

Coming Up

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

Monday (March 2)

Human Services Advisory Board 7 p.m., Police Department,

828 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

(March 3)

Justice in Action Working Group 12:30 p.m., Top of the Hill

Sustainability Committee 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

> Planning Board 7 p.m., Town Hall

Wednesday

(March 4) Carolina North

Public Input Session 3 - 7 p.m., Extraordinary Ventures, 200 S. Elliott Road

Public Arts Commission: Executive Committee 5:30 p.m., Town Hall

Board of Adjustment 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

(March 5)

Justice in Action 5:30 p.m., Town Hall

> Friday (March 6)

Mayor's Committee: Mental Health Task Force "Defining the Box" Working Group 8:30 a.m., TOC Public Works Small Conference Room

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March 9

The Chapel Hill Town Council will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, March 9, in the Council Chamber of Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., to consider an agenda that includes the following:

Public Hearing on Towing Ordinance

The Chapel Hill Town Council will hold a public hearing concerning the fees which towing companies may charge for towing vehicles from downtown private lots and the fees they may charge for storage of such vehicles. Town Code Sections 11-301 through 11-307 regulate towing from private lots in zoning districts TC-1, TC-2, and TC-3, and establish maximum allowable fees. A public hearing must be held each year at the first Council meeting in March to review these fees.

Adoption of Legislative Agenda

The Council will receive public comment and consider adopting its Legislative Agenda for the 2009 Session of the North Carolina General Assembly. Among the items under consideration for possible inclusion in the Council's Legislative Agenda are the following:

- 1. A local bill to allow disclosure of personnel information to a citizen review panel established to review disciplinary matters for Town police employees or, possibly, all Town employees.
- 2. A local bill to permit a tax on tickets purchased for large entertainment and sports events, with the revenue dedicated to the support of public transit and transportation programs.
- 3. Support for State legislation to increase the emphasis on bicycle safety issues in drivers' education courses and on the State drivers' license examination.
- 4. Support for State legislation to affirm the Jordan Lake watershed regulations.
- 5. Support for State legislation that would further regulate or prohibit the use of herbicides for the clearing and maintenance of easements and rights of way by utility companies.
- 6. Support for changes to the State law to lower the metering fees for facilities that produce electricity from renewable sources.

The Council may consider other matters as well for possible inclusion in its Legislative requests.

March 16

The Chapel Hill Town Council will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, March 16, in the Council Chamber of Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., to consider an agenda that includes the following:

University of North Carolina Wesley Foundation Concept Plan: The Town has received a request from the UNC Wesley Foundation to demolish the existing chapel and multipurpose building located at 214 Pittsboro Street and replace it with a multi-story building with parking structure. New floor area proposed is 70,000 square feet. The .673-acre site is located on the west side of South Pittsboro Street southwest of the corner of Cameron Avenue and South Pittsboro Street. The site is located in the Office-Industrial-2 (0I-2) zoning district and the Cameron-McCauley Historic District and is identified



Community Art Project

Bring old photographs, letters and other memorabilia to "Our Stories, In Focus," to be held from noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, at the UNC Student Union Cabaret, 218 South Road. Your item will be scanned or photographed and included in a community "tapestry" created by local artists Leah Sobsey and Lynn Bregman-Blass. Workshops will be offered in oral history, journal writing, story circles and genealogy.

Additional sessions will be held March 21 at University

Mall and March 28 at Carrboro Century Center.

Information: (919) 968-2749 or info@chapelhillarts.org

as Orange County Parcel Identifier Number 9788-35-4796.

Land Use Management Ordinance Text Amendment: The Council will consider an amendment to revise the Residential Special Standards Conditional Zoning District.

Public Forum on Time Warner Cable Service Issues

The Town Council has called a public forum to receive public comment on Time Warner Cable service issues in Chapel Hill.

Under its current franchise agreement with the cable company, the Town has authority over the following areas: 1. Rates and Charges (Basic Cable Service only), 2. Public, Education and Government Access Channels, 3. Customer Service, 4. Filings with the FCC, 5. Performance Tests, 6. Franchise Fee Payments, 7. Completion of Construction. Time Warner Cable is scheduled to provide an annual report to the Town in April 2009.

Information materials for this public forum will be posted online by March 13 at http://townhall.townofchapelhill.org/agendas/2009/

Volunteer to Help Swimmers with Disabilities

Volunteers are needed to assist swim students with disabilities during Adaptive Aquatics at the Homestead Aquatic Center, 300 Northern Park Drive. The class meets from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. on Tuesdays through March 31. Another session will begin April 14. Information: (919) 968-2813 or mkaslovsky@townofchapelhill.org

Public Meeting on Carolina North

A Public Input/Information Session on Carolina North, the proposed 250-acre UNC-Chapel Hill satellite campus, will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, at Extraordinary Ventures, 200 S. Elliott Road.

This meeting will provide an update on the status of UNC-Chapel Hill's Carolina North plans and a description of issues being addressed by policy-makers and Town/University staffs. An additional public input session has been scheduled for 7 to 9 p.m. April 1.

Information: (919) 968-2728 or carolinanorth@townofchapelhill.org



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Library Board of Trustees 5:15 p.m., Chapel Hill Public Library

Council Business Meeting 7 p.m., Town Hall

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Mayor's Committee: Mental Health Task Force 4 p.m., Chapel Hill Public Library

Public Arts Commission 5:30 p.m., Town Hall

Council Special Meeting: Carolina North 7 p.m., Extraordinary Ventures,

200 S. Elliott Road

Cemeteries Advisory Board

7 p.m., Parks and Rec Admin Bldg., 200 Plant Road

> **Board of Adjustment** 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

Thursday

(March 12)

Active Living by Design Advisory Board 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

Transportation Board 7 p.m., Town Hall

Historic District Commission 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

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Participate! Do you enjoy arts and culture? Consider an opportunity to make recommendations on Chapel Hill's art or library programs by joining the Chapel Hill Public Arts Commission or the Library Board of Trustees.

To learn more, contact the Town Clerk at (919) 968-2757 or clerk@ townofchapelhill.org. To be

considered for an appointment, complete and return an application form to the Communications and Public Affairs Department. Apply by April 1 for assured consideration.

The cable television franchise approved by the Council and accepted by Time Warner Cable in July 1996 currently gives the Town authority over some matters related to cable service. This authority covers the regulation of cable rates, oversight of public rights of, the establishment and operation of PEG channels and fees, consumer protection, the collection of remnant franchise fees, and the authority to deny the sale of the cable system.

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March 23

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Proposed Use of 2009-2010 Community Development Funds

The Chapel Hill Town Council will hold a public forum to receive citizen comments on a preliminary proposal for spending 2009-2010 Community Development Block Grant funds. This is the second public forum on the design of the Town's 2009-2010 Community Development program. The Council is scheduled to authorize submission of the Community Development Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on April 27.

Eligible Community Development activities must meet one of three national objectives:

- Benefit low- and moderate-income households / individuals (households earning less than 80% of the area median income by household size;
- 2. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or
- Meet other community development needs having a particular urgency

Examples of eligible activities include: property acquisition and rehabilitation; capital improvements; second mortgage assistance; economic development; public service activities; and public improvements. Information: (919) 968-2728

Sign up for Little League

Baseball and softball leagues are available for boys and girls ages 7-12. Practices will begin in mid-March. Registration is \$50 for Orange county residents or \$60 for non-residents. Register at www.chapelhillparks.org or at the Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation administrative office at 200 Plant Road. Information: (919) 968-2784