

MEMO

To: **Growth Issues Task Force**
From: Betty Ward, Chair
Today's Date: March 25, 2009
Re: Upcoming Meeting

Several of you have been asking about the next meeting of the Wake County Growth Issues Task Force. As you know, we've had several postponements, but we're back on track.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Thursday April 16, 2009
3:00 to 5:30 PM (Note New Time)
Ground Floor Conference Room
Wake County Office Building
Issue: Joint Planning and Cooperation

Program

Joint planning and cooperation, specifically for land use and infrastructure, is one of the most important issues elected officials face today in Wake County. We've got an exciting program planned to address this issue. We'll open up with a presentation and panel discussion involving our planning directors. There will be opportunities for GITF members to offer observations and ask lots of questions! We'll then break into small groups as usual to discuss this critical third and final topic selected by you-- the members of the GITF. Some points to ponder:

- How do we work together when a **big project** in one community creates **major traffic problems** in the adjoining community?
- Is there a need for a **fair share affordable housing** agreement among our local governments?
- Do we need to have an improved understanding about **extraterritorial jurisdiction**?
- What are some options for **funding our infrastructure** needs?
- How can we best **coordinate and communicate** about land use proposals in real time?

As you can see, it promises to be an informative and lively discussion.

A Few Particulars You Need to Know

- **Time Change**: Many GITF representatives requested a time change away from evening hours to avoid conflicts with board meetings. To honor these requests, we're going to try a late afternoon meeting this time, and hope this works for most.
- **Food**: Given the change in time, instead of dinner we'll have plenty of healthy snacks: e.g. crackers and cheese, fruit, etc.
- **Parking**: We have a new parking deck! The new one is located 1.5 blocks SW of the old one—corner of McDowell and Davie. Your parking tickets will, of course, be validated free of charge.

See you there!