### Joint Greenville City Council/Greenville Utilities Commission Meeting

Monday, April 20, 2015 6:00 p.m. Greenville Utilities Board Room 401 South Greene Street

- Call Meeting to Order Mayor Thomas
   Chairman Minges
- Approval of Agenda City Council
   Approval of Agenda Greenville Utilities Commission
  - <u>Public Comment Period</u> For issues that are germane to both the City Council and Greenville Utilities Commission

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- 3. Segal Waters Presentation: Results of 5-Year True-Up Market Study and Recommendations
- 4. Consideration of Market Adjustment/Merit Program for FY 2015-2016
- 5. Discuss Potential Enhancements to Educational Tuition Assistance Program (ETAP)
- 6. Overview of Communication Strategy for Consumer Driven Health Plan (CDHP) Option (effective January 1, 2016) Earline Motley, Cigna
- 7. Closed Session To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132, said law rendering the information as privileged or confidential being N.C.G.S. 159B-38
- Greenville Utilities Commission Adjournment
   City Council Recess meeting to Council Chambers at City Hall to reconvene in 15 minutes

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- 10. <u>Old Business</u> (continued from April 6, 2015) Contract award to lease parking pay stations and handheld ticket devices
- 11. Status of Proposed Tar River Park/Frisbee Golf Area
- 12. 2015 Bond Referendum
- 13. Briefing on State Sales Tax Legislation SB369
- 14. Adjournment City Council

### <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

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TO:

Mayor and City Council

Greenville Utilities Board of Commissioners

FROM:

Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager

Anthony C. Cannon, GUC General Manager/CEO

DATE:

April 15, 2015

SUBJECT:

Joint City/GUC Pay and Benefits Committee

Recommendations for FY 2015-2016

The Joint City/GUC Pay and Benefits Committee, comprised of City Council Members Rose Glover and Rick Smiley and GUC Commissioners Joel Butler and Don Mills, met on April 2, 2015. The result of this meeting was a series of recommendations to be considered by City Council and GUC Board of Commissioners at their upcoming Joint Meeting scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Greenville Utilities Board Room.

Results of Segal Waters' 5-Year True-Up Market Study and Recommendation

In 2010, the City of Greenville and Greenville Utilities Commission hired Waters Consulting, now known as Segal Waters Consulting, to conduct a comprehensive Classification and Compensation Study to ensure the compensation and compensation structures for the City and GUC were in line with the market. This year, the City and GUC have partnered with Segal Waters Consulting to conduct a 5-Year True-Up Market Study. This study is essentially a "pulse check" to ensure that the compensation and compensation structure of the two entities have remained in line and competitive with the market. Linda Wishard of Segal Waters Consulting presented the results of this study to the Joint Pay and Benefits Committee at the April 2 meeting, along with their recommendations. The presentation is attached for your review.

### Recommendation

The Joint Committee recommends that the City and GUC fund the recommended pay adjustments outlined in the Segal Waters' Study. These adjustments were recommended to address 39 employees whose pay is below the applicable pay range and to address pay compression issues impacting 148 employees. The total cost impact of funding these recommended pay adjustments is \$216,605.54 for the City and \$108,318.09 for GUC.

### Market Adjustment/Merit Program for FY 2015-2016

The City and GUC annually review the competitive market pay posture of our joint pay plan. The objective is to maintain an effective pay system for our employees that is internally equitable and compatible, and is as competitive as possible in relation to the external marketplace.

The City and GUC have traditionally used the Capital Associated Industries (CAI) survey as the primary benchmark guide for establishing the market related to wage growth. Over the past

several years, staff has received requests to include data from other reputable surveys, other public sector organizations, and local employers to ensure that CAI is truly representative of the market.

As depicted in the chart below, wage projections and trends for 2015 are relatively consistent among the following surveys: Aon Hewitt, CAI, Hay Group, Mercer, Towers Watson, and WorldAtWork.

Survey Company	Projection
Aon Hewitt	3.0%
Capital Associated Industries (CAI)*	2.7%
Hay Group	3.0%
Mercer	3.0%
Towers Watson	3.0% (3.1% Executives)
WorldAtWork	3.0% (3.1% Exempt & Executives)

<sup>\*</sup>COG and GUC have traditionally used CAI as the primary benchmark guide.

Staff surveyed our established benchmark public sector organizations and several local private employers to determine their plans related to compensation decisions for FY 2015-2016.

- Public-sector benchmark organizations: The public-sector benchmark organizations are comprised of 26 municipalities and utilities. Of the 22 organizations that responded, 21 gave their employees pay increases in FY 2014-2015; the average actual increase was 2.5% (market and/or merit). For FY 2015-2016, 20 of the 26 organizations have responded indicating an average projected pay increase of 2.4% (market and/or merit). The remaining 6 benchmark organizations are in the process of developing their FY 2015-2016 budgets and have not made a decision regarding pay increases.
- <u>Local private employers:</u> For FY 2014-2015, six of nine employers responded, reporting actual pay increases that average 2% (market and/or merit). For FY 2015-2016, most of the local employers contacted are developing their budgets and have not made a decision regarding pay increases.

### Recommendation

The Joint Committee recommends that the City and GUC fund an employee pay adjustment of 2.0% for FY 2015-2016 in order to maintain market competitiveness.

### Potential Enhancements to Educational Tuition Assistance Program (ETAP)

The ETAP program was established in 1989 to provide financial assistance to employees who were interested in furthering their education. Other than the reimbursement cap being raised slightly in 1997, the program has not been substantively changed or updated in over 25 years. In recent years, the use of the program at both entities has stagnated and the staffs have collaborated to develop potential program enhancements designed to make it easier for employees to utilize the program to further their education. These potential enhancements involve broadening eligible expenses, expanding employee eligibility, allowing flexibility in the timing of when funds can be disbursed, increasing the annual funding cap, and establishing a repayment obligation for limited situations. Potential enhancements for the ETAP program were presented to the Joint Committee.

