

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION / CONTRACT CONTROL FORM

Tracking Number: 2.

Date of Request: November 15, 2007

Date Request Received: November 15, 2006

Board Meeting Date Requested: November 19, 2007

Board Meeting Date Assigned: November 19, 2007

Short Title: Discussion By Board Regarding Growth Control Measures In Hampstead And Resolution In Support Of USDOT Highway 17 Corridor Study.

Request Status:
 Request is proceeding to Board of Commissioners
 More information is needed – see attached
 Request on hold – no further information needed
 Other:

Background:

Specific Action Requested: Discussion.

Requested by: Commissioner Williams
Department:
Title:
Contact Phone:
Contact Fax:

(Administrative Use Only)

CONTRACT TYPE

- Renewal
 For Service(s)
 Intergovernmental – County as Grantee
 Federal Grantor
 State Grantor
 County as Grantor
 County Funds
 Other Funds:
- Revision
 For Equipment

PURCHASING Budgeted Item: Yes No
Date Rec'd: Reviewed and Approved
 Comments on Reverse

Date Sent: November 1, 2007
Signed:

ATTORNEY Reviewed and Approved
Date Rec'd: Legal Problem(s)
 Comments on Reverse

Date Sent:
Signed:

FINANCE Sufficient Funds Available Not Available
Date Rec'd: Budget Amendment Necessary
 Budgeted Amendment is Attached
 Comments on Reverse

Date Sent:
Signed:

CLERK Signature(s) Required:
 Board Chairman/County Manager
 Other:

Date Rec'd Approved by Board: Yes No
At meeting on

Lori Brill

Subject: FW: List of Short Term and Long Term Solutions for Hampstead

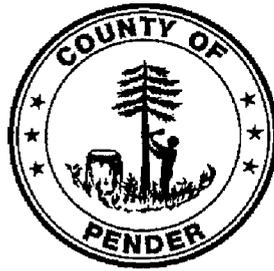
**Long and Short Term solutions to growth challenges in the Hampstead Area (with projected completion timeframes)
Compiled by Lori Brill, Joey R. and Trey Thurman**

Long Term:

- New development policies: **Comprehensive Plan** with "area" plans for Hampstead and Rocky Point/Highway 421: Parallel project with creation of UDO 12-18 months. Includes growth management plan.
- New development regulations: **Unified Development Ordinance** parallel project with Comp Plan: **12-18 months**.
- **Adequate Public Facilities Ordinances: 8-10 months** (according to input from Franklin County), plus the concern over the legality of the method itself.

Short Term:

- Completion of the **Highway 17 Corridor Overlay** anticipated by June 30, 2007 (plus see next bullet).
- Implementation of the new Highway 17 Corridor Overlay, elements of the MPO Collector Street Plan, and any recommendations as a result of the potential study of the Highway 17 corridor by NC DOT (all 3 need to be studied and implemented in a parallel manner to promote consistency and prevent potential conflicts, if adopted separately).
- Lengthen review and approval times for rezoning, special uses, master plans, preliminary subdivision plans....ordinance amendment through PB and BOC....90 days.
- Lower density within Planned Development zoning districts: ordinance amendment through PB and BOC...90 days.
- Include specific TIA requirements within the ordinances....ordinance amendment through PB and BOC....90 days.
- Adoption of resolution requesting NC DOT to facilitate a Highway 17 Corridor Study....immediate
- Adoption of a request to the MPO to assist the county with review of TIAs within the MPO area.
- Investigate possibility of county entering into an innerlocal agreement with an adjacent jurisdiction to assist with review of TIAs in the remainder of the county (outside of the MPO area)...60 days.



RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF US 17 CORRIDOR STUDY

WHEREAS, one central artery connects Eastern North Carolina through Pender, New Hanover and Brunswick Counties, with many growing and developing communities located along this corridor leading to an increase in the population and traffic loads on the highways of this region; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, in recognition of the explosive growth of the Hampstead area and the subsequent impact to this major thoroughfare, has included a Hampstead bypass in the State Transportation Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, the bypass project is currently in the planning and design process; however, funding for right-of-way acquisition is not programmed until fiscal year 2012 and the project itself currently remains unfunded; and

WHEREAS, traffic and public safety on this corridor through the Hampstead area have been of great concern to residents and local elected officials for many years and the need to find some immediate solutions to the congestion and safety issues has become imminently more urgent due to subdivision development and the addition of new elementary school on this corridor through Hampstead; and

WHEREAS, Pender County has established and values a highly effective and supportive working relationship with the North Carolina Department of Transportation and our local NCDOT representatives and recognizes the importance of partnering with this agency to more effectively manage the growth along this corridor and throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the County's NCDOT Board Division 3 Member Lanny Wilson currently sits on Governor Easley's newly formed 21st Century Transportation Committee tasked with examining the condition and needs of North Carolina's transportation system and with making recommendations to the General Assembly regarding transportation priorities, transportation improvements, and other equally important transportation related issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pender County Board of County Commissioners seeks the support and assistance from our legislative delegation and from our NCDOT Board Member with the following to address the urgent public safety issues relating to the Highway 17 corridor through Hampstead:

1. Funding for a NCDOT Corridor Study in Pender County.
2. Interim, pre-bypass, arterial and collector street road improvement measures to improve the traffic flow and increase public safety on this corridor.
3. Ensure that the needs of Pender County relating to the Highway 17 Corridor and the Hampstead bypass become established priorities of the 21st Century Transportation Committee.

This 19th day of November, 2007.

F.D. Rivenbark, Chairman

ATTEST
