

**NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
ASHEBORO CITY COUNCIL**

**Friday, May 30, 2008
7:30 a.m.**

Notice of a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Asheboro, North Carolina is hereby given. This meeting will be held on Friday, the 30th day of May, 2008, at 7:30 a.m. in the Conference Room of the City of Asheboro Public Works Facility, 1312 North Fayetteville Street, Asheboro, North Carolina 27203.

This special meeting of the Asheboro City Council has been called for the purpose of allowing the mayor and members of the Asheboro City Council to participate in a planning session. During this planning session, the mayor and council members will discuss and possibly act on the following general topics:

1. A presentation and request on behalf of Dave's Mountain Swim and Racquet Club;
2. A resolution requesting annexation by local act of the North Carolina General Assembly of certain portions of the Tot Hill Farm community and the Cedar Creek Subdivision;
3. Transportation issues, including an amended memorandum of understanding pertaining to the Piedmont Triad Rural Transportation Planning Organization, the Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan, updates on the PART and RCATS systems, and an update on the I-73/74 Bypass;
4. Construction issues, including updates on the Sunset Theatre and Zoo City Park projects as well as a discussion with David Winslow about professional fundraising efforts; and
5. A roundtable discussion by the mayor and members of the city council.

All officers of the city and all other persons whomsoever are hereby given notice of the special meeting described above. This notice is issued on the 27th day of May, 2008, in accordance with the laws and ordinances of the State of North Carolina and the City of Asheboro.

s/ David H. Jarrell
David H. Jarrell, Mayor
City of Asheboro, North Carolina

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**SPECIAL MEETING
ASHEBORO CITY COUNCIL
FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2008
CITY OF ASHEBORO PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY CONFERENCE ROOM
7:30 a.m.**

This being the time and place for a special meeting of the City Council, a meeting was held in the City of Asheboro Public Works Facility Conference Room located at 1312 North Fayetteville Street in Asheboro with the following members and officials present:

- David H. Jarrell) – Mayor Presiding
- Talmadge S. Baker)
Edward J. Burks)
Linda H. Carter)
J. Keith Crisco) – Council Members Present
Walker B. Moffitt)
David H. Smith)
- Archie B. Priest, Sr.) – Council Member Absent

John N. Ogburn, III, City Manager
Dumont Bunker, P.E., City Engineer
Holly H. Doerr, City Clerk/Senior Legal Assistant
John L. Evans, Planner
R. Foster Hughes, Director of Parks and Recreation
Deborah P. Juberg, Finance Director
Jeffrey C. Sugg, City Attorney

Mayor Jarrell called the meeting to order for the transaction of business, and business was transacted as follows.

1. Presentation and request by Mike Savacky of Dave's Mountain Tennis and Swim Club.

Mr. Mike Savacky of the Dave's Mountain Tennis and Swim Club presented a request for the city's assistance in reducing the amount of the club's water bill. Over the past year, the club paid approximately \$20,000 for water usage, \$10,000 was originally budgeted for water.

When the ownership of the club changed, extensive repairs and renovations that added certain amenities, including but not limited to, volleyball, horseshoes, and an area for tennis spectators, were undertaken. The burden of paying for these renovations and trying to raise the club membership is overwhelming the club's ability to pay the outside water rate at 2 ½ times the inside water rate. Specifically, Mr. Savacky asked that the Council allow the club to pay the same rates as those provided to residents within the city limits.

Throughout discussion, Mr. Ogburn stated that city staff has already evaluated ways to help Mr. Savacky in efforts to reduce the club's water bill, and water leaks have been corrected in and around the swimming pool and the tennis courts. A high amount of water usage is necessitated by the maintenance requirements of the club's clay courts.

After council members expressed their concerns about maintaining a uniform rate structure, Mr. Ogburn stated that the club could be annexed by local act of the North Carolina General Assembly. Mr. Savacky requested that the Dave's Mountain Tennis and Swim Club be annexed by local act of the North Carolina General Assembly. Upon motion by Mr. Moffitt and seconded by Mr. Crisco, Council voted unanimously to include the Dave's Mountain Tennis and Swim Club in the resolution requesting legislative annexation of the Cedar Creek Subdivision.

