



TOWNweek

Public Notices

The below referenced items are on file with the Town Clerk at Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Written comments may be submitted to the Mayor and Town Council (see "Contact Us"). Citizens are invited to give input at public hearings and forums. Those with difficulty hearing or speaking may arrange assistance from an interpreter by calling (919) 968-2757 a week prior to the public hearing.

Nov. 7

The Town Council of Chapel Hill will hold a public hearing at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7, in the Council Chamber of Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., to consider the following:

Public Forum on Potential Adjustment to the Cable Public Access Charge

Public input is welcomed as the Council considers the supplemental public access fee (now 78 cents per month) for cable television. The cable television franchise allows the Town to have cable customers billed a public access fee. The public access fee charges are collected by Time Warner Cable and then turned over to the Town for operation of The Peoples Channel. Under the cable franchise, the Town Council each year must decide whether to reduce, eliminate or increase the public access fee.

Nov. 12

The Town Council of Chapel Hill will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, in the Council Chamber of Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., to consider the following:

Northern Area Rezoning Proposals – Zoning Atlas Amendments

Rezonings of selected properties in the northern area of Town are proposed from Mixed Use-Office/ Institutional-1 (MU-OI-1) to either Mixed Use-Village (MU-V), or Residential-1A (R-1A), or Residential-1 (R-1), or Residential-2A (R-2A), or Residential-2 (R-2) (see map). The properties are identified as Orange County Parcel Identifier Numbers as follows:

Area 1 (9880-08-4202 and 9870-88-7284),

Area 2 (9880-56-2680, 9880-36-9150, 9880-36-6173, 9880-36-8223, 9880-36-4239, 9880-36-5077, 9880-36-3057, 9880-36-3122, 9880-35-2934, 9880-35-6911, 9880-35-3993, 9880-35-6747, 9880-35-4739, and 9880-35-2871) and

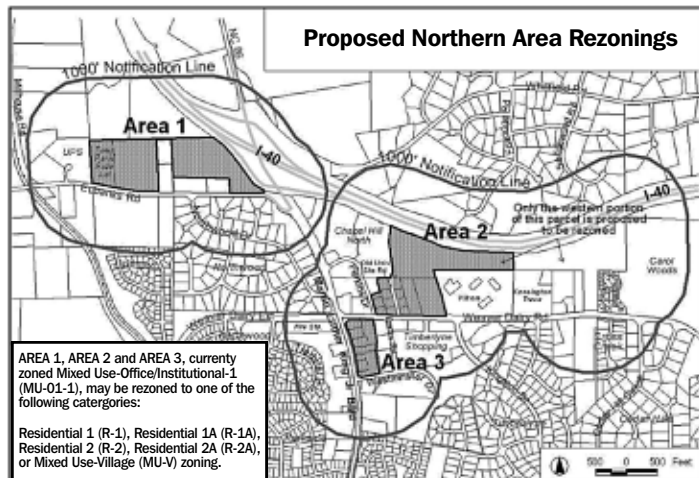
Area 3 (9880-35-0595, 9880-24-8576, 9880-25-8495, 9880-25-9324, 9880-35-0055, 9880-34-1963 and 9880-24-9982).

Land Use Management Ordinance Text Amendment

Text amendments are proposed to Section 3.5 and Appendix A of the Land Use Management Ordinance to consider the inclusion of land uses by right in the Mixed Use-Village (MU-V) zoning district. Chapel Hill Public Library Expansion

Northern Area – Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Comprehensive Plan Amendments are proposed including adoption of the Final Report of the Chapel Hill Northern Area Task Force as well as the associated Transit Oriented Development Concept Plans, as components of the Comprehensive Plan. Also proposed in an associated amendment to the Land Use Plan, a component of the adopted Comprehensive Plan, reference to the Northern Area Task Force Report by identifying the transit oriented development (TOD) opportunity sites.



Coming Up

Please note that the following schedule is subject to change. Call for updates.

