

**I, Amy T. Harvey, Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of (2024-05-15/R-8) adopted by the Chapel Hill Town Council on May 15, 2024.**



**This the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.**

*Amy T. Harvey*

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Deputy Town Clerk**

**A RESOLUTION STATING INTENT TO PROCEED WITH A 2024 REFERENDUM ON CHAPEL HILL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (2024-05-15/R-8)**

***Introduction –***

The Town of Chapel Hill’s long-range capital improvement plan contemplates funding for a wide variety of projects and calls for funding those projects using the multiple tools available to the Town. The Council has considered its priorities among identified projects and its alternative means of financing the costs. The Council has made a preliminary determination to finance at least some of the costs of the project through the issuance of general obligation bonds.

The issuance of these bonds is subject to the approval of the Town’s voters at a bond referendum. This resolution is the Council’s first formal step toward placing these bonds before the voters.

***BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED*** by the Town Council of the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, that the Council makes an initial determination to proceed with a referendum on November 5, 2024 for Town general obligation bonds in the maximum amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

<b><u>Purpose</u></b>	<b><u>Amount (\$)</u></b>
Affordable housing	15,000,000
Public facilities	15,000,000
Streets and sidewalks	7,500,000
Parks and recreation facilities	4,500,000
Open space/greenways	2,000,000

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** that Council makes the following findings of fact in support of its determination:

- (1) The proposed capital projects are necessary and expedient for the Town.
- (2) The amount of bonds proposed is adequate and not excessive for the proposed purpose. The precise amount of bonds issued, and the projects eventually funded with bond proceeds, will depend on final project plans and costs and the evolving needs within the Town.

(3) The Town's debt management and budgetary and fiscal management policies have been carried out consistently in accordance with the law.

(4) The Council estimates that no actual increase in the Town's property tax rate will be necessary to provide for principal and interest payments on the bonds. The Council expects that existing revenue sources and growth in the Town's tax base will be sufficient to generate funds for debt payments, as the debt payments are phased in over the next several years. The Town will work to minimize the tax rate impact, in a manner consistent with moving ahead on the projects and addressing other Town needs.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, as follows:

(a) The Council directs the Town Manager and the Finance Officer to proceed with the authorization of the referendum, including proceeding with an application to the North Carolina Local Government Commission for its approval of the proposed bonds. The Council appoints the Finance Officer as the Town's authorized representative with respect to the LGC application process.

(b) The Council directs the Town Clerk to publish a notice of the Council's intent to apply to the LGC for approval of the bonds. This notice must be in the form prescribed by statute and consistent with this resolution.

(d) The Council authorizes all Town representatives to take all further action as they may consider desirable for accomplishing the purposes and intentions of this resolution. The Council ratifies all prior actions of Town representatives in this regard. This resolution takes effect immediately.

This the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.