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Sarah Burke addresses the land-use management ordinance Monday night at the Chapel Hill Town Council meeting.

Opinions on Occupancy Limits Vary

Town officials could loosen restrictions

By LAURA HINSON
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Residents' and town officials' opinions are up in the air regarding occupancy issues addressed in the third draft of Chapel Hill's proposed land-use management ordinance.

Occupancy is one issue that could directly affect students by determining the number of unrelated people allowed to live in the same dwelling unit.

The Town Council held a public hear-

ing Monday night to discuss issues raised by the ordinance, but occupancy was mentioned by only one resident.

The council decided to discuss issues brought up by residents in a special session to be held next week. Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy said the specific date will be released as soon as possible.

But after the meeting, several town officials offered their opinions about the occupancy issue.

Many residents have been unaware of the language in the current development ordinance regarding occupancy restrictions, especially in regard to duplexes, because the town has not been enforcing the ordinance, said council member Mark Kleinschmidt.

"It was just nine months ago that we realized that the current language referred to duplexes as one unit," he said.

Planning Director Roger Waldon clarified the language by saying that it does not address units, it addresses structures. A duplex now is considered one structure instead of two units, therefore allowing only four unrelated residents total.

By referring in the new ordinance to dwellings as units instead of structures, duplexes would be allowed eight unrelated people - four in each unit.

"The current ordinance addresses it as a 'structure,'" he said. "It's the manager's recommendation to change the language to no more than four unrelated people per dwelling unit."

Kleinschmidt is opposed strongly to having any occupancy ordinance. He said the problem lies not in the amount of unrelated people living together but in noise, trash and parking issues. "That implies that there must be something about living with people you aren't related to that makes you louder or messier."

Council member Ed Harrison, however, is in favor of the restrictions. "I think the town as a whole wants some sort of occupancy restrictions," he said.

Harrison said the occupancy restrictions are needed mostly because of parking issues. "When I was in college I lived in a unit with more than four unrelated

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Candidates Don't Seek Youth Vote, Study Says

By JAMIE MCGEE
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As the Nov. 5 election approaches, many young voters are finding themselves alienated by candidate platforms that deal with issues directly relating to older voters.

Political pundits and students say North Carolina's candidates for the U.S.

Senate seat vacated by Republican Sen. Jesse Helms are neglecting issues relevant to voters aged 18 to 30.

The campaigns of Democrat Erskine Bowles and Republican Elizabeth Dole focus on issues such as Social Security and prescription drugs while avoiding hot-button issues important to younger voters like drug legalization and abortion rights.

Experts say the candidates' key issues are geared toward older voters and that the issues concerning voters younger than 30 are not properly addressed.

A recent survey by The Washington Post, the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation and Harvard University found older voters intending to vote in the Nov. 5 election outnumbered voters younger than 30 more than 2-1.

The survey projects that 20 years from now only 8 percent of total voters who come out to the polls will be younger

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Carolina First Garners \$4M In 2 Weeks

By NIKKI WERKING
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University officials said Monday that they have raised an additional \$4 million toward the Carolina First Campaign's \$1.8 billion goal since its official announcement 2 1/2 weeks ago.

But the campaign's directors say this is a modest pace for the newly launched public phase that will set the tone for the next five years of private fund raising.

The total for the campaign, which began its three-year private phase July 1, 1999, now stands at \$870 million, said Speed Hallman, director of development communications.

Hallman said there are no specific short-term goals set for the public phase of

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UNC officials are considering adding a program in sexuality studies, which many peer institutions already have.

SCHOOLS OPEN DOORS TO SEXUALITY STUDIES

By JENNIFER HAGIN / Senior Writer

"Contemporary Gay Novel." "Ancient Greek and Gay Identity." "Queer Los Angeles." "Lesbian and Gay Popular Music."

These courses, offered at universities across the country, are part of a growing trend of creating college curriculums that explore lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer issues.

After an LGBTQ Advisory Committee report stated the inadequacy of UNC's LGBTQ course offerings in comparison to peer institutions, the

Sexuality
Examining how sexuality affects higher education experiences.

Today: Classes and Majors
Wednesday: LGBTQ Faculty
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University has made efforts to develop the curriculum by preparing to implement a certificate of completion to accompany the diplomas of students who take a specified number of courses in the area.

Some universities trace their LGBTQ course offerings back to the 1970s, but, like UNC, some universities are just now beginning to develop a sexuality studies program.

LGBTQ communities across the nation are praising the long-awaited development, but the courses have not been as well-received in other circles.

David Halperin, a professor of English and women's studies at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, offered a course, "How to be Gay," that landed him in the middle of a controversy with the Michigan legislature.

Halperin said legislators feared the class was leading students to be gay, though the class objective was to explore how gay men relate to non-gay culture.

The legislature threatened to cut the university's budget by 10 percent if the course was taught, but lawmakers didn't get the necessary votes to enforce the threat.

Halperin taught the course, which stirred little controversy among students on campus. Rather than discourage enrollment, the legislature's attention actually recruited students to his class, he said.

While Michigan officials battled to expand their LGBTQ courses, in 2001, a group of UNC faculty and students submitted a request to administrators asking that they examine the LGBTQ campus environment, including LGBTQ-themed class offerings. The result was the formation of a LGBTQ planning committee in August 2001.

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"All students need to deal with (LGBTQ issues). ... You can't be qualified in the field you're in unless you have some background in this."

DAVID HALPERIN
Michigan Professor

Committee To Review New Era Contract

By LYNNE SHALLCROSS
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A UNC licensing committee will meet today to consider what steps need to be taken before the University will consider reinstating a licensing contract with a top manufacturer of sports apparel.

In January, UNC decided not to renew New Era Cap Company's contract - worth \$900,000 in retail value - after it failed to respond to allegations of unfair labor practices.

It was the first time UNC ever ended a contract with a licensing company because of labor violations.

Since then, New Era has made positive efforts to change practices at the Derby, N.Y., factory in question, according to a report by the Worker Rights Consortium. The WRC is a labor rights watchdog group of which UNC is a member.

But Rut Tufts, UNC director of trademarks and licensing, said that until a glaring violation of workers' rights is removed from New Era's contract with its employees, UNC won't even look at the improvements.

The N.Y. factory management and an employees' labor union have signed a contract that doesn't allow workers to talk with third parties such as the WRC and UNC.

The wording of the contract surprised and worried Tufts, prompting him to ask UNC's Licensing Labor Code Advisory Committee to address this problem before any consideration is given to reinstating New Era's contract. New Era could not be reached for comment Monday.

Tufts said the committee probably will require that New Era change the gag restriction placed on the workers and ask that a special effort is made to allow the workers to feel comfortable voicing concerns.

The committee, which advises what companies should be licensed to manufacture UNC products, does not meet on a regular basis. But when problems with licensing companies arise, such as the violations at New Era, it meets to make recommendations.

The committee last convened in spring 2001 to discuss workers' rights violations at the Kukdong Nike factory in Atlitico, Mexico.

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Education is learning what you didn't know you didn't know.

George Boas