

CAROLINA BEACH

Town Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, July 14, 2026 – 6:00 PM

Council Chambers, 1121 N. Lake Park Boulevard, Carolina Beach, NC



AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPT THE AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA

- [1.](#) Set Public Hearing for August 11, 2026 to discuss the financing for 9 Boardwalk Properties.
- [2.](#) Set a public hearing for August 11 to consider a Zoning Map Amendment and Text Amendment to Article 3 of the UDO to rezone 204 Cape Fear, 206 – 217 Cape Fear, and 3 S Third St from Mixed Use (MX) to a new zoning district called Commercial Transition (CT). Applicant: Town of Carolina Beach
- [3.](#) Set a public hearing for August 11 to consider a text amendment to Articles 3 and 7 of the UDO to add dog grooming to the home occupation ordinance. Applicant: Zoey Brass
- [4.](#) Resolution to Apply for LGC Financing Approval
- [5.](#) Resolution Supporting WAVE Transit's Grant Application for Transit Oriented Development Planning
- [6.](#) Appoint Honorary Board of Adjustment Member
- [7.](#) Resolution Retiring Police Canine Demi
- [8.](#) Budget Amendments/Transfers FY26
- [9.](#) Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- [10.](#) Events Update by Tim Murphy
- [11.](#) Presentation by the Island Arts Council
- [12.](#) Manager's Update

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment allows the public the opportunity to address Town Council. Please direct your comments to Council only. Speakers should restrict comments to no more than three minutes. Items or questions presented during this time will not be discussed by Council. However, the topic may be deferred to Town staff or a Town committee for follow-up. Please be sure to state your name and address, and speak directly into the microphone for those watching online.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- [13.](#) Text Amendment to Article 3 Section 3.19 of the UDO to allow for temporary structures beyond the pierhead line. Applicant: Noelle Holdings LLC

CLOSED SESSION

- [14.](#) Closed Session to Discuss a Real Estate Matter pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5)

ADJOURNMENT



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Debbie Hall, Finance Director

DEPARTMENT: Finance

MEETING: Town Council 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Set Public Hearing for August 11, 2026 to discuss the financing for 9 Boardwalk Properties.

BACKGROUND:

Parcels being discussed:

- R09006-022-003-000
- R09006-022-002-000
- R09006-021-005-000
- R09006-021-002-000
- R09006-021-003-000
- R09006-023-007-000
- R09006-024-014-000
- R09006-010-008-000
- R09006-010-009-000

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve to set public hearing for August 11, 2026



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Gloria Abbotts, Sr Planner

DEPARTMENT: Community
Development

MEETING: Town Council July 14, 2026

SUBJECT: Set a public hearing for August 11 to consider a Zoning Map Amendment and Text Amendment to Article 3 of the UDO to rezone 204 Cape Fear, 206 – 217 Cape Fear, and 3 S Third St from Mixed Use (MX) to a new zoning district called Commercial Transition (CT). Applicant: Town of Carolina Beach

BACKGROUND:

ACTION REQUESTED:

Adopt the consent agenda.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Gloria Abbotts, Sr Planner

DEPARTMENT: Community
Development

MEETING: Town Council July 14, 2026

SUBJECT: Set a public hearing for August 11 to consider a text amendment to Articles 3 and 7 of the UDO to add dog grooming to the home occupation ordinance.
Applicant: Zoey Brass

BACKGROUND:

ACTION REQUESTED:

Adopt the consent agenda.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:



RESOLUTION NO. 26-2355

RESOLUTION OF NECESSARY FINDINGS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF A FINANCING AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED BY NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE 160A-20

WHEREAS, the Town of Carolina Beach, North Carolina has invested millions of dollars to improve accessibility, for residents and visitors, to the ocean and beach over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carolina Beach, North Carolina welcomes visitors to the downtown boardwalk throughout the year for 1) special events 2) access to the wooden boardwalk which accommodates access to the beach for those with disabilities, 3) Thursday night fireworks from Memorial Day to Labor Day,

WHEREAS, the Town of Carolina desires to continue its efforts to improve its downtown boardwalk area for the benefit of residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to 1) improve the downtown area, 2) create an improved central gathering area for residents and visitors, 3) create opportunities for economic development and, 4) increase the parking available for residents and visitors, the Town has entered into a contract for the purchase of nine (9) parcels in its downtown boardwalk area ("Real Property), to wit;

R09006-022-003-000	R09006-021-002-000	R09006-024-014-000
R09006-022-002-000	R09006-021-003-000	R09006-010-008-000
R09006-021-005-000	R09006-023-007-000	R09006-010-009-000

WHEREAS, The Town of Carolina Beach desires to partially finance the purchase of the Real Property, by the use of an installment contract authorized under North Carolina General Statute 160A, Article 3, Section 20; and

WHEREAS, findings of fact by this governing body must be presented to enable the North Carolina Local Government Commission to make its findings of fact set forth in North Carolina General Statute 159, Article 8, Section 151 prior to approval of the proposed contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Carolina Beach, North Carolina, meeting in regular session on the 14th day of July 2026, make the following findings of fact:

1. The proposed contract is necessary or expedient to improve the overall experience of residents and visitors in the downtown area, including public safety for the general public.

the alternative financing structures and repayment provisions available in the proposed negotiated installment contract financing.

- 3. The sums to fall due under the installment contract are adequate and not excessive for the proposed purpose.
- 4. Any future property tax increase, if necessary, to pay installment payments falling due will not be excessive;
- 5. The Town of Carolina Beach's debt management procedures and policies are sound because we have annual audits prepared and are reviewed by the Local Government Commission. Our past audit reports indicate that the Town's debt management and contract obligation payment policies have been carried out in strict compliance with the law.
- 6. The Town of Carolina Beach is not in default in any of its debt service obligations.
- 7. The attorney for the Town of Carolina Beach has rendered an opinion that the proposed Project is authorized by law and is a purpose for which public funds may be expended pursuant to the Constitution and laws of North Carolina.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Director is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Town of Carolina Beach in filing an application with the North Carolina Local Government Commission for approval of the Project and the proposed financing contract and other actions not inconsistent with this resolution.

This resolution is effective upon its adoption this _____ day of _____, 20____.

The motion to adopt this resolution was made by _____, seconded by _____ and passed by a vote of _____ to _____

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk

This is to certify that this is a true and accurate copy of Resolution No. _____ Adopted by the Town of Carolina Beach on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Clerk

Date



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Debbie Hall, Finance Director

DEPARTMENT: Finance

MEETING: Town Council – 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Resolution to apply for LGC financing approval

BACKGROUND:

Council entered into an agreement to purchase nine parcels in the Downtown Boardwalk area for \$12 million, with a closing date of September 30, 2026. This resolution authorizes filing an application for approval of a financing agreement under North Carolina General Statute 160A-20. The application must be submitted to the Local Government Commission (LGC) by August 4, 2026, for review and approval at the LGC’s September 1, 2026 meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Resolution Number 26-2355- Resolution of Necessary Findings



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Kim Ward, Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT: Clerk

MEETING: Town Council 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Resolution Supporting WAVE Transit's Grant Application for Transit Oriented Development Planning

BACKGROUND:

The Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority intends to submit an application to the Federal Transit Administration Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning. They have asked the Town to submit a letter of support.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve under consent agenda.

Resolution



Town of Carolina Beach
Town Council

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2356

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CAPE FEAR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION PILOT PROGRAM FOR TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

WHEREAS, the Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority, doing business as Wave Transit, intends to submit an application to the Federal Transit Administration Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning – Section 20005(b); and

WHEREAS, the planning grant would provide funding for a study to identify opportunities for high-capacity transit investment within the Wilmington urbanized area, including improved regional connections serving the Town of Carolina Beach; and

WHEREAS, work to be performed under the study would include examining innovative ways of connecting Downtown Wilmington to major health centers, including Novant Health Regional Medical Center, Wilmington Health, the planned UNC Health medical campus at Shipyard Boulevard and Independence Boulevard, and other key destinations such as Monkey Junction and the Town of Carolina Beach; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Carolina Beach, North Carolina, that the Town Council hereby supports the application of the Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority, dba Wave Transit, to the Federal Transit Administration Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning – Section 20005(b).

ADOPTED, this 14th day of July 2026.

TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH

Albert L. Barbee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Kim Ward, Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT: Clerk

MEETING: Town Council 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Appoint Honorary Second Alternate Board of Adjustment Member

BACKGROUND:

Wayne Hartsell served as a member of the Board of Adjustment since 1996. Council suggested honoring him by appointing him as an honorary member of the Board, serving as a second alternate member.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve under consent agenda.



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Kim Ward, Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT: Clerk

MEETING: Town Council 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Resolution Retiring Police Canine Demi

BACKGROUND:

It is recommended that Police Canine Demi be retired and assigned to her handler Crofton Stephenson.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve under consent agenda.

Resolution



Town of Carolina Beach
Town Council

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2350

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH RETIRING POLICE CANINE DEMI AND AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP TO CORPORAL CROFTON STEPHENSON

WHEREAS, Canine Demi, a German Shepherd, has faithfully served the Town of Carolina Beach as a single-purpose narcotics detection canine with the Carolina Beach Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Canine Demi has been assigned to Corporal Crofton Stephenson, who has served as her handler and partner during her tenure; and

WHEREAS, due to an ongoing medical condition, and in consideration of her age and current health status, Canine Demi is no longer able to perform the duties required of an operational police canine; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Crofton Stephenson has developed a strong bond with Canine Demi and has expressed his desire to assume ownership upon her retirement, agreeing to accept full responsibility for her care, maintenance, and all future needs; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize Canine Demi’s faithful and dedicated service to the Town of Carolina Beach and the citizens it serves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Carolina Beach:

1. That Canine Demi is hereby officially retired from service with the Carolina Beach Police Department effective June 17, 2026.
2. That ownership and custody of Canine Demi are hereby transferred to Corporal Crofton Stephenson, who shall assume all responsibility for her care and well-being.
3. That the Town Council expresses its sincere gratitude and appreciation for Canine Demi’s dedicated and loyal service to the community and wishes her a comfortable and well-deserved retirement.

ADOPTED this 14th day of July, 2026.

TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH

Albert L. Barbee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk



CAROLINA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT



17 June 2026

MEMORANDUM

TO: BRUCE OAKLEY, TOWN MANAGER

FROM: CHIEF VIC WARD *CVW*

RE: RETIREMENT REQUEST OF CANINE DEMI- CANINE HANDLER CORPORAL CROFTON STEPHENSON TO RETAIN POSSESSION- EFFECTIVE 17 JUNE 2026

Due to an on-going medical condition of Canine Demi, assigned to Canine Handler Corporal Crofton Stephenson, I respectfully request the Town of Carolina Beach approve her retirement, effective Wednesday, 17 June 2026.

Canine Demi is a German Shepherd who has served as a single- purpose narcotics detection canine. Due to an on-going medical condition with prescribed treatment unable to guarantee complete success and recovery and her current age, she is no longer expected to provide operational value in this capacity. Furthermore, she has been out of such service for an extended period and remains out of service currently. As such, Canine Demi holds no practical market value beyond her current handler.

Corporal Stephenson has formed a strong bond with Canine Demi and has expressed his desire to assume ownership upon the canine's retirement. He agrees to accept full responsibility for Canine Demi's care, maintenance, and any future needs.

In light of Canine Demi's faithful and dedicated service to the Town of Carolina Beach, it is my recommendation that she be retired from active duty and released to the custody of Corporal Stephenson. It is fitting that she spends her retirement as a companion in a familiar and caring home.

