

Sierra Club Broaches Its Concerns With Master Plan

The Town Council hopes to use the Sierra Club's environmental and community principles while negotiating with the University.

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The Orange-Chatham Group of the Sierra Club publicly raised environmental concerns about the University's growth to the Chapel Hill Town Council, hoping to influence the planning process for UNC's Master Plan.

Sierra Club members said they would like their 13 environmental and community principles to be incorporated into the Master Plan, a blueprint for campus growth over the next 50 years.

Included in the club's 13 requests is that the

University provide transportation choices to reduce dependence on the automobile and protect air quality.

Also included is a request that UNC take a holistic approach to development and building so they can best gauge any impact the plan might have and protect the human community and natural ecology.

"Our goal is for these principles to be part of the planning process for the University," Sierra Club member Dan Coleman said.

"Everyone talks about smart growth ... but to paraphrase T.S. Eliot, between the principle and the implementation falls the shadow. Development of this scale is going to have a dramatic effect."

He also said the Sierra Club would like to see these 13 principles in "the forefront of the decision-making process."

Additionally, the Sierra Club hopes to present this plan to the University, but the date of

the presentation has not been set. The UNC Board of Trustees is expected to make a final decision about the plan in the next few months.

Town Council members said they were thankful to have such involved residents.

"I think that the Sierra Club has a long history of giving well thought-out feedback to the town," said Council member Bill Strom.

"They took a real broad and comprehensive approach to advise the town on their perspective on what they believe is truly sustainable, and it is great advice."

The Town Council passed a resolution to have the town staff review the document to determine how best to use these principles in the town's negotiations with the University.

"The staff report ought to be fairly pointed and advisory rather than extensively researched," said Chapel Hill Mayor Rosemary Waldorf.

Town Council members said they believe the Sierra Club's document could prove useful to them in their negotiations with the University over the Master Plan.

But Town Council member Kevin Foy said the town staff will need more information.

"I think that the staff is going to need the same thing we say we always need which is more details from the University," he said.

Strom said the town has had a lot of experience dealing with smart growth and, unlike the University, has to focus on all of Chapel Hill.

"The University is focused exclusively on the campus, and from what I have seen they have done a very comprehensive job at looking at the University's needs on campus. The Council is responsible for the entire town."

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Environmental Concerns

The Sierra Club hopes to influence the planning process of UNC's Master Plan for both the main campus and the Horace Williams site.

- Provide transportation choices in order to reduce dependence on the automobile and protect air quality
- Involve citizens
- Promote regional cooperation
- Protect streams and water quality
- Invest in our urban areas
- Protect our pocketbook
- Promote and build walkable, affordable communities
- Take a holistic approach
- Save energy
- Adopt green building principles
- Minimize waste
- Include nature
- Be your own laboratory

SOURCE: SIERRA CLUB PRINCIPLES

Congress Expands Rich Pardon

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Republicans in Congress continued their inquiry into former President Clinton's 11th-hour pardon of fugitive financier Marc Rich, even as President Bush suggested Tuesday "it's time to move on."

The House Government Reform Committee asked the Secret Service for logs that would indicate how often Rich's supporters visited the White House. The panel also issued its first subpoenas, including ones to Clinton's presidential library and for bank records of Rich's ex-wife Denise.

Denise Rich contributed an estimated \$450,000 to the library, more than \$1.1 million to the Democratic Party and at least \$109,000 to Hillary Rodham Clinton's Senate campaign.

A Senate Judiciary Committee, meanwhile, planned to hold its first hearing today on Clinton's pardon. A senior member of the panel, Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., has suggested the pardons might warrant a new impeachment effort against the former president or amending the Constitution to weaken the presidency's pardon authority.

Specter said Justice Department pardon guidelines were ignored in the case and questioned whether all of the doc-

uments that supplemented the pardon were signed before Clinton's term ended at noon Jan. 20.

Bush, the new president, indicated Tuesday that he has little enthusiasm for the investigations.

"I think it's time to move on," he told reporters aboard Air Force One while flying back from military exercises off the coast of Virginia. But he added that "Congress is going to do what it's going to do."

Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle echoed Bush's first thought: "I think the time has come for us to move on."

But Senate GOP Whip Don Nickles, R-Okla., said, "With Mr. Rich I think the public is entitled to know what happened."

