



# Forestville CAC

Chair: Jeremy Schwartz

Vice Chair: open

Secretary: open

## MEETINGS ON SECOND TUESDAYS

**Abbotts Creek Community Center (919) 996-2770**  
**9950 Durant Road, Raleigh, NC 27614**

### AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING ON FEBRUARY 11, 2020

**I. Welcome 7:00**

**II. FCAC Reports 7:01**

- a. Police
- b. Recreation and Cultural Resources
- c. Code Enforcement
- d. Community Engagement
- e. Chair-Current issues

**III. Operation CATNIP presentation-** Amanda Lewis, Operation Catnip Outreach Coordinator 7:20

**IV. Update and vote on Thornton Road Townhomes-** Terramor Homes and ESP Associates. Zoning Case Z- 53-19 [www.espassociates.com](http://www.espassociates.com) (John Anagnost, from City Planning, will be present.) 7:35

<https://cityofraleigh0drupal.blob.core.usgovcloudapi.net/drupal-prod/COR22/Z-053-19.pdf>

**V. Leadership Vacancies 8:05**

- a. Forestville CAC leadership has two vacancies- be part of an opportunity to serve and leadership development in benefit of your city and community.
  - 1. Vice-Chair
  - 2. Secretary

**VII. New Business/ Announcements / Next Steps / Adjourn 8:20**

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Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources (919) 996-4920

City Manager (919) 996-3070

Street Signs (919) 996-6608

Code Enforcement (919) 996-2444

Planning (919) 996-2626

Community Engagement (919) 996-4330

Public Works (919) 996-3030

Public Utilities (919) 996-4540

Solid Waste Services (919) 996-6890

Graffiti Hotline (919) 996-6001

## 2020-01-20 FCAC Minutes

### **Jamie, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources**

- heart month all fee free weight room membership, other free programs in pool
- camp season registration beginning, looking for counselors 17+ (apply online)
- gentle yoga; youth sports; cricket; many other programs and classes, see front desk

### **Officer Franck, Police**

- Larceny reports down YOY (seems like "Lock it or Lose it" campaign is working)
- Larceny OF motor vehicles also down
- some reminders about reporting suspicious behaviors
- question from attendee -- called non-emergency helpline, wanted to remain anonymous, was visited by police after call
  - same center as 919, matter of priority, may have been officer not reading all notes
  - resident reported expired license plate on abandoned car

### **Blade Purdue, Code Enforcement**

- cars in yard (not on street); violations of common rules; abandoned property trespassing; trash in common properties; grass overgrown; good place to start for ^ 996-2444; google "see-click-fix"

### **Luis Olivieri, Community Engagement**

- Neighborhood College seminars
- neighborhood grants -- can apply for any project

**Operation Catnip** <https://www.ocraleigh.org/> -- will be presenting at next meeting (February)

### **John Dunn, Census 2020 Opportunities**

- needs part time/temporary workers to accomplish; \$19/hr, \$.58/mi; up to 40 hr/w; apply online
- census is important because it determines how to divide government funds
- examples of work: postcards sent to every address; if no reply, worker is sent to address to ask 10 questions; some office jobs as well.

### **Thorton Road Townhomes, ESP Associates, representing Terramor Homes**

Cameron Jones, acquisitions

- all local employees, many living in the neighborhoods they build
- landowner selling part of property but existing buildings will remain, thus odd shape
- main concerns about parcel shape, biodiversity, density, runoff and flooding
- to attempt to address concerns, amending submittal with conditions
- issues:
  - density/zoning -- R10 allowed = 150 units / acre, but practically would set aside buffer zones and cap to average 7.5 units/acre (total 115 units)
  - will prohibit some of the uses allowed by current zoning (daycare, boarding houses, etc) -- basically just interested townhomes
  - traffic --based on nearby future park of Raleigh future plan, in line with expected Thorton Rd re-routing
  - Perry Creek will be a grade-separated interchange at Capital Blvd (2024); Thorton will eventually become a frontage road along Capital connecting to Burlington Mills Rd
  - adding relief valves to Ligon Mill
  - main entrance from Thorton Rd
  - could add condition to not build neighborhood cross-accesses
  - existing infrastructure (roads) in surrounding neighborhoods cannot support further traffic
  - parking -- some common overflow parking planned, city regulations should restrict on-street parking