Attachment: Agreement for Disposition of Canine Demi

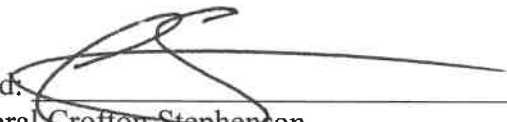


CAROLINA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT



AGREEMENT FOR DISPOSITION OF POLICE CANINE

1. The undersigned mutually agree that the Town of Carolina Beach has a canine named "Demi" which no longer is of any value due to a medical condition, out of service time, and no guarantee of a full and complete recovery pending any future remediation. Therefore, the canine has no market value.
2. The undersigned mutually agree that the Town of Carolina Beach has no reasonable means of accommodating this canine, and no apparent interest in it. The Town of Carolina Beach's interest in executing this document is to dispose of the canine in a humane, sensible manner.
3. Corporal Crofton Stephenson, a canine handler for the Carolina Beach Police Department, has developed an attachment to Canine Demi and desires to retain possession of the canine as a personal companion and a pet.
4. Corporal Stephenson agrees to accept ownership of and to assume full responsibility for the care, maintenance and any subsequent disposition of this canine. He avers that he is aware of the demeanor and any illnesses and/or deficiencies of the canine in question and agrees to hold the Town of Carolina Beach and all its employees, contractors, canine handlers, etc, harmless for any and all damage or liability that may be caused by the canine after he takes possession of it.
5. Corporal Stephenson agrees the canine is not to be used by him or another agency in a law enforcement capacity nor will the canine be used for any commercial purpose or for monetary gain.
6. Corporal Stephenson further agrees he will bear all expenses of keeping the canine in question, and that he will not subject the canine to neglect or abuse.

Signed: 
 Corporal Crofton Stephenson
 Carolina Beach Police Department

Date: 6/17/2026

Signed: 
 Bruce Oakley
 Town of Carolina Beach Town Manager

Date: 6/17/26



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Debbie Hall, Finance Director

DEPARTMENT: Finance

MEETING: Town Council – 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Budget Amendments/Transfers FY26

BACKGROUND:

I have received several budget amendments and/or transfer requests. As you know, transfers require only your notification whereas amendments require your approval. Listed below you will find a description of the amendments and/or transfers. I have also attached a copy of the supporting documentation for the appropriations.

Appropriations:

Appropriate \$41,000 from the Sale of Fixed Assets to account 30-811-074 WWC Capital Over \$10,000 to cover renovation of Dow Road Garage Site.

Transfers:

Transfer \$1,400 from account 10-420-022 Executive M&O Computers to account 10-550-033 Marina Supplies to purchase a computer for the Marina office.

Transfer \$2,500 from account 45-620-074 Lake Park Recreation Project Capital Projects over \$10,000 to account 45-620-46 Lake Park Recreation Project Professional Services to cover engineering services.

Transfer \$17,000 from account 10-510-045 Police Contract Services to account 10-510-074 Police Capital Projects over \$10,000 to purchase a replacement UTV for beach patrol operations.

Transfer \$6,260 from account 10-620-082 P&R Festivals; \$7,056.78 from account 10-620-041 P&R Arts& Actives and \$2,000 from account 10-620-066 Athletic Programs to account 10-620-045 P&R Contract Services to pay contract instructors for summer camp programs.

BUDGET IMPACT:

No budget impacts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve the budget amendments and/or transfers as presented by the Finance Director.

 Outlook

Budget transfer request

From Sheila Nicholson <sheila.nicholson@carolinabeach.gov>

Date Mon 2026-06-29 4:42 PM

To Debbie Hall <debbie.hall@carolinabeach.gov>

Cc Bruce Oakley <Bruce.Oakley@carolinabeach.gov>

Debbie,

To purchase a computer for the marina office, please transfer \$1,400 from 10-420-022 to 10-550-033.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,



Sheila P. Nicholson

Administrative Services Officer-Town of Carolina Beach

1121 N. Lake Park Blvd. Carolina Beach NC 28428

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(910) 458-2995

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 Outlook

Budget Transfer Request for Lake Park Restroom Project

From Sheila Nicholson <sheila.nicholson@carolinabeach.gov>

Date Mon 2026-06-22 12:04 PM

To Debbie Hall <debbie.hall@carolinabeach.gov>

Debbie,

To cover change order #2 fees from Alfred Benesch engineering services on Lake Park restroom project, please transfer \$2,500 from 45-620-074 to 45-620-046. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,



Sheila P. Nicholson

Administrative Services Officer-Town of Carolina Beach

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Lynn Barbee
Mayor

Vince Lsito
Council Member

Deb LeCompte
Mayor Pro Tem



Jay Healy
Mayor Pro Tem

Wayne Rouse
Council Member

Bruce Oakley
Town Manager

TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH
1121 N. Lake Park Boulevard
Carolina Beach, North Carolina 28428

FIXED ASSET REQUEST

To: Debbie Hall, Finance Director

From: Mark Meyer, Public Utilities Director

Re: funds request for asset sales

Date: June 30th, 2026

Budget transfer amount: \$ 41,000

From: sale of old generators from pump stations and 18" HDPE pipe from Phase B.

To: 30-811-074

Explanation: to cover renovation of Dow road Garage site.


Mark Meyer
6/30/26

Director of Public Utilities, Town of Carolina Beach

Lynn Barbee
Mayor

Joe Benson
Council Member

Deb LeCompte
Council Member



Deb LeCompte
Mayor Pro Tem

Mike Hoffer
Council Member

Bruce Oakley
Town Manager

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BUDGET TRANSFER REQUEST

To: Debbie Hall, Finance Director

From: Vic Ward, Chief of Police *C. V. Ward*

Re: Budget transfer request

Date: June 8, 2026

Budget transfer amount: \$17,000

From: 10-510-045 (Contract Service)

To: 10-510-074 (Capital Projects Over \$10,000)

Explanation:

CBPD is requesting the transfer of \$17,000 from account 10-510-045 to account 10-510-074 to fund the purchase of a replacement UTV/side-by-side for beach patrol operations. The vehicle was originally planned for purchase using ABC grant funding; however, that funding source has been canceled for the current year. The replacement is needed to maintain reliable beach patrol capabilities, as the existing vehicle has reached the end of its service life. The total purchase cost will be reduced through the trade-in of the current vehicle.

Lynn Barbee
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Jay Healy
Council Member

Vince Losito
Council Member



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TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH
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BUDGET TRANSFER/AMENDMENT REQUEST

To: Debbie Hall, Finance Director

From: Eric Jelinski, Parks and Recreation Director

Re: Budget transfer/amendment for FY 25/26

Date: July 7, 2026

Budget transfer amount: \$17,056.78

From: 10-620-082 - \$6,260.00

10-620-041 - \$7,056.78

10-620-066 – \$2,000.00

To: 10-620-045

Explanation:

TRANSFER:

1. This transfer will provide for payments for youth wrestling camp, youth lacrosse camp, and the gymnastics programs. These programs are offered through independent contractors. The Parks and Recreation Department collected the above funds for the programs. This budget transfer request is to pay the contractor providers.



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Kim Ward, Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT: Clerk

MEETING: Town Council Meeting 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

BACKGROUND:

Attached are the meeting minutes from the June meetings.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Review and consider approving under the consent agenda.

CAROLINA BEACH

Town Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 9, 2026 - 6:00 PM

Council Chambers, 1121 N. Lake Park Boulevard, Carolina Beach, NC



MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Barbee called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM, followed by the invocation by Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte and Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Mayor Lynn Barbee
 Mayor Pro Tem Deb LeCompte
 Council Member Jay Healy
 Council Member Wayne Rouse
 Council Member Vince Losito

ALSO PRESENT

Town Manager Bruce Oakley
 Deputy Town Manager Ed Parvin
 Finance Director Debbie Hall
 Town Clerk Kim Ward
 Town Attorney Noel Fox

ADOPT THE AGENDA

ACTION: Motion to adopt the agenda

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Set a Public Hearing for July 14, 2026, to Consider a Text Amendment to Art. 3 Sec. 3.19 of the UDO to Allow for Temporary Structures Beyond the Pierhead Line
 Applicant: Noelle Holdings LLC
2. Annual Write-off of Outstanding Accounts Receivable
3. Budget Amendments/Transfers
4. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte raised a question regarding item 2, noting that several of the outstanding accounts were significantly large – one exceeding \$6,600 and another approaching \$10,000 – with many individual balances above \$1,000. She asked if it would be possible to craft a policy allowing the

Town to place a lien on a property once a water bill reaches a certain outstanding threshold so that if the property were ever to transfer title, the Town would have a mechanism to recover those funds.

Ms. Hall said the Town can't set a lien on property for utilities but can turn over the balance to debt setoff. Ms. Fox said she had previously reviewed legislation concerning Cape Fear Public Utility Authority, which had obtained a session law permitting them to collect outstanding sums at closing when a property transferred based on amounts owed on the property, not on the occupant. She noted she had not reviewed that legislation recently but expressed willingness to revisit it and evaluate whether a similar mechanism could be applied here.

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte acknowledged that it was Mayor Barbee's birthday, prompting Council and those in attendance to briefly sing "Happy Birthday."

ACTION: Motion to adopt the consent agenda

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

5. Events Update

Mr. Parvin reviewed upcoming events:

- Blood Drive – June 10 at the Rec Center
- Carolina Beach Market – continues every Saturday through October 3 at Lake Park
- Boardwalk Blast Fireworks/Music – continues every Thursday (exceptions are Friday, July 3, and Friday, September 4, the final date) at the Gazebo
- Movies at the Lake – continues every Sunday through September 6 at Lake Park
- Life Rolls On – surf event on July 25 on the Boardwalk beach strand and skate event on July 26 at Mike Chappell Park Skate Park

6. Marketing Advisory Committee Budget Presentation

Marketing Advisory Committee Chairman Jeff Hogan presented the committee's budget. He noted that Council had received the budget from staff and offered to provide a summary rather than go through the document line by line.

Mr. Hogan reported that the total budget was \$1,381,485. He noted a significant structural change this year: The committee had eliminated its agency of record, based in Charlotte, and was bringing marketing capabilities in-house. Mr. Hogan explained that the Charlotte agency had not always fully understood the character and dynamics of Carolina Beach and the unified campaign shared with Wilmington, Wrightsville Beach, and Kure Beach. He said the new in-house staff would be local, present, and directly familiar with the community.

Mr. Hogan also highlighted a \$100,000 allocation for a community and visitor engagement strategy, designed to deepen the committee's understanding of its customer base through surveys and direct engagement, such as learning why people visit, how long they stay, and what they are seeking. He also reported there is \$1.1 million in the rollover fund.

Mayor Barbee noted that a key goal of the strategic plan was to help residents understand the economic importance of tourism. He observed that social media forums often feature negative sentiment toward visitors and seasonal traffic and that the engagement work was intended to help the broader community appreciate tourism's outsized role in supporting local businesses and quality of life year-round.

Mr. Hogan emphasized this point personally, noting that as an owner of three businesses on the island, the summer season is essential to his ability to remain open in the winter months. He recalled that when he moved to Carolina Beach in 1989, the Town was nearly empty after Thanksgiving, with residents needing to travel to Monkey Junction or beyond to find an open restaurant.

Council Member Healy commended Mr. Hogan's leadership of the committee.

Mr. Hogan credited growing tourism and the unified marketing campaign – which he noted had increased room occupancy tax (ROT) collections by as much as 50% for all four participating communities – for the Town's expanded year-round amenities.

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte expressed support for the decision to bring the marketing function in-house, noting that a local team would understand the meaningful differences between the area beaches in a way that an out-of-market agency simply could not.

Council Member Rouse asked Mr. Hogan to explain, for the benefit of the public, where the \$1.4 million comes from and what the \$1.1 million rollover represents. Mr. Hogan said these amounts are funded entirely by ROT dollars, a tax applied to short-term lodging stays of less than 90 days at a rate of 6%, in addition to the existing 7% sales tax. explaining that the rollover is a contingency reserve that the committee has built up over time. He recalled that former Council Member Steve Shuttleworth was among the first to push for maintaining a 10% reserve and that the State has since cautioned against treating the fund as a savings account without a purpose. Mr. Hogan described how the reserve came into use following Hurricane Florence, when the committee spent approximately \$250,000 – combined with contributions from Kure Beach, Wrightsville Beach, and Wilmington – on a post-disaster marketing campaign to inform potential visitors that the area was open for business.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Marketing Advisory Committee budget as presented

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

7. Eagle Scout Presentation by Jacob Gann

Jacob Gann, a resident of 7th Street and a six-year member of Troop 210 on the island, described his proposal to build four community flower boxes, each approximately 3 feet long by 3 feet wide, to be filled with native plants and mulch to support pollinators and local wildlife. He said the boxes would be fitted with a hose and hose holder and secured with stainless-steel screws, and he presented a design rendering.

