



Agenda

Greenville City Council Workshop

May 10, 2021

4:00 PM

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I. Call Meeting To Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Agenda

IV. New Business

1. Status Report - 2021 Municipal Election
2. Stormwater Utility Plan Overview
3. Overview of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funding Included in the American Rescue Plan
4. Presentation on Hunden's recommendations regarding the 500 Foot Rule.
5. Public Art Recommendation for Fourth Street Side of Parking Deck

V. Adjournment



City of Greenville, North Carolina

Meeting Date: 05/10/2021

Title of Item: Status Report - 2021 Municipal Election

Explanation: North Carolina law provides that a Council of any City which elects the members on a district basis, after receiving federal decennial census data (every 10 years), has a duty to evaluate existing district boundaries, before the next election and revise district boundaries if required by law.

Because 2021 is a year following the federal census, Cities in North Carolina with true electoral districts (this includes Greenville) must consider redistricting to correct population imbalances. However, Cities in N.C. have not yet received census data and will be delayed in receiving census data this year. Please see attachment from North Carolina State Board of Elections, entitled, "Running for Municipal Office."

The UNC School of Government reports that federal census data may not be available until the end of September 2021.

The City Attorney's Office advises that it appears the City has several options:

A. Wait and see if the General Assembly will take action and delay municipal elections (in Cities with true electoral districts) until after the census data is received.

- Statewide law: The General Assembly could enact a statewide law that delays municipal elections in Cities with true electoral districts; or
- Local Act: The City could request the General Assembly to pass a local act seeking a delay of its municipal election until after the census data is received.

B. If the General Assembly fails to take action, then City should continue its municipal election on its regular schedule using the existing districts. Please see attachment from the North Carolina State Board of Elections regarding filing periods and election dates.

Fiscal Note: No fiscal impacts at this time.

Recommendation: Receive the presentation.

ATTACHMENTS

 [Agenda Item Attachment - May 10 2021 Meeting Running for Municipal Office _ NCSBE \(002\).pdf](#)

Running for Municipal Office



Overview

Do you want to run for municipal office? On this page, you will find candidate filing timelines and dates for the [2021 municipal elections. \(/candidates/running-municipal-office#2021\)](#)

Want to learn more about office types? For information about the roles in local government, visit [City and County Elective Offices | UNC School of Government. \(https://www.sog.unc.edu/resources/microsites/city-and-county-elective-offices/\)](https://www.sog.unc.edu/resources/microsites/city-and-county-elective-offices/)

For filing details, see [Filing for Candidacy. \(/candidates/filing-candidacy\)](#)

[Running for Municipal Office in 2021](#)

Because 2021 is a year following the federal census, some municipalities must redistrict to correct population imbalances. Therefore, filing periods and election dates for district-based contests are subject to change as they are contingent on the timeliness of the U.S. Census Bureau releasing data and state and local governments adopting redistricting plans based on that data. **Please check back in late June to confirm district-based contest dates.**

Find more information about [filing periods \(/candidates/running-municipal-office#filing\)](/candidates/running-municipal-office#filing) and [election dates \(/candidates/running-municipal-office#election-day\)](/candidates/running-municipal-office#election-day) below, or to view your filing period and election date(s) sorted by county and contest: [Launch the municipal candidate tool. \(/candidates/running-municipal-office/2021-municipal-candidate-tool\)](/candidates/running-municipal-office/2021-municipal-candidate-tool)



2021 Municipal Candidate Tool

View filing periods and election dates sorted by county and contest.

Filing Periods

In 2021, there are two scheduled filing periods for municipal elections by contest type:

- Municipalities in which there are **no** district contests: Noon on Friday, July 2 to noon on Friday, July 16, 2021.
- Municipalities in which there **are** district contests: Noon on Monday, July 26 to noon on Friday, Aug. 13, 2021.*

**Applies if any office requires residency in a municipal district or ward.*

How are the filing periods for the 2021 municipal elections determined? They are set per [N.C.G.S. § 163-294.2\(c\)](#).

(https://www.ncleg.gov/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter_163/GS_163-294.2.html)

Election Dates

In 2021, there are three municipal election dates:

- Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021

- Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2021
- Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2021

How are municipal election dates determined? They are set according to the election method as outlined by N.C. General Statutes, a local act of the General Assembly, and/or municipal charters. To learn about election methods, see [Types of Elections: Municipal Elections. \(/about-elections/types-elections#municipal\)](/about-elections/types-elections#municipal)

Learn More

See seven facts about running as a municipal candidate in 2021 on [Fact Sheet: Running for 2021 Municipal Offices. \(/candidates/running-municipal-office/fact-sheet-running-2021-municipal-offices\)](/candidates/running-municipal-office/fact-sheet-running-2021-municipal-offices)

Related Content

[City and County Elective Offices | UNC School of Government](https://www.sog.unc.edu/resources/microsites/city-and-county-elective-offices/)

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[Filing for Candidacy \(/candidates/filing-candidacy\)](/candidates/filing-candidacy)

[2021 Municipal Candidate Tool \(/candidates/running-municipal-office/2021-municipal-candidate-tool\)](/candidates/running-municipal-office/2021-municipal-candidate-tool)

[§ 163-294.2. Notice of candidacy and filing fee in nonpartisan municipal elect...](https://www.ncleg.gov/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter%20163/GS_163-294.2.html)

[\(https://www.ncleg.gov/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter 163/GS 163-294.2.html\)](https://www.ncleg.gov/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter%20163/GS_163-294.2.html)

[Types of Elections: Municipal Elections \(/about-elections/types-elections#municipal\)](/about-elections/types-elections#municipal)

[Fact Sheet: Running for 2021 Municipal Offices \(/candidates/running-municipal-office/fact-sheet-running-2021-municipal-offices\)](/candidates/running-municipal-office/fact-sheet-running-2021-municipal-offices)

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For Candidates



City of Greenville, North Carolina

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Title of Item: Stormwater Utility Plan Overview

Explanation: City staff will provide Council a final overview of the Stormwater Utility Plan approved by Council in April of 2019.

