



# TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

## Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

### Meeting Minutes - Final

Town Hall  
405 Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Blvd.  
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Chair Heather Brutz  
Vice-Chair Nikki Abija  
Mary Breeden  
Brian Hageman  
Katie Huge

Rudy Juliano  
Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace  
Denise Matthews  
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**Tuesday, January 25, 2022**

**7:00 PM**

**Virtual Meeting**

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#### **Virtual Meeting Notification**

Board members will attend and participate in this meeting remotely, through internet access, and will not physically attend. The Town will not provide a physical location for viewing the meeting.

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#### **Opening**

#### **Roll Call**

John Rees (Planning Commission Liaison), Bergen Watterson (Town Staff), Josh Mayo (Town Staff), Derek Ross, Gregory Georges, Nancy Oates, Patrick Mortell, Geoff Green, Sue Hunter

**Present**      9 - Chair Heather Brutz, Brian Hageman, Vice-Chair Nikki Abija, Mary Breeden, Katie Huge, Rudy Juliano, Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace, Denise Matthews, and Alvaro Villagran

*Secretary reads procedures into the record*

#### **Approval of Agenda**

The board moved to address the Estes Drive agenda item prior to other items in new business.

#### **Announcements**

Mayo reported on the special joint advisory board meeting scheduled for February 17th for the Trinity Court and Jay Street Affordable Housing developments.

### **Petitions**

Gregory Georges brought the petition forward to the board, and noted his desire to build a trail connection between Kings Mill and Merritt's Pasture. Greg also noted his desire for a full discussion item in the future. The board and petitioner discussed the existing Morgan Creek greenway plans, different options, and potential cost. Kjemtrup-Lovelace, seconded by Juliano, moved to refer the petitioner to bring the petition to the Parks and Greenways Commission and return to TCAB in February.

**Aye:** 9 - Chair Heather Brutz, Brian Hageman, Vice-Chair Nikki Abija, Mary Breeden, Katie Huge, Rudy Juliano, Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace, Denise Matthews, and Alvaro Villagran

Kings Mill Petition

[\[22-0072\]](#)

**Attachments:** [Connectivity and Merritt's Pasture](#)

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Kjemtrup-Lovelace, seconded by Breeden, that the draft minutes be approved.

**Aye:** 8 - Chair Heather Brutz, Brian Hageman, Vice-Chair Nikki Abija, Mary Breeden, Rudy Juliano, Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace, Denise Matthews, and Alvaro Villagran

**Abstain:** 1 - Katie Huge

Draft December 15 Minutes

[\[22-0042\]](#)

**Attachments:** [TCAB - December 15 Action Minutes](#)

### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

Estes Drive Crashes

[\[22-0044\]](#)

Watterson presented on the two pedestrian crashes that have occurred in the past month on Estes Drive and the measures underway by the Town on Estes. Board members discussed the conditions of the crash and suggested measures to take. Members of the public spoke about flashing yellow turns, the potential for a roundabout, and the measures being put in place.

Kjemtrup-Lovelace, seconded by Matthews, moved that the Board invite

NCDOT officials to a board meeting to discuss concerns and questions from TCAB members on road safety and solutions with respect to the goals of Vision Zero, focusing on pedestrian safety in school zones, crosswalk signalization, and policy to prevent crashes with vulnerable road users.

**Aye:** 9 - Chair Heather Brutz, Brian Hageman, Vice-Chair Nikki Abija, Mary Breeden, Katie Huges, Rudy Juliano, Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace, Denise Matthews, and Alvaro Villagran

Parking Payment-in-Lieu Ordinance

[\[22-0046\]](#)

**Attachments:** [A RESOLUTION CALLING A LEGISLATIVE HEARING TO CONSIDER A LAND USE MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT TO SECTION 5.9](#)  
[Staff Memorandum \(1\)](#)  
[Ordinance A](#)  
[Ordinance B](#)  
[Resolution A, Resolution of Consistency](#)  
[Resolution B, Council Parking Expectation Policy](#)  
[Chapel Hill Parking Study 12.28.18 Draft](#)  
[Parking Payment in Lieu January 25 2022](#)

Mayo presented on the proposed Parking Payment-in-Lieu ordinance change. Board members discussed their views and concerns on the proposed ordinance.

After failing to recommend approval, the board compiled a list of reasons to transmit to the Planning Commission.

**Aye:** 1 - Rudy Juliano

**Nay:** 8 - Chair Heather Brutz, Brian Hageman, Vice-Chair Nikki Abija, Mary Breeden, Katie Huges, Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace, Denise Matthews, and Alvaro Villagran

Chapel Hill Transit Service Reductions

[\[22-0043\]](#)

**Attachments:** [Returning Trips on A and N Routes](#)

Mayo presented on the service reductions undertaken by Chapel Hill Transit in early January due to the Omicron surge. Members expressed frustration with service cuts that reduced accessibility to transit, hiring difficulties, and operator pay, and asked to discuss the topic with Chapel Hill Transit Director Brian Litchfield at a later meeting.

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## Reports - Board Reports & Staff Reports

Watterson reported on crashes during the month of December and ongoing projects. Mayo reported on the recommendations document and the special joint advisory board meeting scheduled for February 17th.

TCAB 2021 Recommendations

[\[22-0045\]](#)

**Attachments:**     [TCAB Outcomes](#)

### *Adjournment*

Next Meeting - February 22, 2022

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.

### *Order of Consideration of Agenda Items:*

- 1. Staff Presentation*
- 2. Applicant's Presentation*
- 3. Public Comment*
- 4. Board Discussion*
- 5. Motion*
- 6. Restatement of Motion by Chair*
- 7. Vote*
- 8. Announcement of Vote by Chair*

*Public Charge: The Advisory Body pledges its respect to the public. The Body asks the public to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous manner, both with the Body and with fellow members of the public. Should any member of the Body or any member of the public fail to observe this charge at any time, the Chair will ask the offending person to leave the meeting until that individual regains personal control. Should decorum fail to be restored, the Chair will recess the meeting until a genuine commitment to this public charge is observed.*

*Unless otherwise noted, please contact the Planning Department at 919-968-2728; [planning@townofchapelhill.org](mailto:planning@townofchapelhill.org) for more information on the above referenced applications.*

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