Council Members praised Jacob's public-speaking abilities.

Council Member Rouse asked where the boxes would be located. Jacob said they would be near the Federal Point History Center.

Mayor Barbee asked about the timeline for the project. Jacob said his goal was to have everything completed over the summer, but he first must present the project to the Eagle Board for approval, after which he could begin construction. Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte noted that Jacob was working with her and resident Cindy Dunn on logistics.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Eagle Scout project by Jacob Gann as presented

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

8. Manager's Update

Mr. Oakley gave an update on various projects:

- Saint Joseph multi-use path: Final easements have been secured on the project, and additional engineering is now underway. The project is expected to go out to bid in the fall, with construction work anticipated to begin in the spring.
- Canal Drive/Cape Fear Boulevard corridor: The Town has pivoted away from the idea of a sculpture due to concerns about damage from vehicles. Instead, staff is exploring the use of large decorative spheres – similar to those seen at Target stores – to line the roadway.
- Lake Park pump house: The project is essentially complete, with the only outstanding item being louvered covers that are delayed due to a supply-chain issue. The Certificate of Occupancy cannot be issued until those covers are installed. All pumps are online and operational if needed.
- Volleyball court: This project is already underway, with sand delivered. The only remaining items are the net and associated materials. Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte asked about the status of a nearby crepe myrtle; staff will follow up on whether it was still planned to be relocated. She said she would like to tree to remain if possible.
- Infrastructure projects
 - Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI): This project – part of the bond program – is the final stages of contract execution, with installation expected to begin shortly thereafter. Residents should expect a Town employee to visit their property to replace their meter, but the process will otherwise be minimally disruptive.

- Force Main: Engineering and bidding for this project are complete, the contractor has been notified, and work was expected to begin soon.
- Well 15H: Engineering and permitting are underway. Mayor Barbee noted that a portion of this project would increase the height clearance under the Spartanburg Avenue crossing, which may require a temporary closure of that thoroughfare. He said clear advance communication to residents would be essential.

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte raised a concern about the slow pace of landscaping at the pump house site. Mr. Oakley said he thinks it has something to do with fencing and will look into it. Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte also noted that a tree just south of the building required trimming, as it was obstructing pedestrian access.

Mr. Parvin provided a detailed update on Freeman Park. He noted that temporary bathroom facilities would be installed at the entrance at 1810 Canal Drive by the end of that Friday, giving park users immediate access at that location.

On the broader Freeman Park Land Management Plan, Mr. Parvin reported that a public survey had been distributed and was open through July 17. He noted the Freeman Park Land Management Committee was expected to hold its first meeting in August, with multiple open-house sessions to follow for additional public input.

Council Member Rouse asked about the Spot Lane extension. Mr. Parvin provided an update on the stormwater project associated with this, confirming that engineering plans were complete and noting that the project involves ditching running from Texas Avenue to Henniker's Ditch. He said staff had directed the engineer to secure necessary permits and is coordinating with Military Ocean Terminal Sunny Point (MOTSU), though a formal response was still pending. Mr. Oakley confirmed that of the several projects currently pending with MOTSU, the well had already been approved.

Council Member Rouse asked whether a stop sign had been installed at the new 2nd Street extension. Mr. Parvin confirmed that it had.

Council Member Healy asked about the stoplight near Hoplite. Mr. Parvin noted that Duke Energy had flagged additional electrical issues that had required the N.C. Department of Transportation (DOT) to send revised plans back through the engineering process. He said DOT had communicated an update to Town staff that same day and that the Town's point of contact, Community Development Director Jeremy Hardison, had been actively pushing for progress. Mayor Barbee said the timing of turning on a new traffic signal in the middle of July – the height of tourist season – was not ideal, although Council Members acknowledged it would flash initially for one week before going fully operational.

Council Member Losito asked for a sidewalk update. Mr. Parvin reported that a mandatory meeting with the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WMPO) was scheduled for the following day to ensure the Town was meeting all requirements for its grant application. He also confirmed that DOT had responded indicating that the existing contract did not need to be modified to accommodate the additional funding and that DOT was moving forward with final designs based on Council's last motion. Mr. Parvin added that staff is working to obtain a more specific timeline for when

the project would go to bid. Council Member Losito asked if this would be just for the sidewalk or also include the crosswalk at Spartanburg Avenue. Mr. Parvin said the Town would do both at the same time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Maureen Lewis, President of the Carolina Beach Mural Project, spoke about the Stingray Stage at Lake Park, a community gathering space that she noted was also serving as a temporary home for 48 MuralFest panels. She described the current design as at least eight years old and proposed that the Mural Project be permitted to refresh it. Ms. Lewis said the envisioned concept is a geometric painted border pattern that the community could help paint in the fall, in a format similar to the kids' mural program at Mike Chappell Park, and she added that the Parks & Recreation Department is aligned with the vision. She emphasized there would be no cost to the Town, noting that the funding mechanism would be an NC Arts Council grant, with an application due June 30. Ms. Lewis said the Mural Project would pay for power washing, supplies, supervision, and sealing of finished artwork. She asked for Council's approval to move forward with applying for the grant and said a formal design would come back to Council for approval before any work commenced.

Ms. Lewis also expressed enthusiasm for the idea of decorative spheres on Canal Drive and offered that the Mural Project would love to engage local artists to paint creative designs on whatever structures the Town chooses to install, whether spherical or otherwise. She suggested this could become a larger beautification initiative extending through the business district.

Mayor Barbee asked Mr. Oakley whether there were any concerns about moving forward with the Stingray Stage project. Mr. Oakley confirmed that Parks & Recreation Director Eric Jelinski was fully supportive and reported no issues.

ACTION: Motion to support the Carolina Beach Mural Project's proposal for painting the Stingray Stage

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

Mayor Barbee confirmed that Mr. Oakley would also work with Ms. Lewis on the Canal Drive sphere beautification concept, with Mr. Oakley affirming.

Council Member Healy asked about the cost of the spheres. Mr. Oakley estimated this at approximately \$1,000 per sphere, with final pricing still being gathered.

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte emphasized the importance of ensuring the spheres are placed in a way that still preserves the lane for deliveries. Mr. Parvin clarified that this was intended as a temporary design while the Town continues to develop permanent multi-modal and safety options for the one-way corridor. Mr. Oakley noted that the spheres could be reused elsewhere if a permanent solution is later implemented. Council Member LeCompte also noted that the existing crosswalk needs to be repainted, as it is barely visible.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. Consider Adopting the Proposed FY2026-2027 Budget

ACTION: Motion to open the public hearing

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Oakley presented the proposed FY2026-2027 budget and noted that the process has included nine meetings, including a two-day strategic planning session, two public open houses, two budget workshops, and three public hearings. He said staff has been working on the budget since before January, with formal presentations to Council beginning in late January.

Mr. Oakley outlined the guiding priorities established by Council at the outset of the process: an employee-focused budget aimed at recruitment and retention to make the Town employer of choice, a strong emphasis on public health and safety, and a commitment to fiscal responsibility, including improved cybersecurity and organizational efficiencies.

He reported the following key budget figures:

- Tax rate: a 2.95-cent increase, bringing the total rate to 17.12 cents
- Utility rate: a 9% increase, required by bond covenants tied to the recently issued infrastructure bonds
- Total budget: \$26,027,000 – a 13% increase over the prior year, driven primarily by inflation, rising fuel costs, and increased healthcare costs, as well as the employee compensation changes made for recruitment and retention
- General Fund balance: projected at 49%
- Enterprise Fund balance: net position in excess of \$7.5 million

Council Member Rouse emphasized for the public record that the 9% utility increase was not optional and was a requirement to have funds loaned to the Town. Mr. Oakley confirmed that these were infrastructure projects underway now and in the near future.

Mayor Barbee opened the floor to public comment. No one came forward.

ACTION: Motion to close the public hearing

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

Council Member Healy reflected that this was his sixth budget cycle with Council and characterized the FY2026-27 budget as the hardest of those years, driven by external pressures largely beyond the

Town's control. He expressed satisfaction that despite those pressures, staff had maintained a 49% fund balance.

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte acknowledged the personal difficulty of voting for a tax increase, noting that her own property taxes had not come close to being revenue-neutral in the prior year following a 101% increase in the assessed value of her 1958-built home. She expressed empathy for residents in the same position but urged appreciation for the level of services the Town provides.

Mayor Barbee acknowledged that the Town had the option of drawing on the fund balance to avoid a tax increase but argued that approach was fiscally irresponsible over time.

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte raised the challenge of employee retention, noting that the Town regularly loses staff to New Hanover County and the City of Wilmington.

Council Member Rouse noted that many of the cost drivers – fuel costs and health insurance premiums – were entirely outside the Town's control and praised staff for exhausting every available avenue to manage costs before accepting unavoidable increases.

Council Member Losito singled out the healthcare procurement process, noting that national healthcare inflation was approximately 30% and that even with improvements to employee benefits, the Town came in at roughly half that rate of increase, an outcome he credited to diligent staff work in a compressed time frame. He observed that when measuring the breadth of services provided against the tax rate and overall cost to residents, the Town comes out far ahead of anywhere else.

ACTION: Motion to adopt the proposed FY2026-2027 budget as presented by the Town Manager

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

CLOSED SESSION

10. Closed Session to Discuss Attorney-Client and Real Estate Matters Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) and NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5)

ACTION: Motion to enter a closed session to discuss attorney-client and real estate matters pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) and NCGS 143-318.11(a)(5)

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

Mayor Barbee called the meeting back to order and said Council took no action during closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Barbee called the meeting back to order and said Council took no action during closed session.

CAROLINA BEACH

Town Council Workshop

Tuesday, June 23, 2026 - 9:00 AM

Council Chambers, 1121 N. Lake Park Boulevard, Carolina Beach, NC



MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Barbee called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

PRESENT

Mayor Lynn Barbee

Mayor Pro Tem Deb LeCompte

Council Member Jay Healy

Council Member Wayne Rouse

Council Member Vince Losito

ALSO PRESENT

Town Manager Bruce Oakley

Deputy Town Manager Ed Parvin

Finance Director Debbie Hall

Town Clerk Kim Ward

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Bike/Ped Committee Update

Bike/Ped Committee Chair Rodney Kidd gave an update.

League of American Bicyclists Application

Mr. Kidd said the committee recently submitted its Bicycle Friendly Community application to the League of American Bicyclists. He thanked staff members for their significant effort in completing the submission and reported that surveys from the organization are anticipated to be distributed to residents in July and August. Mr. Kidd said the application outcome is expected to be announced in December, with a potential opportunity to engage a League representative at the NC BikeWalk Transportation Summit in September. He suggested the Town consider proactively publicizing its existing bike and pedestrian infrastructure and celebrating publicly if status is awarded.

Priority Bike/Ped Infrastructure Projects

Mr. Kidd presented four priority projects drawn from the Town's Bike/Ped Plan:

- 7th Street sidewalk – The committee recommended completing the sidewalk along 7th Street through to Harper Avenue to connect to the Greenway, with a proposed extension down Tarboro Avenue.

- 8th Street sidewalk – The committee expressed strong support for constructing a sidewalk along 8th Street connecting through to Mike Chappell Park. This corridor already serves as the Greenway connector for cyclists, passes Seaside Chapel and the Fire Department, and provides direct access to the Mike Chappell Park Greenway entrance.
- Harper Avenue/Dow Road multi-use path segment – Rather than pursuing the full Harper Avenue multi-use path, the committee identified a near-term, high-priority segment: a one-block multi-use path connection from 8th Street to Dow Road at Harper Avenue. This would route cyclists and pedestrians away from the dangerous Dow/Harper intersection and connect to the existing Greenway running from Dow Road to Bridge Barrier Road.