2. Consideration of a resolution requesting Cedar Creek annexation.

Based upon research conducted by city staff members, Mr. Sugg prepared and recommended the adoption of a resolution requesting satellite annexation of the Cedar Creek Subdivision by local act of the North Carolina General Assembly. The prepared resolution was amended in accordance with the Council action in the above-referenced item to include the Dave's Mountain Tennis and Swim Club.

Upon motion by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Burks, Council voted unanimously to adopt a resolution requesting satellite annexation of certain areas by local act of the North Carolina General Assembly. The final draft of the adopted resolution provided as follows:

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RESOLUTION REQUESTING SATELLITE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN AREAS BY LOCAL ACT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

WHEREAS, upon receiving notification that a substantial majority of the Tot Hill Farm development's property owners wished to be annexed into the City of Asheboro by local act of the North Carolina General Assembly, the Asheboro City Council voted on January 22, 2008, to ask the local legislative delegation to introduce and support the requested satellite annexation of the Tot Hill Farm development into the City of Asheboro; and

WHEREAS, after examining the benefits and costs of the potential annexation of the Cedar Creek subdivision, including conducting an informal survey of the property owners in the area proposed for annexation, the Asheboro City Council has concluded that the goal of promoting the orderly and sustainable urban development of the Asheboro community would be advanced by annexing the Cedar Creek subdivision into the City of Asheboro; and

WHEREAS, a description of the area within the Cedar Creek subdivision that is proposed for annexation is attached to this resolution as EXHIBIT 1 and is incorporated into this resolution by reference as if copied fully herein; and

WHEREAS, the Asheboro City Council has received input from members of the community indicating that the Daves Mountain Tennis and Swim Club is a family oriented recreation facility that contributes to the community by hosting events such as the Habitat for Humanity Tennis Tournament; and

WHEREAS, an authorized official with the Daves Mountain Tennis and Swim Club has informed the city council that the facility's prospects for long-term viability would be enhanced if the facility were to be annexed into the City of Asheboro as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, after examining the benefits and costs of the potential annexation of this facility, the Asheboro City Council has concluded that the goal of promoting the orderly and sustainable urban development of the Asheboro community would be advanced by annexing the Daves Mountain Tennis and Swim Club into the City of Asheboro; and

WHEREAS, a description of the premises encompassed by this facility is attached to this resolution as EXHIBIT 2 and is incorporated into this resolution by reference as if copied fully herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Asheboro hereby respectfully requests that the local legislative delegation to the North Carolina General Assembly, in conjunction with the legislative action undertaken with regard to the Tot Hill Farm development, introduce and support a local act annexing into the City of Asheboro the Cedar Creek subdivision as described in EXHIBIT 1 and the Daves Mountain Tennis and Swim Club as described in EXHIBIT 2; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Asheboro respectfully requests that the above-requested satellite annexations have an effective date of June 30, 2008.

Adopted by the Asheboro City Council in special session on the 30th day of May, 2008.

s/ David H. Jarrell
David H. Jarrell, Mayor

ATTEST:

s/ Holly H. Doerr
Holly H. Doerr, City Clerk

EXHIBIT 1

(Cedar Creek Subdivision)

Back Creek Township, Randolph County, North Carolina:

BEGINNING on the southern margin of the right-of-way for Old Lexington Road (North Carolina Secondary Road 1004) at a computed point that is located North 53 degrees 53 minutes 37 seconds West 4,640.26 feet from a computed point on the existing primary corporate limits line of the City of Asheboro, this computed point on the primary corporate limits line is located by means of the North Carolina Coordinate System at the coordinates of North 717,671.57 feet and East 1,750,765.74 feet (NAD 83); thence from said beginning point along the eastern boundary line of the Stephen R. Knight property described in Deed Book 1334, Page 352, Randolph County Public Registry the following courses and distances: South 01 degree 59 minutes 54 seconds West 28.96 feet to a computed point; thence South 02 degrees 14 minutes 33 seconds West 234.73 feet to a computed point; thence South 02 degrees 28 minutes 56 seconds West 180.08 feet along the eastern boundary line of the Erwin B. and Lillian T. Gordon property described in Deed Book 1123, Page 407, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 02 degrees 19 minutes 13 seconds West 174.65 feet along the eastern boundary of the Archie L. and Dorothy H. Smith property described in Deed Book 1237, Page 1389, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 02 degrees 03 minutes 28 seconds West 173.70 feet along the eastern boundary of the Gene E. and Teresa A. Davis property described in Deed Book 1975, Page 1190, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 02 degrees 31 minutes 07 seconds West 176.06 feet along the eastern boundary of the Mark and Carol Jeffries property described in Deed Book 1521, Page 732, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 01 degree 55 minutes 56 seconds West 297.70 feet along the eastern boundary of the William McDuffy Johnson and Elizabeth S. Johnson property described in Deed Book 1442, Page 552, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 02 degrees 39 minutes 08 seconds West 277.47 feet along the eastern boundary of the R. Brooks Klostermye and Elizabeth V. Klostermye property described in Deed Book 1175, Page 492, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 00 degrees 43 minutes 44 seconds West 714.21 feet along the eastern boundary of the Joseph and Edna C. Hayes property described in Deed Book 1200, Page 315, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 01 degree 37 minutes 13 seconds West 225.35 feet along the eastern boundary of the Russell H. Williams, III property described in Deed Book 1169, Page 1539, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 01

