

Aldermen approve land-use regulations

The board passed changes in storm drainage and sidewalk modification.

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Loose ends were tied up Tuesday evening as the Carrboro Board of Aldermen passed two resolutions it has been working on for years.

The board unanimously adopted an ordinance which amended the current Land Use Ordinance standards to include the Carrboro Storm Drainage Design Manual.

The manual, prepared by Town Attorney Mike Brough in consultation with Town Engineer Henry Wells, contains stormwater drainage standards and policies not found in the current ordinance.

Carrboro Mayor Mike Nelson said the revised ordinance would be very helpful in the future. "This change in our policy will provide developers with specific guidelines for how we want drainage in the town to be handled," he said.

The board also approved another ordinance to modify design requirements for streets and sidewalks.

The amendment deals with such issues as the placement of trees along sidewalks and the elimination of the bike lane requirement. However, the work could result in heavy construction on sidewalks frequented by pedestrians.

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Nelson said some of the changes might cause some difficulty with pedestrians. "Members of the Transportation Advisory Board have expressed concern about the dangers with sidewalks being torn up for months and months," he said.

A resolution introduced Tuesday night by Alderman Alex Zaffron also went unchallenged. The resolution endorsed a set of recommendations set by the Transit 2001 Commission.

The resolution calls for all transportation plans to be included in the state's geographic information system and for the state to provide incentives to encourage transit and pedestrian-oriented development.

Zaffron said he believed the passing of the resolution will send a message to other towns across the state. "We want transportation matters to be put on equal footing with highway construction," he said.

Taking a break from the work at hand, the aldermen also heard a presentation by local architect Jack Haggerty, who gave an overview of the techniques and skills needed to interpret architectural and engineering drawings.

Haggerty encouraged the aldermen to devote some of their efforts toward town development, especially in downtown areas. "There are areas in Carrboro that are underutilized, and it is important that they be filled."



Carrboro Mayor MIKE NELSON said stormwater drainage revisions would be helpful.

Local agencies assist needy during holidays

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The holiday season is a time when many organizations help the needy, and this Thanksgiving is no exception.

Inter-Faith Council for Social Service will be serving a Thanksgiving dinner for those in need. The United Church of Chapel Hill will be providing the meal.

"They do it totally on their own," said Leila Dillon, finance director for the IFC. "They have done that for many years."

Richard Edens, a pastor at the church, said they always served a meal to the homeless on the fourth Thursday of every month, and Thanksgiving happens to be one of those days. However, on

Thanksgiving they try to make the meal more special.

"We have traditionally done a Thanksgiving meal for a number of years," Edens said.

Sheila West, a volunteer from the church who will spend her Thanksgiving cooking and serving food at the shelter, said the church would feed about 100 people.

West said she was looking forward to helping out.

"I think it's terrific," West said. "It's a very rewarding thing to do."

The Freedom House Recovery Center, a women's halfway house and a detox facility, will have special Thanksgiving happenings, Executive Director Trish

Hussey said.

Hussey said residents and volunteers would cook and eat Thanksgiving dinner together. The holidays are hard times for people to be without their relatives, she said.

"We try to create family for them," Hussey said. "I think it's really important that (the residents) don't have that feeling of separation and aloneness."

The Salvation Army of Durham, Orange and Person counties also has special Thanksgiving plans.

Sandy Porter, director of financial development, said the group would pack a complete Thanksgiving meal for the blind and elderly and would distribute the meals two days before the holiday.

Porter said 111 people were scheduled to receive a meal and the number would increase.

"These people can't afford to provide a meal like that (by themselves)," she said.

Many other organizations are helping the needy, so they are focusing on the blind and elderly, Porter said.

"Sometimes this is a forgotten population," she said. "If we weren't helping them, they wouldn't be having a Thanksgiving meal."

Salvation Army Volunteer Jennifer Liu will help pack the meals.

Liu said she was excited about the opportunity to help. "It's the season to help others."

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might be more challenging, such as making structural changes to buildings and even altering the University's mindset.

"We need to emphasize breaking down the distance that separates life inside the class from outside the class," said Lloyd Kramer, the subcommittee's chairman.

"The faculty have to send a message that it's important to them. This is a process that means changing the culture of professors as well as students."

Committee members have discussed

incorporating outside intellectual activities into coursework for credit, developing department associations for faculty and students and creating a fund for department luncheons.

To encourage more involvement in "free-time" activities, the committee would like to initiate programs in residence halls and award faculty involvement in extracurricular activities.

"We don't want to undercut the recognition of research or other things that faculty are doing, but there is nothing wrong for recognizing active involvement in student activities," Kramer said.

HOOKER

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Hooker also said the ideas generated by students from other areas of the country would benefit in-state students.

"It gives the students a cross pollination of ideas," Hooker said.

But Hooker did say in-state students have a prior claim to slots over out-of-state students.

In making this change, Hooker told the club he expected a tough fight in the General Assembly, Hathaway said.

"He said it was going to be tough with all of the North Carolina residents clamoring for their children to go to UNC,"

Hathaway said.

Hathaway said another one of Hooker's comments concerned an increase in the responsibility of the rest of the UNC system in educating the North Carolina populace, decreasing the burden that falls on UNC's shoulders.

"(Hooker) said out-of-state students are better for the University because they pay higher tuition," Hathaway said.

Chair of the Los Angeles Carolina Club Suzanne Wertz said some of the alumni in attendance agreed with Hooker's ideas about bringing more out-of-state students into UNC because it would increase diversity.

Wertz said Hooker used the example

of the University of Virginia's high ranking in U.S. News and World Report magazine's list of the best colleges in America to prove his point about the value of bringing in more out-of-state students. "Hooker said that one of the reasons that (UNC) was ranked so high was that it admitted more out-of-state students," Wertz said.

Hooker said UNC was below average in the number of out-of-state students enrolled at the University.

But Hooker also said UNC could justify a higher number of out-of-state students because the state of Virginia supports that university a lot less than the state of North Carolina supports UNC.

edge and attractive," said George Baldwin, chairman of the Honors Program Student Advisory Board. "We want the Great Lounge to be open, not schedulable, to facilitate interaction."

The center, which some say will improve the intellectual climate, will be a model for future building renovations, Kramer said.

"The lounge alone will be a valuable new resource that we haven't had before," Kramer said. "It's ideal for the kind of discussion we're talking about. Maybe we need to think of other buildings that could do the same things."

Campus Calendar

Wednesday

noon - The Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center will sponsor "Around the Circle" with Charles McKinney.

4 p.m. - The UNC Undergraduate Sociology Club will hold an organizational meeting for the upcoming semester in Union 206.

4 p.m. - The UNC Classics Club will sponsor a lecture in 100 Murphey Hall.

7 p.m. - The Human Relations Committee will sponsor a Rooftop Education Day in the Pit.

7 p.m. - Habitat for Humanity will have a Honduras-style dinner Union 211-212.

7 p.m. to 8 p.m. - The UNC Japan Club will have a Temaki-Sushi Festival at the conversation table in 210 Dey Hall. Bring \$3.

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