



JOINT COUNCIL OF PLANNING MEETING

**Featuring
NC 73 Council of Planning
US 1 Council of Planning**

Thursday – October 11, 2007 - 1:00 PM – Bldg #18 Park Research Center, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina

The NC 73 Council of Planning and the US 1 Council of Planning are new mechanisms for coordinating land use and transportation planning decisions along regional corridors and between regional governments. The purpose of the Joint Meeting is to share information between the two Councils that will ensure the existing Corridor Plans are carried forward into the future.

Agenda

Purpose: Review and discussion of the Council of Planning Process.

1:00 – 1:05 pm	Introductions\Welcome
1:05 – 1:15 pm	History of NC 73 Council of Planning – Bill Duston
1:15 – 1:30 pm	NC 73 Accomplishments and Goals – Bill Duston
1:30 – 1:50 pm	Question and Answer Period
1:50 – 2:20 pm	Access Management - Wall Road / Bert Winston Road New developments have generated growing demand for signalization at these intersections. Planning staff will present an overview of development trends and upcoming projects in these areas if the group could help us scope possible access management measures that would preclude the need for signalization.
2:20 – 2:40 pm	NC96 redesign We'd like the group's input on possible realignments of the NC 96 interchange in light of the approved shopping center on the SE corner of NC96 and US1.
2:40 – 3:00 pm	Next Steps



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MEETING NOTES

Welcome and Introduction

Mr. Kenneth Withrow began with a welcome to the Council of Planning participants, followed by a brief introduction of Mr. Bill Duston, Planning Director for the Centralina Council of Governments. Mr. Duston is at the meeting to address the evolution and accomplishments of the NC 74 Council of Planning.

NC 73 Council of Planning – History, Accomplishments

Mr. Bill Duston gave a history of the NC 73 Council of Governments since its establishment two years ago. NC 73 is a two-lane, 35 mile long, three-county highway going through rural to suburban areas. NC 73 is currently the only east-west alternative between I-85 and I-77. The corridor is recognized by the state of North Carolina as a strategic corridor. The transportation policy component is fractured in the Charlotte area. Communication between various agencies, particularly the transportation agencies, is a major concern. The population for the area will double in the next thirty years. Initial discussions began in the 1990s, but were not revived until 2000/2001. A work plan and scope were put together, using public and private (developer extractions). The project was presented to NCDOT; however, NCDOT wouldn't fund the study since there was no recognizable implementation component. Stakeholders to the NC 73 Study decided to create a Council of Planning that would come out of the revised NC 73 Transportation-Land Use Study.

The study was conducted by HNTB, and following the study, a Memorandum of Understanding was developed. The MOU was signed by the local governments and NCDOT. The study includes a significant land use plan. The MOU fosters local government conversation and cooperation, and ensures that any revisions to local plans along the corridor are consistent with North Carolina General Statutes. The local governments and the chambers

have been active in the process; with the NC 73 Council of Planning serving as an avenue through all land use and transportation planning activities along the corridor are discussed. Mr. Duston noted that the Council of Planning meets every two months; and holds an annual meeting with elected officials and chamber officials. The NC 73 Corridor maintains a web site that is accessible to the general public. The Council of Planning is funded by each local government along the corridor (local government contribution of \$2,000 to \$3,000 per year). The Centralina Council of Government administers the Council of Planning along with the NC 73 website. The local governments wanted to own the Council of Planning. Peer Review is conducted for all projects along the corridor; and local governments are doing joint plans. The MPOs in the area have not cooperated in coordinating the ranking of NC 73 projects. The NC 73 plan is not an ordinance

Following the brief Question and Answer period, the US 1 Council of Planning thanked Mr. Duston for his presentation. The US 1 Council of Planning proceeded to discuss two items involving Franklin County.

Access Management - Wall Road / Bert Winston Road

Mr. Pat Young, planning director of Franklin County addressed the Council of Planning by explaining the context of development along the US 1 Corridor. To accommodate future development, right-of-way needs to be acquired. Mr. Lamb also suggested that Mr. Wally Bowman, Mr. Brandon Jones, and two district engineers come to the next Council of Planning meeting to address access management along US 1.

NC96 redesign

Mr. Young mentioned that development is already occurring in this area (a Food Lion store is being built there). A leftover was approved for the development. The footprint for the shopping center was approved before the study was commencing. As a result, the footprint of the shopping center is within the proposed interchange footprint. The interchange footprint must be redesigned. The Council of Planning suggested should future Unified Planning Work Plans be developed to address small urban issues such as retrofits and subarea/spot studies. Mr. Young will require the developer (based on the Franklin County UDO) to reserve land for right-of-way if the land is subdivided. Mr. Eric Lamb was selected to serve as the Council of Planning's chair.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm