

Agenda Title: NCDOT Easement Request – 975 Buffaloe Rd. and 2301 Benson Rd.

Meeting Date: May 5, 2026

Meeting Type: City Council Meeting - First Tuesday - Afternoon & Evening Sessions

Department: Planning and Development - Real Estate

Sponsor: Robert Mathes

Agenda Item Description:

Robert Mathes, Planning and Development

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is proposing to widen Benson Road between Rand and Buffaloe Roads as part of Project No. HL-0008J. This will include the installation of a concrete median, concrete sidewalk on the south side and a multi-use path on the north side of Benson Road.

The proposed improvements will increase roadway and pedestrian safety. NCDOT has requested various easements across two city properties located at 975 Buffaloe Road (Lake Benson) and 2301 Benson Road (Dempsey E. Benton Water Treatment Plant).

Raleigh Water manages the properties and has no objections to the requests.

Recommended Action: Authorize staff to proceed deed of easement execution and authorize appropriate City Officials to execute all required documents subject to final document approval by the City Manager and City Attorney.

Agenda Item Details:

Due to the proposed improvement to Benson Rd., NCDOT has offered \$21,850.00 for the conveyance of Permanent Right of Way containing .498 ac., a Temporary Drainage Easement containing .087 ac., and a Temporary Construction Easement containing .099 ac. for the impacts to the property at 975 Buffaloe Rd. In addition, an offer of \$54,600.00 for the conveyance of a Permanent Utility Easement containing .054 ac., Permanent Drainage Easement containing .118 ac., Temporary Drainage Easement containing .959 ac., and a Temporary Construction Easement containing .025 ac. for the impacts to the property at 2301 Benson Rd.

Raleigh Water manages both properties and has reviewed this request and is in support of granting the easements needed for this project.

The NCDOT construction plans included with the agenda materials are for illustrative purposes only based on present project projections and the specific easement needs are subject to change as needed to support the project construction.