Healy suggested looking into painting the bike lanes on Harper Avenue between 8th Street and Dow Road. Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte mentioned sharrows. Mr. Kidd noted that sharrows alone would not resolve the crosswalk issue, as cyclists are technically required to dismount at the existing crosswalk, and the geometry places cyclists on the incorrect side of the road.

Mayor Barbee raised a previously discussed concept of extending the multi-use path along the west side of Dow Road from Harper Avenue down to Cape Fear Boulevard, crossing at that point rather than at the Harper/Dow intersection. Mr. Kidd said this would reduce the crossing to two lanes of traffic rather than three, position the crossing in front of the Fire Department, and avoid a curve. Mayor Barbee noted the relevant property is privately owned, not part of Military Ocean Terminal Sunny Point (MOTSU), and that the applicable authority is the N.C. Department of Transportation (DOT).

Council directed staff to bring the concept of making 8th Street one-way with a designated bike/pedestrian lane through the Technical Review Committee (TRC) for a preliminary feasibility assessment before committing to further study. Mr. Kidd was invited to attend the relevant TRC discussion. Council also asked that the Dow Road/Cape Fear Boulevard multi-use path connection remain a high priority on the radar.

- Tennessee Avenue/Lake Park Boulevard crosswalk – The committee identified a pedestrian safety concern at the crosswalk near Lake Park Boulevard and Tennessee Avenue, where the absence of a landing pad or sidewalk forces pedestrians into the grass or roadway. The committee recommended, at minimum, installation of a concrete landing pad on the west side of the crosswalk to guide pedestrians, with the ultimate goal being a sidewalk along Tennessee Avenue.

Mr. Parvin provided an update on Lake Park Boulevard sidewalk progress. He said the Town will meet with engineering in July and should know in October or November about getting grant money. Mayor Barbee said Council has approved funding to go from Lake Park to Spartanburg Avenue and install a crosswalk there, the grant would take the sidewalk from Spartanburg Avenue to Ocean Boulevard, and then the next portion would be Ocean Boulevard to Alabama Avenue. He said as costs escalated, it became clear the Town would never get a grant to do the whole thing so they are breaking it into segments.

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte asked for a landing pad at the Ocean Boulevard crosswalk on Lake Park Boulevard, noting it has been a longstanding request.

The discussion turned to the possibility of a full Harper Avenue multi-use path. Mr. Parvin said the Town once had grant money for this but ended up changing what that money was used for and no longer has funding, although he said the project remains a priority. Council Member Healy said the cost estimate for the project was \$13 million five years ago.

Bike Rack Inventory and Management

The committee and staff completed a mapping inventory of all Town-owned bike racks, identifying 52 racks. This inventory was included in the League of American Bicyclists application. The committee recommended establishing a rotation program in which 8-10 racks are taken out of service each off-season for refurbishment rather than waiting until racks reach poor condition. The committee further recommended developing a plan to deploy racks to high-activity event locations such as the Cape Fear Kite Festival, suggesting that a volunteer team or the Parks & Recreation Department could handle this. Mayor Barbee acknowledged there could be liability concerns around using private volunteers and suggested that Mr. Oakley look into the matter.

Greenway Maintenance

Mr. Kidd noted that the Greenway from Dow Road to Bridge Barrier Road is approaching 20 years old and that there is currently no budget line for eventual resurfacing. He requested that future capital planning include funding for Greenway repaving, also noting that the Greenway along Cape Fear Boulevard, approximately 12 years old, would require resurfacing in time.

NC BikeWalk Transportation Summit

Mr. Kidd reported that the NC BikeWalk Transportation Summit is scheduled for September 17-19 and will be hosted at the Marriott in Carolina Beach, with Carolina Beach as the host city. He said registration is open and suggested that the Town might want to discuss the possibility of a sponsorship.

Mayor Barbee said sponsorship levels range from \$200 to \$10,000 and indicated he would be in favor of somewhere in the middle, suggesting \$2,500.

ACTION: Motion to approve \$2,500 to sponsor the NC BikeWalk Transportation Summit in Carolina Beach September 17-19

Motion made by Mayor Barbee

Voting Yea: Mayor Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte, Council Member Healy, Council Member Rouse, Council Member Losito

Motion passed unanimously

E-Bike Ordinance

Mayor Barbee reported that enabling legislation authorizing municipalities to regulate e-bikes was before the State Senate. He said under current law, e-bikes are treated as bicycles, and municipalities have no authority to enact e-bike-specific rules. Mayor Barbee explained that the proposed legislation would establish classifications for e-bikes and grant municipalities the authority to regulate them, similar to the existing authority to regulate low-speed vehicles such as golf carts.

Mayor Barbee proposed that once the legislation passes, the Bike/Ped Committee take the lead on community engagement – including an open house for public input – before any ordinances are drafted. He said the input would then go to staff and TRC to ensure rules are based on community feedback. Council gave consensus on this approach.

Mr. Kidd suggested the open house should be held in the fall, after the summer season, targeting primarily residents. Mayor Barbee said feedback could be reported to Council by approximately next January.

2. Annual Committee Appointments

Council made the following annual Committee appointments:

- Bike/Ped Committee – Steve Graybush (reappointed), Crystal Lee (reappointed), and Kate Dolan
- Board of Adjustment – Ken Thompson (reappointed), Clint Harris, and Tom Bridges (former Council Member, will serve as alternate); current alternate Dana White elevated to full member
- Marketing Committee – Brad Bradley (reappointed) and Tom Ullring (reappointed)
- Planning and Zoning Commission – Ethan Crouch (reappointed), Todd Piper (reappointed), and Lynn Conto (reappointed)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem LeCompte brought up the issue of private parking lot signage that may mislead visitors due to the name and small-font disclosures. Community Development Director Jeremy Hardison said staff will make sure they meet sign requirements, including minimum lettering size.

Mr. Oakley encouraged people to use the PivotGO website so they will be directed to public lots. Mayor Barbee said the URL is not easy to remember and suggested creating a simple redirect URL to make it easier to remember. Mr. Oakley said this could be done.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Barbee adjourned the meeting at 10:06 AM.



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Kim Ward, Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT: Clerk

MEETING: Town Council 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Events Update by Tim Murphy

BACKGROUND:

Tim Murphy will give an update on the upcoming events.

ACTION REQUESTED:

No action needed.



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Kim Ward, Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT: Clerk

MEETING: Town Council 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Presentation by the Island Arts Council

BACKGROUND:

Presentation by the Island Arts Council

ACTION REQUESTED:

Motion to approve/deny the proposed project

Island Arts Council (IAC) Website: islandartscouncil.net

Proposal to Carolina Beach city council for enhancing the arts and culture in the community

IAC Background/Mission Statement: 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization since 2011, now with 90+ members and board of directors of 15. The IAC's mission is to promote awareness, understanding and appreciation of the literary, culinary, visual, and performing arts in the island community, in order to enhance the quality of life in our area. To further such purpose, the IAC will:

- Champion the arts in Pleasure Island
- Support practicing artists and local art organizations
- Encourage economic development through the arts
- Facilitate the development of our community into a regional arts destination

What art & culture is the IAC already promoting in CB?

- Art in the Yard, 2-day island event - in 2025 there were 49 artist locations on the island
- Artists exhibitions at Crush & Grind, Marriott, Bella Vita-Uncle Vinny's
- First annual "Island Beach House" Gingerbread House competition Dec. 2026
- Community Clay Healing Arts
- American Legion Art Therapy
- Pop up community events: Easter Jamboree tent, Santa by the Sea tent
- Artists Socials supporting local businesses
- August 1-15, 2026 inaugural juried art show: "Echoes on History" New Hanover County through Artists' Eyes at Fort Fisher Historical Museum

What can we do for CB?

Featuring:

- Artists-led projects rooted in local coastal identity and history
- Scalable projects such as public art installations, placemaking elements, and cultural programming (e.g., new for 2026 is the community/artists mosaic totems)
- Project management by the IAC
- Alignment with city plans (town vitality, tourism, walk ability, place making)
- Community engagement through design input and public unveiling events

Advantages of enhancing the arts in CB:

- CB will gain access to art experts
- Reduce administrative burden: the IAC manages artists, timelines, and deliverables
- Cost-effective approach through shared resources and outside funding opportunities
- Local artists are prioritized, keeping investment within the community
- Projects can be phased

Benefits of enhancing the arts in CB:

- Opportunities for residents to feel connected to their town through shared creative experiences which encourages social connection
- A more vibrant, welcoming community for residents, visitors, and future investment
- Enhanced public spaces that foster civic pride and a stronger sense of place
- Supports economic development through cultural tourism and local spending

Public Art: Mosaic Totems Proposal specifications:

Planning Stages / Approval Needed

- Project Management - IAC is totally responsible for the
 - Creation of the posts
 - maintenance of the mosaics on the posts after installation
- Historical Committee -approval of site placements
- Parks & Recreation -collaborate on place making and installation unveiling events
- Public Works -placement logistics to ensure the safety and aesthetic beauty of the Town
- City/Town Finance Committee
 - manpower for installation and grounds maintenance
 - seven 3-hour workshops held gratis at Recreation Center/Community Center buildings
 - Liability (transfer ownership to KB/CB)
- IAC Finance Committee
 - expense of posts, tools, and supplies
 - Budget income from Grant funding from Wilmington Arts Council/NHC Endowment
 - General budget allocation for balance of expenses

Installation

It will be necessary to work in conjunction with the CB and KB towns for secure installation.

18 total posts to be installed during 2026

6 locations across the island : 3 in CB and 3 in KB

3 posts at each location

Size of the posts at each location: 2 artists made will be 4' high from the ground up; 1 community made will be 6' high from the ground up

CB Art Appreciation light post flags with art from IAC members

Planning Stages / Approval Needed

- IAC artists paint coastal scenes specific to Pleasure Island to transfer onto flags for the CB light posts to be hung by city's manpower
- Cost of flag printing/production all by IAC

Featuring/Advantages/Benefits

- Supporting our local artists: Each flag acknowledges, in small print, the artist's name
- A collaboration with the city and IAC as we provide visual traffic focus for enrichment of the local arts and culture
- The beauty of art will flow from the light posts and keep the community and visitors engaged in our mission of developing our island as a regional arts destination

Carolina Beach

A Community Art Initiative



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Carolina Beach, North Carolina
Presented to Carolina Beach Town Council · July 2026

AGENDA

1. Project Overview
2. Artist Totems
3. Community Totems & Workshops
4. City Light Posts Flags
5. Approvals Request & Next Steps

