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Subject: Schools Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance Technical Advisory Committee
 (SAPFOTAC) Annual Report

Dear Mayors and Chairs:

This letter provides an update on the status of the 2005 Annual SAPFOTAC Report. In accordance with the SAPFO Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) approved the November 15, 2004 actual membership and capacity numbers for Orange County Schools and Chapel Hill – Carrboro City Schools at their meeting on December 14, 2004. At that time, the BOCC also received the 10-year student membership projections for both school systems.

The SAPFOTAC, comprised of representatives of both school systems and the Planning Directors of the County and Towns has produced the 2005 Annual Report. On March 1, 2005, the BOCC reviewed the report at their regular meeting. As per the SAPFO MOU, the annual technical report contains information on Level of Service, Building Capacity, Membership Date, Capital Investment Plan, Student Membership Projection Methodology, Student Membership Projections, Student Membership Growth Rate, Student/Housing Generation Rate, and the SAPFO Process. A copy of the 2005 Executive Summary is enclosed for your use.

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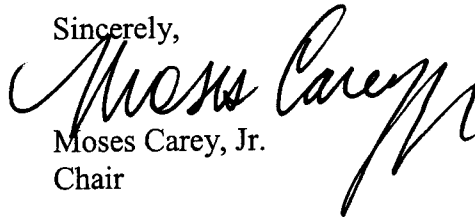
The BOCC requested that student membership projection charts showing the impact of a class size reduction in grades K through 3 be included. Those charts have been added to the draft report as Attachments IV.2 and IV.3. The revised draft report is now available as a link on Orange County Planning Department's website <http://www.co.orange.nc.us/planning/index.htm>). There is a button labeled "Draft 2005 SAPFOTAC Report (3/8/05)" near the bottom of the scroll menu on the left side of the page.

At the March 1, 2005 meeting, there was also brief discussion among Board members that the Governor's proposed education budget includes reappropriation of some of the State's school construction money. This will be a topic for further discussion by the BOCC if State monies for school construction are decreased.

The 2005 Annual SAPFOTAC Report is tentatively scheduled to be certified by the BOCC at a regular meeting on May 17, 2005. To that end, we request that your governing board provide comments, if any pertaining to the report, to County Planning Director Craig N. Benedict by May 10, 2005, and sooner if possible. Mr. Benedict can be reached by phone at (919) 245-2592, by e-mail at cbenedict@co.orange.nc.us, or by fax at (919) 644-3002.

Please share this information and the 2005 SAPFOTAC report with members of your respective boards and staff as you deem appropriate.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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2005 SAPFOTAC Executive Summary

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- I. Base Memorandum of Understanding
- A. Level of Service.....(No Change).....Pg. 1

	<i>Chapel Hill/Carrboro School District</i>	<i>Orange County School District</i>
<i>Elementary</i>	105%	105%
<i>Middle</i>	107%	107%*
<i>High</i>	110%*	110%

* Temporarily suspended

- B. Building Capacity and Membership.....(Change).....Pg. 2

	<i>Chapel Hill/Carrboro School District</i>			<i>Orange County School District</i>		
	Capacity	Membership***	Increase from Prior Year	Capacity	Membership***	Increase from Prior Year
<i>Elementary</i>	4921	4695	3	3820(+100)**	3016	71
<i>Middle</i>	2840	2560	(52)	1466	1593	(78)
<i>High</i>	3035	3422	92	2518	2057	170

** Current capacity is 3820. An additional 100 seats are scheduled for completion in 2005-06.

- C. Membership Date – November 15, 2004.....(No Change).....Pg.21

II. Annual Update to SAPFO System

- A. Capital Investment Plan (CIP).....(Change).....Pg. 22
- B. Student Membership Projection Methodology.....(No Change).....Pg. 23
The average of 3, 5, and 10 year history/cohort survival and 2 linear projection models.

- C. Student Membership Projections.....(Change).....Pg.38

5 Year out Snapshot Comparison						
(arrow indicates whether there was an increase or decrease in projection total between prior year and subsequent year)						
	<i>Chapel Hill/Carrboro School District</i>			<i>Orange County School District</i>		
	<i>Year Projection Made:</i>					
	2002	2003	2004	2002	2003	2004
	<i>Projection made for Year 2007-2008</i>					
<i>Elementary</i>	5405	5366	5040	3067	3126	3201
<i>Middle</i>	2954	2883	2677	1587	1656	1618
<i>High</i>	3719	3737	3651	1952	2070	2135

- D. Student Growth Rate.....(Change).....Pg. 48

Average Annual Growth Rate over 10 Years				
	<i>Chapel Hill/Carrboro School District</i>		<i>Orange County School District</i>	
	2003	2004	2003	2004
<i>Elementary</i>	2.34%	1.79%	1.54%	1.68%
<i>Middle</i>	2.63%	1.91%	0.79%	1.50%
<i>High</i>	2.81%	2.04%	1.28%	1.21%

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SCHOOL ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITIES ORDINANCE STATUS (based on future year Student Membership Projections)

The following information relates to existing school certified capacities and is not related to new legislation from DPI (Department of Public Instruction) affecting elementary schools.

CHAPEL HILL/CARRBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT

Elementary School District

- A. Does not currently exceed 105% LOS standards (current LOS is 95.4%).
- B. Decrease in the increase of the growth rate at this level over the next 10 years.
- C. Chapel Hill/Carrboro Elementary School #10 should be scheduled for a 2009-10 opening.

Middle School District

- A. Does not currently exceed 107% LOS standards (current LOS is 90.1%).
- B. Decrease in the increase of the growth rate at this level over the next 10 years.
- C. Chapel Hill/Carrboro Middle School #5 would likely be projected for 2013-14 versus the prior year projection of 2009-10.

High School District

- A. Currently exceeds the 110% LOS standard (current LOS is 112.8%), but Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) suspended the Certificate Adequate Public Schools (CAPS) adequacy test at this level so CAPS may still be issued.
- B. Decrease in the increase of the growth rate at this level over the next 10 years.
- C. Chapel Hill/Carrboro High School #3 is still needed as soon as possible with current construction schedule estimates at 2006-2007 but with a likely change to 2007-2008.

ORANGE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Elementary School District

- A. Does not currently exceed 105% LOS standard (current LOS is 79.0%).
- B. Increase in the increase of the growth rate at this level over the next 10 years.
- C. Does not affect or prompt CIP activity in 10-year timeframe.

Middle School District

- A. Presently at 108.7% LOS which exceeds 107% LOS standard but Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) suspended the Certificate Adequate Public Schools (CAPS) adequacy test at this level until Orange County School District (OCSD) Middle School #3 opens so CAPS may still be issued.
- B. Increase in the increase of the growth rate at this level over the next 10 years.
- C. OCSD Middle School #3 is still needed as soon as possible with construction schedule estimates at 2006-2007.

High School District

- A. Does not currently exceed 110% LOS (current LOS is 81.7%).
- B. Decrease in the increase of the growth rate at this level over the next 10 years.
- C. Does not affect or prompt CIP activity in 10-year time frame.