### Recommendation

The Joint Committee recommends that the City and GUC approve amending the ETAP program as recommended by staff (see attached presentation) to include increasing the reimbursement cap to an amount equivalent to 5 hours per semester (based on ECU's instate, undergraduate tuition schedule, equating to \$2,074 annually). The Joint Committee further recommends that the City and GUC each cap their ETAP programs at \$50,000 per year for budgeting purposes.

### Communication Strategy for Consumer Driven Health Plan (CDHP)

City Council and the GUC Board of Commissioners adopted a Health Benefits Strategic Plan in 2014. The plan is intended to guide the provision of employee health benefits over a three-year period (2015-2017). One new component of the plan is the introduction of a Health Savings Account (HSA) option for employees beginning in 2016. As such, it is critical that employees are educated.

To this end, Earline Motley with Cigna will present an overview of the proposed employee communication strategy (see attached) in regards to the new HSA option that will be available during this year's Open Enrollment (to be effective January 1, 2016). The communication strategy includes a series of communication tools/venues, including face-to-face meetings, home mailings, and on-line tutorials, that will be disseminated to employees over the months leading up to Open Enrollment.

### Recommendation

The Joint Committee made no recommendation as this was an information agenda item and no action was required.

We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming Joint Meeting on April 20 at 6:00 p.m. in the GUC Board Room. A light dinner will be available at 5:30 p.m.

cc: Chris Padgett, Chief Administrative Officer Richard Hicks, Interim Assistant City Manager Richie Shreves, Director of Human Resources (GUC) Leah Futrell, Director of Human Resources (COG)

Attachments







# 5-Year True Up – Market Study

April 2, 2015

# CITY OF GREENVILLE/GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION

Presented by:

Linda G. Wishard, SPHR, CCP Senior Consultant

### Today's Agenda

- Overview of Study Methodology
- Benchmark Organizations
- Benchmark Positions
- Geographic Differentials for Benchmark
- Organizations
- ➤ Market Analysis
- CAI Index vs. WorldAtWork Statistics
- ▶ Pay Compression
- Segal Waters' Recommendations
- ▼ Cost Impact for Implementation

### 2010 Benchmark Organizations

- >COG/GUC selected benchmark organizations in conjunction with recommendations made by Segal Waters.
- included new benchmarks that are viewed as competitors or based on >Elected to use many of the same benchmarks used in 2010 and other selection criteria such as:
- Location
- Comparable Positions
- Size
- Compete for talent

### 2010 Benchmark Organizations

City of Asheville, NC City of Clarksville, TN / Clarksville Water & Gas

City of Concord, NC

City of Denton, TX

City of Durham, NC

City of Garland, TX/Garland P&L

City of Fayetteville, NC

City of Gastonia, NC

City of Greenwood, SC / Greenwood

Commission of Public Works

City of Greer, SC / Greer Commission of Public

Works City of Guilford County, NC/Guildford County

EMS (Greensboro, NC)

City of High Point, NC

City of Jacksonville, NC

City of Kissimmee, FL / Kissimmee Utility

Authority

City of Lafayette, LA / Lafayette Utilities System

City of Ocala, FL / Ocala Utility Services
City of Rocky Mount, NC
City of Smithville, NC
City of Springfield, IL / City Water, Light and
Power / Springfield Metro Sanitary District
City of Wilmington, NC
City of Wilson, NC (Wilson Energy)

### **Published Surveys:**

Town of Flower Mound, TX Pitt County (Greenville, NC)

Town of Cary, NC

**ERI Salary Assessor** 

American Public Gas Association (APGA) Capital Associated Industries, Inc. Wage and

Salary Survey (CAI)

North Carolina League of Municipalities Survey

Watson Wyatt (Professional, Middle

Management, Supervisory, Clerical, Technical) Mercer Surveys (Professional, Clerical,



### 2015 Benchmark Organizations

2015 Contract Provided for 15 Public Sector Benchmark Organizations

City of Anderson, SC

City of Concord, NC\*

City of Durham, NC\*

City of Fayetteville, NC\*

Fayetteville PWC

Fort Collins, CO Utilities

Gainesville, FL Regional Utilities

City of High Point, NC\*

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City of High Point, NC\*
City of Kissimmee, FL / Kissimmee Utility\*
Authority\*
City of Jacksonville, NC\*
Pitt County (Greenville, NC) \*
City of Rocky Mount, NC\*
City of Wilmington, NC\*

EMS Only: Guilford County EMS (Greensboro, NC)

Kissimmee, FL EMS\*

Published Surveys:
Towers Watson
Mercer Surveys (Professional, Clerical, Technical)\*

ERI Salary Assessor\*
Capital Associated Industries, Inc. Wage and Salary Survey (CAI)\*
American Public Gas Association (APGA)\*
American Gas Association (AGA) 2014 Survey North Carolina League of Municipalities Survey\*

\*Organizations used in 2010 survey

## Geographic Differentials (ERI – Cost of Labor)

CITY OF GREENVILLE, NC AND GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION	LE UTILITIES COI	MMISSION
GEOGRAPHICAL DIFFERENTIALS FOR BENCHMARK ORGANIZATIONS	ICHMARK ORGA	NIZATIONS
	ERI Indicator	
Greenville, NC	93.6	
Benchmark Organization	ERI Indicator	Geo Diff %
Anderson, SC	91.0	2.6%
Concord, NC	98.4	-4.8%
Durham, NC	102.7	-9.1%
Fayetteville PWC	91.6	2.0%
Fayetteville, NC	91.6	2.0%
Fort Collins, CO Utilities	99.5	-5.9%
Gainesville, FL Regional Utilities	93.5	0.1%
Guilford County, NC	96.2	-2.6%
High Point, NC	95.8	-2.2%
Jacksonville, NC	92.8	0.8%
Kissimmee Utility Authority	94.7	-1.1%
Kissimmee, FL	94.7	-1.1%
Pitt County, NC	93.6	%0.0
Rocky Mount, NC	92.1	1.5%
Wilmington, NC	93.6	0.0%
CAI	93.6	%0.0
ERI	93.6	%0.0
Mercer	100.0	-6.4%
Towers Watson	100.0	-6.4%
Completed Survey or Provided Data		
Data from NCLM Survey		

