A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO APPLY FOR A DETERMINATION OF BROWNFIELDS ELIGIBILITY AND ADDITIONAL PROCESS STEPS REGARDING COAL ASH REMEDIATION AT THE POLICE STATION PROPERTY LOCATED AT 828 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR BLVD (2018-10-10/R-10)

WHEREAS, the Town acquired property at 828 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd in 1981 and built a police station; and

WHEREAS, coal ash material was placed on the property before the Town purchased it; and

WHEREAS, the Town conducted Phase 1 & 2 Environmental Site Assessments of the Police Station property in 2013 as part of an asset study; and

WHEREAS, the Town conducted Phase 1 & 2 Remedial Investigations from 2015-2017 to learn the full extent of the coal ash contamination on the property; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 the Town explored the Brownfields program option and held public information meetings with neighbors, advisory board members and residents to share about the conditions of the property, answer questions and get feedback on possible redevelopment scenarios; and

WHEREAS, in response to feedback from public information meetings, the Town asked its environmental engineering consultant to develop remedial cost options; and

WHEREAS, the staff and environmental consultant provided an update and decision points for the Council to consider at tonight's meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager to apply for a Brownfields eligibility determination (non-binding) through the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council asks the Town Manager to hold three additional public meetings, each dedicated to one of the following: a public information meeting about environmental conditions and remediation; a public information meeting about redevelopment scenarios; and a meeting of the Environmental Stewardship Advisory Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council asks the Town Manager to return to Council, once a Letter of Eligibility (LOE) has been issued by NC DEQ, to share updates about the public meetings and ask the Council to decide whether to proceed with negotiating a Brownfields agreement or to determine an alternate path.

This the 10th day of October, 2018.