Approval Requests

Mosaic Totems

Light Post Flags

Installation of 3 sites for Mosaic Totems 2026

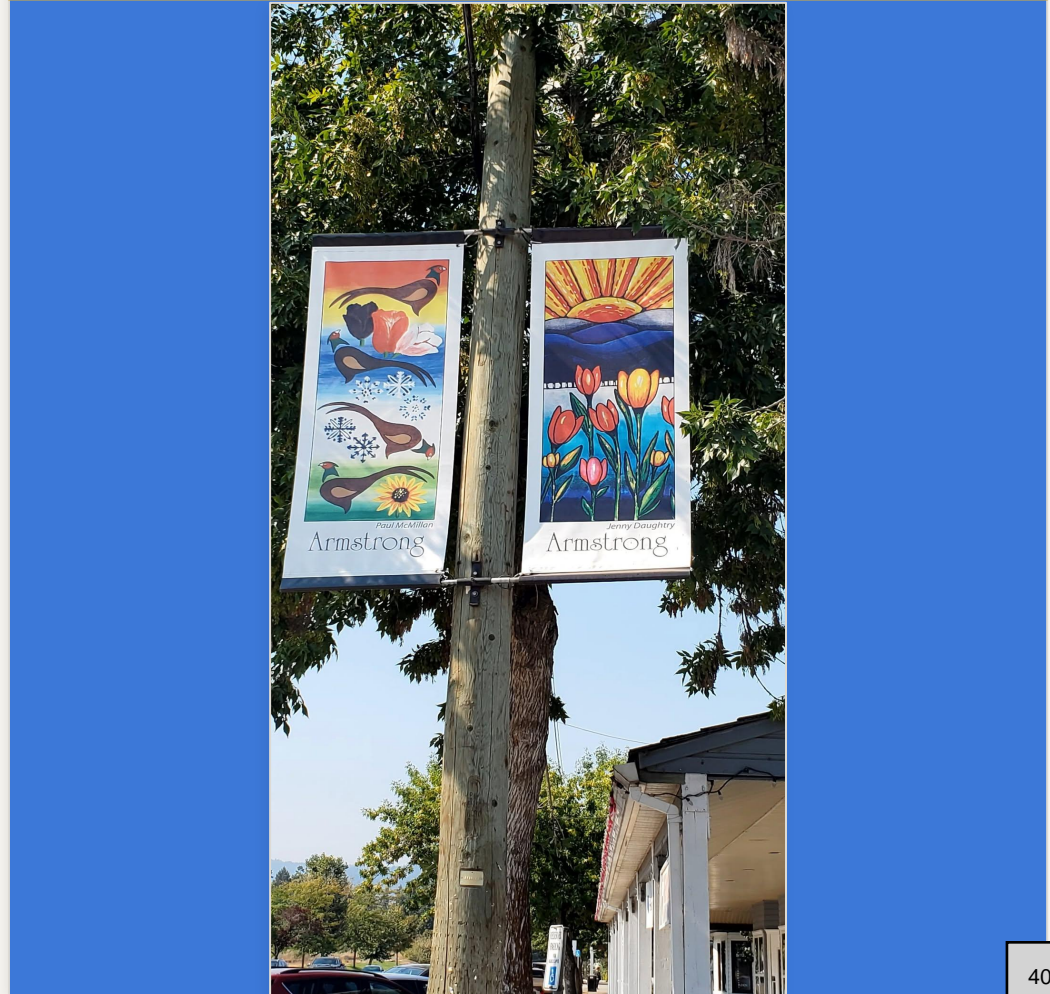
**Carolina Beach
Municipal Docks**

**Carolina Beach Lake
Park**

**Carolina Beach Fire
Station**



2027 CB Art Appreciation Seasonal Light Post Flags with art from IAC members



The Pleasure Island Arts Council has selected designs for a series of mosaic totems celebrating the beauty, culture, and natural environment of Carolina Beach.



Artist Totems

Two 4-foot tall round posts. Designs wrap completely around the cylinders.



Community Totem

One 6-foot in height post with 4 inch sides.
Designs displayed on all four sides.
Community-created mosaic tiles.



Public Workshops

Held at the Carolina Beach Recreation Center.
Open to all residents.

KEY MESSAGE

These sketches represent the artistic concepts. Final mosaic installations will feature unique tile placement, color variation, texture, and handcrafted details unique to each piece.

Public Art: Mosaic Totems Proposal - specifications:

IAC:

- IAC Finance Committee:
 - Expense of posts, tools, and supplies
 - Budget income from Grant funding - Wilmington Arts Council/NHC Endowment
 - General budget allocation for balance of expenses
- Project management
- Creation of the posts
- Maintenance of the mosaics on the posts after installation

Town of Carolina Beach:

- Council: approval of site placements
- Public Works: placement logistics to ensure the safety and aesthetic beauty of the city
- Manpower: secure installation and grounds maintenance
- Parks & Recreation: community workshops (held gratis) at Recreation Center
- Liability: (transfer ownership to Town of CB) Parks & Recreation

Collaboration:

place making and installation unveiling events

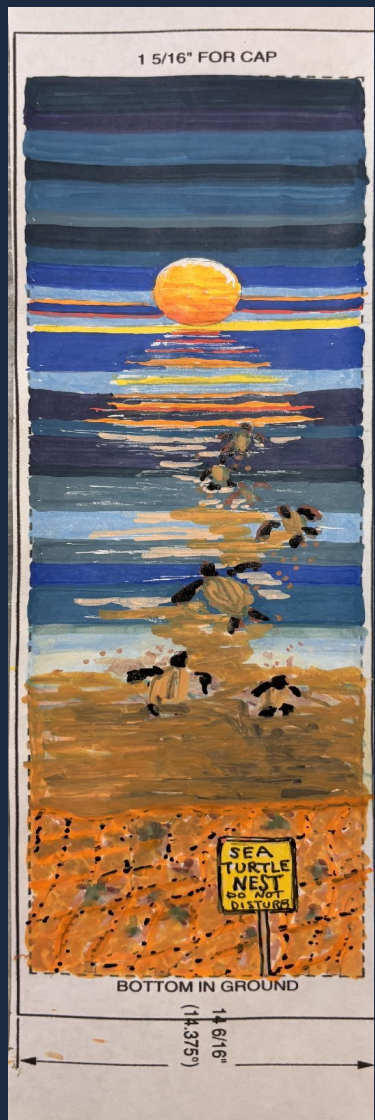
Installation and Locations

6 locations across the island : 3 in CB and 3 in KB
3 posts at each location

Size of the posts at each location:

- 2 artists made: 4 ft. high from the ground up
- 1 community made: 6 ft. high from the ground up

18 total posts projected to be installed during 2026



Concept rendering — final mosaic will feature hand-cut tiles with unique color and texture.

Layers of Sky

Deep and layered blues transition from twilight to sunrise, creating the sense of a changing Kure Beach sky.

Golden Sun Setting

A vibrant golden-orange sun sits at the horizon line, with warm reflections cascading down to the water.

Turtle Procession

Multiple sea turtles are depicted crossing from nesting area to ocean in a flowing, connected composition.

Conservation Symbol

The 'Sea Turtle Nest — Do Not Disturb' sign anchors the bottom, honoring Kure Beach's real-world conservation effort.

— **example:** first installation at Kure Beach Ocean Front

Artists

Barb Buckley and Leslie Santilli, Artists

Design Title

Sea Turtle Hatching

Design Statement

- Opaque and glass mosaic tiles
- Hand-cut tile work
- Flowing ocean and sky elements
- Sea turtle imagery throughout
- Mixed textures and embedded materials

Celebrating Kure Beach's iconic natural treasure: the nesting sea turtle population.



Vibrant Sunset

A golden Atlantic sunset rendered in warm orange and deep blue tones



Turtle Journey

Sea turtles traveling between nest and sea in procession



Ocean Reflection

Shimmering reflections across the water's surface



Nesting Area

Protected nesting zone depicted with orange netting motifs



Sand Textures

Embedded sand textures giving tactile dimension to the piece



Do Not Disturb

Iconic sea turtle nesting sign as a conservation symbol

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY TOTEM

The 6-foot in height with 4 inch sides Community Totem will be created with participation from Carolina Beach residents during public workshops.

DESIGN FEATURES

The four sides of the totem will feature coastal icons:



Smiling Sun



Sea Turtle



Pelican



Dolphin



Palm Tree



Crab



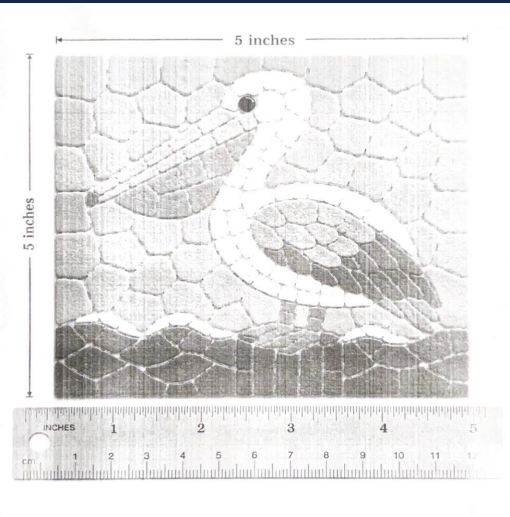
Sea Shell

COMMUNITY CREATIVITY

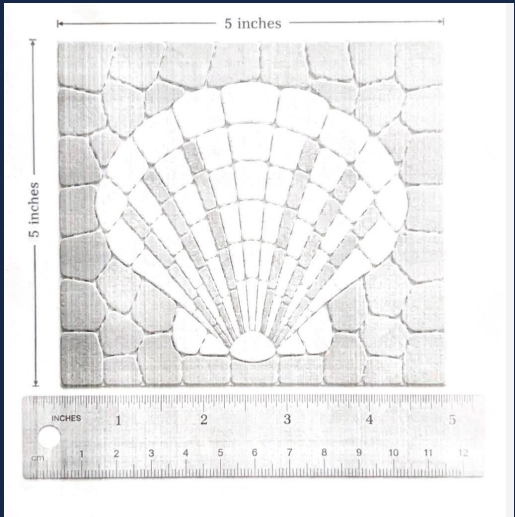
- Create individual mosaic tiles
- Select their own colors
- Contribute unique artistic interpretations
- Become part of a permanent public landmark

Community Totem — Design Templates

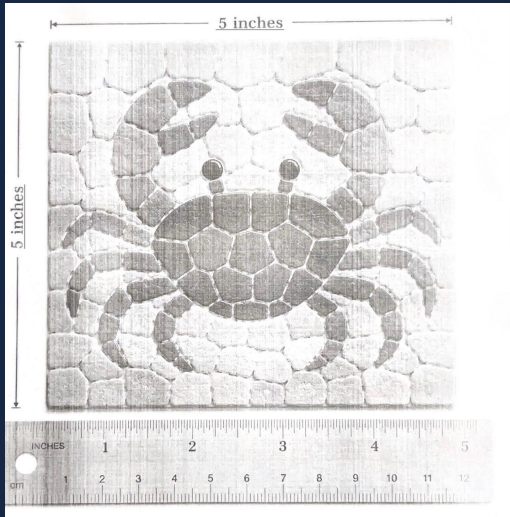
Template concepts for the Community Mosaic Totem. Final mosaics will be handcrafted by community participants and may vary from these sketches.



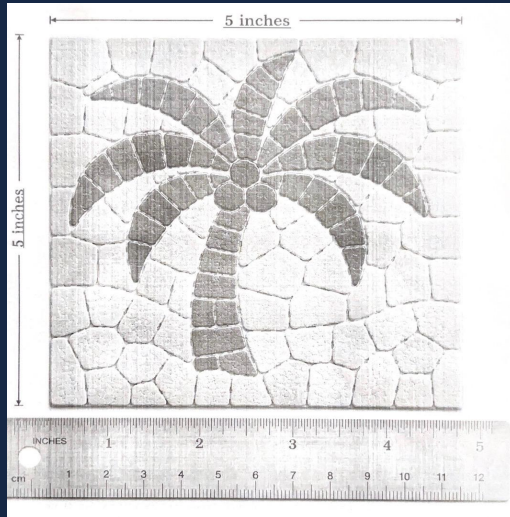
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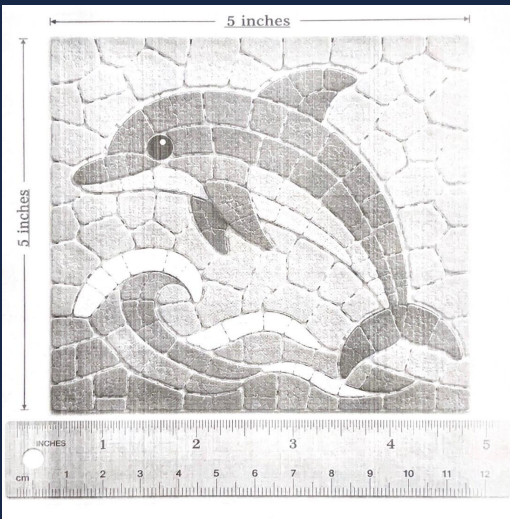
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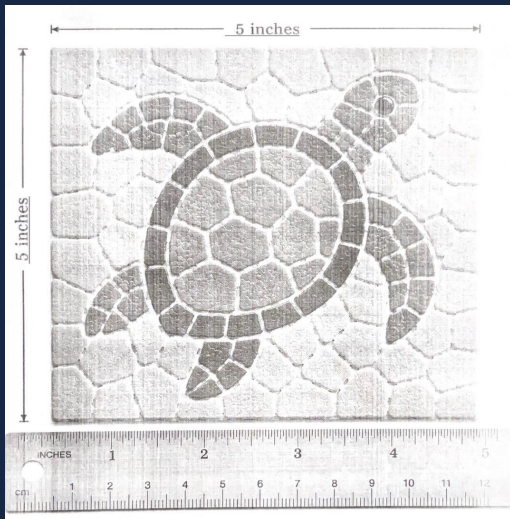
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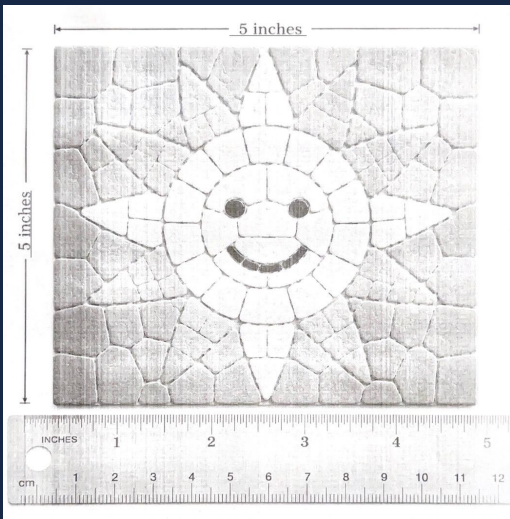
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Sea Turtle