## **BENCHMARK POSITIONS**

2015 Contract Provided for 125 Benchmark Positions

- ➤ COG/GUC Selected 125 Benchmark Positions
- Positions representing every salary grade
  - Positions shared by COG and GUC
- "Hard to hire" positions
- > COG/GUC HR staff wrote job summaries to be included in survey
- > Segal Waters distributed/collected participant responses

COG and GUC Compared to Market Adjusted Average Base Salary – General Positions
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Ē	Base Salary		Grac	<b>Grade Midpoint</b>	
Public	Private	All	Public	Private	All
Sector	Sector	Orgs	Sector	Sector	Orgs
104%	82%	102%	103%	<b>%96</b>	101%

### **MARKET ANALYSIS**

	COG Base	900	COG Range
	Salary	Compare	Compared to Market
	Compared to Geo Adjusted Average	Geo Adjus	sted Average
	Market Geo	Œ	Range
COG SWORN	Adj. Average		
POSITIONS	Base Salary Minimum Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
Fire/Rescue	107%	116%	106%
Police	105%	112%	102%

## Structure Development Assumptions:

- Primary Market Comparison is based on Market Average Ranges.
  - Focus on Market Range Minimums to ensure competitive hiring salaries.
- Current Structure maintained if higher than market.

### UTILITIES

### > Ft. Collins Utilities

- Electric Distribution No power generation
  - Water Treatment
- Waste Water Treatment
- No Gas

### Kissimmee Utility Authority

- Electric
- o Generation- Ceased in 2012
- o Distribution
- Water- Operated by Toho Water Authority. Billed by KUA
- Waste Water- Operated by Toho Water Authority. Billed by KUA

### **Gainesville Regional Utilities**

- Electric
- Electric Distribution
- Electric Generation- Deerhaven Generation
   Plant & JR Kelly Plant
- Water Treatment Plant
- Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Telecommunication Services (Internet)
- Natural Gas

## Fayetteville Public Works Commission (PWC)

- Electric
- Generation- Butler Warner Generation Plant (265,000 KW)- Leased to Duke Energy Progress
- Distribution –Purchased from Duke Energy Progress
- Water Treatment Facility
- Water Reclamation Facility

### **MARKET STRUCTURE**

- > Aged salary data to July, 2015 by 3% based on WorldAtWork statistics1
- COG/GUC historically uses CAI as comparative index
- CAI projected 2015 structure adjustment is not yet available 2010 - 1.51%

2011 - 1.94%

2012 – 1.84% 2013 – 2.14%

2014 - 2.15%

WorldAtWork 2015 projected structure adjustment is approximately 2.2% (Nationally and Regionally) <sup>1</sup>Segal Waters uses WorldAtWork data because their Salary Budget Survey is the largest and most trusted resource of salary and structure adjustment data used by compensation professionals nationally and internationally.

### Cumulative Difference -2.77% -2.34% -1.65% -0.55% 4.57% -4.70% 0.75% -4.81% -0.50% 1.85% -1.55% -2.35% 2.35% 2.34% 5.71% .26% **GUC/COG Combined Market and Merit Adjustment History** Difference -0.80% -0.50% -4.07% -1.59% -1.81% -2.47% -0.13% 1.93% 1.12% 1.10% 1.30% 1.10% 0.01% 0.01% -0.80% -.9% 3.47% 3.38% 3.40% 3.20% 3.40% 1.59% 2.30% 2.30% 2.49% 2.49% 2.40% 4.07% 3.23% 2.47% 4.50% 1.81% (CAI) Market Combined 2.5% 2.5% 1.5% 4.5% 4.5% 4.5% 4.5% 1.5% 1.5% 3.1% 5.4% 00 0 Market 1.5% .5% .5% .5% .5% .5% .5% .5% 1.5% 1.5% 0 0 0 00 Annual 3.9% 3.0% 1.5% 1.0% 2.5% 2.5% 1.6% 3.0% 3.0% 3.0% 8 0 0 0 0 0 Fiscal Year (cog) (500) 13/143 (BUC) 11/122 (auc) (auc) 14/15 34/05 90/90 90/20 60/80 01/60 12/13 01/02 02/03 03/04 70/90 0/11

\*Market (CAI) survey is the average of approximately 450 NC companies including those with zero increases.

The new pay plan became effective on 7/1/2011; while many jobs did move up or down, relative to other previously comparable jobs, only a limited number of GUC and City employees received pay increases. The pay plan brought salary ranges in line with the current market but actual wages were not impacted to a large degree.

-5.71%

-.9%

2.40%

1.5%

1.5%

(COG)

AGUC & COG absorbed 100% of the medical benefits premium increases for FY 13/14. For the City, the increase in funding is the equivalent of 2.5% market increase for employees.

