

Resolution

Whereas, Pam Hemminger served the Town of Chapel Hill as Mayor from December 2, 2015; and

Whereas, prior to her election to the Town Council, Pam served our community in many elected and volunteer capacities including as an Orange County Commissioner, chair and vice chair of the Chapel Hill–Carrboro City School Board, chair of the Town’s Parks and Recreation Commission and Greenways Commission, and chair of the Upper Neuse River Basin Authority; and

Whereas, Pam brought to council a deep understanding of local government, experience as a small business owner, and expertise in financial management combined with a passion for social justice and the environment; and

Whereas, under her leadership the council approved numerous projects, initiatives, and policy decisions that will leave their mark on Chapel Hill including:

- Navigating the COVID pandemic by working collaboratively with our neighbors and taking steps for an inclusive and robust recovery; and
- Creating Food For Students, a partnership which provides summer meals and enrichment to local youth when school is out; and
- Purchasing the Legion Property to meet recreational and housing needs for Chapel Hillians in perpetuity; and
- Adopting and implementing the Town’s first-ever Climate Action Plan and pushing forward on impactful steps – such as LED street light conversions – to move Chapel Hill toward our climate goals; and
- Expanding Chapel Hill’s commercial tax base by creating the new Enterprise Zone and bringing new companies – including Wegmans – here; and
- Partnering with UNC through the Downtown Together Partnership to revitalize downtown with a vibrant innovation hub; and
- Investing in downtown infrastructure and a new parking deck to bring life sciences here, catalyze infill development and foster a year-round economy; and
- Convening the Historic Civil Rights Task Force to shine a light on Chapel Hill’s true history by honoring local heroes and remembering important events; and
- Working with regional partners to advance the Town’s transit and multi-modal transportation goals; and
- Adopting the Town’s first-ever five year Affordable Housing plan which resulted in more affordable housing built & approved during the last 8 years than ever before; and
- Embracing the Complete Community Framework and Everywhere to Everywhere greenway network as the vision for an inclusive, vibrant, and sustainable future; and
- Hosting mock council meeting with Chapel Hill third graders for interactive Town Hall field trips; and

Whereas, since 2016 Pam has served the community and Council through participation and leadership at the local, state, and national level including:

- Committee on Economic Sustainability (8 years, 2 as chair)
- The Chapel Hill Downtown Partnership (8 years)
- North Carolina Metropolitan Mayors (8 years, 2 as chair)
- Orange County Solid Waste Advisory Group (8 years)
- Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce (8 years)
- Orange County Visitors Bureau (6 years)
- Jordan Lake One Water (6 years, convener and founding member)

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that we honor and thank

Pam Hemminger

for her outstanding service to the people of Chapel Hill and her willingness to serve the community as an elected leader; and we further resolve that Chapel Hill is a better place because of Pam.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL ON THIS THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF DECEMBER IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY THREE.



