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From: Jeanette Coffin
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2023 9:15 AM
To: Darren Legge
Cc: Britany Waddell; Judy Johnson; Corey Liles; Adam Searing; Amy Ryan; Camille Berry; Jeanne Brown; Jess Anderson; Karen Stegman; Michael Parker; Pam Hemminger; Paris Miller-Foushee; Tai Huynh; Amy Harvey; Ann Anderson; Atuya Cornwell; Carolyn Worsley; CHRIS BLUE; James Baker; Loryn Clark; Mary Jane Nirdlinger; Ran Northam; Ross Tompkins; Sabrina Oliver; Shay Stevens
Subject: RE: UNC Health development

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From: Darren Legge <darren.legge@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 8:23 PM
To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>
Subject: UNC Health development

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Please do NOT pass UNC Health's request for a permit to develop their property at Eastowne. **Part of the UNC Heath's plan is to build a parking deck on the Hickory Oak Forest.** Please take into consideration the ecological significance of this 10-acre stand of large old trees. I encourage you and UNC to limit their new construction to the other 20 acres between this grove and the Persian Carpet on 15-501.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Regards,

Darren Legge

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From: Deb L <deb.levin52@gmail.com>
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1401 Brigham Rd.

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From: Liane Salgado <gamberster@gmail.com>
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To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>
Subject: Parking deck on oak hickory forest

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Hello council and mayor, I strongly hope that there is no parking deck built on the forest, so we retain greenspace for all of its benefits to people and plants and animals, as well as improved stormwater management in a problematic area.
Thank you for your attention.

Liane Salgado
2514 Damascus Church Rd

Chapel Hill

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Chapel Hill, NC

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<https://goldeneggpermaculture.com/>

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The greatest change we need to make is from consumption to production, even if on a small scale. Bill Mollison

Your friend isn't always right and your enemy isn't always wrong.

'I hold the most archaic values on earth ... the fertility of the soul, the magic of the animals, the power-vision in solitude.... the love and ecstasy of the dance, the common work of the tribe.'

~ Gary Snyder

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From: Andrews, William L. <wandrews@unc.edu>
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This is my request of the Chapel Hill Town Council to deny permission to UNC Health to raze the old-growth hickory oak forest in the area along Eastowne Drive slated for a new medical campus. Surely there should be a way to develop this campus without destroying the old-growth forest already there.

Sincerely,

William L. Andrews
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Chapel Hill, NC 27514

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From: K Biernat <1mymessage@gmail.com>
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To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>
Subject: Hickory Forest

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Dear Mayor,

Please vote to save this valuable ecosystem. It is no longer responsible to extinguish forests and habitat in these days of climate change and mass extinction of species. Human health and well being depends upon the well being of our natural spaces, as we are learning the hard way these days.

It is unconscionable to destroy this forest, particularly for a parking lot. This would be a move in a devastating direction given all we know

about the importance of forests and the plants, creatures, and insects they harbor.

It is in your hands to preserve or destroy something which cannot be replaced and which holds incalculable value for all species.

Thank you for your vote to preserve this forest.

Kathleen

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From: Jeanette Coffin
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 10:00 AM
To: Kimberly Sanchez
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From: Kimberly Sanchez <ksanchez@communityhometruster.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 7:53 AM
To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>
Cc: Jackie Jenks <jjjenks@ifcmailbox.org>; Sarah Vinas <svinas@townofchapelhill.org>
Subject: OCAHC Coalition support for UNC Health revolving loan fund

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Dear Mayor Hemminger and Chapel Hill Town Council members,

The Orange County Affordable Housing Coalition (OCAHC) comprises about a dozen non-profit housing developers, service providers, and advocacy groups who all share a common goal: advocating for the creation and preservation of safe, dignified, affordable housing in Orange County. We envision an abundance and variety of housing available to all who desire to live and thrive here.

As a Coalition, we support UNC Health’s proposal to create a revolving loan fund for affordable housing as part of the Eastowne project, and we encourage Council to leverage UNC Health’s \$5 million initial contribution to increase investment in the fund. Access to these funds will be critical for our member organizations’ ability to continue to develop and preserve affordable housing in our community, and we are eager to see the proposal pass with your support. We also encourage you to continue strategies like supporting land banking and off-campus student engagement and consider new opportunities connected with this proposal, such as setting land aside for future affordable housing development.

