

Item Title: Conveyance of Additional Right-of-Way and a Temporary Construction Easement to the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) on Wake County owned land adjacent to Crabtree Creek Watershed Site #23.

Specific Action Requested:
That the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Approves the conveyance of additional right-of way and a temporary construction easement to the NCDOT for Aviation Parkway in Morrisville;**
- 2. Accepts the amount of \$49,025.00 from NCDOT as just compensation for this conveyance; and**
- 3. Accepts the amount of \$2,895.75 as compensation to relocate the existing ground mounted entrance sign for Lake Crabtree County Park and appropriate that same amount into the Parks and Recreation element of the Capital Improvement Plan to complete the park entrance sign relocation; and**
- 4. Authorizes the Chairman to execute a Deed for Highway Right of Way and Temporary Construction Easement to NCDOT (along with any supporting documentation), subject to the terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.**

Item Summary:

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is in the process of widening and improving Aviation Parkway. The proposed project will make interchange improvements to the I-40/Aviation Parkway interchange, along with roadway improvements to a portion of Aviation Parkway south of the interchange. A new off-ramp loop will be added to the northwest quadrant of the I-40/Aviation Parkway interchange. The project will include replacement of the existing bridge over I-40 with a wider one and widening of Aviation Parkway from the bridge over I-40 to south of the Lake Crabtree Park entrance. The project limits and improvements on Aviation Parkway will terminate north of the bridge over Lake Crabtree. New Right of Way will be required at the Lake Crabtree Park entrance to tie the widened road into the Park entrance. The Lake Crabtree Park property is leased by the County from Raleigh-Durham International Airport.

Lake Crabtree Park is adjacent to the Crabtree Creek Watershed Flood Control Site #23. Wake County owns a number of parcels in the areas south and west of Raleigh-Durham Airport as part of the Crabtree Creek Watershed Project. Flood Control structures have been constructed in various locations within this watershed and are maintained by the County. The attached aerial photo labeled "Site Map" shows the Lake Crabtree Park property in relation to the Crabtree Creek Watershed Site #23.

In August of this year, NCDOT made a formal offer to Wake County to purchase additional Right-of-Way and a Temporary Construction Easement in support of the project. The proposed right of way and temporary construction easement are located southwest of the Lake Crabtree Park entrance on the west side of Aviation Parkway. The Right-of Way and Temporary Construction Easement is shown on the attached map entitled "NCDOT I-5506 Acquisition Map." The County has a water line and sewer line which feed the Park, both of which are located within the existing right of way of Aviation Parkway, and in the proposed right of way NCDOT will be acquiring from the Airport Authority at the Park entrance. It has not yet been determined if County owned utilities will be impacted by the project. Wake County has been assured by NCDOT that if County owned utilities serving the Park are impacted by the project, there will be no cost to the County, and NCDOT will cover all cost associated with relocating any utility lines if there is a conflict.

NCDOT has offered the sum of \$49,025.00 for 0.362 acres (15,777.735 square feet) of right-of-way and 0.006 acres (279.688 square feet) of temporary construction easement. The attached "Summary Statement Offer" outlines the particulars of this offer. Wake County staff has reviewed the attached appraisal provided by NCDOT and recommends acceptance of \$49,025.00 as just compensation for the right-of-way and temporary construction easement. The new right of way at the park entrance will impact the existing ground mounted entrance sign at Lake Crabtree County Park. NCDOT has offered the County \$2,895.75 as compensation for relocation cost associated with the moving the sign out of the new right of way. It is proposed that this same amount be appropriated into the Parks and Recreation element of the Capital Improvement Plan to complete the park entrance sign relocation. This compensation is outline on the attached Notification of Conditional Relocation Payments form.

The proposed project plans have been reviewed by County staff from Facilities Design & Construction, General Services Administration and Parks Recreation and Open Space. Staff has concluded that this conveyance will have no impact on the function of this structure or future use of the property. Staff recommends approval of the conveyance subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

Attachments:

1. Site Map
2. NCDOT I-5506 Acquisition Map
3. Summary Statement (Offer)
4. NCDOT Appraisal
5. Right-of Way Deed & TCE
6. W-9
7. Notification of Conditional Relocation Payments Form
8. Budget Memo