# NOTES

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM:

Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager

DATE:

June 24, 2015

SUBJECT:

Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:

- 1. A memo from Carol Barwick, City Clerk, regarding the 2015 Municipal Election One-Stop schedule
- 2. A memo from Bernita Demery, Financial Services Director, regarding the Local Government Commission's receipt of the City's Bond Application and State of Total Estimated Interest
- 3. A letter from Tony Cannon, General Manager/CEO of Greenville Utilities, regarding the temporary conversion to chlorine in the water treatment process

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Attachments

cc:

Dave Holec, City Attorney Carol Barwick, City Clerk



## City of Greenville City Clerk's Office

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Honorable Mayor & City Council Members

FROM:

Carol L. Barwick, City Clerk

SUBJECT:

Revision and Confirmation on One-Stop Early Voting

DATE:

June 24, 2015

According to Board of Elections Director Dave Davis, the Board of Elections approved the plan for the 2015 Municipal Election One-Stop Sites at their June  $17^{th}$  meeting.

Per the existing municipal agreement, two One-Stop early voting sites - Alice F. Keene Park (Community Schools Building) and the Pitt County Agricultural Center - are opened automatically with expenses being shared proportionately among the ten municipalities in Pitt County. Each municipality then had the option to request and fund additional sites. The City Council voted to host two additional sites - the Pitt County Office Buildings (PATS Conference Room) and the Willis Building – from October 22-31 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm each weekday, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm on the first Saturday and 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on the last Saturday.

As a result of 2013 legislation (VIVA Bill, SL 2013-381), minor adjustments in scheduling were necessary. This new law dictates that the Elections Office site (or a site in lieu thereof - in this case, the Alice Keene Center) must be open the entire period and that all additional sites must be operational on the same days. Greenville's request was adjusted to encompass fewer days because adjusting Winterville's requested dates to match Greenville would have added an estimated \$1,763.31 to their cost. The reduction in dates for Greenville will result in a savings of approximately \$3,526.61.

Mr. Davis proposed that existing municipal agreements be updated prior to the 2017 election cycle based on the changes in law; however, he noted that if a state-wide bond referendum is conducted during this November's election, there will be a requirement to match One-Stop hours from the 2010 elections. He will provide an update should that occur.



Assuming there is no further change, the dates and locations approved for One-Stop Early Voting Sites for the 2015 Municipal Election by the Pitt County Board of Elections are as follows:

#### Center at Alice F. Keene Park

Hours of operation: October 22 – 24; 9:00 am – 6:00 pm October 26 – 30; 9:00 am – 6:00 pm October 31; 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Pitt County Agricultural Center
Pitt County Office, PATS
Willis Building, ECU
Winterville Fire Station Community Room
Hours of operation:

Hours of operation: October 27 – 30; 9:00 am – 6:00 pm October 31; 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

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cc: Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager Dave Holec, City Attorney



#### Memorandum

To:

Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager

From:

Bernita W. Demery, Director of Financial Services

Date:

June 24, 2015

Subject:

Acknowledgement of Receipt of Bond Application and State of Total Estimated Interest

Attached is the letter from the Local Government Commission acknowledging receipt of the City's Bond Application and State of Total Estimated Interest. This information was presented to City Council during the discussion on the Bond Order at the June 11, 2015 City Council meeting. The State of Total Estimated Interest information was included in the agenda items for the meeting. We will be proceeding with advertising for the public hearing by the July 29, 2015 deadline and submitting the bond order for the Public Hearing at the August 13, 2015 City Council meeting. Let me know if you have questions.

Attachment

cc: David Holec, City Attorney

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# NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER

#### STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

JANET COWELL TREASURER GREGORY C. GASKINS DEPUTY TREASURER

June 15, 2015

The Honorable Mayor City of Greenville c/o Bernita W. Demery Director of Financial Services PO Box 7207 Greenville, North Carolina 27835-7207

Re:

City of Greenville - General Obligation Street & Pedestrian Transportation Bonds

Amount not to exceed: \$15,850,000

Dear Mayor:

In accordance with G.S. 159-51, the application requesting approval of the Local Government Commission for the issuance of bonds as described above is recorded in this office as having been filed on June 10, 2015 and accepted for submission to the Commission. We also acknowledge receipt of your State of Total Estimated Interest.

We are pleased to have had this opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

Greg & Gaskins, Secretary Local Government Commission

GCG/jlm

cc:

Bernita W. Demery

Director of Financial Services

Eric Hebert, Esquire Sidley Austin, LLP



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CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

June 15, 2015

Ms. Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager City of Greenville Post Office Box 7207 Greenville, North Carolina 27835

Dear Barbara:

In December 2002, Greenville Utilities changed the disinfectant used in our drinking water from chlorine to chloramines, which is a mixture of chlorine and ammonia. This change was made to improve drinking water quality and meet new federal/state drinking water regulations. Chloramines are an effective disinfectant and also reduce the level of byproducts that are regulated by the US Environmental Protection Agency.

State drinking water guidelines recommend that water systems using chloramines periodically switch back to free chlorine (chlorine alone) for a period of time. The temporary use of chlorine will ensure that a high level of disinfection is maintained throughout the water distribution system.

Attached is a news release that we plan to distribute to the local media in reference to our conversion to chlorine as a disinfectant in our water treatment process. I am providing this information to you in the event you feel it is appropriate to inform any members of your staff and/or town officials before the conversion, which begins June 22 and continues through August 3. In addition to the news release, our Public Information Officer has prepared other communications to inform the public of the conversion.

If I can provide further information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Anthony C. Cannon

General Manager/CEO

P.O. Box 1847 Greenville, NC 27835-1847

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June 15, 2015

### NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Sue Hatch
Public Information Officer/
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Hatchsc@guc.com

### **GUC: Temporary Conversion to Chlorine**

Beginning June 22 and continuing until August 3, Greenville Utilities will temporarily change the disinfectant used in the water treatment process. GUC will be using chlorine rather than chloramines during this period of time.

Since December 2002, GUC has used chloramines, a mixture of chlorine and ammonia, as the disinfectant in its water treatment process. "Chloramines are an effective disinfectant and also reduce the level of byproducts that are regulated by the US Environmental Protection Agency," said Randy Emory, Director of Water Resources. "State drinking water guidelines recommend that water systems using chloramines periodically switch back to free chlorine (chlorine alone) for a period of time. This brief, scheduled change in disinfectant is a standard water treatment practice to keep water mains clean and free of potentially harmful bacteria throughout the year." GUC last switched to chlorine from June 15 through July 28, 2014.

During the temporary switch to free chlorine, customers may notice a slight change in the taste or smell of their tap water. The mild chlorine taste and smell is normal and poses no health risk. Most customers will not need to take any precautions as the water remains safe to drink and is treated according to both state and federal standards. People and businesses that normally take special precautions to remove chloramines from tap water, such as dialysis centers, medical facilities and aquatic pet owners, should continue to take the same precautions during the temporary switch from chloramines to free chlorine.

For additional information, please go to www.guc.com or contact GUC at 551-1551.