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## CAI VS. WORLDATWORK\* HISTORICAL SALARY STRUCTURE ADJUSTMENTS

CAI         WW         CAI         WW           Actual         Actual         Actual         Proj.           2013         2014         2014         2015           2.14%         1.90%         2.15%         2.20%					WORI	LD AT WC	WORLD AT WORK VS. CAI INDEX	SAI INDE	<u>ب</u>				
WW         CAI         Proj.           2010         2011         2011         2012         2012         2013         2013         2014         2014         2015           1.20%         1.51%         1.50%         1.94%         1.90%         1.84%         1.90%         2.14%         1.90%         2.15%         2.20%				AC	TUAL SAI	ARY ST	RUCTURE	: ADJUST	MENTS				
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	Average	1.20%	1.51%	1.50%	1.94%	1.90%	1.84%	1.90%	2.14%	1.90%		2.20%	Avail

<sup>\*</sup>WorldAtWork Southern Region Data includes Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas.

## CAI VS. WORLDATWORK\* HISTORICAL SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

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2.78% 1.59%   3.00% 1.81%   2.90%	All Groups												
	Average	2.78%	1.59%	3.00%	1.81%	2.90%	2.30%	3.00%	2.49%	3.00%	2.47%	3.00%	2.70%

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### PAY COMPRESSION

Pay compression is the situation that occurs when there is only a small difference in pay between employees regardless of their skills or experience. It is also referred to as salary compression.

Pay compression is the result of the market-rate for a given job to high tenured employees. Therefore, newcomers can only be recruited by offering them as much or more than senior outpacing the increases historically given by the organization professionals.

### PAY COMPRESSION

### Causes

There are a multitude of reasons behind most incidents of pay compression, such as the following:

- Pay rates of new hires are greater than pay rates of incumbents
- Subordinate pay is greater than supervisor pay. (This typically occurs when the subordinate is overtime eligible.)
- Inefficient merit-pay programs. (In a true merit-based program, the merit pay organizations, that difference is not significant enough to prevent pay received should be significantly higher for top performers. In many compression.
- limitations and unable to provide pay increases or very small increases, During the recession, many organizations were faced with tight fiscal however, still had to pay to get new talent.

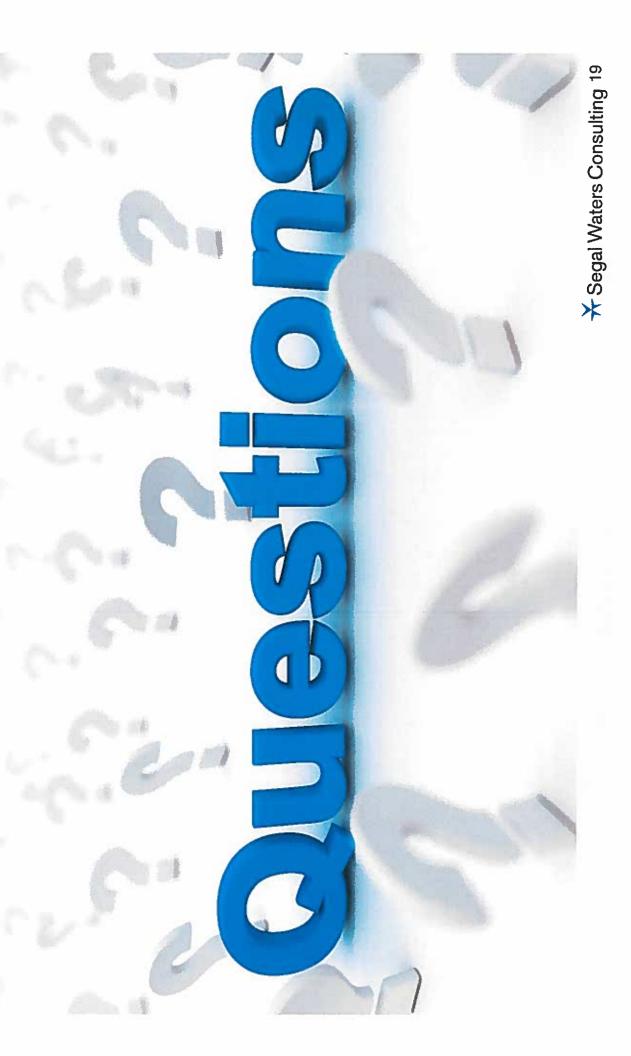
### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

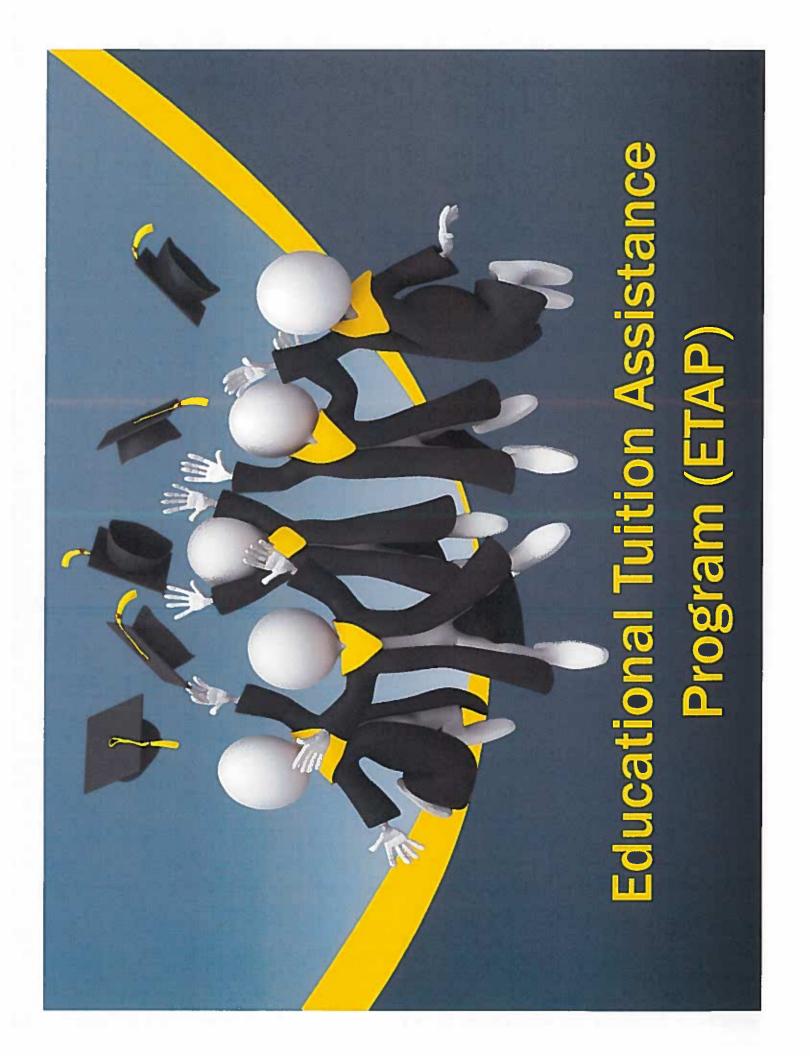
- > Salary Structure is competitive; no need to adjust structure at this time;
- > Continue to review structure annually to maintain market competitiveness;
- of the applicable pay range or 5% grade change adjustment\* be moved to > Recommend 39 employees whose base pay is currently below the minimum the minimum (cost impact: \$129,948.10)
- market indicated grade or move in order to maintain job family » Recommend 17 COG employees and 22 GUC employees move to progression;
- > Recommend 148 employees above range minimum receive at least a 1.5% adjustment to minimize current pay compression based on years in the position (cost impact: \$195,055.53);
- ➤ Maintain competitiveness going forward by annually adjusting salary structures and base salaries relative to CAI index
- ▼ Total cost impact:

