

**11-16-2022 Town Council Meeting**  
**Responses to Council Questions**

**ITEM #20: Close the Evidentiary Hearing and Consider an Application for Special Use Permit Modification - Chapel Hill North (Harris Teeter Fuel Center and Pharmacy Expansion), 1800 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.**

**Council Question:**

Who has regulatory over the gasoline tanks to ensure that that they do not create an environmental hazard? Are any regular inspections/tests required to ensure that there is no leakage?

**Staff Response:**

*A copy of the 1991 Special Use Permit (SUP) is included in your packet on page 757. It provides specific conditions (#21-#26) to ensure that the underground storage fuel tanks be double-walled, have automatic leak detectors, automatic alarm systems and monitoring, and meet safety ratings. It also includes requirements to ensure that an oil-sand separator be utilized to address surface runoff before it enters into the sanitary sewer system. The proposed gas station will need to meet all current local, state, and federal regulations for underground tanks and groundwater protection, in addition to the 1991 conditions. In particular, the State requires a DEQ permit for underground tanks and will impose additional restrictions to ensure safety that go beyond the conditions of the SUP.*