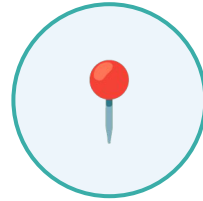
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01 Workshop Goals



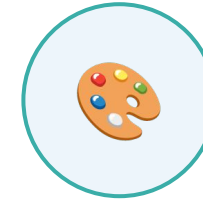
- Engage Carolina Beach residents
- Create a lasting public art piece
- Celebrate local coastal heritage
- Encourage participation for all ages

02 Location



- Carolina Beach Recreation Center
- Guided by local artists

03 Community Involvement



- Learn mosaic tile techniques
- Create custom hand-crafted tiles
- Collaborate with local artists
- Help build a permanent landmark

Every tile created in these workshops becomes a permanent part of Carolina Beach's public art landscape — a contribution that will be enjoyed for generations.

Community Workshop Flyer

Creating the Community Totem Together

This is a draft of the Community Workshop Flyer with the Mosaic Totem info and workshop dates.

It will include the Island Arts Council Logo and website info.

ISLAND ARTS COUNCIL

Island Mosaic Totems

2026 Community Project

IAC Artists work with participants to create colorful mosaic totems to be installed around the island. Each site includes 2 artist-made totems and 1 community-made totem.

Workshops will be held throughout the year to create community mosaic totems!

1st Site: CB Lake

Workshops: Community Mosaic Tiles

- 3 Workshops held at Carolina Beach Recreation Center
- Up to 15 participants (Ages 13+, Minors must be accompanied by parent)
- \$15 per person to cover materials
- Your tiles will be on the Community Totem that is part of the public sculpture

Dates will be inserted here time will be inserted here

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THE ENDOWMENT
NEW HANOVER COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT

The Arts Council
of Wilmington & NHC

Every tile created in these workshops becomes a permanent part of Carolina Beach's public art landscape — a contribution that will be enjoyed for generations.

Mosaic Totem

Questions & Discussion

Pleasure Island Arts Council

PleasureIslandArtsCouncil.org

2027 Seasonal Light Post Flags - Project Overview

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- Selected Artwork (for 20 flags) by local artists - reviewed and approved by the Carolina Beach Town Council
- Transfer artwork onto flags meeting the Town of Carolina Beach's specifications (approx. 24"x48", 30"x60")
- Light post flags to be hung by Town of Carolina Beach's manpower - Lake Park Blvd and business district
- Cost of flag printing/production all by Island Arts Council
- Upon removal of flags, Island Arts Council takes possession for a public sale to partially fund next year's flags

Seasonal: Spring/Fall - Months of celebrating our Island's local art with support from the Town of Carolina Beach

- Supporting our local artists: Each flag acknowledges, in small print, the artist's name
- A collaboration with the city and Island Arts Council as we provide visual traffic focus for enrichment of the local arts and culture
- The beauty of art will flow from the light posts and keep the community and visitors engaged in our mission of developing our island as a regional arts destination

Light Post Flags

Questions & Discussion

Pleasure Island Arts Council

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Island Arts Council requests your approval of the two proposed projects:

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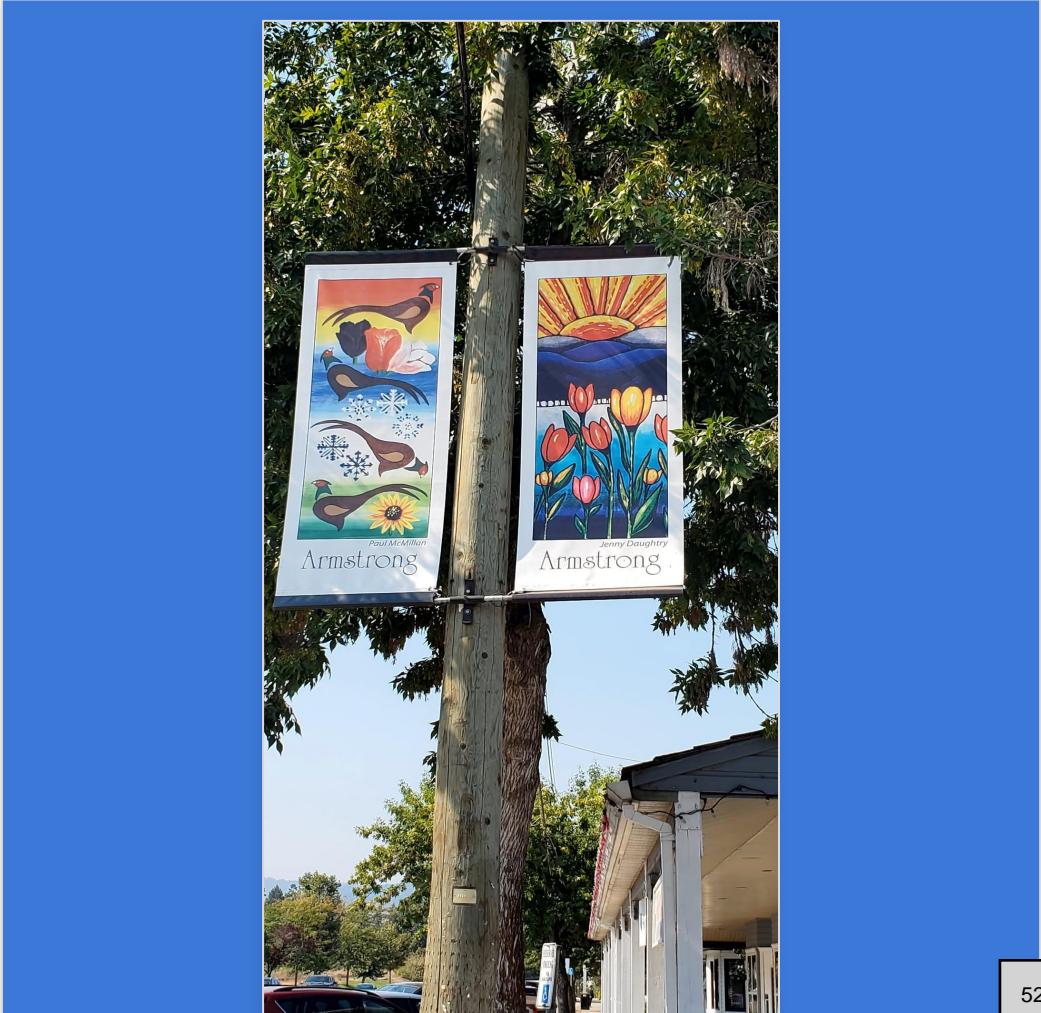
Installation of 3 sites for Mosaic Totems 2026

2027 CB Art Appreciation Seasonal Light Post Flags with art from IAC members

**Carolina Beach
Municipal Docks**

**Carolina Beach Lake
Park**

**Carolina Beach Fire
Station**





AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Bruce Oakley, Town Manager

DEPARTMENT: Executive

MEETING: Town Council 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Manager's Update

BACKGROUND:

Town Manager Bruce Oakley will give an update on current and future projects.



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Gloria Abbotts, Sr Planner **DEPARTMENT:** Community Development

MEETING: Town Council – July 14, 2026

SUBJECT: Text Amendment to Article 3 Section 3.19 of the UDO to allow for temporary structures beyond the pierhead line.

Applicant: Noelle Holdings LLC

BACKGROUND:

The applicant Noelle Holdings LLC has applied for a text amendment to allow temporary structures beyond the pierhead line. The applicant is the owner of the Stoked Restaurant located at 313 Canal Drive. The applicant has proposed a new floating dock five feet beyond the pierhead line. The current ordinance does not allow any structures beyond this line.

The term “Pierhead Line” is defined in the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) as the regulatory boundary beyond which no portion of a pier or dock may extend within the Carolina Beach Boat Basin. The pierhead line was established in the early 1980’s in collaboration with the State Property Office in Raleigh. The line was amended through Town Council approval in 2012 to more closely match the Army Corps of Engineers channel setback line.

Public, residential, and commercial properties adjacent to the boat basin have constructed docks over public trust waters. The Town requires that all such private docks and piers comply with the Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) regulations and remain consistent with the pierhead line established by the Town.

The purpose of the pierhead line is to minimize user conflicts that may arise when residential property owners occupy space over public trust waters, and to protect the general health, safety, and welfare of citizens using these waters for recreational and commercial purposes.

USACE Wilmington District Setback Policy

According to the Wilmington District Setback Policy, the following provisions typically apply:

- Permanent vs. Floating Structures: Permanently fixed or “hardened” structures (e.g., pilings, bulkheads) are generally prohibited within setback areas. Floating structures may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

- **Removability:** Permitted floating docks or structures must be designed for prompt removal at the owner's expense, particularly to accommodate maintenance dredging.
- **No Permanent Utilities:** Regional General Permits (e.g., RGP 56 or 125) typically prohibit permanent utilities (power, water, or sewer) from being attached to structures within setback areas, ensuring they can be removed quickly.

Proposed Ordinance:

The proposed ordinance would allow for temporary floating structures to encroach up to five feet beyond the pierhead line, with conditions. The structure must be readily removable at the owner's expense, no utilities may be attached, securely anchored to prevent drift while still being removable, and may not create a navigational hazard.

TRC COMMENTS:

The proposed ordinance was reviewed at the May 5th TRC meeting. TRC unanimously opposes the adoption of the ordinance. The line was created to designate a location across the harbor within the jurisdictional limits of Carolina Beach to protect navigable waters and allow for private usage for on water development (i.e. piers). Creating expansions into these waters could have a negative impact on public trust waters.

TRC does not support any extensions (temporary or permanent) beyond the pierhead line because it will create more dangerous conditions for vessels navigating the channel. The proposed floating dock addition is in the tightest pinch point in the harbor. There are concerns about public safety by narrowing the navigational channel even more. Large vessels need as much space as possible to maneuver at slow speeds.

Adoption of this ordinance will further limit public trust waters for CB boaters, encroach into the USACE channel buffer zone, and eliminate the ability of many of the vessels to safely visit our community.

Key Findings:

- **Navigational Choke Point:** This area of the Harbor is already very congested with boater traffic coming into private marinas, Stoked, Blackburn's, and the Municipal Marina. There are several large vessels in the Municipal Marina that have limited ability to maneuver until they are up to a cruising speed.
- **Environmental Challenges:** Persistent daily winds channel through. Adding to this choke point further limits maneuverability. Large vessels (licensees and transients) have limited maneuverability in these conditions until they reach cruising speed, which will be further restricted by this amendment.
- **Precedent and Future Development:** Approving this extension will set a precedent and encourage the development of currently vacant properties north of Blackburn's with similar non-conforming dockage.

