



**Town of Davidson
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Town Hall & Community Center Council Chamber – 251 South Street
Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

III. CHANGES / ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

IV. BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Consider Approval of Ordinance 2024-11 (An Ordinance to Address Fencing on Corner Lots) and Consistency Statement

Presenter: Jason Burdette, Planning Director

Summary: A resident has proposed text amendments specific to fencing standards on corner lots (DPO 4.1.3.D). This proposal originates from the construction of a non-compliant fence on a corner lot in 2023. The DPO provides an option for a resident to propose a text amendment and staff is following the process outlined in the ordinance.

Action/Proposed Motion: Consider approval/denial of Ordinance 2024-11 An Ordinance to Address Fencing on Corner Lots and Consistency Statement.

b. Consider Approval of 2025 Advisory Board Appointments and Chairs of the Design Review Board/Historic Preservation Commission and Planning Board

Presenter: Jamie Justice, Town Manager

Summary: The Town of Davidson has six citizen advisory boards: Affordable Housing and Equity Board, Design Review Board/Historic Preservation Commission, Livability Board, Planning Board, Davidson Public Art Commission, and the newly formed Sustainability Board. Each year, the Town advertises for citizens to apply to serve on these advisory boards. A nominating committee consisting of the mayor, two commissioners, the manager, the chairs of the advisory boards, and the staff liaisons to the advisory boards reviews the applications and determines who to recommend for appointment. The Board of Commissioners receives the nominations and makes the final decision on appointments.

Appointments are made by December to fill the expiring seats with three-year terms beginning in January. The number of seats on the advisory boards remains the same except the recommendations include reducing the Affordable Housing and Equity

Board to twelve (12) members, reducing the Design Review Board/Historic Preservation Commission to seven (7) members, and increasing the Public Art Commission to twelve (12) members.

Action/Proposed Motion: Motion to approve the 2025 recommendations for advisory board appointments as presented and appointment of Rachel Johnson as Chair of the Design Review Board/Historic Preservation Commission and reappointment of Shawn Copeland as Chair of the Planning Board.

c. Audit Request For Proposals (RFP) Responses and Review

Presenter: Pieter Swart, Finance Director

Summary: The Town is required to have an annual audit per state law. The current auditor is retiring. The Town issued a Request For Proposals (RFP) for audit services. Seven responses were received. Staff is recommending the Board approve a contract with RH CPA's, PLLC which the Board will be asked to consider approving on the consent agenda at the November 26, 2024 Board meeting.

Action/Proposed Motion: This item is for discussion only.

d. Discuss Agreement with and Funding from Mecklenburg County for Beaty Park Phase II

Presenter: Leslie Willis, Parks & Recreation Director

Summary: Beaty Park was completed and opened on July 8, 2023. Back in 2020, the Town of Davidson and Mecklenburg County met to discuss potential partnership opportunities. At that time, Mecklenburg County had already allocated all of their Capital Improvement Project Funding. Therefore, the park was designed to be done in two phases. The first phase of Beaty Park was funded by Town General Obligation Bonds, Town CIP funds, and a NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund Grant. Recently, as part of their 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan, Mecklenburg County was able to set aside \$1,000,000 in funding to be allocated for additional improvements to the park. These improvements include a pond renovation, signage, improved maintenance access entrance to include ADA parking, a fishing pier, a pathway to the pier, a pedestrian crosswalk on Beaty Street, and the Beaty Street Multi-Use Path. This partnership is possible because the County recognizes that Beaty Park is located within a park gap area and a priority community in Meck Playbook and the County owns no property in close proximity to Beaty Park. In addition, Beaty Park is located along the proposed route of The Seam Trail, a 60-mile multi-jurisdictional multi-use trail that stretches from Statesville to the South Carolina state line.

Action/Proposed Motion: This item is for discussion only. The Board will be asked to approve the Development and Cooperation Agreement with Mecklenburg County for Beaty Park and budget amendment on the consent agenda at the November 26 meeting.

V. SUMMARIZE MEETING ACTION ITEMS

Town Manager will summarize items where the board has requested action items for the staff.

VI. CLOSED SESSION

a. NCGS §143-318.11. (a) (3) – Consult with Attorney

Summary: The Board of Commissioners will hold a closed session per NCGS §143-318.11.(a) (3) – Consult with Attorney.

VII. ADJOURN