

# ARCTC

ALLIANCE FOR REEDY CREEK TRENTON CORRIDOR

Quarterly Newsletter

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## Trenton Road Proposed Rezoning - So Much Has Happened!!

There is much news about the proposed rezoning for Trenton Road land across from the SAS back entrance from Office and Institutional (O&I) to Residential Multi-Family-Conditional Use (RMF-CU), including a maximum of 175 housing units.

### Cary Town Council Public Hearing

At the April 30<sup>th</sup> Cary Town Council meeting, the public was able to comment on the proposed rezoning. **An estimated 45 people attended in-person to show their opposition!** Eleven neighbors and corridor users voiced concerns about safety and increased traffic, lack of road infrastructure to support the proposed density, and repercussions to natural areas. ARCTC presented the over-350-signature petition that many of you signed. **Cary Mayor Weinbrecht requested that the developer, Heritage Capital, work with those who spoke in opposition to try to find common ground.**

### ARCTC Board Request to Heritage Capital Developers for Rezoning Conditions

After the Public Hearing, Heritage Capital contacted the ARCTC Board asking what would be acceptable on the Trenton Road site. **In their reply, the Board listed conditions that, in summary, limit density to 84 units of single-family detached homes or townhomes, provide natural tree buffers, and limit impervious surfaces.** ARCTC emailed those conditions to the Cary Town Council and to the Planning and Zoning Board to show that ARCTC is willing to work with the developer.

### Meetings with Individual Cary Town Council Representatives

ARCTC members have met in the corridor or at Cary Town Hall with Town Council representatives Bush, Kohn-Johnson, Richards, Craig, and Huang. The exchanges have been excellent with open dialog, lots of questions and answers, and Town Council representatives appreciating being given a more personal view of the corridor and Trenton Road site.

### What's Next?

In the next few months, possibly as soon as July 27<sup>th</sup>, the Cary Planning and Zoning Board will meet to evaluate the proposed rezoning against Cary Community Plan policies. They will send their evaluation to the Town Council who will then vote on the rezoning. The public is not allowed to speak at the Town Council meeting where the vote occurs.

### How You Can Help!

**Without continued involvement, this rezoning could easily be approved.** Town Council representatives are the deciding factor and they have stated that hearing personal stories and concerns about the rezoning have the most impact.

- Contact Cary Town Council and tell them why YOU oppose this rezoning: [town.council@carync.gov](mailto:town.council@carync.gov)
- Contact the Planning and Zoning Board to express concern about this rezoning not matching the character of the corridor, which contains single-family homes and tech campuses: [planningboard@carync.gov](mailto:planningboard@carync.gov)
- Attend the Planning and Zoning Board meeting to show your opposition to the current rezoning application.

## District D Athens Drive Community Library to Remain Near Current Site

As the result of a huge outpouring of community support and concerns about community access to the library, the Wake County Board of Commissioners has approved purchase of land across the street from the existing location. Since 1978, the library operated within Athens Drive High School, but Wake County is redeveloping the campus to meet current and future educational needs. This new design reprioritized the library space for academic and student program growth.

## New Education Center Coming to Prairie Ridge Ecostation

On April 1st, construction began on Prairie Ridge Ecostation's Mary Ann Brittain Education Center. This new center adds an indoor classroom, accessible restroom and dedicated educator space—significantly expanding opportunities for learning during every season!

Prairie Ridge Ecostation will be temporarily closed to public visitation during construction, which is anticipated to last until 2027. While general access will pause, the site will remain active with small registration-based programs, scientific research and collaborations, and ongoing stewardship of its 45-acre landscape.



Proposed Education Center Design

### Donations Welcome!

Your donation will help expand services and amenities year-round and allow Prairie Ridge programs to reach more diverse populations and educate more guests on the importance of the natural world in our own backyard. To support the Mary Ann Brittain Education Center Campaign, make a donation at <https://naturalsciences.ticketapp.org/portal/product/55> or contact Sarah Lowder (Sarah.Lowder@naturalsciences.org).

## Possible West Raleigh CAC Expansion

The West Raleigh Community Advocacy Council (CAC) is evaluating a geographic expansion north and west to include the Reedy Creek and Trenton Road areas. For years, ARCTC has coordinated efforts on shared concerns with the West Raleigh CAC and this is one more step toward working with like-minded groups.

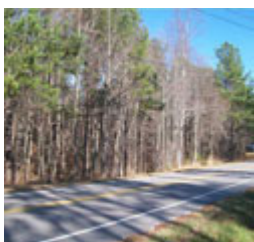
### Got a Drone?

ARCTC is looking for some help with being able to see up close and personal when construction occurs on nearby development sites. If you have a drone and would like to help, send an email to [arctc2021@gmail.com](mailto:arctc2021@gmail.com).

**Contact:** Email: [arctc2021@gmail.com](mailto:arctc2021@gmail.com)

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### Mission Statement



The Alliance for Reedy Creek Trenton Corridor exists to preserve and enhance the safety and environment of the area along Trenton and Reedy Creek Roads. We support and are committed to protecting the park, forest, lake, creeks, farms and greenways within the corridor, and promote the safety of neighbors and recreational users of this area.