

04-26-2023 Town Council Meeting Responses to Council Questions

ITEM #12: Consider Moriah Ridge, LLC's Request for the Town of Chapel Hill to Collaborate with the City of Durham to Amend Existing Consent Judgment

Council Question:

Has any consideration been given to the remaining parcels in the so-called "cat's ear" in terms of how annexation of these properties might be handled?

Staff Response:

Prior to determining next steps for the remaining parcels, we believe working with the property owners in the area is necessary. Staff has not initiated conversations with property owners to understand their interests.

Council Question:

How much of the land in the "cat's ear" has been identified by the Eno-New Hope connectivity plan as being important for conservation? Can you provide a map showing where the highest-priority protected lands are, including on parcels owned by the Town? Is there any way that the Town can work to encourage that such areas be protected if they are annexed into Durham?

Staff Response:

Please see the image below. The Town can work to encourage Durham to protect the areas.

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Eno-New Hope Conservation Plan Habitat Features