degree 36 minutes 16 seconds West 169.94 feet along the eastern boundary of the Gregory Dale Cox and Nancy T. Cox property described in Deed Book 1206, Page 267, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 01 degree 38 minutes 51 seconds West 360.71 feet along the eastern boundary of the Douglas F. Foster, Jr. and Felecia P. Foster property described in Deed Book 1380, Page 1460, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence South 01 degree 41 minutes 24 seconds West 330.82 feet along the eastern boundary of the Scott A. and Mary A. Murkin property described in Deed Book 1421, Page 1629, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 85 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West 417.44 feet along the southern boundary of the Douglas F. Foster, Jr. and Felecia P. Foster property described in Deed Book 1380, Page 1452, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 85 degrees 34 minutes 12 seconds West 228.19 feet along the southern boundary of the Jeff and Shirley Smalling property described in Deed Book 1783, Page 1048, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 85 degrees 34 minutes 27 seconds West 246.23 feet along the southern boundary of the Mark Douglas Brown property described in Deed Book 1616, Page 200, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 85 degrees 33 minutes 17 seconds West 272.57 feet along the southern boundary of the Robert J. and Carol Lynn Mead property described in Deed Book 1302, Page 2269, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence along the Richard Alan Brooks and Sherry H. Brooks property described in Deed Book 1918, Page 87, Randolph County Public Registry the following courses and distances: North 86 degrees 00 minutes 44 seconds West 179.81 feet to a computed point; thence North 13 degrees 55 minutes 02 seconds East 126.28 feet to a computed point; thence North 13 degrees 44 minutes 17 seconds East 224.21 feet along the western boundary of the L. Clegg Pritchard and Myrtle Pritchard property described in Deed Book 1321, Page 1150, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 12 degrees 29 minutes 43 seconds East 194.73 feet along the western boundary of the Charles S. and Mary Alice Derrick property described in Deed Book 1121, Page 478, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 12 degrees 30 minutes 01 second East 227.52 feet along the western boundary of the Lucretia F. Smith property described in Deed Book 1308, Page 1234, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 38 degrees 11 minutes 47 seconds West 166.37 feet along the southwestern boundary of the Jerry Smith Daniel, Jr. property described in Deed Book 2056, Page 725, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 38 degrees 11 minutes 04 seconds West 209.28 feet along the southwestern boundary of the David Burton Leonard and Dianne J. Leonard property described in Deed Book 1135, Page 455, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence along the Aaron D. and Marjorie Murdock property described in Deed Book 1133, Page 157, Randolph County Public Registry the following courses and distances: North 38 degrees 12 minutes 57 seconds West 130.93 feet to a computed point; thence North 37 degrees 54 minutes 38 seconds West 24.41 feet to a computed point; thence North 22 degrees 46 minutes 20 seconds West 123.36 feet to a computed point; thence North 22 degrees 46 minutes 59 seconds West 257.59 feet along the western boundary of the Stewart D. and Sharon D. Glenn property described in Deed Book 1222, Page 1858, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 22 degrees 44 minutes 42 seconds West 290.33 feet along the western boundary of the James Curtis Williams and Vicki C. Williams property described in Deed Book 1484, Page 1241, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence along the James Curtis Williams and Vicki C. Williams property described in Deed Book 1785, Page 1162, Randolph County Public Registry the following courses and distances: North 22 degrees 46 minutes 35 seconds West 93.96 feet to a computed point; thence North 79 degrees 28 minutes 33 seconds East 75.11 feet to a computed point; thence North 79 degrees 28 minutes 11 seconds East 159.47 feet along the northern boundary of the Wayne E. Spivey and Jeannie G. Scott property described in Deed Book 1785, Page 1164, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 79 degrees 27 minutes 51 seconds East 277.54 feet along the northern boundary of the Wayne E. Spivey and Jeannie G. Scott property described in Deed Book 1653, Page 536, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence North 79 degrees 23 minutes 00 seconds East 77.34 feet along the northern boundary of the L. Clegg Pritchard and Myrtle Pritchard property described in Deed Book 1321, Page 1150, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence along the western and northern boundaries of the Albert Blasé property described in Deed Book 1450, Page 845, Randolph County Public Registry the following courses and distances: North 16 degrees 30 minutes 29 seconds West 204.56 feet to a computed point; thence North 23 degrees 14 minutes 37 seconds West 712.99 feet to a computed point; thence North 23 degrees 18 minutes 08 seconds West 95.75 feet to a computed point; thence North 80 degrees 30 minutes 26 seconds East 114.82 feet to a computed point; thence North 61 degrees 40 minutes 55 seconds East 126.09 feet to a computed point; thence North 24 degrees 24 minutes 39 seconds East 36.32 feet to a computed point; thence North 84 degrees 41 minutes 10 seconds East 151.27 feet to a computed point; thence North 37 degrees 03 minutes 39 seconds East 65.54 feet to a computed point; thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 33 seconds East 88.31 feet to a computed point; thence North 20 degrees 52 minutes 17 seconds West 84.56 feet to a computed point; thence North 12 degrees 18 minutes 11 seconds East 89.16 feet to a computed point; thence North 02 degrees 08 minutes 04 seconds West 83.93 feet to a computed point; thence North 76 degrees 13 minutes 54 seconds East 45.43 feet to a computed point; thence South 09 degrees 57 minutes 52 seconds West 77.29 feet to a computed point; thence South 11 degrees 21 minutes 03 seconds East 55.20 feet to a computed point; thence South 19 degrees 10 minutes 25 seconds East 148.09 feet to a computed point; thence South 19 degrees 11 minutes 28 seconds East 101.91 feet to a computed point; thence South 30 degrees 28 minutes 38 seconds East 64.32 feet to a computed point; thence South 30 degrees 23 minutes 57 seconds East 16.30 feet to a computed point; thence South 01 degree 23 minutes 41 seconds West 51.33 feet to a computed point; thence South 19 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds East 67.03 feet to a computed point; thence South 48 degrees 29 minutes 15 seconds East 52.92 feet to a computed point; thence South 27