WEDNESDAY

(Oct. 31)

Halloween Festival

9 p.m. – 1:30 a.m.,

Franklin Street

Information: (919) 968-2760 ext.134

Halloween Party

for children and youth with disabilities

6 – 8 p.m.,

Homestead Community Center, 600 Homestead Road

Please RSVP to

(919) 968-2787 ext. 217

THURSDAY

(Nov. 1)

Justice in Action Committee

5:30 p.m., Town Hall

FRIDAY

(Nov.2)

Friday Fun Night

for children and adults with disabilities

6:30-8:30 p.m., Hargraves Center,

216 N. Roberson St.

Information: (919) 968-2787 ext. 217

LEAF COLLECTION

Leaf collection has begun.

Place loose leaves/pine straw at the curb for collection.

Information and collection schedule:

www.townofchapelhill.org/leaves or

(919) 969-5100

Contact Us

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(919) 968-2743

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Halloween 2007 – On Wednesday, Oct. 31, downtown Franklin Street will be closed from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. for Halloween. Ten of thousands of people are expected to attend, and there will be little parking available close to downtown. The Town will provide shuttle bus service from four Park-and-Ride Lots to two locations downtown. Shuttle buses will run from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., at a cost of \$5 round-trip, from Park and Ride lots at Jones Ferry Road, Southern Village (15-501 South), the Friday Center and University Mall.

Some downtown streets will be closed to vehicular traffic at 9 p.m., including:

- Franklin Street from Raleigh Street to Roberson Street
- Columbia Street from Rosemary Street to Cameron Avenue
- Raleigh Street from East Franklin to Cameron Avenue
- Henderson Street from East Rosemary Street to East Franklin Street

Residential streets near downtown will be closed except to residents of those streets and their guests.

Alcohol will not be permitted in the festival area. Other prohibited items include weapons, glass bottles, paint, fireworks and explosives, flammable substances, animals and coolers. Items, even as part of a costume, which can be used as weapons or could reasonably be mistaken as weapons will be confiscated.

Information: (919) 968-2760 ext. 134

Chapel Hill Public Library Expansion

The Town has received a request for review of a Special Use Permit Modification for expansion to the Chapel Hill Public Library. The site is located in Pritchard Park, at 100 Library Drive, near the intersection of E. Franklin Street and Estes Drive. The proposed project includes an expansion of approximately 40,000 square feet of floor area and 121 new parking spaces. The proposal also includes a conceptual plan for park improvements and public art display. The 34.25-acre site is located in the Residential-1 (R-1) zoning district and the Resource Conservation District. The site is identified as Orange County Parcel Identifier Number 9789-93-0456.

Ban on Pine Straw

The Council has established a ban on the use of pine straw as a landscaping media within 10 feet of commercial and multi-family buildings, constructed of combustible materials. The Chapel Hill Fire Department has responded to several fires this year that originated in pine straw and then quickly spread to the structure itself. The common ignition factor for each fire was determined to be carelessly discarded smoking material. Drought conditions are exacerbating the problem. Information: (919) 968-2782

Applicants Needed for Affordable Housing Task Force

The Orange County Board of Commissioners has created a Land Trust Affordable Housing Maintenance Task Force. The purpose is to: 1) review issues related to the long term maintenance of affordable housing managed by the Orange Community Housing and Land Trust (OCHLT) and make specific recommendations to the Towns and Orange County regarding how these units may be maintained in order to achieve long-term affordability; and 2) review capital needs of the Orange County 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness and make recommendations regarding how OCHLT housing units may be used to meet the identified needs.

The Town of Chapel Hill is seeking applicants for its at-large position. Applicants shall be persons who have considerable knowledge of OCHLT and/or affordable housing development in Orange County. Application forms are available at www.townofchapelhill.org/boards or from the Communications & Public Affairs Department: (919) 968-2757. Please apply by Monday, Nov. 5.