COG: \$216,605.54 and GUC: \$108,318.09 = \$325,003.63

### TOTAL COST IMPACT

CITY OF GREENVILLE, NC AND GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION PAY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COST SUMMARY Adjustment to Range Minimum and Compression Adjustment Based on 1.5% Above Range Minimum for Each Full Year in Position	LE, NC AND GRI NN IMPLEMENTA Range Minimum ove Range Minin	IVILLE, NC AND GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COST SUMMARY to Range Minimum and Compression Adjustment Above Range Minimum for Each Full Year in Position	TES COMMISSIC IMARY n Adjustment I Year in Position	Z	
	COG General	Employ Sworn Public Safety	Employee Group rn safety COG Total	GUC	Combined Total
Current Base Salary Number of Employees	\$17,898,899. 20 376	\$16,232,074.5 6 326	\$34,130,973. 76 702	\$23,233,502. 03 419	\$57,364,475. 79 1,121
Adjustment to Proposed Range Minimum or 5% Grade Change Increase Adjustment Percent	\$48,387.04	\$0.00	\$48,387.04	\$81,561.06	\$129,948.10
	0.27%	0.00%	0.14%	0.35%	0.23%
Number of Employees Receiving Adjustments	17	0.0%	17	22	39
Percent Receiving Adjustments	4.5%		2.4%	<b>5</b> .3%	3.5%
Compression Adjustment Adjustment Percent	\$114,474.44	\$53,824.06	\$168,298.50	\$26,757.03	\$195,055.53
	0.64%	0.33%	0.49%	0.12%	0.34%
Number of Employees Receiving Adjustments	69	67	136	12	148
Percent Receiving Adjustments	18.4%	20.6%	19.4%	2.9%	13.2%
Total Adjustments  Total Adjustment Percent	\$162,861.48	\$53,824.06	\$216,685.54	\$108,318.09	\$325,003.63
	0.91%	0.33%	0.63%	0.47%	0.57%





## Purpose of ETAP

- Benefit to all full-time employees
- Provides financial assistance to pursue advanced education and/or degree
- Classes or degree programs must be job-related or provide advancement opportunities within the organization
- improves internal applicant pool for internal promotions
- tool for Succession Planning
- Encourages life long learning



## Program History



- ETAP introduced in November 1989 -
- Annual limit increased in 1997 \$800
- Has remained unchanged for 18 years



- Tuition costs have increased
- \* 1997 \$1,752 (ECU full-time undergraduate)
- \* 2015 \$6,128
- In 1997, \$800 covered 45% of tuition costs at ECU
- Today, \$800 only covers 13%

# ETAP Usage (2010-2014)



# EEs	13	20	13	01	Ŧ.	13.4
Reimbursement Totals	\$9,114	\$11,148	\$8,986	\$7,003	\$6,103	\$8,471
Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Avg

# EEs	25	19	18	15	41	18.2
Reimbursement Totals	\$16,063	\$12,394	\$10,772	\$9,118	\$8,691	\$11,408
Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Avg

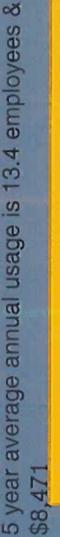
## Proposed Enhancements to ETAP

Evieting	Processing
FAISTING	nacodora
Books covered at 50% & tuition covered	Books, tuition & fees covered at
at 100% (up to annual cap)	100% (up to annual cap)
	Available to regular, full-time
	employees AND designated part-
Available to regular, full-time employees	time 30 hour employees
	Option to "advance" applicable
	ETAP funds to employee; 30 day
	window to submit supporting
60 day window to submit paperwork for	documentation after course
reimbursement	completion
	Employee has a repayment
	obligation for ETAP funds over 3
	year period (<1 year = 100%; 1-2
	years = 67%; 2-3 years = 33%);
	applies only to voluntary
Employee has no repayment obligation	resignations

