

**Subject:** Max, the Cary police dog.  
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Dear Members of the Cary Town Council:

I was pleased the council gave time in the meeting tonight for a public recognition of your new police dog, Max, and the donations made by Mayfair Animal Hospital, the Veterinary Specialty Hospital and the Cary Town Center. My wife, Dr. Susan Bristol, is one of the owners of Mayfair Animal Hospital. She would have liked to have been able to personally present the check but she is also the Board member representing veterinarians in our part of the state to the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association and they have an out-of-town meeting that started today and will continue through the weekend.

Unfortunately when I called her tonight, I also had to tell her that you voted to progress with condemnation of the land near the center of our town of New Hill. A 30 day delay in a project of this scope was a reasonable request given the short notice the citizens have had on this project and the resolution by the Wake County Commissioners. The interlocal agreement states that Cary will use its best efforts to make the land purchase prior to June 30, **2006**, so the rush to condemn a year in advance, when condemnation may not even be needed at another site, is hard to understand.

I sincerely appreciate the reasoned approaches of Ms. Julie Robison, Mr. Michael Joyce, and Mr. Nels Roseland. I respect but disagree with comments made Mayor McAllister that the town of Cary had a responsibility as lead agency to move forward for the good of the partners. I also disagree with Ms. Dorrel's comments about the past short delay for exchange of information - that would imply a two way exchange. Instead we were told what would be done to us. Absolutely nothing has changed with the proposed project. Has anything been done with the many comment cards that were collected? I have not gotten a response to mine. Ms. Jennifer Robinson made comments that seemed so absurd to some members of our town that several laughed. While that may not represent professional behavior, her chastising of the audience was no better, and reminded me of recent newscasts of the Durham School Board.

A large tract near the center of town vs. a smaller tract, on or surrounded by Progress Energy land, that will have almost no impact on the town - if you lived here which would you want? As others have said, it's not that we don't want it in our backyard, but we certainly don't want it on the front porch. Page 12 of Technical Memorandum number 8.0 indicates a preference for impacting those not likely to be or soon be residents of Cary and I quote: "Sites further away from the Town/ETJ limits were given a lower (better) score than those close to Town/ETJ limits."

Perhaps the best thing about Max is that when he encounters a potential criminal it won't matter to him if that person is a resident of Cary or came from far outside the ETJ. I wish we could get the same treatment from humans!

Max, the Cary police dog.

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