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ATTACHMENT 1

Nov 16, 2004

Mayor Foy and Councilmembers,

I write to express three points about the SUP for the UNC Faculty Staff Recreation Association, the "Farm".

First, please approve the application.

Second, this is a very minor change to the property with no off-site impact that I can discern. Consequently it is hard to understand why the Farm has to undergo the rigors, cost, and length of the SUP process. I would ask you to modify the LUMO so that future applications that present minor changes with no off-site impacts are able to run an easier, shorter, and less-costly course.

Finally, with regard to property taxes, I believe that UNC should pay property taxes to the town and county for its organizations that do not directly pertain to the mission of UNC -- the Farm falls into that category. Therefore I would encourage you to pursue aggressively the collection of property taxes from the Farm. On this subject, I write as a 30-year member of the Farm whose dues will likely increase to cover the cost of the taxes.

Thank you and the staff for the review of the application. As Steve Reznick indicated last night, the staff and town boards were a pleasure to work with and improved the quality of the proposal.

Best regards,

Joe Capowski