As always, we are grateful for your commitment to building a Chapel Hill that is a welcoming home for all.

Sincerely,
Kimberly Sanchez and Jackie Jenks, Co-Chairs.



Kimberly Sanchez
Executive Director

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From: Barbara Driscoll <btdriscoll@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 9:54 PM
To: Town Council <mayorandcouncil@townofchapelhill.org>
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Subject: Agenda Item#17 Conditional Zoning Application for UNC Health Eastowne on Chapel Hill Town Council Meeting May 24, 2023

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Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to you again as part of the New Hope Audubon Society whose mission is to promote the conservation and enjoyment of birds, other wildlife, and ecosystems, focusing on Chatham, Durham, Orange and parts of surrounding counties. It is with this

mission in mind that I am writing to you on behalf of our members in Chapel Hill and Orange County many of whom contacted you at the previous meeting regarding the Eastowne Development. We have been working with the town on a number of projects such as Leave Your Leaves and Lights Out Chapel Hill both of which help promote a more bird-friendly community. There is now an opportunity for the Council to help our birds and conserve parts of an ecosystem.

UNC Health Care is requesting to develop part of the Eastowne Natural Heritage Site. Their intentions are to potentially locate a 6-story parking deck in the middle of a 20-acre Natural Heritage site. This area (N20) is designated as a Natural Heritage site by the State of North Carolina and the NC Natural Heritage Program has documented the unique aspects of this forest. The mature hickory, oak and beech tree forests are important habitats for our birds and other wildlife. This area is also part of a contiguous wildlife corridor which is already connected to other preserved lands and part of the New Hope and Eno River Basins. It is not a suitable location for a parking deck especially as the slopes on the property are especially steep.

I realize that UNC Health has indicated a preference to not build this last parking deck. They have also recently indicated that they can increase each of the proposed parking garages within the inner Loop by 2-3 stories, which should help to alleviate future parking needs. Potential alternatives also include a future land swap with the Town if the Town could acquire property to support a parking deck near Eastowne. I'm not sure why UNC Healthcare would not be responsible for acquiring additional land for future parking needs.

I would ask you and other members of the Council demand that access to building on N20 not be included in UNC Health Care's plans and that 100% of this land be included in a conservation agreement. Until this land is protected, there will always be the possibility of development on it. In fact, this is also the recommendation of the Chapel Hill Environmental Stewardship Advisory Board.

The loss of biodiversity is recognized as being as devastating as the climate crisis to life on earth, as stated by the United Nations Environment Programme World Conservation Monitoring Center: "Climate change and biodiversity loss are twin crises that should be tackled together. Conserving, managing, and restoring ecosystems are key to success." The Council can do something about preserving biodiversity and fighting climate change by ensuring the N20 parcel is protected.

There are no objections to other parts of this plan other than development on the N20 parcel.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter,

Barbara Driscoll
Co-Chair, Bird Friendly Habitats, New Hope Audubon Society
Chapel Hill, NC USA

How can we consider something sustainable if it doesn't sustain life? Plant native!

Doug Tallamy

Amy Harvey

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Cc: Karen Stegman <stegman4chapelhill@gmail.com>; Michael Parker <miparker1@aol.com>
Subject: UNC Health Eastowne Parking deck

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Dear Mayor and Council Members,
I have just heard that the UNC Health Eastowne Parking Deck could come up for a vote as soon as Wednesday. We have had this on our Sierra Club agenda, but haven't been able to spend enough time on it to develop an official position. We did not realize it was up for a vote so soon, and we have been focusing on the Housing Choice issue. I am hoping, given the total lack of urgency on this matter, that you will delay any vote on this deck until it can have more public attention and discussion.

Protecting significant natural areas is a Sierra Club priority, and a Natural Heritage site within urban boundaries is a rarity. To sacrifice even part of it would be significant. I believe impacts and other options should be discussed before a vote.

Sadly, I have a commitment in Raleigh and will miss the meeting tomorrow. But I implore you to delay any decision on this matter.

best,
Melissa McCullough, Chair
Orange Chatham Group of the NC Sierra Club

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From: Jeanette Coffin
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 3:08 PM
To: Figueroa, Angelica
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Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 2:21 PM
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Subject: Note from Dr. Wesley Burks

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Sent on behalf of Dr. Wesley Burks

Dear Chapel Hill Council Members,

UNC Health is coming to you tonight requesting approval of our zoning application for the Eastowne campus. This campus is extremely important to UNC Health as it will allow us to immediately expand the outpatient services we

provide at this location while also planning for the long-term expansion of health care services and research that will ultimately come to the Eastowne campus. As you know, the mission of UNC Health is to improve the health and well-being of North Carolinians and others whom we serve. This campus will help us grow the number of patients we can serve in an easily accessible location, thereby helping us achieve our mission and purpose.