## Proposed Enhancements to ETAP

Existing	Proposed
	OPTION 1: \$2,700 assistance per year
	- covers 45% of ECU's full-time, in-state tuition
\$800 reimbursement per year	& fees
	OPTION 2: Up to 5 credit hours assistance per
	semester (\$2,074/year)
	- currently \$1,037.13 based on ECU's part-time
	, in-state tuition & fees schedule
	OPTION 3: \$1,600 assistance per year
	- aligns with average public sector benchmark
	organizations
	OPTION 4: Annual budgetary cap of \$50,000
	- any of the above options with an annual
	organizational cap of \$50,000

## Projected Annual Enhanced ETAP Cost

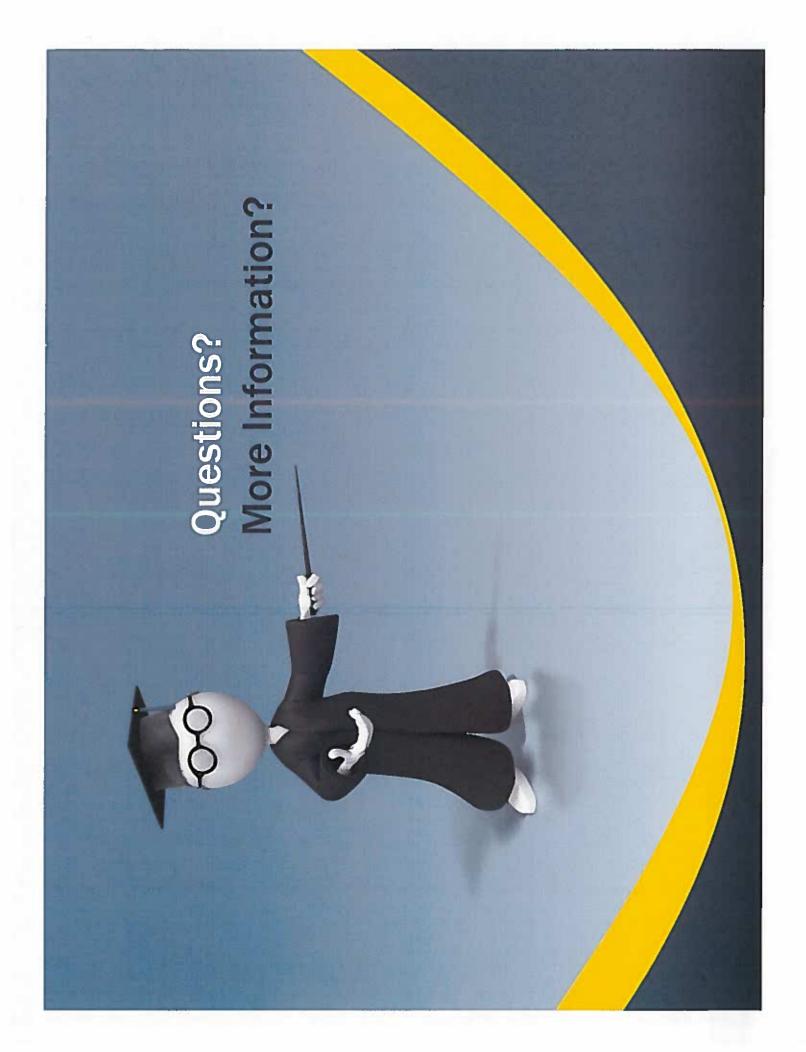


UTILIZATION	OPTION 1	OPTION 2	OPTION 1 OPTION 2 OPTION 3 OPTION 4	OPTION 4
Current utilization (13.4 EEs)	\$36,180	\$27,795	\$21,440	\$50,000
15% increase in utilization (15.4 EEs)	\$41,580	\$31,944	\$24,640	\$50,000
25% increase in utilization (16.8 EEs)	\$45,360	\$45,360 \$34,848	\$26,880	\$50,000

5 year average annual usage is 18.2 employees & \$11,408



UTILIZATION	OPTION 1	OPTION 1 OPTION 2 OPTION 3 OPTION 4	OPTION 3	OPTION 4
Current utilization (18.2 EEs)	\$49,140	\$37,752	\$29,120	\$50,000
15% increase in utilization (20.9 EEs)	\$56,430	\$43,352	\$33,440	\$50,000
25% increase in utilization (22.8 EEs)	\$61,560	\$47,293	\$47,293 \$36,480	\$50,000





## Cigna's Educational Tools

### Understanding the Health Savings Account

Together, all the way.

## 2016 Health Plan Offerings

Commission 3-year strategy, there will be three plan offerings for In keeping with the City of Greenville and Greenville Utilities the 2016 plan year.

- Core Plan
- Enhanced Plan
- New for 2016 Health Savings Account Plan (HSA) ▲

## WHAT IS A QUALIFIED HIGH-DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN? WHAT IS A HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT (HSA) PLAN?

### HSA Tax-Advantaged **Employer HSA** contribution contribution Your HSA Medical Plan Qualified

Plan

- · A health savings account plan (HSA) is a tax-exempt account created for the purpose of enabling employees to save money by paying for qualified medical expenses in connection with a High Deductible Health plan.
- A High Deductible Health Plan is a medical plan whose deductible can not be lower than \$1,300 Single and \$2,600 Family
- Your employer contributes and you can too!
- The total 2015 annual contribution limit for employee + employer is:
- \$3,350 Single Coverage
- \$6,650 Family Coverage
- Employee and employer money deposited into the HSA is generally not taxable
- All expenses for medical and pharmacy are subject to a common deductible before the plan begins to pay.
- Preventive Care is covered at 100% prior to the deductible being met.
- Once the Out-of-Pocket Maximum is met, the plan pays 100% for covered medical and pharmacy expenses.

