

# Garner Town Council 2017 Planning Retreat

## *“Moving Garner Forward”*

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### RETREAT OBJECTIVES

- Receive preliminary findings from the **Garner Forward** Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan process and use them to frame key discussions and decisions
- Review and reframe key economic development goals and strategies to better position Garner as a strong competitor in the region
- Evaluate street and sidewalk investments for future bond sales utilizing local and regional transportation planning efforts and funding opportunities

### AGENDA

#### Day One – Wednesday, February 8, 2017

##### *Focus on Economic Development Strategy*

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| 8:30-8:45   | Welcome and Logistics   | <i>Rodney Dickerson</i>              |
| 8:45-9:00   | Overview of Retreat Agenda and ground rules   | <i>Crystal Morphis</i>               |
| 9:00-9:30   | Strategic Plan Accomplishments <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Review key accomplishments from the Strategic Plan</li></ul>   | <i>John Hodges</i>                   |
| 9:30-10:15  | Financial Outlook Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Overview on economic conditions and revenue projections</li></ul>  | <i>Michael Gammon</i>                |
| 10:15-10:30 | Break   |                                      |
| 10:30-12:00 | <b>Garner Forward</b> Briefing <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Consultant for the Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan update process will present a project update and summarize findings from the market assessment</li></ul> | <i>Scott Lane, Stantec</i>           |
| 12:00-1:00  | Lunch<br><i>GEDC Board of Directors will join Council for lunch</i>   |                                      |
| 1:00-1:30   | Economic Development Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Update on recent activity and on-going strategy</li></ul>   | <i>Joe Stallings &amp; Mari Howe</i> |
| 1:30-2:45   | Town of Garner Economic Development Strategy <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Discuss framework and goals to refresh economic development strategy</li></ul>   | <i>Crystal Morphis, Staff</i>        |
| 2:45-3:00   | Break   |                                      |

- 3:00-4:30 ConAgra Redevelopment Goals *Crystal Morphis, Staff*  
*With participation by GEDC Board Members*
- Review and reframe goals to measure success for the ConAgra site redevelopment
- 4:30-5:00 Review and Key Points from Day 1 *Crystal Morphis*
- 5:30 Dinner at 42<sup>nd</sup> Street Oyster Bar

**Day Two – Thursday, February 9, 2017**

*Focus on Strategic Transportation Initiatives, Prioritization and Funding*

- 8:30-8:45 Review of Day 1 and overview of Day 2 *Mayor Williams & Rodney Dickerson*
- 8:45-10:30 CAMPO Southeast Area Study Briefing *Alex Rickard, CAMPO*
- CAMPO staff will provide a briefing on the SEAS and Garner Hot Spot Analysis
- Transportation Plan Preliminary Recommendations *Mike Rutkowski, Stantec*
- Consultant will present preliminary recommendations including high-priority sites and proposed cross-sections
- 10:30-10:45 Break
- 10:45-12:15 Street & Sidewalk Project Prioritization *Staff*
- Discuss prioritization and timing of design, right of way acquisition and construction for existing bond projects and initiatives identified in recent planning efforts in preparation for future bond sales
- 12:15-1:30 Working Lunch  
*Wake County Commissioners will join Council for lunch*
- Commissioners will provide an overview of County initiatives and how they relate to Garner
- 1:30-2:30 Review Strategic Initiatives *Council & Staff*
- Identify new or modify existing initiatives to further the multi-year Strategic Plan
- 2:30-3:00 Review Items from Discussion Board *Crystal Morphis*
- 3:00-3:15 Break
- 3:15-3:45 Review and Next Steps *Crystal Morphis*
- 3:45-4:00 Wrap Up *Mayor Williams & Rodney Dickerson*