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Protest Not Enough To Stop Cary From Moving Ahead On Annexation Plans

Cary Council Approves Annexation Report

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CARY, N.C. -- The Cary Town Council has taken the next step in the annexation process regarding property that has led to differences between the town and Holly Springs.



Claiming "Annexation without representation," Tte citizens group, Stop Cary, staged their own version of the Boston Tea Party Thursday. The group is aangry about Cary's plan to pull them into the town limits.

Opponents of the plan staged a Boston Tea Party protest Thursday -- complete with red shirts, signs and tea. The plan is not exactly taxation without representation, but in the minds of the protesters it is close enough.

"We feel this is forced annexation without any representation. We don't feel anyone is speaking on our behalf so we have to do it," opponent Lori Postal-Thoreson said.

The people involved in the citizen group, "Stop Cary," live south of Cary near Holly Springs. They said they are being pulled against their will into Cary's town limits.

"They need to fight their battles with Holly Springs and leave us alone out in the county where we want to be," Postal-Thoreson said.

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Despite the group's objections, the Cary Town Council voted to move ahead with plans to extend its boundaries. The council approved an annexation report outlining Cary's plans for serving the areas it expects to annex. Most of the land is between Cary and Holly Springs.



"We're looking for solutions. We're listening to you. This is a long process and we're going to continue to listen to you as we go through this process," Cary Mayor Ernie McAllister told opponents.

Some council members point the finger at Holly Springs' mayor for not agreeing to boundaries discussed in the past. McAllister said he plans to reopen talks with the town of Holly Springs.

Residents may now look over the report to see how potential annexed areas will be served. Public hearings are scheduled for February.

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