- Regulatory Ambiguity: If the USACE requires the removable floating structures to be pulled, the town lacks a clear plan for who removes them, the specialized equipment required, and where the floating structures would be stored.
- Jurisdiction and Safety: The Harbor Ordinance grants the Town authority to manage the harbor. Harbor Masters frequently close this zone to recreational traffic during busy events for safety reasons, so additional permanent structures should be avoided. Stoked draws large vessels to their dock regularly. Allowing fixed piles with floating structures past the pierhead line pushes those vessels further out into the channel.
 - 16 Fireworks during season: 127 vessels on July 4th
 - Fishing tournaments (attachment 2)
 - Flotilla
 - 65' vessel coming in now
 - 59' vessels Vonda Kay and Island Explorer
 - Illegal rafting occurring currently

LAND USE PLAN:

The proposed text amendment is not in general conformity with the Land Use Plan and other Long-Range Plans.

The Harbor Management Plan emphasizes that establishing and enforcing the pierhead line is essential for managing user conflicts and maintaining boating safety, particularly as recreational use increases alongside population growth and development. The Town must proactively address competing uses of the shoreline, public trust waters, and submerged lands.

It is also critical to ensure riparian rights (the right to construct a dock) do not interfere with safe navigation or the public's ability to use shared water resources.

The Land Use Plan (LUP) further identifies community goals to:

- Balance access to Myrtle Grove Sound among commercial, sport-fishing, recreational, and transient boaters.
- Maintain and enhance accessibility to public trust waters and public recreational facilities.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Consider recommending approval or denial of the text amendment.

Planning and Zoning Recommended Approval 5-0 with the addition that any extension over the pierhead line be permitted only in the CBD and through a Conditional Zoning.

MOTION:

Approval – to amend Unified Development Article 3 Section 3.19 to allow for temporary structures beyond the pierhead line.

Denial – to amend Unified Development Article 3 Section 3.19 to allow for temporary structures beyond the pierhead line.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Text Amendment Language
2. Harbor Photo during a fishing tournament
3. Proposed Floating Dock
4. Pierhead Line



PETITION FOR A TEXT AMENDMENT

Petitions shall be submitted for review to the Department of Planning and Development located at 1121 N. Lake Park Blvd., Carolina Beach, NC 28428. Only complete petitions will be processed.

PETITIONER

Petitioner's Full Name: Noelle Holdings LLC Phone #: (910)-264-4033
Street Address: 3521 Masonboro Harbor Dr
City: Wilmington State: NC Zip: 28409
Email: Rodney@StokedRestaurant.com

REQUESTED TEXT AMENDMENT

Town Code Section(s) Requested to be Amended:
3.19


Please provide a general proposal for the amendment to the Town Code Section(s) stated above which you believe will result in improved regulations for all the residents of the Town of Carolina Beach:

Stoked Restaurant Respectfully Requests an amendment to Town Code 3.19 to allow a Removable Floating Dock to the Town ordinance.

This petition will be scheduled for the next possible meetings with the following boards: (1) Technical Review Committee, (2) Planning and Zoning Commission and (3) Town Council. The petitioner or a representative should be present at all meetings to answer any questions. Contact the Department of Planning and Development for a schedule of meeting times and submittal deadlines. All meetings are held at the Municipal Administration Building, 1121 N. Lake Park Boulevard, Carolina Beach, NC 28428. Petitioners will be informed of any changes in date, time, or location of meetings.

I understand that the fee for review is nonrefundable.

Fee: to be submitted with application in accordance with the Town's annually adopted Rates and Fee Schedule

Signature of Petitioner:  Date: 4/6/20

Ordinance 26-1289

Town of Carolina Beach
Town Council



AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW TEMPORARY STRUCTURES BEYOND THE PIERHEAD LINE:

APPLICANT ORIGINAL

3.19 ESTABLISHMENT OF HARBOR AND PIERHEAD LINE

B. Temporary floating structures extending beyond the pierhead line may be permitted to encroach up to five (5) feet, provided they meet the following conditions:

1. Removability: Structures must be readily removable at the owner's expense upon notification by the Town or during dredging operations.
2. No Permanent Utilities: No permanent utilities or infrastructure may be attached to floating structures within the encroachment area.
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4. Navigation Safety: Any encroachment beyond the pierhead line must not create a navigation hazard. The Town reserves the right to require removal of any structure that impedes safe passage.

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Carolina Beach. Adopted this 14th day of July, 2026.

TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH

Albert L. Barbee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk

Ordinance 26-1289

Town of Carolina Beach
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P&Z RECOMMENDATION

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ATTACHMENT 2: HARBOR PHOTO



SURVEY REFERENCE:
CAROLINA BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES
SECTION 12-111

LEGEND:

- IRON PIPE (NEW OR EXISTING)
- IRON ROD (NEW OR EXISTING)
- CENTERLINE CONTROL MONUMENT
- ⊛ TURN IN PROPOSED PIERHEAD LINE
- PROPOSED PIERHEAD LINE
- OLD PIERHEAD LINE
- U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS SETBACK LINE
- CENTERLINE
- RIGHT OF WAY

- NOTES:
- THE COORDINATES OF THE U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS SETBACK LINE WERE OBTAINED FROM THE WILMINGTON DISTRICT WEBSITE.
 - CORNERS ARE IN DEEP WATER AND ARE NOT STAKED.
 - ALL DISTANCES ARE HORIZONTAL FIELD MEASUREMENTS.
 - AREA COMPUTED BY THE COORDINATE METHOD.
 - THIS MAP PREPARED UNDER AUTHORITY OF CAROLINA BEACH ORDINANCE 12-900.

ATTACHMENT 4: PIERHEAD LINE

LATITUDE, LONGITUDE & COORDINATE LIST FOR PROPOSED NEW PIERHEAD LINE

LABEL	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	NORTHING	EASTING
AA	34°03'25.979"	77°53'26.103"	113895.1102	2336144.0082
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AO	34°02'11.772"	77°53'34.180"	106184.9000	2335463.9000
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AD - AE	S 17°11'37" W	178.90'
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AF - AG	S 08°07'48" W	3.75'
AG - AH	S 30°41'59" W	3.75'
AH - AI	S 36°29'25" W	3.75'
AI - AJ	S 37°29'41" W	3.77'
AJ - AK	S 36°29'25" W	3.61'
AK - AL	S 30°41'59" W	3.61'
AL - AM	S 15°15'18" W	3.62'
AM - AN	S 08°07'48" W	3.62'
AN - AO	N 72°21'58" W	3.79'
AO - AP	N 72°29'10" W	130.00'
AP - AQ	N 67°14'58" W	4.20'
AQ - AR	N 57°50'52" W	4.13'
AR - AS	N 47°54'39" W	4.18'
AS - AT	N 37°50'29" W	4.20'
AT - AU	N 27°10'52" W	4.18'
AU - AV	N 16°00'15" W	2.21'
AV - AW	N 05°07'46" W	4.20'
AW - AX	N 02°43'35" E	4.20'
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AY - AZ	N 16°14'44" E	3.82'
AZ - BA	N 08°00'32" E	3.82'
BA - BB	N 11°15'58" E	2.06'
BB - BC	N 58°51'23" W	107.14'
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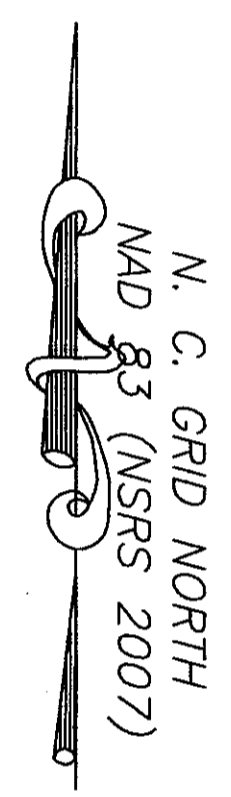
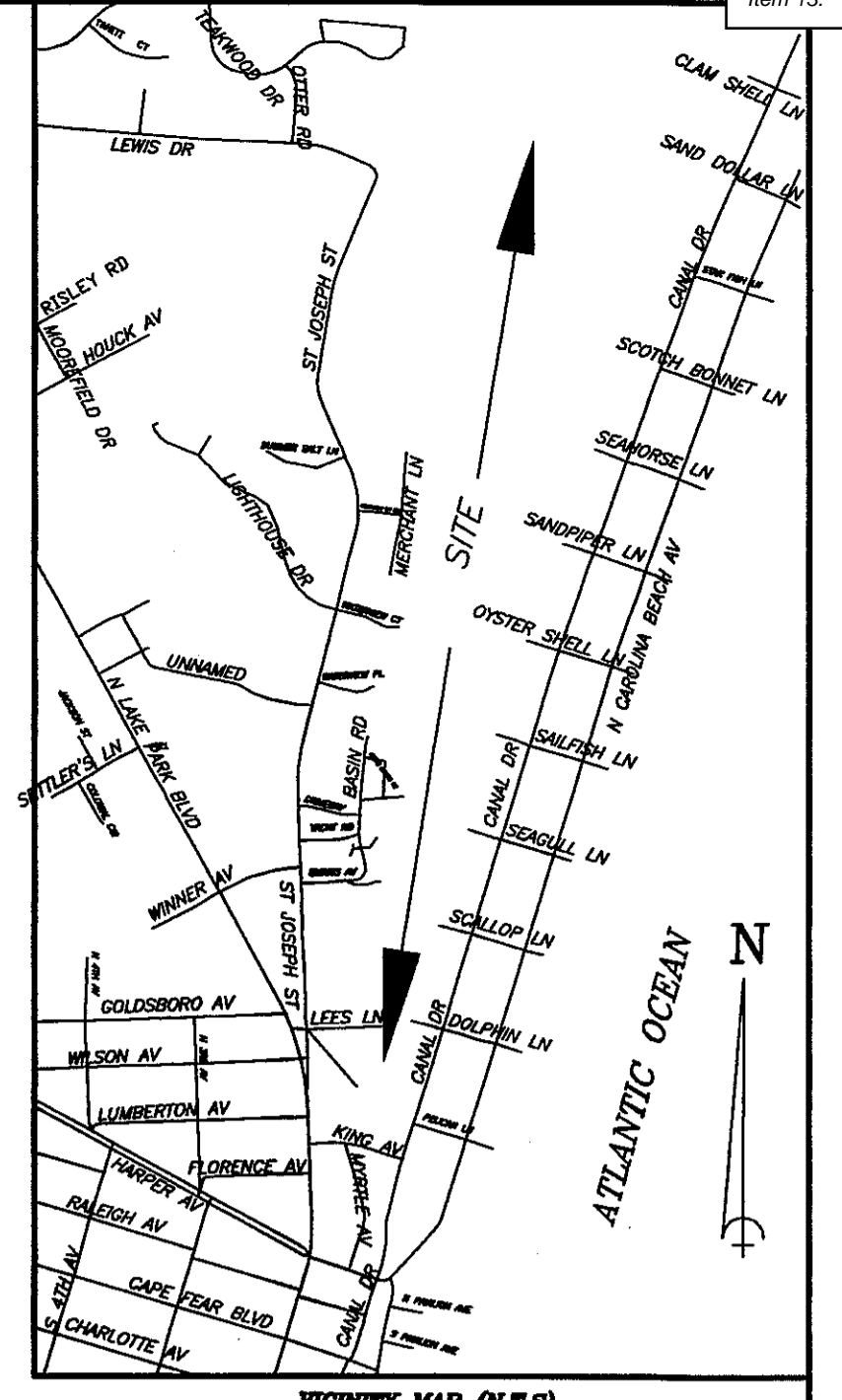
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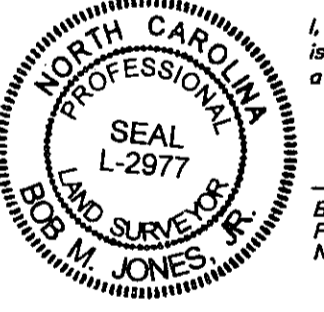
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MAP OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE CAROLINA BEACH PIERHEAD LINE FOR THE TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH

FEDERAL POINT TOWNSHIP - NEW HANOVER COUNTY - NORTH CAROLINA
SCALE: 1" = 300'
DATE: AUGUST 28, 2012



I, Bob M. Jones, Jr., Professional Land Surveyor No. L-2977, certify that this plot is of a survey of another category, such as the recombination of existing parcels, a court-ordered survey or other exception to the definition of subdivision.

