Chapel Hill GoTriangle Cooperative Agreement

Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit Project

What does the Chapel Hill Cooperative Agreement do?

- 1. The Chapel Hill Cooperative Agreement describes how GoTriangle and Chapel Hill will work together to maintain a healthy partnership and resolve issues that may arise during the remainder of design and construction.
- 2. The Cooperative Agreement describes roles, responsibilities, and procedures that will be established to ensure that the Light Rail gets built on time and within the budget.
- 3. The Cooperative Agreement outlines how GoTriangle will continue its collaboration with Chapel Hill to minimize impacts to the Town and maximize benefits like bike and pedestrian connectivity.

Highlights of the Cooperative Agreement

- 4. GoTriangle and Chapel Hill will work together to cooperatively review and resolve matters related to engineering and design, construction, mitigation, bike and pedestrian improvements, operations, and maintenance.
- 5. The Town will review and approve construction of the Project through its Engineering Construction Permit process.
- 6. GoTriangle will work with the Town to avoid unreasonable disruption during construction.
- 7. GoTriangle will work with the Town to receive information about regulations, constraints, design standards, potential impacts, maintenance, operations, technical reports, and bike/pedestrian facilities.
- 8. To make sure Chapel Hill can complete a comprehensive review and GoTriangle can effectively address Town concerns, GoTriangle will meet with the Town at least once every three months, and all relevant Town departments will be represented in the meeting.
- 9. GoTriangle will submit 90% design plans to the Town for review, and we will help the Town complete the review by answering questions and responding to comments.
- 10. GoTriangle will be responsible for construction of all improvements needed for the Project, which includes things like sidewalks, multi-use paths, utilities, drainage, traffic signals, signs, traffic lanes, and street lights.
- 11. GoTriangle will not green-light construction in Chapel Hill until Chapel Hill issues its Engineering Construction Permit.
- 12. GoTriangle is responsible for obtaining all required federal, state, or local permits and approvals related to the Project.
- 13. Chapel Hill is not required to carry insurance to cover GoTriangle's work or property.
- 14. All of GoTriangle's contractors, consultants, and subcontractors will be required to carry commercial general liability insurance.
- 15. All of GoTriangle's contractors, consultants, and subcontractors will abide by all applicable laws, including labor wage laws, such as the Davis-Bacon Act.
- 16. GoTriangle will continue to work with the Town to gather input from community stakeholders on station design.

Project Timeline

- November 30, 2019 All federal funding must be committed, according to state law.
- September 2019 Anticipated federal grant agreement (FFGA) execution.
- April 30, 2019 All non-state, non-federal funding must be committed, according to state law.
- April 2019 Anticipated federal grant (FFGA) application
- **January 2019** Anticipated commitment of all remaining funding in the financial plan that does not come from the federal grant agreement.
- **January 2019** Anticipated execution of all remaining agreements required for the federal grant application.
- **December 3, 2018** City of Durham votes to execute needed agreements and annex/rezone Rail Operations and Maintenance Facility.
- November 28, 2018 Town of Chapel Hill votes to execute cooperative agreement.
- **Now November 2018** Public comment period for the supplemental environmental assessment.