

SUMMARY OF HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION ACTION

Subject: 2004-19 Preliminary Capital Improvements Program

Meeting Date: April 8, 2004

Recommendations: The Commission makes the following comments regarding the Preliminary Capital Improvements Program:

Infrastructure:

- Installation of trash receptacles in the historic districts along the major pedestrian arteries. A hierarchy of pedestrian arteries is suggested below with installation phased over a 4-year period. The suggested pedestrian arteries include:
 - Hillsborough Road
 - Pittsboro Road
 - Cameron Avenue
 - North Street
 - E. Franklin Street (blocks without existing trash receptacles)

The Commission requested making recommendations for appropriate containers.

- Install of Historic District identification sign poles congruous with the Historic District. Recommendations for sign poles have been provided.
- Continuing maintenance of Chapel Hill gravel and upgrading of sidewalks in the Historic Districts;
- Continuing neighborhood needs for curb and gutter;
- Improve pedestrian level lighting which would be compatible with the character of the historic districts ;
- Investigate underground utilities;
- Installation of historic district street signs. Recommend using sign poles congruous with the Historic District;
- Installation of historic district identification signs on materials more congruous with the Historic District;
- Maintain funding for mediation for property owners seeking demolition in historic districts;

- Continued work on the Chapel Hill Cemetery. The Commission appreciates the university's assistance with the restoration of the cemetery walls and for their financial support for future work.

Town Facilities:

- Continued support of the on-going maintenance of the Chapel Hill Museum and for future Post Office repairs.

Communications & Technology:

- Develop website for Historic District Commission that will include current applications.

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