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Board of Commissioners Resident's Guide

Chatham County Board of Commissioners Vision

We envision Chatham County as a thriving community of healthy people living in a safe environment that provides opportunities for prosperity for all.

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Meetings

The Board of Commissioners (BOC) meets the third Monday of every month at 6:00 PM in the Historic Courthouse Courtroom in Pittsboro. They usually have an afternoon Work Session that typically starts between 2 and 3 PM. The BOC reserves the right to call a meeting the first Monday of the month if there is enough business.

The BOC may have special meetings to address specific topics throughout the year, which can be held at different locations. All regular meetings in the Historic Courthouse are recorded, live streamed, and available on the web at:

<https://chathamnc.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Agendas

BOC Agendas for regularly scheduled Monday meetings are usually posted to the county website the Wednesday prior to the meeting. Agendas for special meetings are posted no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting.

To get email notices of the BOC meeting agenda information, sign up at:

www.chathamnc.org/enotify Note that you can sign up for other county alerts on that page.

Public Input

All County Boards of Commissioners are required by statute to hold one public input session a month. The Chatham County BOC holds a public input session at both the afternoon and evening sessions of its regularly scheduled meetings. Special meetings usually do not include public input periods. Residents are allowed to speak on any topic up to three minutes.

Residents can sign up in advance to speak during public input at <https://chathamnc.seamlessdocs.com/f/PublicInput>. Or, speakers may sign up onsite at before the meeting begins. We appreciate receiving copies of comments by email to lindsay.ray@chathamnc.org or bring a hard copy to the meeting.

Public Hearings

The BOC usually holds public hearings at the evening session of its regular third Monday meeting. Residents can sign up to speak at the public hearing at: <https://chathamnc.seamlessdocs.com/f/PublicInput> or sign up onsite before the meeting begins. We appreciate receiving copies of comments via email to

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We hold two types of public hearings:

Legislative Public Hearings

A legislative public hearing solicits input on decisions on matters of policy. It is required by state law when a city or county addresses such matters as comprehensive land use plans, annual budget, general use rezoning cases, and text amendments. When making its decision, the BOC may consider comments received during or outside of the public hearing. Residents may speak on the topic up to three minutes.

Quasi-Judicial Public Hearings

Quasi-judicial public hearings, unlike legislative ones, involve the legal rights of specific parties. Resulting decisions must be based upon and supported by the "record" developed at the hearing. Quasi-judicial hearings have stricter procedural requirements than legislative hearings. Most such hearings held by local governments involve land use matters, such as site-specific conditional rezonings, variances, and conditional uses.

When making its decision, the BOC may NOT consider comments received outside of the public hearing. Only comments received during the hearing will be accepted.