degrees 30 minutes 19 seconds East 74.70 feet to a computed point; thence South 86 degrees 35 minutes 54 seconds East 44.07 feet to a computed point; thence North 36 degrees 45 minutes 20 seconds East 83.78 feet to a computed point; thence North 44 degrees 34 minutes 44 seconds East 132.33 feet to a computed point; thence North 43 degrees 22 minutes 52 seconds East 112.65 feet to a computed point; thence North 15 degrees 21 minutes 18 seconds East 100.07 feet to a computed point; thence North 57 degrees 04 minutes 10 seconds East 125.08 feet to a computed point; thence North 69 degrees 22 minutes 00 seconds East 59.59 feet to a computed point; thence North 54 degrees 30 minutes 29 seconds East 134.79 feet to a computed point; thence North 32 degrees 05 minutes 41 seconds East 127.04 feet to a computed point; thence North 74 degrees 43 minutes 45 seconds East 39.39 feet to a computed point on the southern margin of the right-of-way for Old Lexington Road; thence along the southern margin of the right-of-way for Old Lexington Road the following courses and distances: South 72 degrees 38 minutes 36 seconds East 57.23 feet to a computed point; thence South 65 degrees 38 minutes 04 seconds East 217.37 feet to a computed point; thence South 52 degrees 24 minutes 48 seconds East 119.88 feet to the point and place of the BEGINNING, and containing 106.87 acres of land, more or less, to be annexed.

