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Davidson, NC 28036

May 13, 2008

**PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

A Public Hearing and regular meeting were held on May 13, 2008 by the Town of Davidson Board of Commissioners. At 6:00 p.m. a reception honoring Parviz Moosavi, the Town's Employee of the Year was held. The regular meeting began at 7:00 p. m.

Board members present were Mayor John Woods and Commissioners Evan Webster, Margo Williams, Laurie Venzon, and Brian Jenest. Commissioner Bill Johnson was absent. Also in attendance were Town Manager Leamon Brice, Assistant Manager Dawn Blobaum, Town Attorney Rick Kline, Police Chief Jeanne Miller, Planning Director Kris Krider, Public Works/Project Director Doug Wright, Parks and Recreation Director Steve Fraher, and Planners Sandra Kragh and Erica Palmisano.

Mayor Woods called the meeting to order and noted that printed copies of announcements were available in the rotunda. Parviz Moosavi, Town Planner, was recognized as the Town's Employee of the Year and Erica Palmisano, the newly employed G.I.S. Technician in the Planning Department was introduced.

During the Citizens Comment period, Jeff Brown, a principle in the Fair Hills Development Group, commented on the Affordable Housing payments in lieu, and Bobby Cashion and Becky Fox commented on the Lake Davidson Interlocal Agreement.

There were no changes to the Agenda.

Commissioner Williams introduced Travis Dancy who presented an update on recent activities and upcoming events and plans of the Lake Norman Convention and Visitors Center.

Planning Director Kris Krider and Parks and Recreation Director Steve Fraher, along with CMS representative Tony Ansaldo and Vince Ciccarella from InSite Architect, presented information about proposed renovations of the Davidson IB School. Mr. Fraher gave a review of past activities, locations of Parks and Recreation offices, and progress since October, 1999. Current needs were also addressed and information and a visual presentation showed how the Town and CMS might partner to more effectively meet the needs for both parties.

Mayor Woods opened a Public Hearing to receive citizen comment on the proposed 2008/2009 Fiscal Year Budget that included a proposed two cents increase in the property tax rate. Town Manager Leamon Brice presented slides of the proposed Budget Document and pointed out major changes from the past year's Budget. He also noted funding of items that related directly with the citizen's survey conducted recently. A hand out was available showing items funded and unfunded. A lengthy discussion followed with questions, comments, and suggestions coming from many attendees and Board members. Following discussions, Town Manager Brice stated he planned to revisit the Budget and consider not borrowing funds in the upcoming Budget but consider a future bond referendum to fund many of the needed projects and allow citizens vote on the decision. The Public Hearing was then closed and the proposed Budget will be revised and discussed at the May Work Session.

Commissioner Laurie Venzon made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following:

- Approved minutes of April 8th and April 22nd.
- Approved a Resolution in Honor of Earth Day.
- Approved a Resolution Instituting a 457 Deferred Compensation Plan.
- Approved a revised Solid Waste Interlocal Agreement with Mecklenburg County.

- Approved an Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits of the Town of Davidson for the Griggs Property located on east Rocky River Road.
- Approved a Budget Amendment for Loan and Expenditure to Purchase New Fire Truck.

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Ballots were distributed and Board members unanimously appointed Sue Christensen to the Planning Board for the 2007-2009 term replacing a vacancy left by Charlotte Epley.

Mayor Woods briefly reviewed a proposal to authorize Town Manager Leamon Brice to enter an Agreement with Artisan Homes and complete an upset bid process to sell Land. A discussion followed with minor issues addressed by Attorney Kline. A motion was made by Commissioner Venzon to authorize the Town Manager to enter an Agreement with Artisan Homes and complete the upset bid process to sell land with the condition that Attorney Kline address the issues discussed relating to the appraisal, repurchase agreement, parking, and reasonable tree mitigation plan. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Williams and unanimous vote, the Mayors' Transportation Task Force Resolution was adopted.

There was not additional business and the meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Town Clerk