and specifically, please connect the CH North Residences' road system in a way that folks who live east of MLK - including those using Harris Teeter - can come in and out of that area using University Station Road rather than circling around via Perkins/MLK/WDR - **and have that link completed in at least a temporary fashion before the Residences is occupied.**

Thank you for listening to CURB and to ENOUGH.

To put it another way, please listen to the folks in the neighborhoods of your NW territories.

Please think about the area as a whole (small area plan) and please remember that this town is special and, while I'm sure the leaders in Cary tried hard, they failed. That is why we live here. Please don't follow their example.

Thank you,

Suzanne

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