



Transportation Advisory Board

Date: January 20, 2022

7:30 pm

via Zoom

Meeting called by:

David Pcolar, Chair

Facilitator: Zach Hallock, Transportation Planner

Attendees:

Carrboro Transportation Advisory Board Members

----- Agenda Topics -----

1. Call to Order	Chair	7:30
2. Approval of minutes (January 6, 2022)	TAB	7:35
3. Action & Discussion Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carrboro Connects – Draft Comprehensive Plan – Finalize Comments https://www.carrboroconnects.org/prelim-draft-plan 	TAB	7:40
4. Other Items	TAB	8:55
5. Adjourn	Chair	9:00

Additional Attachments**Other Information**

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Next meeting: February 3, 2022**TOWN HALL IS ACCESSIBLE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.***FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT ZACH HALLOCK AT 919-918-7329.*

**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

Thursday, January 6, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dave Pcolar, Chair
Elyse Keefe
David Swan
Lenore Jones-Peretto
Barbara Foushee, Council Liaison

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED

Cummie Davis

STAFF PRESENT

Zachary Hallock
Ben Berolzheimer
Marty Roupe

GUESTS PRESENT

Heidi Perry
George Retschle
Thurm Bowen
Roman Acosta

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order around 8:54pm.

II. Approval of Minutes (December 2, 2021)

Motion by Swan, second by Pcolar to approve the minutes. Motion passes unanimously.

III. Action and Discussion Items

- Old NC 86 Subdivision Concept Plan Review Discussion

TAB members discussed the price range of the houses in the proposed development and if the Town could negotiate with the other two parcels north of this proposed development to acquire right of way and further extend the sidepath this development would construct.

Hallock responded that if the Town identifies funding to move forward with extending the sidepath, right of way negotiation would be a part of that process.

TAB members discussed the benefits of providing bike-ped connectivity from this proposed development via a street connection to the Lake Hogan Farms neighborhood.

TAB members asked the applicant about the alignment of the path along the creek and the sidepath proposed along Old NC 86.

Retschle said it was a later addition and more details will be added, including the points of connectivity to the development, as the project progresses past the concept plan phase.

TAB members asked about the details of the proposed soccer field.

Bowen responded that it was mostly envisioned as a basic sort of open space or neighborhood play field, not a regulation soccer field with lighting, etc.

TAB members asked about bike parking near the soccer field.

TAB members asked about use of collapsible bollards to block off the street connection to prevent vehicle traffic from accessing but retaining bicycle and pedestrian access.

Retschle indicated that he had used bollards for some projects in Chapel Hill, but recently their fire department has indicated they would prefer not to use them.

TAB members discussed traffic calming needs associated with the connected street and recommended considering speed tables or raised crosswalks within the development.

TAB members discussed the interest in a traffic study for old NC 86, and related concerns about vehicle speeds being higher than the posted speed and the need for a sidepath and the patterns of bicycle traffic in the area.

TAB members asked the applicant about the development constraints shown on the concept plan.

Retschle responded that the map was based on GIS but based on survey there is no constraint in the location in question.

TAB members discussed the need for sidewalks on both sides of the street and the interest in having the sidewalks be elevated above the level of the driveway (like a speed table).

- 2022 Meeting Schedule

Motion by Jones-Peretto to approve the 2022 meeting schedule, seconded by Swan. Motion passes unanimously.

- Officer Elections

Hallock provided the update that the TAB would be electing a new chair and vice chair at its first February meeting and also recommended that TAB members review the ethics and rules of procedure materials included in this meeting's agenda packet.

- Carrboro Connects Recommendation

TAB members asked about the target goals for the transportation section.

Hallock indicated that he would see about finding examples for the next TAB meeting.

Berolzheimer indicated that there would be opportunity to assess the metrics selected over time, as the plan is implemented.

TAB members indicated that having a baseline for all of the metrics would be necessary to help establish these target goals.

Hallock indicated that the Town has begun work on a GHG emissions inventory, which might be a helpful baseline item and that he would see at having it available for the next TAB meeting.

IV. Other Items

Hallock provided the update that January 21st would be his last day with the Town, and the Berolzheimer would likely be assisting.

TAB members discussed the email they received about pedestrian safety. Hallock indicated that item should be saved for discussion once it can be placed on the agenda, likely in February.

V. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned around 9:45 pm.

ADVISORY BOARDS REVIEW

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATES: DECEMBER (2021)

SUBJECT: Review of Carrboro Connects Public Hearing Draft Comprehensive Plan

DEPARTMENT: Planning	PUBLIC HEARING: YES ___ No <u>X</u> ___
ATTACHMENTS: A. LINK TO PUBLIC HEARING DRAFT PLAN https://www.carrboroconnects.org/public-hearing-draft	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Trish McGuire –919-918-7327; pmcquire@townofcarrboro.org Ben Berolzheimer – 919-918-7330; berolzheimer@townofcarrboro.org

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agenda item is for advisory boards to conduct a final review of the Carrboro Connects Comprehensive Plan.

