



SPEE Feasibility Study

Public Information Session



Feasibility Study Request

At the NOV 28th BOC meeting, SPCC approached the board with a request to:

Develop a team consisting of representatives from South Piedmont Community College, Wingate University, and the Town of Waxhaw to conduct a **feasibility study** regarding the Education and Quality of Life Partnership concept, evaluating the 34.66 acre site on Waxhaw-Marvin Road owned by the Town of Waxhaw

Request was put to a vote with 5-0 approval to proceed with the study.

Feasibility Study



PURPOSE - To determine if a *portion* of property owned by the Town of Waxhaw could become a college satellite facility, offering associate, bachelor, and graduate classes, and park amenities.

Process



The feasibility study will:

- Include public engagement of Waxhaw citizens and other stakeholders
- Include special emphasis on community members of the Town of Waxhaw and Western Union County.
- Be a collaborative effort to study complementary and regionally critical, academic programs to be offered by South Piedmont Community College and Wingate University



Feasibility Study Team

Representatives from South Piedmont Community College, Wingate University, and the Town of Waxhaw

Ms. Michelle Brock, VP for Finance and Administration, South Piedmont CC (*Chair*)

Mr. Greg Ferguson, Town Manager, Town of Waxhaw (*Vice-Chair*)

Mr. Carl Bishop, VP for Academic Affairs, South Piedmont CC

Ms. Julie Sikes, VP for Institutional Advancement, South Piedmont CC

Ms. Dena Sabinske, Parks & Recreation Director, Town of Waxhaw

Dr. Peter Frank, Dean of the Byrum School of Business, Wingate U

Ms. Lisa McCarter, Planning and Zoning Administrator, Town of Waxhaw

Mr. Jeff Atkinson, Assistant VP for Ballantyne Campus, Wingate U

Dr. Annette Digby, Dean of the Thayer School of Education, Wingate U

Mr. Chris Plate, Executive Director, Monroe Union County Economic Development
(*Ex Officio*)

Ms. Pat Kahle, President of the Union County Chamber of Commerce, (*Ex Officio*)



Quality of Life Enhancements

All three entities seek to incorporate academic, professional development, and recreational programming opportunities into space planning

As part of the Feasibility Team, The Town of Waxhaw Parks & Rec will review the potential to develop community recreational space on the site



Desired Outcomes

The conclusion of the study should help determine:

- (1) if and how the project meets space and program needs for the functional viability of each organization;
- (2) how space is shared and maximized by all entities; and
- (3) how stakeholders benefit from the adjacency of partnership members.

Timeline



Proposed Timeline

- Name study team: December 15, 2017
- Kickoff Feasibility Study: January 8, 2018
- Progress Reports: Monthly
- Final Report: April 2018
- Decision: May 2018



Community Feedback

Third party consultant (Credo), provided on behalf of Wingate, to gather data and host community feedback sessions once the work begins.

In the meantime, please send questions or comments to:

COMMUNICATIONS@WAXHAW.COM

Input will be tracked and shared with the feasibility team.