

The Council Committee on Economic Sustainability exists to support opportunities to put Chapel Hill's people to work and create economic prosperity for all, now and in the future.

- **Minority Business Summit**
- **Annual Incentives Report**
- Development Finance Presentation by Jim Spaeth, UNC Kenan-Flagler



Council Interests

Prioritize an equity lens when exploring small business support and long-term development.

- October CCES: Staff presented several HUB-engagement approaches by other municipalities.
- This research, combined with Council feedback, directly informed the planning & execution of the Minority Vendor Summit.

Minority Vendor Summit

- Participating Town departments included Economic Development, DEI, Business Management & Manager's office.
- Partnering agencies included OWASA, UNC, and the Town of Carrboro.
- Connected with 50+ vendors, most of whom have not done business with any of the participating public agencies.



Incentives Policy

Goals

- Create quality jobs
- Strengthen the economy & build community wealth
- Sustain a high quality of life

Targets

- Research and Development
- Applied Sciences
- Start-ups
- Technology
- Retail*

Performance Measures

Wegmans

- Job creation
- Tax base growth
- Sales volume

Carraway Village

- Amount of commercial space built
- Percentage of road improvements

Well Dot Inc.

- Investment
- Jobs created

Glen Lennox

- Amount of office space built

Economic Development Incentives

Town Council has approved 4 economic development incentives, all performance-based with individual terms for each project.

Total expenditures NTE \$1,183,928 per fiscal year

Development Agreement	FY2	1 Planned	F	Y22 Planned	Y23 Planned	FY24 Planned	FY2	25 Planned
Carraway Village	\$	154,892	\$	206,523	\$ 206,523	\$ 206,523	\$	206,523
Wegmans	\$	400,000	\$	400,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000	\$	400,000
Glen Lennox	\$	-	\$	446,160	\$ 446,160	\$ 446,160	\$	446,160
Well Dot*	\$		\$	131,245	\$ 131,245	\$ 131,245	\$	131,245
TOTAL	\$	554,892	\$	1,183,928	\$ 1,183,928	\$ 1,183,928	\$	1,183,928

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Carraway Village	\$	60,867	\$	132,694	\$	200,955	\$	204,258		-
Wegmans	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	391,930	\$	390,500
Glen Lennox	\$	-	\$	-	\$	57,570	\$	72,286	\$	79,210
Well Dot*	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	_	\$	131,245
TOTAL	\$	60,867	\$	132,694	\$	258,524	\$	668,474	\$	600,955

Level Setting: U.S. Office Supply

The 'under-construction' pipeline has shrunk by nearly 40% in the last two years.

Factors include:

- Falling office demand
- Increasing capital costs; and
- Tightening standards for construction loans

Level Setting: U.S. Office Demand

Office sales & lease activity continues to wane in 2024.

- Trends expected to remain for the next 2-3 years.
- As demand for employment growth offsets corporate downsizing, the market is expected to shift towards more balanced conditions.

CommercialEdge, March 2024

JLL Global Real Estate Perspective, May 2024



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ReVive Plan Overview

RESILIENT

Strategies & Successes

Support, connect, and recognize small business success

- ✓ Best of Chapel Hill event sponsorship
- Business Resource Guide
- ✓ Small business grant programs

Strengthen the innovation and startup ecosystem

- ✓ Launch Chapel Hill partnership & support
- ✓ Innovation Hub/ Flexible co-working & office spaces

Recruit employers, entrepreneurs aligned with UNC, UNC Health

- ✓ Chapel Hill Life Sciences Center
- ✓ North Chapel Hill Business Center
- ✓ Economic incentives policy

RESILIENT PLACE

Strategies & Successes

Develop plans, partnerships for accessibility and affordability

- ✓ Downtown Mobility & Streetscape plans
- ✓ Downtown Together Partnership

Showcase Chapel Hill to increase foot traffic in commercial areas

- ✓ Downtown Communications group
- ✓ Garden Spot

Build reputation for being open to business and welcoming to all

- ✓ Marketing & branding campaigns
- ✓ Business Ombuds support

RESILIENT PEOPLE

Strategies & Successes

Build a talent pipeline to connect residents, students, and employers to opportunities

- ✓ Innovate Carolina & Launch Chapel Hill events
- ✓ Durham Tech Small Business Center @ The Junction

Support community partners as they address needs of historically underrealized businesses

- ✓ Opportunity Grant for Garden Spot
- ✓ Brightpath Solutions Grant & Workshops