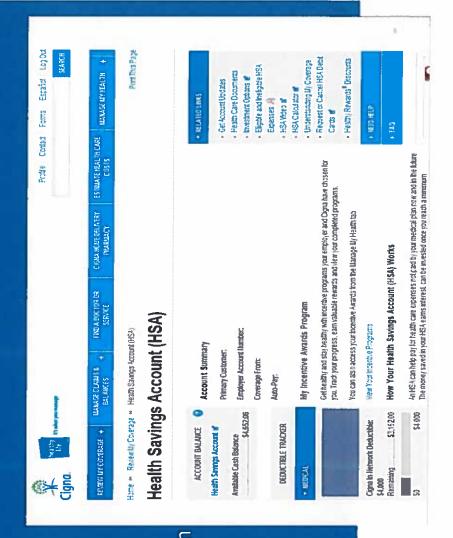
## 2015 Communication Strategy

Communication Type	Distribution Method	Communication Description
Cigna HSA Choice Fund Introductory Letter		Senior Leader HSA Introductory Letter
HSA Train the Trainer Presentation	Onsite Presentation	HSA Presentation for HR Leaders who support employee questions.
Postcard Mailing #1	Home Mailing	What is an HSA and How Does it Work? Communicate information on the May education sessions.
HSA Educational Video Clips	Email and Intranet	HSA Basics and HSA Maximize Your Savings
Postcard Mailing #2	Home Mailing	What is an HSA and How Does it Work? Communicate information on the September employee meetings.
COG and GUC Onsite Education Sessions	Onsite Education Sessions	Detailed claim examples, claim flow and EOB Demonstration of myCignaplans.com demo. Question/Answer
Postcard Mailing #3	Home Mailing	November Benefit information.
COG and GUC Cigna Onsite Visits	Onsite Education Sessions	Claim Flow Presentation Demonstration of myClGNAplans.com demo Question and Answer
COG Benefit Fair	Poster	Benefit Fair/Open Enrollment Meeting Announcement
GUC Benefit Fair	Poster	Benefit Fair/Open Enrollment Meeting Announcement
COG Benefit Fair - Open Enrollment Meetings	Onsite	Four day open enrollment benefit fair
GUC Benefit Fair - Open Enrollment Meetings	Onsite	Open enrollment benefit enrollment meetings
HSA Ecard	Email	HSA Bank Application reminder

## UNDERSTAND AND TRACK YOUR HEALTH CARE EXPENSES

Your 24/7 online health account management

- Review your plan coverage
  - Check available balances
- Track claims and payments Get HSA bank account information
- Manage investment accounts via a link to the bank



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# CIGNA Pre-Enrollment Call Support

- 24 hours a day/7 days a week
- This line is staffed by specialized Cigna Choice Fund team.
- questions about the benefit, coverage and workings of the Core, Enhanced The Pre-Enrollment Information Line provides callers with answers to and Health Savings Account Plan.
- understanding of how an HSA plan work and how they differ from other This educational interaction focuses on ensuring the caller has a clear medical plans.
- Language Line is available to assist non-English speaking customers.

## **On-Site Educational Sessions**

Onsite Employee Education Sessions!

- Train the Trainer Sessions
- What is a Health Savings Account plan and How does it work?
- Detailed claim examples
- **Explanation of benefit**
- Demonstration of myCignaplans compare tool

### **Questions?**

Continued to 4/20/15



### City of Greenville, North Carolina

Meeting Date: 4/6/2015 Time: 6:00 PM

Title of Item:

Contract award to lease parking pay stations and handheld ticket devices

Explanation:

**Abstract:** The purpose of this item is to authorize the execution of a contract to lease replacement parking pay stations and handheld ticketing devices used for parking management.

Explanation: Since 2008, the City of Greenville has utilized electronic parking pay stations for parking management of hourly parking in the uptown area. In addition, parking control officers have used handheld ticketing devices to issue parking tickets. Duncan Parking systems are the parking pay station devices currently used and were purchased in 2008 at a cost of \$85,000. Autocite X3 is the brand of parking handheld devices that are used by parking control officers for field use. Six Autocite units were purchased in 2008. Both systems (the Duncan pay stations and Autocite handheld units) are integrated to manage parking.

The Duncan pay stations initially provided good services; however, their performance has been less than stellar over the past several years. In addition, with upcoming changes in technology, the systems will soon be inoperable with no solution to be offered by the vendor. Several other cities that have these units are facing the same dilemma since the Duncan Company is changing its business model from the pay station business. Likewise, of the six handheld ticket devices owned by the City, only four are operable at this time.

Understanding that the existing systems may be cost prohibitive to repair and maintain, a team of staff from the Community Development, Police, Information Technology, Financial Services, and Public Works Departments released a Request for Proposals in November for the acquisition by means of lease or purchase for 12 parking pay stations and 8 handheld ticketing devices. Five responses to the request were received in January 2015, and all five vendors were interviewed by the team in February 2015.

Following a careful evaluation of the systems and technologies presented, the

team felt that the best option for the City is to lease the equipment and to award a contract to Hectronic Inc. Parktrans Systems is the authorized North American distributor of Hectronic parking management systems. The Hectronic systems were determined by the team to be the best system for the City. With the changes in the system, one major advantage will be the ability to recover penalties from out-of-state vehicles which have unpaid parking violations with the use of the pay-by-plate option. The current system does not allow for this and, as a result, represents a loss of revenue collection by the City.

The annual lease costs (for 60 months) for the 12 pay stations and 8 handheld ticketing devices will be \$21,035.26. At the end of the lease period, the City will be able to purchase the equipment for \$1.00. There will be a one-time installation, shipping, configuration, set-up, and training charge of \$8,195.00. Annual back office charges to include data charges, software licensing, and transactions fees are estimated at \$27,541.12 billed monthly. Funds for these charges are currently paid for in both the Police Department and the Community Development Department budgets.

Funds for this will come from redirected funds for wayfinding signage totaling \$49,000 and \$30,000 from the Informational Technology budget for replacement of handheld ticketing devices, totaling \$79,000.