Bob M. Jones, Jr.
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CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
The Carolina Beach Planning and Development Department hereby approves the Final Plat for a portion of the Pierhead Line in the Myrtle Grave Sound area.

10-23-2012
Date
E. H. Rain
Director

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
I, SAM BURGESS, Review Officer of NEW HANOVER COUNTY, certify that the map or plat to which this certification is affixed meets all statutory requirements for recording.

S. Burgess
Review Officer
10-25-12
Date

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
Filed for registration on the 25th day of Oct., 2012, at 1:11 (P.M.) and duly recorded in Map Book 57, Page 169.

Register of Deeds
Dorinda H. Macneish
10-23-2012
Instr. # 2012037042

ROBERT H. COSLER & ASSOCIATES, PA
LAND SURVEYORS - LAND PLANNERS
FIRM LICENSE NUMBER: C-1167
513 CHESTNUT STREET
WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA 28401
910-763-1941
rhcos@bellsouth.net
FILE No.: 88180626



Text Amendment to Article 3
Section 3.19 of the UDO to allow for
temporary structures beyond the
pierhead line.

Applicant: Noelle Holdings LLC

Town Council
July 14, 2026

Background

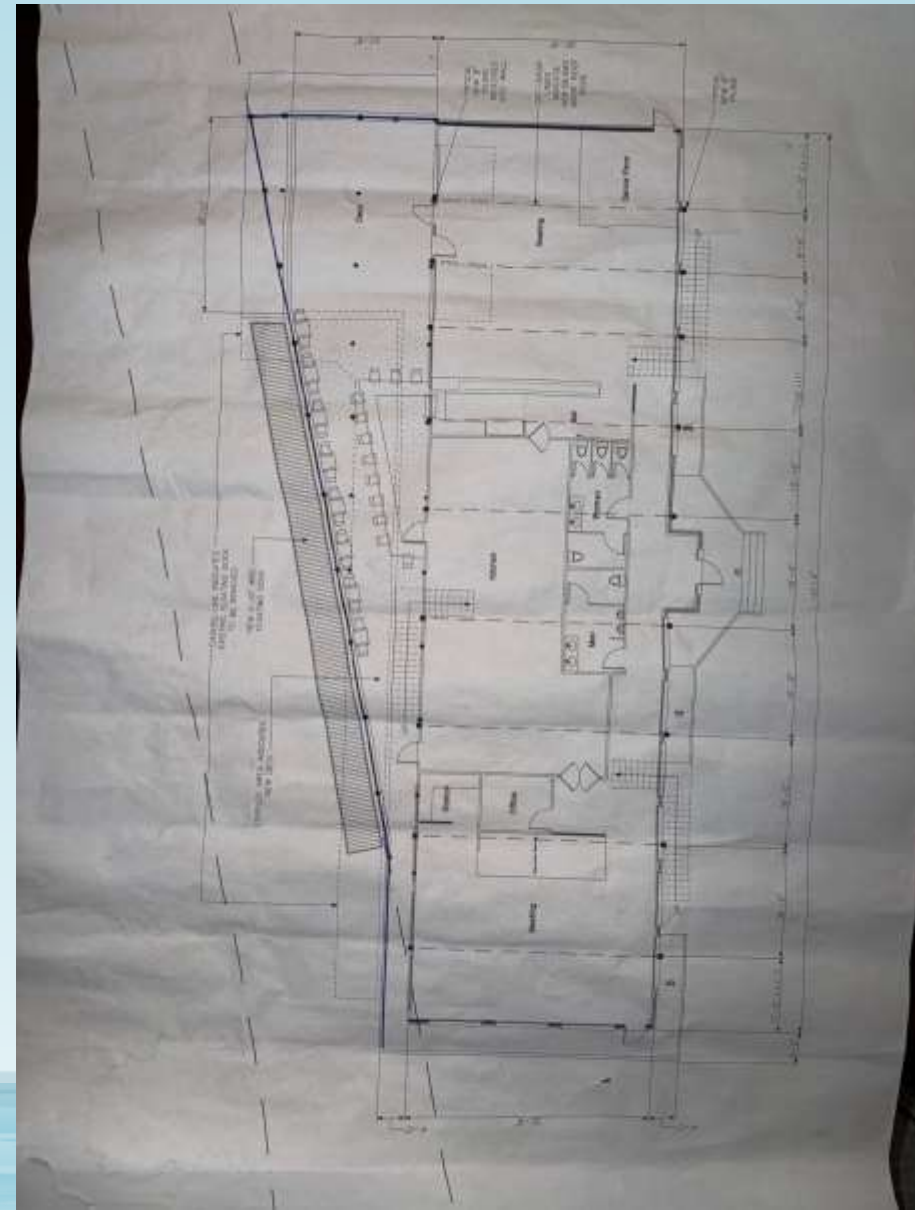
- Applicant owns Stoked Restaurant at 313 Canal Drive
- Proposed a floating dock five feet beyond the pierhead line
- Current ordinance does not allow any structures beyond the pierhead line



Existing



Proposed



Pierhead Line History

- Public, residential, and commercial properties adjacent to the boat basin have constructed docks over public trust waters. All such docks and piers shall comply with CAMA, USACE, and the pierhead line established by the Town.
- *Pierhead Line* means the regulatory boundary beyond which no portion of a pier or dock may extend within the Carolina Beach Boat Basin.
- Established in the early 1980's and amended in 2012 to match the USACE channel setback line.



Existing Ordinance

3.19 ESTABLISHMENT OF HARBOR AND PIERHEAD LINE

A. When applicable permits are obtained as by law required in the design and construction of piers and docks along the Intracoastal Waterway and Myrtle Grove Sound within the jurisdiction of the town, the following description shall be the proposed harbor and pierhead line which shall limit the extension of piers and docks to protect the general health and safety of the citizens who use these waters for commercial and recreational purposes:

1. Legal description of the revised pierhead line in the Myrtle Grove Sound Area for the Town of Carolina Beach.
2. Located in the Town of Carolina Beach, Federal Point Township, New Hanover County, State of North Carolina and being shown on a map entitled "Map of Proposed Revisions to the Carolina Beach Pierhead Line for the Town of Carolina Beach" as recorded in Map Book 57, Page 169 of the New Hanover County Registry.

Applicant's Proposed Ordinance

B. Temporary floating structures extending beyond the pierhead line may be permitted to encroach up to five (5) feet, provided they meet the following conditions:

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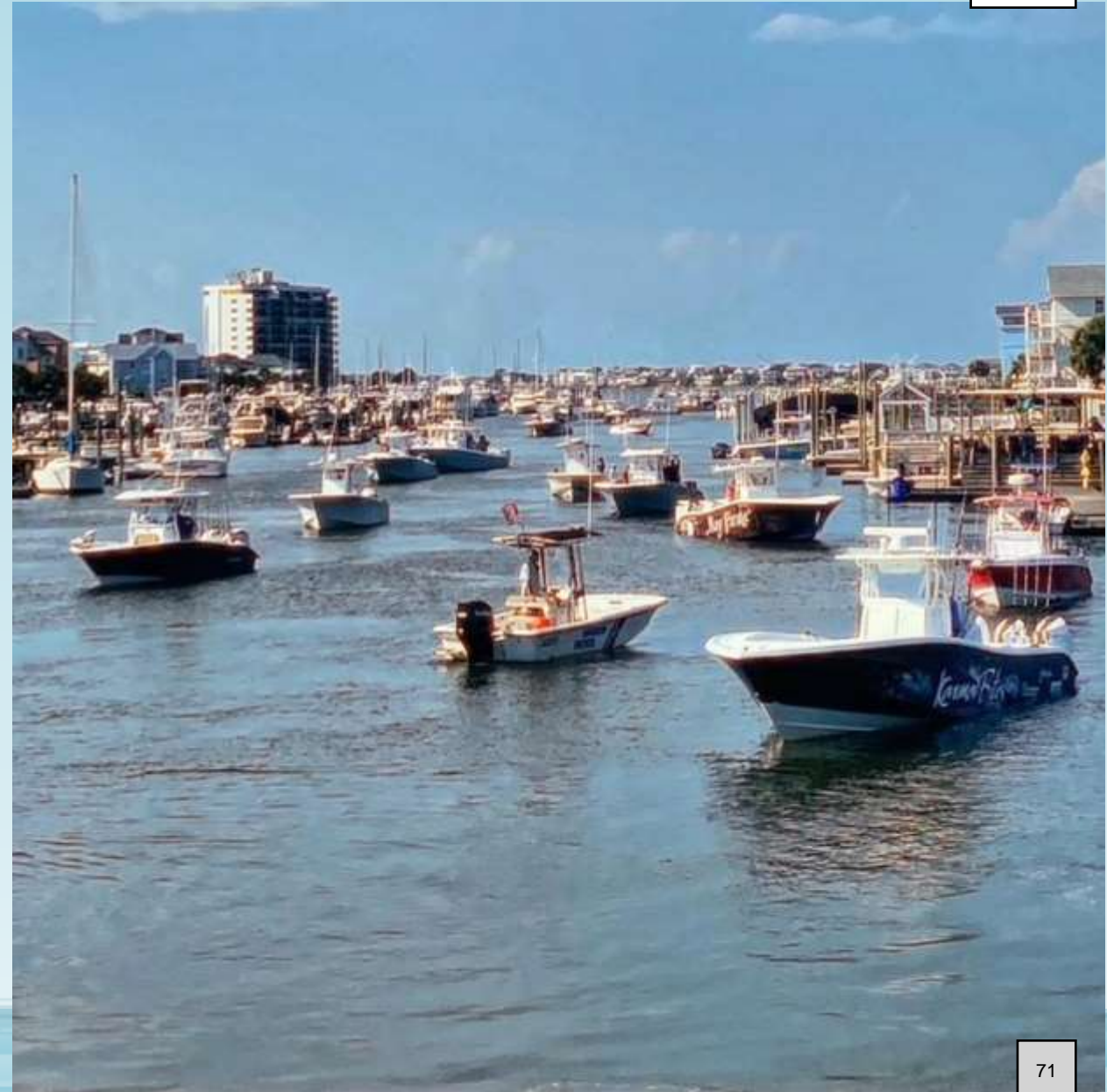
P&Z Proposed Ordinance

B. Temporary floating structures extending beyond the pierhead line may be permitted to encroach up to five (5) feet in the CBD through conditional zoning, provided they meet the following conditions:

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TRC Comments

- Unanimously opposes adoption of the ordinance for temporary or permanent structures beyond the pierhead line
- The pierhead line was created to protect navigable waters and allow for private usage for on water development – expansions into these waters can have a negative impact on public trust waters
- The proposed floating dock addition is in the tightest pinch point in the harbor
- Concerns for public safety if the navigational channel is narrowed even more in an already congested area
- Sets precedent for future development



Land Use Plan other Long-Range Plans:

The text amendment is not in general conformity with the CAMA Land Use Plan or the Harbor Management Plan.

1. Harbor Management Plan:

- Emphasizes establishing and enforcing the pierhead line to manage conflicts and maintain boating safety as recreational use increases

2. Land Use Plan Goals:

- Balance access to Myrtle Grove Sound among commercial, sport-fishing, recreational, and transient boaters
- Maintain and enhance accessibility to public trust waters and public recreational facilities



Item 13.

Just outside of the mouth of Myrtle Grove Sound.



The commercial fleet at dock.

Motion

Approval

The Council, whereas in accordance with the provisions of the NCGS, does hereby find and determine that the adoption of the following text amendment to Article 3, Section 3.19 to allow for temporary structures beyond the pierhead line (Applicant or P&Z Option) is consistent with the goals and objectives of the adopted Land Use Plan and other long-range plans.

Denial

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AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Kim Ward, Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT: Clerk

MEETING: Town Council 7/14/2026

SUBJECT: Closed Session to Discuss a Real Estate Matter pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(5)

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Motion to enter closed session pursuant to NCGS § 143-318.11(a)(5).