Your staff has worked very closely with our UNC Health team over the past several months to review the details of these plans and address questions regarding our application. I would like to personally commend your staff; they are extremely responsive and helpful and overall great to work with. It is my hope that these months of work have addressed any outstanding issues and will ultimately lead to a vote of approval during tonight's council meeting.

UNC Health and the Town of Chapel Hill have a longstanding partnership. Our hope is that we can continue growing our presence in Chapel Hill to better serve this community and our state. Your vote tonight is key to making that happen. I hope you will thoughtfully consider our request and vote to approve our zoning application for the Eastowne campus.

Sincerely,

Wesley

Wesley Burks, MD
Stuart Bondurant Distinguished Professor
Dean and CEO UNC School of Medicine and UNC Health
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From: Johnny Randall <johnnyrandall1955@gmail.com>
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Although seemingly hemmed-in by surrounding development and roadways – this mature 20-acre woodland teems with remnant populations of wildlife – particularly amphibians, such as marbled salamanders, and other less mobile species. It is also a primary wildlife corridor as identified by **A Landscape Plan for Wildlife Habitat Connectivity in the Eno-New Hope Creek Watersheds** (<https://connectedconservationnc.org/>) that connects directly to Dry Creek and on to New Hope Creek. The 1988 and 2004 **Inventory of Significant Natural Areas and Wildlife Habitats** (**Inventory**, <http://www.carrboronc.gov/DocumentCenter/View/563/Inventory-of-Natural-Areas-and-Wildlife-Habitats-for-Orange-County-PDF>) lists this as Piedmont Swamp Forest and the best example of such in Orange County outside of the Mason Farm Biological Reserve (of the North Carolina Botanical Garden). The **Inventory** states on page 45: “These bottomlands should be protected from development under the Floodplain Protection Ordinance of the Town of Chapel Hill,” and that “Care needs to be taken that development on the adjoining slopes does not spill over.”

The proposed parking deck is slated to impact half of the 20-acre site and is precisely the sort of “spill-over” warned against in the **Inventory**. Thank you for rejecting the parking deck in the development proposal and suggesting that the developer protect this long-recognized natural heritage site, and important wildlife corridor, with a conservation easement to avert future development planning.

Sincerely,

Johnny Randall, PhD

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Subject: FW: Message from Website

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The proposed parking deck is slated to impact half of the 20-acre site and is precisely the sort of “spill-over” warned against in the Inventory. Thank you for rejecting the parking deck in the development proposal and suggesting that the developer protect this long-recognized natural heritage site, and important wildlife corridor, with a conservation easement to avert future development planning.

4. If you would like us to contact you regarding this issue, please provide an email or telephone number.

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Thank you,
Town of Chapel Hill, NC

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Subject: RE: Sierra Club opposition to the UNC Health Eastowne parking deck

Thank you for your correspondence with the Town of Chapel Hill. The Mayor and Town Council are interested in what you have to say. By way of this email, I am forwarding your message to the Mayor and each of the Council Members, as well as to the appropriate staff person who may be able to assist in providing additional information or otherwise addressing your concerns.

Again, thank you for your message.

Sincerely,

Jeanette Coffin



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Dear Mayor and Council,

The Orange Chatham Group of the NC Sierra Club asks that you protect ALL of the Natural Heritage site in Eastowne, on which UNC Health is proposing to build a parking deck.

The complement to denser infill in a city is to protect important natural areas. Biodiversity, especially supporting pollinators, is hanging by a thread from impacts of climate change and habitat destruction. Chapel Hill should save ALL of the Natural Heritage site at Eastowne for its ecological value. There are aging buildings in Eastowne that can be razed for a parking deck by the time it is needed, or other decks can be made larger.

There are too many other viable options for this outyear project, which may not even be needed. To sacrifice one of, if not the only, remaining valuable ecological site in town would be a travesty.

Many Thanks,
Melissa McCullough, Chair,
for the Orange-Chatham Group of the NC Sierra Club