### **Fiscal Note:**

- a. Annualized lease costs of \$21,035.26
- b. Annualized estimated operational cost of \$27,541.12
- c. Total annual costs of \$48,576.38 with a one-time set up cost of \$8,195
- d. Total of all costs for the requested action \$56,771.

### Recommendation:

Approve the request to allow the leasing of the equipment and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

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D paystation equipment images



Smart solutions for both on and off street parking



### Citea ticket vending machine with BNA Solar powered

The Citea ticket vending machine is a tailor-made solution for intelligent on-street parking management. The Citea is fitted with a solar panel to guarantee energy-efficient operation. Parking charges can be paid quickly and easily in cash (coin and bill),by card or via mobile phone.

TECHNICAL DATA	Citea with BNA
Dimensions	H 1595 x W 405 x D 311 mm
Weight	Approx. 80 kg depending on configuration
Temperature range	Operating temperature -20°C to +70°C
Display	LCD, backlit
Keypad	Robust piezo keys
Electr. coin valdator	16 freely programmable coin types
Coin box	Self-locking for 3200 to 4000 coins (dependent on coin size and weight), overflow protection (programmable)
Cash box	For 1.000 bills
Notes	1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 USD

### Comprehensive communication options

The Citea is equipped with a USB, LAN and serial port as standard.

The communication via GSM/GPRS/3G modem or LAN makes it possible to establish a connection with the CityLine back office system to perform remote machine diagnostics and programming.

This means that service calls can be kept to a minimum and trips to empty the machine of money and change paper rolls can be optimally coordinated.

Alarm signals are registered and immediately relayed to CityLine If any unauthorised attempt is made to access the machine or safe.



When it comes to mobile hardware, it's not easy to balance the requirements of a demanding environment with user needs: long battery life, light weight, intuitive keypad and a host of other features.

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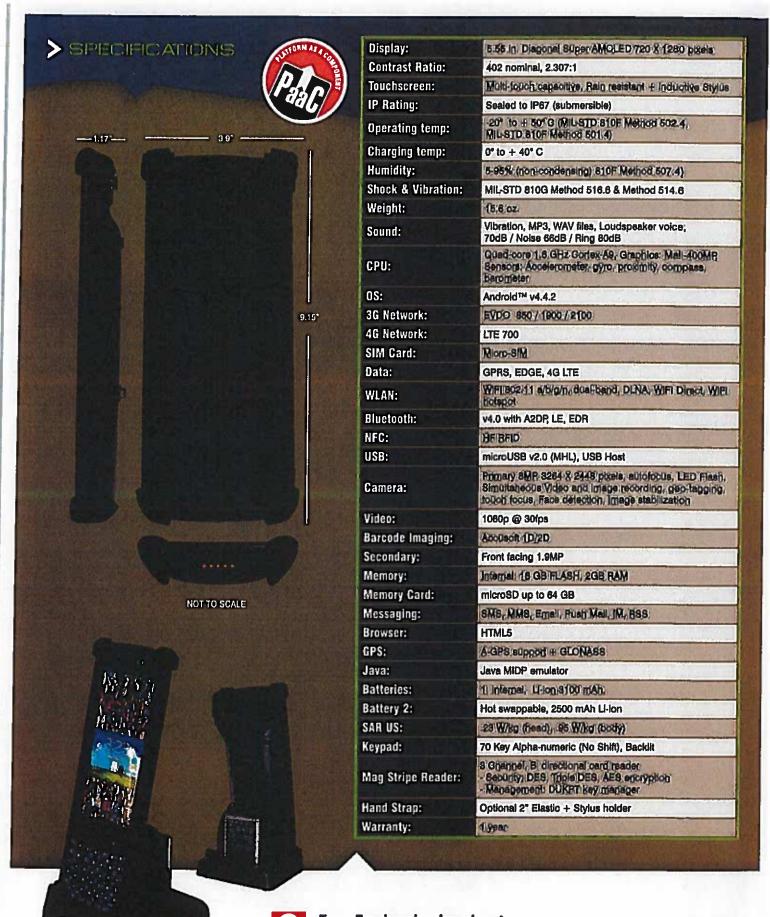
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### City of Greenville, North Carolina

Meeting Date: 4/20/2015 Date time: 7:00 PM

**Title of Item:** 

Status of Proposed Tar River Park/Frisbee Golf Area

**Explanation:** 

Mayor Allen Thomas requested an item be placed on the April 20th City Council agenda to review the Recreation and Parks Department's public meeting on the

proposed Tar River Park/Frisbee Golf Area.

**Fiscal Note:** 

No direct cost to discuss the issue.

Recommendation:

Discuss the status of the proposed Tar River Park/Frisbee Golf Area as requested

by Mayor Thomas.

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### City of Greenville, North Carolina

Meeting Date: 4/20/2015 Date time: 7:00 PM

**Title of Item:** 

2015 Bond Referendum

**Explanation:** 

Mayor Allen Thomas requested an item be placed on the April 20th City Council

agenda to discuss final aspects and adjustments to the 2015 Bond Referendum.

Fiscal Note:

No direct cost to discuss the issue.

**Recommendation:** Discuss the 2015 Bond Referendum as requested by Mayor Thomas.

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### City of Greenville, North Carolina

Meeting Date: 4/20/2015 Date time: 7:00 PM

Title of Item:

Briefing on State Sales Tax Legislation - SB369

**Explanation:** 

Mayor Allen Thomas requested a briefing on SB369 which relates to the State

distribution of sales tax and which may have significant impact on the City of

Greenville.

Fiscal Note:

There is no direct cost to discuss the issue, but there may be a substantial impact on

the City of Greenville budget if the State's formula for distributing sales tax is

changed.

**Recommendation:** Discuss the issue as requested by Mayor Thomas.

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