



# TOWN *week*

## Coming Up

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

### Monday

(Feb. 15)

#### Council Public Hearing

7 p.m., Town Hall

#### Human Services Advisory Board

7 p.m., Police Headquarters, 828 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

### Tuesday

(Feb. 16)

#### Planning Board

7 p.m., Town Hall

### Wednesday

(Feb. 17)

**Greenways Commission Hike**  
Noon, meet at Cedar Falls Park

#### Community Design Commission

7 p.m., Town Hall

#### Parks and Recreation Commission

7 p.m., Chapel Hill Public Library

### Thursday

(Feb. 18)

#### Community Conversation about Police Department

6-8 p.m., Hargraves Community Center, 216 N. Roberson St.

### Friday

(Feb. 19)

#### Council Committee on Sustainability, Energy and Environment

10 a.m., Town Hall

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## Public Notices

The below referenced items are on file with the Town Clerk at Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Written comments may be submitted to the Mayor and Town Council (see "Contact Us"). Residents are invited to give input at public hearings and forums. Those with difficulty hearing or speaking may arrange assistance from an interpreter by calling 919-968-2757 a week prior to the meeting.

### Feb. 22

The Chapel Hill Town Council will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22, in the Council Chamber of Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., to consider an agenda that includes the following:

#### Public Hearing on Proposed Changes to Tree Protection

The Town Council will consider a text amendment to the Land Use Management Ordinance regarding the Tree Protection Ordinance. The proposed amendment would establish minimum tree canopy coverage requirements for individual lots and tracts. In addition, the proposed amendment would establish standards related to significant tree-removal activities on residential properties, excluding many routine maintenance activities. The proposed language and background information are available at [www.townofchapelhill.org/trees](http://www.townofchapelhill.org/trees).

#### Public Forum on Cell Phone Use by Motor Vehicle Drivers

The Chapel Hill Town Council will hold a public forum to receive comment from citizens regarding the use of cell phones by operators of motor vehicles within the public rights of way in Chapel Hill and the possible regulation of such use.

Persons interested in commenting are invited to attend. The forum is scheduled for the beginning of the Town Council's regular business meeting beginning at 7 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

## Request for Comments on Public Housing Plan

Residents of public housing and the public are invited to review and comment on the Town of Chapel Hill Department of Housing's Annual PHA Plan for Fiscal Year 2010 as required under Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (QHWRA). The plan provides information about operations of Housing programs and services. All comments received will be recorded and submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The official review period is Feb. 15-April 1, 2010.

The plan is available for public review and comment at the Town of Chapel Hill Department of Housing, 317 Caldwell St. Ext., Chapel Hill, N.C.

A public meeting to receive comments will be held in the first floor conference room at the Town of Chapel Hill Department of Housing at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 23. For additional information, contact Tina Vaughn, director of the Chapel Hill Department of Housing, at 919-968-2850.



## Dog Tethering Rules Begin March 23

Beginning March 23, Chapel Hill residents will no longer be able to tether (or tie out) their dogs with any type of chain or runner. Warnings will be given for dog owners not in compliance for a three month period beginning on March

24. When the law becomes fully enforceable on June 23, Chapel Hill residents will become subject to fines or even criminal charges.

Tethering refers to the keeping of dogs on chains, ropes or other such tie-outs. Tethering does not refer to walking a dog on a leash. Dog owners who must keep their dogs outside will be required to have a fence or kennel.

The ordinance was enacted to protect the dogs and residents of Chapel Hill. Dogs left tied out can be at risk of accidental choking or injuries from being entangled. Tethering restrictions also address other concerns such as dog bites, public safety, public nuisances such as habitual barking, unwanted breeding and pet overpopulation.

Information: 919-942-7387 or [www.townofchapelhill.org/index.aspx?page=1363](http://www.townofchapelhill.org/index.aspx?page=1363)

## Sculpture Visions Exhibit Now on Display

Sculpture Visions is an outdoor art exhibit featuring a variety of styles, themes and media that is organized each year by the Town's Public Arts Office. The sculptures on public display create a sense of beauty, place and uniqueness that are a part of the shared experience for Chapel Hill's residents and visitors. To learn more about the 10 sculptures in this year's exhibit, please visit [www.townofchapelhill.org/index.aspx?page=1294](http://www.townofchapelhill.org/index.aspx?page=1294).

## Events at the Library

The Friends of the Chapel Hill Public Library will sponsor a Meet-the-Author Tea featuring James Dodson, author of "A Son of the Game," Friday, Feb. 19. Refreshments will be served at 3:30 p.m., and the program will begin at 4 p.m.

The Monday Night Book Group will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, to discuss "Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic and Madness at the Fair that Changed America," by Erik Larson.

Information: 919-968-2780