The phrase — "It's time to move on" — is Bush's stock phrase for when he wants to avoid wading into controversies involving Clinton. Senior White House advisers, speaking on condition of anonymity, said not too much should be made of Bush's remark.

Bush made his comments after Attorney General John Ashcroft said Monday he would be open to a proposal to grant Denise Rich immunity in order to prod her to testify in the House investigation.

Marc Rich has lived in Switzerland

since just before he was indicted in New York on federal charges in 1983. When pardoned by Clinton, he was wanted by the Justice Department on charges of tax evasion, fraud and participation in illegal oil deals with Iran.

Denise Rich has refused to answer questions from the House committee about her donations. Republicans have said she gave at least \$450,000 to the Clinton Presidential Library Fund and more than \$1 million to the Democratic Party and Hillary Rodham Clinton's campaign.

The House panel sent a letter to the Secret Service asking for the Clinton White House entry logs for Denise Rich and her family going back to 1993 and for Marc Rich's lawyer, former White House counsel Jack Quinn, since January 1999.

The committee also asked for the same records from the National Archives and Records Administration, where many of the White House records were sent after Clinton left office. The archives also was asked for any e-mail communication or telephone records mentioning Marc or Denise Rich from Clinton, former adviser Bruce Lindsey, former White House chief of staff John Podesta and former White House counsel Beth Nolan.

Civilians at Controls Of U.S. Sub That Sank Japanese Fishing Boat

The Associated Press

HONOLULU — Two civilian guests were seated at controls of the USS Greenville when the submarine surfaced and sank a Japanese fishing vessel off the Hawaiian coast, a Navy spokesman said Tuesday.

"There were two civilians at two separate watch stations under the very close supervision of a qualified watchstander," said Lt. Cmdr. Conrad Chun, a Pacific Fleet spokesman.

He declined to identify which stations were involved, but said they could include the helm, sonar or the ballast control. The Navy refused to identify who was aboard, but Chun said the 16 civilians included local business leaders.

A defense official in Washington said one of the civilians was at the helm. However, there is no indication the civilian played any role in Friday's collision, said the official, who is familiar with the investigation and spoke only on condition of anonymity.

A Pentagon spokesman, Rear Adm. Craig Quigley, said no information about the circumstances at the time of the accident would be released until the

Navy has completed its investigation.

The Pentagon said it has not given up searching for nine people missing from the Japanese vessel, a 190-foot ship owned by Uwajima Fisheries High School in southwestern Japan. Twenty-six people were rescued at sea an hour after the Ehime Maru was rammed by the 360-foot submarine and sank in 1,800 feet of water.

The Greenville was conducting a drill in which the submarine dives to about 400 feet and then makes a rapid ascent — known as an "emergency main ballast blow."

The sub commander usually ensures that nothing is in the way before rocketing to the surface, but the Greenville somehow failed to detect the presence of the fishing vessel.

The Navy takes civilians aboard its ships and submarines as a means of promoting its service, educating civilians about the Navy and to accommodate journalists' requests.

Chun said it was routine for civilians to be allowed at the controls under close supervision. "The guy's right over their shoulder," he said.

He would not say whether such situ-

ations are normal when a submarine is conducting an emergency drill. Another Navy spokesman, Cmdr. Greg Smith, said any civilian at a control position would have a qualified helmsman beside him in case something went wrong.

The National Transportation Safety Board also is investigating.

NTSB member John Hammerschmidt, who is leading the investigation here, said he only learned civilians were involved from news reports after investigators toured the sub Tuesday.

The news angered one of the crewmen of the sunken vessel.

"A civilian wouldn't know what to do (at the controls)," said Ryoichi Miya, first mate of the Ehime Maru. "I don't know if the emergency surfacing was a drill or what, but it's absolutely unforgivable if a civilian was operating it," he said, his voice rising in anger.

Japan has asked the United States to salvage the sunken boat. The U.S. Navy has sent a submersible underwater device equipped with sonar and video cameras to investigate the wreck and see if that was possible.

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"Being student body president is not the only way to get things done — it's the best way," Baker said.

"I'm still going to challenge the new student body president and make sure he's the best for this University," she said before the results were announced.

But Correy Campbell was far more relaxed before the results and was focused on eating nachos at Top of the Hill after the announcement.

"I got my voice heard, and that's

what's important. The power does not lie with the student body president; it lies with the people," Campbell said.

