

The Wake Forest Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, July 20, 2021. Mayor Vivian Jones and the five commissioners were present.

An overview of the Board's actions is provided below. To access the complete agenda or view the meeting video, visit the [Public Meetings Portal](#) on the Town of Wake Forest website.

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### **Presentations**

- Resolution recognizing Robert J. Woyicki on his retirement
- Proclamation recognizing the 100th year of the Wake Forest Fire Department
- Proclamation recognizing the week of August 7, 2021, as Purple Heart Week

### **Public Hearings/Public Comment**

- Jim Stephanadis spoke about the Planning Board
- David Bissette spoke about the challenges of accessing Holding Park Aquatic Center from South Main Street/US 1A and proposed making West Owen Avenue a two-way street

### **Consent Agenda**

- Approval of a resolution to surplus the badge and service weapon carried by Officer Woyicki
- Approval of a resolution to schedule the public hearing and certify the sufficiency for a petition requesting contiguous annexation submitted by Casa Esperanza Holding LLC for property located at 10510 Star Road
- Approval of a resolution to schedule the public hearing and certify the sufficiency for a petition requesting contiguous annexation submitted by WW Properties & Rentals, LLC for property located at 0 S. Franklin St., associated with proposed Forest on Franklin Townhomes;
- Resolution recognizing WWII Veteran
- Resolution recognizing Korean War Veterans

### **Text Amendment to the Comprehensive Transportation Plan**

The Board approved a text amendment to the Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP). Town staff engaged with the City of Raleigh to discuss the bordering region along Capital Boulevard and found two inconsistent areas - US 1 and Caveness Shoppes Drive and US 1 and Height Lane. Staff recommended adding a grade separation at each location on the CTP to ensure consistency between the City of Raleigh and the US 1 Council of Government. After including the proposed railroad

alignment for the future Southeast High-Speed Rail (S-Line) in an amendment to the CTP earlier this year, staff recommended adding the right-of-way lines to provide additional clarity for staff, residents, and the development community. The proposed amendment also adds railroad pedestrian crossings indicated in the Southeast High-Speed Rail Environmental Impact Statement and a correction to a staff mapping error by relocating the roadway grade separation from Elm Avenue to East Holding Avenue.

### **Casa Esperanza Montessori Charter School Major Site Master Plan**

The Board approved the major site master plan for Casa Esperanza Montessori Charter School based on the following “findings of fact” as required by the UDO: Finding 1: The plan is consistent with the adopted plans and policies of the Town. Finding 2: The plan complies with all applicable requirements of the Wake Forest Unified Development Ordinance. Finding 3: There exists adequate infrastructure (transportation & utilities) to supports the plans as proposed. Finding 4: The application will not be detrimental to the use or development of adjacent properties or other neighborhood uses.

### **Renaissance Centre Grant Award**

The Board approved the acceptance of a grant award for the Renaissance Centre in the amount of \$107,377.32 from the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act. Administered by the Small Business Administration, the grant requires no matching funds. Grant proceeds will be used to support main stage programming, cultural arts educational classes, administrative costs and ordinary and necessary business expenses of the Renaissance Centre.

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