This description is in accordance with an annexation map of the Cedar Creek Subdivision prepared for the City of Asheboro by the City of Asheboro Engineering Department. This annexation map, which is identified by the engineering department as Job # 08015, is dated May 12, 2008. The property lines drawn on this annexation map were taken from Randolph County Tax Maps as of February 7, 2008.

EXHIBIT 2

(Daves Mountain Tennis and Swim Club)

Back Creek Township, Randolph County, North Carolina:

BEGINNING on the northern margin of the 60-foot right-of-way for Berkley Lane (North Carolina Secondary Road 1876) at a computed point that is located North 84 degrees 41 minutes 24 seconds East 207.49 feet from the intersection of the centerline of Berkley Lane with the centerline of Northmont Drive (North Carolina Secondary Road 3196); thence from the said beginning point along the James F. and Susan E. Faile property described in Deed Book 1924, Page 1180, Randolph County Public Registry the following courses and distances: North 04 degrees 04 minutes 23 seconds East 263.05 feet to a computed point; thence North 19 degrees 33 minutes 48 seconds East 208.98 feet to a computed point; thence North 17 degrees 55 minutes 38 seconds West 293.58 feet to a computed point; thence along the Bryan P. and Jill R. Spivey property described in Deed Book 1723, Page 214, Randolph County Public Registry the following courses and distances: South 89 degrees 37 minutes 49 seconds East 500.71 feet to a computed point; thence South 19 degrees 44 minutes 12 seconds West 204.65 feet to a computed point; thence South 19 degrees 23 minutes 27 seconds West 364.08 feet along the Chris J. Lopienski property described in Deed Book 1462, Page 497, Randolph County Public Registry to a computed point; thence along the Nicole L. Connors property described in Deed Book 1822, Page 3595, Randolph County Public Registry the following courses and distances: South 17 degrees 57 minutes 07 seconds West 145.55 feet to a computed point; thence South 17 degrees 57 minutes 11 seconds West 106.28 feet to a computed point; thence along the northern margin of the right-of-way for Berkley Lane the following courses and distances: North 72 degrees 15 minutes 31 seconds West 66.66 feet to a computed point; thence North 78 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds West 79.26 feet to a computed point; thence North 87 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds West 90.25 feet to the point and place of the BEGINNING, and containing 5.8 acres of land, more or less, to be annexed.

This description is in accordance with a satellite annexation map of the property of the Daves Mountain Tennis and Swim Club of Asheboro, Inc. that was prepared by the City of Asheboro Engineering Department. This annexation map, which is identified by the engineering department as Job # 08017, is dated May 30, 2008. The property lines drawn on this annexation map were taken from Randolph County Tax Maps as of February 7, 2008.

3. Consideration of an amended Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperative, Comprehensive and Continuing Transportation Planning and the Establishment of the Piedmont Triad Rural Transportation Organization (RPO).

Ms. Hanna Cockburn, Senior Planner with the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments, presented and recommended adoption by reference of an amended Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperative, Comprehensive and Continuing Transportation Planning and the Establishment of the Piedmont Triad Rural Transportation Organization.

Upon motion by Mr. Moffitt and seconded by Mr. Crisco, Council voted unanimously to adopt the aforementioned memorandum of understanding.

[A hard copy of the above-referenced document is on file in the City Clerk's office.]

4. Transportation Issues:

(1) Consideration of Comprehensive Pedestrian Plan

Mr. John L. Evans, Planner, and Mr. Jesse Day of the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments presented the City of Asheboro Comprehensive Pedestrian Transportation Plan.

Upon motion by Ms. Carter and seconded by Mr. Burks, Council voted unanimously to approve the City of Asheboro Comprehensive Pedestrian Transportation Plan with the express incorporation of the proposed modification of the Asheboro-Zoo Greenway project to consist of a shorter project that takes account of negative landowner reaction to the initial 6-mile greenway proposal. The smaller project would connect Guy B. Teachey Elementary School to the New Zoo City Park.

[A copy of the approved plan is on file in the City Clerk's office.]

(2) Update on RCATS system.

Mr. Roger King, Transportation Director with the Randolph Coordinated Area Transportation Services (RCATS), updated the Council in regards to the system's efforts to provide transportation within the City of Asheboro. The two main roles of RCATS are to provide transportation for core agencies such as social services and mental health and to provide transportation for the entire county. RCATS receives funding from state, federal, and local monies.

