

## TRANSPORTATION AND CONNECTIVITY ADVISORY BOARD

*To assist the Chapel Hill Town Council in creating an inclusive connected community by recommending, advocating and planning for comprehensive, safe, effective and sustainable multi-modal transportation and connectivity*

### **Municipal Services Building Development Agreement Comments on the proposed standards and concept plan March 27, 2018**

- The Board wants to see this site maximize access to transit. The Hartig St. path connection will help people access the A route bus stop on Barclay. The connection will provide a direct bike route downhill to downtown Chapel Hill using the greenway systems and local roads without getting on Estes Dr.
- They're interested in making sure the site has good connectivity from Hartig path connection through the parking lot to the other buildings. This means providing safe places to walk and bike—installing sidewalks and crosswalks.
- The Hartig St. path connection needs to be ADA compliant, 10 feet, and paved.
- Board members like the idea that the cross section on Estes Drive Extension will match the design that will be constructed on Estes Drive (MLK –Caswell). They would like to see the traffic signal at MLK and Estes to give preemption to bicyclists and pedestrians.
- If traffic signals are not warranted on Estes Drive Extension, the Board recommends crosswalks using Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons or other safe pedestrian crossing treatments.
- The Board would like staff to take a look at bus pull off on Estes Drive Extension. There is a concern that if buses stop in the travel lane that cars will try to pass the bus using the center turn lane.
- The Board is interested in seeing good lighting along the sidewalk. Cars speed on Estes Drive and with the curvy road it currently hard to see people walking or biking in the dark.
- The Board would like to see electric vehicle charging spaces provided and conduit for future expansion.
- The Board would like staff to evaluate how the parking deck can be constructed to be reused for other purposes in the future as transportation technology changes.
- The Board recommends that the travel lanes on Estes Drive Extension do not exceed 11 ft wide.
- The Board would like to make sure Police and Fire weigh in on the site and circulation to make sure it meets the needs for emergency vehicles.