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From: Jeanette Coffin
Sent: Wednesday, September 09, 2020 3:10 PM
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Subject: RE: Support from the Chamber for the 125 and 135 E Rosemary Street Parking Garage Rezoning

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Again, thank you for your message.

Sincerely,

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Dear Chapel Hill Mayor and Town Council,

On behalf of the Chamber, our Government Affairs Committee, and our 700+ members that employ more than 95,000 workers throughout the region, we want to express our enthusiastic support of the vision for 137 E. Franklin and 136 E. Rosemary.

We encourage you to move forward this evening with a public hearing and approve the [125 and 135 East Rosemary Street Parking Garage rezoning](#) – an important part of the overall vision for downtown.

There are so many elements to this deal that make it an incredible opportunity for Chapel Hill, namely:

- First and foremost, we need more commercial space and employees in downtown, and this vision will help bring that to reality.
- This concept consolidates surface lots and delivers highest and best use of space, and is consistent with the comprehensive plan.
- The funds for the parking arrangement are from the town's enterprise fund, which is part of the infrastructure to spur economic growth. These funds are designed to deliver on exactly what it being presented and the market-based approach to these funds make it self-sustaining as the demand remains strong for the parking spaces despite the recession.
- The timing is ideal, as it makes sense to press forward with the project so that it is ready and activated as we come out of this recession. This is what we are seeing occur all across the country.
- Grubb Properties have shown again and again their commitment to our community and values, and they have proven to be a trusted and valued development partner. They deserve a fair and reasonable process without delay and with our utmost appreciation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kindly,

Katie



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To the Mayor and Council Members,

First of all, thank you all for your selfless service. No matter if I agree or disagree with you on any given issue, I am so very thankful for citizens like you who are willing to serve our community in what is surely a thankless job most of the time.

I am writing tonight to express my support for the Grubb Building/Parking Deck. For the almost 25 years I have operated Top of the Hill, I have been advocating for a project like this. There are so many positives to this project that I am not sure I can list them here. But here are a few:

- 1) Would help end the perception that there is no parking downtown.
- 2) Would make it easier for visitors to navigate the downtown parking issue and facilitate visitors to downtown from far away or just from in town.
- 3) Would help bring more WORKERS downtown which I have long believed was more important than residents. WORKERS spend more money as they buy coffee, lunch, and after work cocktails and dinner.
- 4) Would facilitate use of the deck all around the clock. The deck would be able to host workers during the day, and then be ready to accept dining and entertainment patrons at night.
- 5) Would be a higher and better use than just surface lots and an old parking deck which is inefficient and considered to be unsafe.
- 6) Would be coming online at the right time and facilitating a skill set (wet labs) that the University has pegged as being one of their most important needs since I was chair of the UNC board of visitors in 2004.
- 7) Would position downtown as a place to start a business leveraging off of the wetlands and office workers.

I could go on and on. Parking has been an issue for the 25 years I have been here. This project would do a lot to help address some of the structural challenges that have always existed. Please don't miss this chance to create a lasting positive impact on our downtown's well being.

Cheers!

Scott Maitland
Proprietor
Top of the Hill

Sent from my iPad