In Fiscal Year 2018-19, the Stormwater Advisory Committee (SWAC) presented its recommended stormwater management changes to the extent and level of service, capital project implementation, and projected impact to utility rate per Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU). City staff provided additional information on the SWAC recommendations and other alternatives for a sustainable program at both the February and March 2019 City Council workshops.

At its April 11, 2019 meeting, Council adopted a Stormwater Utility Plan that would include a \$1.00 increase in the ERU rate each year over a four-year period beginning with Fiscal Year 2020-21. In total, the ERU rate would increase \$4.00 over four years and be used to fund a significant amount of capital projects with a combination of debt and pay-as-you-go funding. The plan also included an increase in the level of preventive maintenance services to be provided in the future by the Stormwater Division.

The Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget preparation process was characterized by the unforeseen impact of COVID-19 on projected revenues. For this reason, the decision was made to delay the first \$1.00 increase in the ERU rate scheduled to be included in the FY2020-21 Adopted Budget. The first \$1.00 increase would thereby be shifted to begin with the FY2021-22 Adopted Budget.

At the May 10, 2021 City Council workshop, staff will provide a brief overview of the implementation of the Stormwater preventive maintenance program, the proposed capital projects scheduled to be funded over the next five years, and the financial impact to the Stormwater Fund of the implementation of the \$4.00 increase in the ERU rate over a four-year period beginning with the FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget.

Fiscal Note: Activation of the plan would result in \$120 million of additional Stormwater fee revenue over the 20 year period forecasted in the model.

Recommendation: Receive the Stormwater plan presentation in preparation for the FY 2022 budget preview.





City of Greenville, North Carolina

Meeting Date: 05/10/2021

Title of Item: Overview of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funding Included in the American Rescue Plan

Explanation: Signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) allocates \$1.9 trillion to COVID-19 relief. Of the \$1.9 trillion, approximately \$350 billion will be allocated to State and Local Governments as emergency funding to stimulate economic recovery. The funding is intended to be used at the State and Local levels to address revenue loss due to COVID-19, cover costs incurred to respond to the pandemic, and to invest in infrastructure projects such as water, sewer, and broadband. Other types of funding for local government services are also included in the Plan.

The bill includes language that provides a general description of the allowable uses of the funding. It is anticipated that the U.S. Treasury will provide guidance as to interpretation of the bill's allowable uses between 60 and 90 days of the legislation's enactment.

At the May 10th workshop staff will provide an overview to Council of the bill's assistance to local governments, the projected allocation to the City of Greenville, an overview of the allowable uses as defined within the bill, and a proposed timeline for the development of a stimulus use plan for the City of Greenville.

Fiscal Note: The City of Greenville is projected to receive over \$20 million in local government assistance through the ARP. The exact allocation to the City of Greenville is anticipated to be released by the U.S. Treasury in the near future.

Recommendation: City Council receive staff's overview of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funding as included in the ARP



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<u>Title of Item:</u>	Presentation on Hunden's recommendations regarding the 500 Foot Rule.
<u>Explanation:</u>	Staff presentation of findings after discussions with and research of strategic downtown development plans within various other municipalities throughout North Carolina regarding Hunden's recommendations regarding the 500 foot rule
<u>Fiscal Note:</u>	Not applicable at this time.
<u>Recommendation:</u>	No action needed.



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Title of Item: Public Art Recommendation for Fourth Street Side of Parking Deck

Explanation: The Civic Arts Committee is recommending a mural by Rakia Jackson and Kidd Graves to be painted on the Fourth Street side of the Fourth Street Parking Garage. These two panels have been blank since the construction of the parking deck, and it has been part of the Pitt County Arts Council's planning since then to implement a mural on these panels.

Last month, the mural "Bubbles" by Helen Joria Alvir Lewis, was completed on the three panels on the Cotanche side of the parking deck, as approved by the Greenville City Council. The Fourth Street side of the parking deck will be the final project of the Civic Arts Committee's work plan for 2020-2021.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was released regionally in March of 2021. There were 15 proposals submitted, and the Greenville Mural Group Arts Selection Panel chose the design by Rakia Jackson and Kidd Graves due to the artistic merit, previous public art experience, and the positive message and community impact of the imagery. The design shows a scene by the Tar River with people listening to music, practicing yoga, kayaking down the river, a son and father fishing, and catfish swimming down the river, being caught, and flowing into bubbles that are blown by a young black child. The bubbles make a connection to the adjacent mural "Bubbles" on the Cotanche side of the parking deck.

The Arts Selection Panel and Civic Arts Committee feel this design reflects the amenities that the Tar River offers, and celebrates nature, community activities, and the diversity of Greenville.

Per City Council policy, staff of the Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge will present an overview of the project to Council at the May 10, 2021 City Council workshop. The project will then be included on City Council's June 7, 2021 meeting agenda for Council approval. Upon approval, the design will be painted on the Fourth Street side of the parking deck in June of 2021. Any maintenance to the mural will be implemented and funded by the Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge. The project will be funded by the Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge, and supervised by the Civic Arts Committee and Greenville Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact to the City of Greenville. The mural will be funded by the Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge.

Recommendation: Receive briefing. No action necessary.

ATTACHMENTS

 [Parking Deck Mural.pdf](#)