Mr. King highlighted that there has recently been an increase in the number of people using the RCATS system. Over the past year RCATS provided over 70,000 trips in Randolph and Montgomery Counties. The RCATS system is available to anyone needing transportation to and from a facility, but elderly citizens are the main users of the system. With the significant increase in the usage of the system, Mr. King asked the Council to assess the need for a permanent RCATS route in Asheboro. Currently, RCATS takes advance reservations from citizens requesting transportation. With a permanent route in Asheboro, RCATS would be able to provide round-trip transportation to a variety of facilities, including but not limited to, medical facilities, retail shopping centers, and restaurants.

(3) Update on PART.

Mr. Brent McKinney, Executive Director for the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART), updated the Council on the PART's efforts in beginning express transportation services from Asheboro. PART has plans to build a park and ride lot in the vicinity of Balfour Avenue and North Fayetteville Street as well as in the vicinity of McDowell Road and the U.S. 220 Bypass in order to provide transportation for citizens going to Greensboro. With the park and ride lot, citizens would be able to travel to Greensboro via bus for approximately \$50.00 per month, saving money in terms of gas and vehicle maintenance. According to Mr. McKinney, PART is researching ways to provide bus routes that would serve Downtown Asheboro and surrounding areas.

The council members expressed their general support for the work of RCATS and PART. Both systems were urged by council members to continue their positive planning and coordinating efforts. When RCATS has a specific need for city assistance, the refined proposal will be brought to the Council for consideration.

Due to the fact that Mr. Crisco was present for the determination of quorum and had to leave the meeting due to a prior commitment, a motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Ms. Carter, to excuse Mr. Crisco from any discussion and action regarding the remaining items on the agenda. Mr. Baker, Mr. Burks, Ms. Carter, Mr. Moffitt, and Mr. Smith unanimously adopted the motion.

(4) Update on I73/74 and U.S. Highway 64 Bypass.

Ms. Hanna Cockburn of the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments updated the Council on certain transportation projects. A draft feasibility study for the I-73 Connector is almost complete and will have an impact on the final design of the U.S. 220/NC 68 interchange with the Greensboro Urban Loop. Completion of the draft feasibility study will allow the final segments of R-2413 to be programmed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Construction of the U.S. Highway 311 project is progressing. R-609, the segment currently under construction is nearly 32% complete. The remaining segment (R-2606 B) will be awarded to a

design-build contractor in September, with construction to begin in July 2009 and completed in 2012.

South Carolina received a Record of Decision in February 2008 on the segment of I-73 from I-95 to Myrtle Beach, with right-of-way acquisition scheduled during the remainder of 2008.

The U.S. Highway 64 improvements are moving along at a slow pace. A design public hearing was held at the North Carolina Zoo in March 2008. The new roadway will be a four-lane facility with a grass median and paved shoulders.

Additionally, Ms. Cockburn highlighted that the North Carolina Department of Transportation is considering a shorter initial Asheboro-Zoo greenway project that would connect Guy B. Teachey Elementary School to the new Zoo City Park. A map of this proposal is being drafted and a series of small group meetings with property owners in the corridor are planned for this summer.

In regards to the widening of U.S. Highway 220 Business, TIP project (R03600), a public meeting will be held this summer in order to present the revised project design. Right-of-way acquisition is scheduled for 2009, with construction planned to begin in 2011.

5. Construction Issues.

(1) Zoo City Park.

Mr. R. Foster Hughes, Director of Parks and Recreation, highlighted that on March 11, 2008 the Kiwanis Club gave \$100,000.00 to the City of Asheboro for the construction of a playground at Zoo City Park.

Additionally, Mr. Hughes presented an overview of the plans for the proposed Zoo City Park. Certain amenities of the park include, but are not limited to, a playground, a dog park, a multi-purpose building, an amphitheater, walking trails, two (2) full size soccer fields, volleyball courts, bocce courts, and shuffle board. Mr. Hughes further explained that the dog park, shuffleboard, bocce courts, volleyball courts, the playground, and the approximately two (2) mile walking trail would be completed prior to the completion of the soccer fields. Mr. Hughes presented examples of certain playground equipment as possibilities for the actual playground to be constructed at the park.

