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Summary of Key Interests
Informational Meeting for Public & Advisory Boards
November 19, 2008

The following questions/comments were raised during the Informational Meeting that was held on Wednesday, November 19, 2008:

Interests Raised by Citizens

- What is the plan for addressing the questions and concerns raised by the public? There have already been at least three Carolina North-related meetings, and it does not appear that any of these questions and concerns have been posted on the Town's web site.
- Based on the detailed timeline, it appears that Town advisory boards will be receiving packets in April to review and then will be preparing comments and making recommendations regarding the Development Agreement. Typically, most of the advisory board minutes are brief and do not get sent forward in a rapid manner. Would like to have a more detailed set of comments prepared for these advisory board meetings, and have them sent onward as quickly as possible. Would also like for the advisory board comments to be posted on the Town's web site.
- A great University should create a great product with opportunities for public input. Accordingly, the Town and the University have created a framework with multiple opportunities for public engagement by the community. Disappointed that more advisory board members and Town citizens are not in attendance.
- Development Agreement can and should go beyond the standards in the Town's Land Use Management Ordinance. An example would be the Dark Skies Initiative – we should start by asking for world class standards, and then negotiate downwards if needed.
- With regard to the 250 acres that have been identified for development, many members of the community want a commitment from the University that development will not extend beyond this proposed development area.
- Concerns about shifts in proposed development – after discussion regarding smaller buildings (3 stories) in earlier versions of the plans, now 8-story buildings are being proposed.
- Despite the community asking the University to drop the North-South road connection to Homestead Road, it continues to be a part of the plan.
- We need to do everything we can to encourage more participation and more input – please bring everyone you know to these meetings. All you have to do is look at all of the development activity on the main campus during the last five years to understand why the community should care about what happens in the coming years at Carolina North.
- All of the comments made over the past 10 years, do they need to be resubmitted, or is that record being considered by Council?

- If you have previously made comments to the University, and the concerns were not addressed in the University's most recent proposal, then assume you should come back and repeat your comments?
- The 'C' route going into the Carolina North campus makes a lot of sense from a public safety perspective.
- Recommend a tree lawn along Estes Drive and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.
- The proposed North-South road seems to go close to several of the critical areas identified in the Biohabitats Study. Should this road go further west if it is built? It appears that it cannot move eastward due to the property line and the adjoining homes/neighborhood.
- Read a transportation report several years ago and saw in the newspaper that there were going to be 19,000+ parking spaces on the Carolina North campus. Is this still the case?
- Has the chemical waste site been remediated?
- Hope that Carolina North does not turn Chapel Hill into something resembling New Jersey South.
- Does the current plan require closure of the airport? If so, the public discussion of the Carolina North development must include discussion of the airport relocation because it is being displaced by Carolina North.
- If Carolina North is displacing the Horace Williams Airport to another location, shouldn't the Orange County Commissioners be involved in these discussions?

Interests Raised by University

- The chemical waste site has been remediated.
- Have not done a parking calculation for the full 50-year plan, but have been working on a projection for the first 15 years (2.5 million SF). The Town's parking guidelines generated about 5,000 spaces for this period of time. The University anticipates starting out with more spaces per employee initially and then moving to a lower ratio over time as Carolina North develops (e.g. at different levels, there may need to be different levels of parking support).