- not initially planned to have garage but just tentative for now, will be based on market forces in future when building starts
- code dictates 1 guest space per 10 units? minimum 2 spaces per unit + 0.5 spaces per bedroom
- buffers --20' buffer around property (+ 15' setback?), maybe closing off potential cross-accesses, additional 6' privacy fence along existing homeowners
- can add clarification that buffer will be BACK of new plots (not a parking lot)
- will enhance coverage in "under-treed" areas
- community will add a landscaping buffer in other areas
- community preferences seem to differ on whether to have fence or not at buffer
- wildlife -- no endangered species impacted, just typical wildlife
- stormwater runoff -- because topography is west to east towards future park property, drainage planned to retainment ponds exceeding minimum state/city requirements
- assuming clearance process proceeds at pace - 1st quarter 2021 would start clearing, +9 months for utilities, spring to late 2022 to start townhomes, 3-5 units per months
- similar to Thorton Creek division nearby
- trying to provide \$300K price point, 1500-1800 sq ft 3-4 bedrooms
- next steps
  - review community requests: enhance Thorton access/main road, see about preventing cross-access connections, clarity on fence/buffer
  - pre-submittal meeting with city; rezoning hearing; site-plan review meetings

**Councilor Cox** mentioned the potential for an upcoming ballot this Fall for Parks and Bonds, would like you to send your opinions and suggestions to be included for consideration.

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## **RALEIGH NEIGHBORHOOD COLLEGE SPRING 2020 SESSION**

Go behind the scenes at the City Police Department, try your hand at City planning and climb into the cab of a fire engine at Raleigh Neighborhood College, which starts its Spring session on March 5. Applications are being taken now for Raleigh Neighborhood College, which offers Raleigh residents the chance to learn first-hand about the inner workings of City government and the tools to become actively involved in neighborhood and community organizations. Many graduates serve as a resource for their neighbors or go on to become leaders in Citizens Advisory Councils (CACs), boards and commissions, and neighborhood organizations.

The 11 free, weekly classes run through May 14. A light dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m., before each class. The classes explain and demonstrate the City's programs and departments for those who want to become more informed about and active in local government. Representatives of City departments will lead the interactive classes. Enrollment in the Raleigh Neighborhood College is limited to 25 participants. Sessions are held each Spring and Fall.

To apply or to get more information, call the Housing and Neighborhoods Department at 996-4330, visit <https://raleighnc.gov/Community/content/CommServices/Articles/NeighborhoodCollege.html> or contact Luis F. Olivieri-Robert, Raleigh Neighborhood College Coordinator at 919-996-5714 or by email: [Luis.Olivieri-Robert@raleighnc.gov](mailto:Luis.Olivieri-Robert@raleighnc.gov)

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# Trees in the City of Oaks

Trees are one of the largest and longest-living organisms on the planet. They are a key part of natural processes and our community.

Hear from Jill Jonnes, author of "Urban Forests: A Natural History of Trees and People in the American Cityscape". She will speak about how trees:

- Create and define spaces
- Connect us to each other and nature
- Benefit the environment by consuming carbon, cooling the air, and collecting rainwater

You'll also learn how City of Raleigh urban forester, Zach Manor, protects trees in the city.

The event is free and open to the public.  
Refreshments are available for purchase.

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**Thursday, Feb. 27**  
**7 p.m.**

NC Museum of Natural Sciences  
Daily Planet Cafe  
121 W. Jones St.  
Raleigh, NC 27601

This event is in partnership with  
the NC Museum of Natural  
Sciences - Science Cafe

Watch the event at:  
[livestream.com/naturalsciences](http://livestream.com/naturalsciences)



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