Furthermore, Mr. Hughes presented an updated floor plan of the multi-purpose building. This updated version was based on the Council's discussion at a previously held planning retreat. Additionally, Mr. Hughes presented plans for the amphitheater. A small dressing room and restrooms would be located at the back of the theater. The estimated cost for the construction of the amphitheater is approximately \$40,000.00.

Mr. Hughes expressed that ground breaking for the Zoo City Park is planned sometime after Labor Day.

(2) Sunset Theater Plans.

Mr. Hughes updated the Council on the most recent upgrades of the Sunset Theater. City staff has painted the entire interior of the theater, while new carpet and new curtains have been installed. Additionally, city staff has repaired the seats.

Furthermore, Mr. Hughes presented several proposals regarding the extensive renovation of the theater as submitted by the architect, Mr. Steve Cofer. With these floor plans, Mr. Cofer gave four (4) options, "Study #1," "Study #1A," "Study #2," and "Study #3," for the interior renovation in which the Council could choose the type of walls, flooring, and lighting, as well as the layout for the area designated for concessions. Additionally, Mr. Cofer offered a sample photograph of the outside entrance to the theater, which depicted a new marquee, an electronic ticket booth, new glass windows, and the new entrance located at the front of the second building of the theater. Additionally, Mr. Cofer proposed that a ticket booth be located at the new entrance. Mr. Cofer's designs also depicted a lobby, a coat check area, and handicap accessible restrooms on the first floor in addition to the existing restrooms on the second floor of the theater.

Throughout substantive discussion, Council members preferred the archway design for the walls as noted in "Study #2" along with the eyebrow-shaped walls separating the first-floor restrooms, and the layout of the concessions area as noted in "Study 1A." It was the general consensus of the Council that Mr. Hughes submits these preferences to Mr. Cofer. An updated plan, depicting the expressed preferences, will be presented to the Council at a later date for final approval. (Copies of the above-referenced proposals are on file in the City Clerk's office.)

In addition to the proposals by Mr. Cofer, Mr. Hughes presented a design, including an on-site demonstration of the proposed message board, for the new marquee. This design is proposed by Atlantic Sign Media, a company located in Burlington, North Carolina. Upon motion by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Baker, Council voted unanimously to approve the marquee design offered by Atlantic Sign Media. (A copy of the approved design is on file in the City Clerk's office.)

Upon motion by Ms. Carter and seconded by Mr. Burks, Council voted unanimously to direct city staff to do all of the preparation work necessary to install the marquee, specifically including replacing the windows. Staff is to report back to Council for direction on the remainder of the façade work.

(3) Professional Fundraising efforts – David Winslow.

Mr. David Winslow of The Winslow Group, Inc. informed the Council that his firm would need to complete a feasibility study in order to have an idea of how much money would need to be raised for the renovation of the theater. The cost of the study would be approximately \$18,000.00. Once the feasibility study is complete, Mr. Winslow will meet with Mr. Ogburn and Mr. Hughes in order to draft a plan for Council's consideration at a later date. A formal proposal for this feasibility study will be submitted to the City Manager for review.

6. Council roundtable discussion.

- a) Mayor Jarrell suggested that the city plant 100 street trees per year through the year 2020 in furtherance of the city's strategic plan. Specifically, Mayor Jarrell suggested that trees be planted along Fayetteville Street, Sunset Avenue, and Sunset Avenue Extension. Upon motion by Ms. Carter and seconded by Mr. Burks, Council voted unanimously to plant a minimum of 100 trees per year through the year 2020 beginning this year, 2008.
- b) Ms. Carter posed general questions in regards to possible the improvement of the city's website. Ms. Carter felt that the website should market Asheboro and be more user-friendly. The City Manager agreed that staff would investigate making improvements.
- c) Mr. Burks expressed concerns for the significant increase in pedestrian traffic along Old Liberty Road and suggested that sidewalks be installed along said roadway. Mr. Ogburn stated that city staff would research the issue and follow up with the Council at a later date.
- d) Mr. Moffitt presented written comments that reflect his analysis of the pros and cons of a low-pressure sewer system that might be used as part of the annexation process for Daves Mountain. A copy of this submittal is on file in the City Clerk's office. No formal action was taken by the Council on this issue.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

s/ Holly H. Doerr
Holly H. Doerr, City Clerk

s/ David H. Jarrell
David H. Jarrell, Mayor