

Public Hearing for the Public Right-Of-Way Closure – WHITE OAK DR & COWAN BLVD

Date: March 12, 2025





Staff Recommendation

 That the Council open and close a Public Hearing to consider the closure of a portion of the public right-of-way known as White Oak Drive, and portions of undeveloped platted right-of-way known as Cowan Boulevard.

 Consider adopting the Resolution to close the requested right-of-way area.

Right-of-Way Closure Process

- Review Recorded Plat
- General Statute 160A-299
 - Council adopts a Resolution declaring its intent to close the right-of-way
 - Advertise Notice of Resolution prior to the hearing
 - Call a Public Hearing
 - 30-day appeal period
 - If Approved, any property owner claiming land are responsible for recording a certified copy of the Order, and any necessary plats, with the Register of Deeds

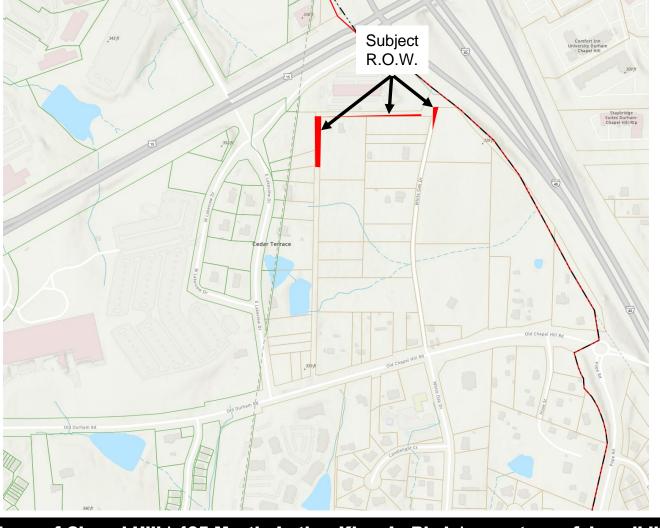
Where is this in the process?

Call for a Public Hearing January 15, 2025

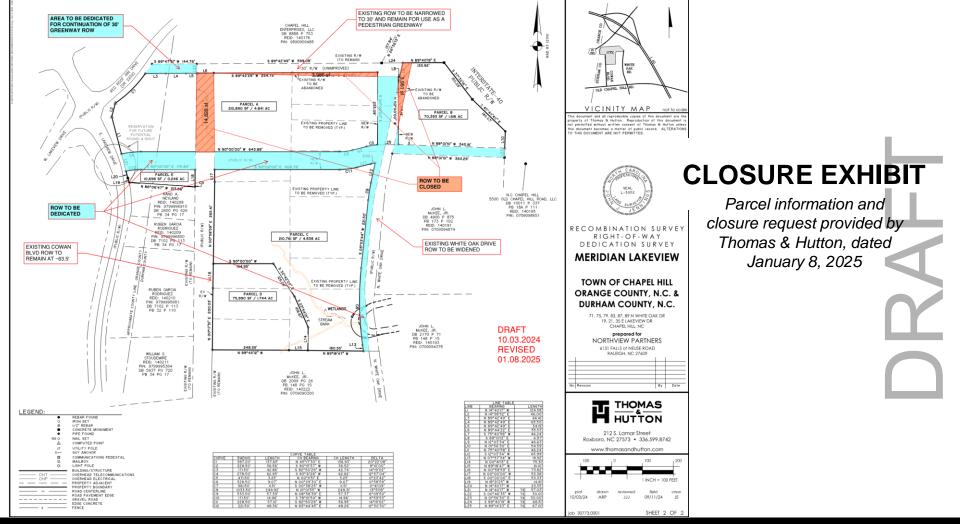


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Area Map



Key Considerations

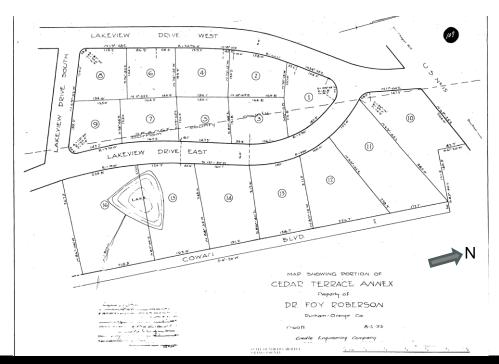
- Closure requested by developer for Meridian Lakeview Development
- Neither the Town nor OWASA have an apparent need for this rightof-way.
- 5 parcels border the portions of right-of-way requested for closure.
- Staff have notified adjacent owners and received no objections
- Closing the requested sections public right-of-way will not deny access to any properties.

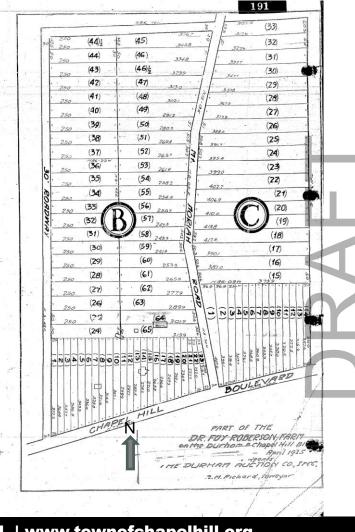


Recorded Plats

Right- Cowan Blvd (platted in April 1925 as "30' Roadway)" right-of-way and White Oak Drive (formerly "Mt Moriah Road") from Old Chapel Hill Road (formerly Chapel Hill Blvd) – Durham Co. Bk 5A, Pg 191

Bottom Left – Cowan Boulevard identified on Plat recorded in 1935 in Orange Co. Bk 5, Pg 107



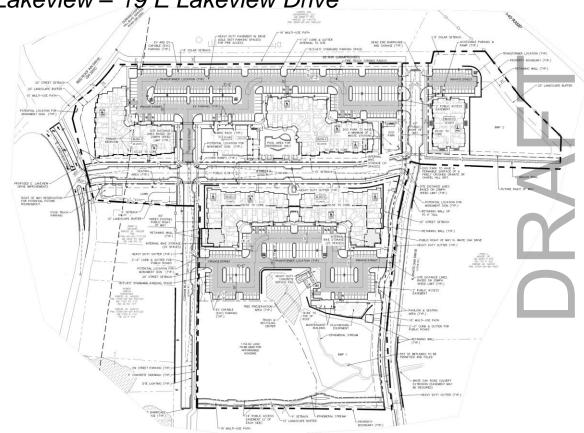


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Proposed Development

Meridian Lakeview – 19 E Lakeview Drive

- Multi-unit residential use (316 apartments)
- Interconnected streets and greenways
- Conditional Zoning approved by Council in November 2023 (CZD-23-6)



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- That the Council open and close a Public Hearing to consider closing a portion of the public right-of-way in White Oak Drive, and to close any interest in sections of land within Cowan Blvd.
- Consider adopting the Resolution to close the requested right-of-way area.