



# TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

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

## Legislation Text

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### Open a public hearing for building lease

**Staff:**

Chris Blue, Town Manager  
Mary Jane Nirdlinger, Deputy Town Manager  
Chief Celisa Lehw

**Department:**

Manager's Office  
  
Police Department

**Overview:** Tonight, we are asking the Council to open a public hearing to take public comment on a proposed Town lease of a new police headquarters. The address for the proposed new headquarters is 7300 Millhouse Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27516. The Town plans to lease no more than 60,000 square feet for approximately 15 years. The property will also house an emergency operations center and parts of the Town's IT department.

Relocating the police department to this site from the current headquarters at 828 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. provides appropriate space for the department and allows the Town to proceed with planning for remediation of the 828 Martin Luther King Jr. site.

State law requires that the Town's lease be approved by the North Carolina Local Government Commission (LGC), a division of the North Carolina State Treasurer's office. Under the LGC's guidelines, this governing body must make certain findings of fact to support the Town's application for the LGC's approval of the Town's arrangements.

At the conclusion of this hearing, Council will be asked to close the public hearing. At its next regular meeting on June 17, 2024, Council will be asked to consider approval of a resolution (1) making findings of fact in support of the application to the LGC for approval of the lease; and (2) authorizing the Town Manager to take necessary steps to execute the lease.

**Recommendation(s):**

That the Council open the public hearing and take public comment concerning a proposed Town lease of a new police headquarters.

**Fiscal Impact/Resources:** There are no fiscal impacts of this hearing. If the lease is approved, the approximate rent would be \$1,370,000 in year 1, and subject to escalators, management fees, and tenant assessments as customary for similar leases.

**Attachments:**

- Resolution

**A RESOLUTION OPENING THE PUBLIC HEARING AND TAKING PUBLIC COMMENT CONCERNING  
A PROPOSED TOWN LEASE OF A NEW POLICE HEADQUARTERS (2024-06-12/R-8)**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council opens the public hearing.

This the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

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**The Agenda will reflect the text below and/or the motion text will be used during the meeting.**

PRESENTER: Mary Jane Nirdlinger, Deputy Town Manager

RECOMMENDATION: That the Council open the public hearing and take public comment.