

Board Meeting Summary

The GoTriangle Board of Trustees met Monday, Jan. 31, to consider an agenda that included the following highlights. The meeting minutes will be available at gotriangle.org/publications.

GoDurham and GoTriangle bus stop improvements

The board authorized GoTriangle to award and execute a contract with Whitely Contracting Inc. to build and install bus stop amenities and other related bus stop improvements at 14 locations in the GoDurham system and one location in the GoTriangle system for a total of \$296,985, plus an additional \$29,700 for project contingencies. Funding for the bus stop improvements comes from the Durham and Wake county transit plans.

FY2022 Q3 Orange Transit Work Plan and budget amendments

The Board of Trustees approved two budget amendments that have a total financial impact of \$285,000 to the FY2022 Orange County Transit Work Plan. The Town of Carrboro submitted the amendments, which touch on funding for additional costs associated with the South Greensboro Street sidewalk project and the allocation of funds that will act as the local match to leverage federal support for the NC 54 pedestrian signal project. Once complete, the pedestrian signal project will greatly enhance safe access to existing stops and facilitate north-south pedestrian crossings. In addition, these connections will greatly improve access to future phases of the Morgan Creek Greenway in both Carrboro and Chapel Hill and provide a safe way for residents living south of NC 54 to connect to the downtown areas.

Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell contract

The board approved the signing of a conflict waiver letter, acknowledging Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell's dual representation of both GoTriangle and the North Carolina Department of Transportation. Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell, a nationally recognized firm in transportation law, will continue to advise GoTriangle on legal issues related to the commuter rail project.

General Counsel's FY2022 work plan

The board approved the FY2022 work plan for GoTriangle General Counsel Byron Smith. The plan lays out goals that Smith hopes to achieve this fiscal year.