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Chapel Hill Alliance for a Livable Town

The Difference We Have Made: Achievements 2017 – 2019

- **Worked to elect the Council candidates we endorsed.**
Result: In 2017 the mayoral candidate and all four council candidates that we endorsed were elected.
- **Advocated for changes to the Ephesus-Fordham (Blue Hill) building code.**
Result: Council adopted new regulations requiring redevelopment projects in the district to include a minimum amount of commercial space. Town Council will consider limiting building size this fall.
- **Pressed for transparency in County governance.**
Result: Through a request under the NC Public Records Act, we obtained important light rail budget information from GoTriangle and shared it with Orange County elected officials from whom it had been withheld.
- **Petitioned the Town Council to fix the Town's tree ordinance to stop wholesale tree clearing.**
Result: Council referred petition to staff for ordinance changes and Mayor initiated a tree planting program to restore the canopy.
- **Supported local food producers by helping the Chapel Hill Farmers' Market advocate for a new home on property the Town owns on Legion Road.**
Result: Gained more public support for a permanent home for the market that can be utilized as a gathering place for many community activities.
- **Fought for better stormwater controls in areas that regularly flood such as Ephesus-Fordham (Blue Hill).**
Result: Town Council allocated funds toward flood storage project downstream of Eastgate Crossing.
- **Worked for town policies that will slow the loss of affordable rentals and advocated for town support for displaced residents.**
Result: Council started fund to help displaced Park Apartments residents and invested in a pilot rent subsidy program at Glen Lennox. Supported Rogers Road Community and surrounding neighborhoods to develop mixed income housing in buildable portions of the Greene Tract.
- **Advocated for solar energy systems on Town Buildings.**
Result: All new Town-owned construction will be in accordance with American Institute of Architects 2030 energy performance goals, which will probably require rooftop solar energy systems.
- **Petitioned Town Council to develop a Town-wide traffic modeling capability.**
Result: Council voted to allocate resources to build a town-wide traffic model.
- **Advocated higher standards for health and the environment before deciding on a solution for the in-town coal ash dump.**
Result: Staff and Town Council hired a risk assessor to quantify the risk before the Council decides what to do.
- **Supported local residents' efforts to inform Town and County governments about how proposed land use changes would affect their neighborhoods.**
Result: The proposed projects were either withdrawn or modified in ways that reduced their impact on established neighborhoods.
- **Hosted Speaker Series on local topics of interest and kept public up-to-date on current news and information with a monthly newsletter.**
Result: A better informed community.

This election matters! Continuing progress depends on who we elect.

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