



TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes - Final

Town Hall
405 Martin Luther King, Jr.
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Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Chair Heather Brutz
Vice-Chair Nikki Abija
Mary Breeden
Brian Hageman
Katie Huge

Rudy Juliano
Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace
Denise Matthews
Alvaro Villagran

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Virtual Meeting Notification

Board members will attend and participate in this meeting remotely, through internet access, and will not physically attend. The Town will not provide a physical location for viewing the meeting.

The public is invited to attend the Zoom webinar directly online or by phone.

Register for this webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PSO2t_FGQBaq0FCP4A2-VA.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar in listen-only mode. Phone: 301-715-8592, Meeting ID: 874 9389 9357

Opening

Roll Call

John Rees (Planning Commission Liaison), Brian Litchfield (Chapel Hill Transit), Bergen Watterson (Town Staff), Josh Mayo (Town Staff), Jordan Powell (Town Staff), Markeith Gentry (Town Staff)

Present 7 - Chair Heather Brutz, Brian Hageman, Vice-Chair Nikki Abija, Mary Breeden, Katie Huge, Denise Matthews, and Alvaro Villagran

Absent 2 - Rudy Juliano, and Susanne Kjemtrup-Lovelace

Secretary reads procedures into the record

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Matthews, seconded by Huge, that this be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Announcements

Petitions

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Breeden, seconded by Villagran, that this be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Heather Brutz, Brian Hageman, Vice-Chair Nikki Abija, Mary Breeden, Katie Huge, Denise Matthews, and Alvaro Villagran

1. TCAB - September 28, 2021 Draft Minutes [\[21-0804\]](#)

Attachments: [TCAB - September 28 Action Minutes](#)

Old Business

2. Chapel Hill Transit Service Changes and Engagement [\[21-0801\]](#)

Attachments: [Brian Litchfield Petition Response](#)
[211026_CHT_PartnersPacket](#)

Brian Litchfield, Director of Chapel Hill Transit, discussed the recent service cuts to bus service, communication efforts, and efforts to attract and retain operators. Board members asked about the approaches under consideration, the use of COVID relief funds, and opportunities for advocacy.

New Business

3. TCAB Meeting Dates for November and December [\[21-0800\]](#)

Mayo informed the board of the results of an availability poll for members, and suggested a change in meeting schedule for the November and December meetings. The Board agreed to meet on November 16th instead of November 23rd, and on December 14th instead of December 28th.

4. Vision Zero Formation and Action Items [\[21-0802\]](#)

Attachments: [2021.10.26 TCAB Slides](#)
[TCAB - Visioning Vision Zero](#)

Jordan Powell, Complete Streets Specialist with the Town of Chapel Hill, presented on the Town's Vision Zero planning, organizational structure, and ongoing efforts. Board members participated in an interactive exercise to provide feedback on the current state of road safety and the programs needed to reach zero deaths or serious injuries on Chapel Hill roads by 2031.

Members asked to discuss development review criteria at an upcoming meeting.

Reports

Staff reported on staff changes with the Town, outreach efforts aimed at the Northside neighborhood and school parents, and provided an update on the Estes Drive Connectivity Project.

Adjournment

Next Meeting - November 16th

The meeting ended at 9:15 PM.

Order of Consideration of Agenda Items:

- 1. Staff Presentation*
- 2. Applicant's Presentation*
- 3. Public Comment*
- 4. Board Discussion*
- 5. Motion*
- 6. Restatement of Motion by Chair*
- 7. Vote*
- 8. Announcement of Vote by Chair*

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Unless otherwise noted, please contact the Planning Department at 919-968-2728; planning@townofchapelhill.org for more information on the above referenced applications.

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