Warren Watts said he was relieved after the announcement.

Write-in candidates Charlie Trakas and Matthew Wilhite did not attend.

Several candidates said they were looking forward to a break from campaigning. "I'm getting trashed. Win or lose, either way, that was my plan," candidate Caleb Ritter said.

And even before the final tallies were announced, the crowd cheered as two-sport star Julius Peppers received 214 votes as a write-in candidate.

As the excitement died down after the finalists were named, Johnson quickly mobilized his volunteers to plan another week of campaigning.

"We're definitely really excited, but we still have a lot of work to do," Johnson said.

"We're really going to get out there and bust our butts next week."

But at least for one night, Johnson said he would celebrate the occasion. "I'm taking the night off and probably going uptown."

Young said he will continue to run a fun campaign that will convey his commitment, experience and passion for making UNC a better place — and he encourages other students to reach out and make a difference.

He said he is proud to be in the runoff with Johnson. "Congratulations to Eric," he said. "I'm honored to be in his company, and I just hope we continue to have fun with this because either way, we're both going to have a great impact on Carolina."

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Songer's platform proposed eliminating the 169 seats in the Carolina Fever block in the Smith Center, while Chaney's platform supported maintaining the block. And Songer said the strife within the CAA will affect the organization next year, regardless of the runoff's outcome. "It's really unfortunate that the top officials in the CAA have taken sides."

Songer said he plans to continue his campaign, meeting with the Educational Foundation on Wednesday morning about more risers in the Smith Center and getting out his plan for ticket distribution. "We're going to step up our efforts, talk to as many people as possible and stay positive," he said.

Chaney said he also plans to continue his campaign push in the week to come. "We'd like to have it over tonight, but I think we're in a good position to come out on top."

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ment as it now stands is behind it. But I'm willing to work with groups like Think Transit to come up with other solutions as well. I definitely think there's a very, very good chance that it will become a reality."

Candidate Eric Johnson said, "I'm glad because hopefully we can make this a positive step for transit. But fare-free transit won't help unless we can improve transit and get extended hours."

Regarding the referendum's chances of success, he said, "It's hard to say. There's support for it in the local governing structures, but I think it's more complex than we realized."

Campus Calendar

Wednesday

noon — The Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center presents **Around the Circle: "Relationships."** What makes a relationship? How important are relationships to you? Are relationships difficult to maintain on this campus?

Professor Valerie Kaalund will facilitate this **Valentine's Day discussion**. 6 p.m. — The Wesley Foundation will meet for dinner (prepared by the men), followed by a **Carolina V-day Initiative program on "Ending Violence Against Women."** Dress for the occasion should be semi-formal.

Thursday

11 a.m. — Give blood now! **Alpha Phi Omega** will sponsor a **blood drive** in the Great Hall of the Student Union until 4 p.m.

noon — The BCC will sponsor the **Black Film Series: "Black Orpheus."** This film puts a new face on Samba! This all-black cast uses **Carnival** in

The resolution putting the busing referendum on the ballot was unanimously passed by Student Congress in its first meeting this year.

Junior Jennie Cox was one of many attracted by the plan's financial benefits.

"If it's free, it sounds good to me," she said.

"I don't need to use it, but it's nice to know that it would be available."

Sophomore Julie Wesner hopes that the proposal could alleviate recent overcrowding problems spawned by South Campus construction.

"It sucks that all the South Campus people get on first, so the bus gets filled and passes me by," she said.

"I think it sounds great."

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Brazil as the backdrop

8 p.m. — Eve Ensler's Obie Award-winning **"The Vagina Monologues"** will take place in Playmakers Theatre. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$7 for nonstudents. Tickets are available between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Pit.

For the Record

Ashley Stephenson's column on Feb. 12 titled "Stop Denying Honor Court's Shortcomings," incorrectly stated that the Honor Court chairman reports to Student Attorney General Taylor Lea.

The Honor Court chairwoman is Helen Holmberg, who does not report to Lea.

The Daily Tar Heel regrets the error.

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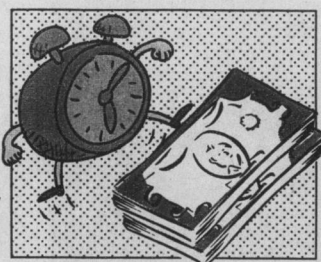
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