

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. (3)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: June 9, 2009

SUBJECT: Request from the Town of Chapel Hill for Feedback, Comments or Questions on the Rogers Road Small Area Plan Task Force’s Final Report

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING	PUBLIC HEARING: YES ___ NO <u>X</u>
ATTACHMENTS: A. April 24, 2009 referral from Chapel Hill Mayor, Kevin Foy B. Chapel Hill Resolution 2009-03-16/R-1 C. Rogers Road Small Area Plan Task Force Report	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy Williford 918-7325

PURPOSE

The purpose of this item is to give the Board of Aldermen, in response to an April 24, 2009 referral from Chapel Hill Mayor, Kevin Foy, the opportunity to provide the Town of Chapel with feedback comments, or questions on the Rogers Road Small Area Plan Task Force’s Final Report.

BACKGROUND

The Rogers Road study area is located in Orange County to the northwest area adjacent to the Town of Carrboro. The study area is located in the Chapel Hill Joint Planning Transition Area, an area which is anticipated to become part of the Town of Chapel Hill. The future growth of the Town of Chapel Hill and the Town of Carrboro in this area was established with Orange County, through a Joint Planning Agreement in 1987. On May 9, 2005 the Council received a petition to initiate a small area plan for the Rogers Road Community. The Council took its first action with regards to this process on January 12 by appointing Council Members Bill Strom and Mark Kleinschmidt as representatives for a small area plan for the Rogers Road area, including the jointly owned Greene Tract. Joal Hall Broun was appointed as the Carrboro Board of Aldermen representative and John Herrera was appointed an alternative Board representative. A December 6, 2006 resolution set the schedule for the process and composition of the Task Force. The Task Force met periodically over the next two years and their final meeting was on February 26, 2009.

The Task Force Report includes a proposed Land Use Plan, a series of recommendations addressing a range of issues, and a proposed set of implementation actions with an accompanying timetable.

Next Steps identified by the Town of Chapel Hill

The Rogers Road study area falls under Joint Planning jurisdiction. If Council desires to pursue a Land Use Plan amendment, approval by Orange County would also be necessary. An additional task would be to resolve differences between the Task Force’s Land Use Plan and the Green Tract Concept Plan from 2002. It is probable that the advisory board and staff review process will take several

months to complete. Provided below is a general schedule for next steps:

- Advisory Board, local agency and staff review beginning in late March, ending in May.

- Follow up staff presentation at a Chapel Hill Public Hearing –September 21, 2009 Assembly of Governments - September 24, 2009
- Joint Planning Public Hearing - October 29, 2009

FISCAL IMPACT:

None regarding the provision of this report as requested information.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen receive the Rogers Road Small Area Plan Task Force Report and provide feedback, comments or questions as requested.