INFORMATION

On November 11, 2021, the Carrboro Connects Task Force made a consensus recommendation for the Draft Comprehensive Plan to enter the Public Hearing portion of the plan development process. On November 16, 2021, the Carrboro Town Council held a Public Hearing to receive public comment and review the [Public Hearing Draft](#) that was publicly released on November 12, 2021.

At the conclusion of the public hearing the Council passed a [resolution](#) referring the new draft plan back to all of advisory boards and commissions. The current draft includes numerous changes from the Preliminary Draft that was reviewed in September based on input from the public, feedback from advisory boards and the Task Force, a Town Council work session and staff review. A summary of these change can be found [here](#) and is also attached. The Town Council is expected to adopt the comprehensive plan in 2022; the date currently identified is March 22, 2022.

The anticipated schedule for advisory board, commission, and committee review is listed below. Completion of all reviews is requested by January 31st. A draft recommendation template is provided for advisory use.

RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommendation is for each advisory board, commission, and committee to review the draft plan and consider use of the draft template for formulating its recommendation.

Please consider including as part of your recommendations any potential targets for the performance metrics in the transportation section, especially those which do not yet have a target goal identified.

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE

Commission/Board	Date
Carrboro Tourism Development Authority	Monday, Dec 6, 2021
Youth Advisory Board	TBD
Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee	Thursday, December 2, 2021
Appearance Commission	January 6, 2022
Environmental Advisory Board	Thursday, December 2, 2021
Planning Board	Thursday, December 2, 2021
Transportation Advisory Board	Thursday, December 2, 2021
Recreation and Parks Commission	December 13, 2021
Arts Committee	Wednesday, Dec 8, 2021
Economic Sustainability Commission	Wednesday, December 8, 2021 (maybe Jan 12 th)
Stormwater Advisory Commission	Thursday, December 9, 2021
Greenways Commission	TBD
Affordable Housing Advisory Commission	Wednesday, January 19, 2022
Racial Equity Commission	Wednesday, December 15, 2021
Human Services Advisory Board	TBD
Climate Action Team	Dec 16 or Jan 20



Summary of changes from Preliminary Draft

Since the Preliminary Draft Plan in September, significant effort by many parties has gone into both reviewing and revising the plan.

This November draft includes feedback received from, but not limited to, the following activities:

- Town Council – Update on September 21 and Work Session October 5
- Community Open House – September 22
- Carrboro Connects Task Force – September 23 and November 11
- Advisory board/commission review
- Public comments through website and email
- Town staff review

Many specific revisions and edits.

Areas of differing perspectives

Red text is used throughout this draft to indicate areas where different perspectives on a topic were received. Examples include parking, historic preservation vs/and appearance/density, corridors vs nodes, phases 3/4 of Bolin Creek greenway. Further work may be needed to clarify direction for certain strategies and projects. This may include further community engagement, separate planning processes, and direction from Town Council.

Improved navigability

- Color coding and icons
- Plan overview/outline
- Chapter changes (see below)

Note, there is no red text in the transportation chapter of the Comprehensive Plan.

Additions to Introduction chapter

- NEW - Plan Overview/Outline - Pages 2-5
- NEW “On Language” section—Pages 12-13
- ETJ and Transition Areas clarification – Page 24

Chapter changes

- Split up “Transportation, Water, Energy and Green Infrastructure” chapter into two separate chapters:
- “Transportation and Mobility” & “Green Stormwater Infrastructure, Water, and Energy”
 - Added emphasis on mobility and stormwater

Maps

- NEW - Transportation Strategies Map - Page 77
- NEW – Park Access Map - 10 Minute Walkshed - Page 146
- Revisions of Corridor Opportunity and Future Land Use maps – Land Use chapter

NEW - Implementation Plan (Ch 11)

Identification and implementation steps for top 5 Priorities for each Topic area. Pages 202-247

- Is it feasible? Are these the priorities?

Compiled Glossary of terms – Pages 248-251



TOWN OF CARRBORO

301 West Main Street, Carrboro, North Carolina 27510

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N

[INSERT DATE]

Adoption of Carrboro Connects as the Town of Carrboro's Comprehensive Plan

Motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ that the _____ of the Town of Carrboro recommends that the Town Council _____ *Carrboro Connects*, as the comprehensive plan for the Town of Carrboro.

VOTE:

AYES: ()

NOES: ()

ABSTENTIONS: ()

ABSENT/EXCUSED: ()

Associated Findings

By a unanimous show of hands, the _____ membership indicated that no members have any financial interests that would pose a conflict of interest to the adoption of *Carrboro Connects*.

Furthermore, the _____ of the Town of Carrboro finds the adoption of the proposed document, *Carrboro Connects* is reasonable and in the public interest because of the Town's deliberate commitment to developing plans and policies through extensive engagement and public input.

VOTE:

AYES: ()

NOES: ()

ABSTENTIONS: ()

ABSENT/EXCUSED: ()

(Chair)

(Date)