

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOLDSBORO CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 4, 2024

WORK SESSION

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina met in a Work Session in the Large Conference Room, City Hall Addition, 200 North Center Street, Goldsboro, North Carolina at 5:00 p.m. on November 4, 2024.

Call to Order. Mayor Gaylor called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call.

Present:

Mayor Charles Gaylor, IV, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tem Brandi Matthews
Councilwoman Hiawatha Jones
Councilman Chris Boyette
Councilwoman Jamie Taylor
Councilwoman Beverly Weeks
Councilman Rod White

Also Present: Matthew Livingston, Interim City Manager
Ron Lawrence, City Attorney
Laura Getz, City Clerk

Adoption of the Agenda. Councilman Boyette made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Weeks and unanimously approved. Council adopted the agenda.

New Business.

Work Session Item a. FY24 Audit Status Update. Chad Cook with Forvis shared the following comments: The last step in our audit is going to be to send a management representation letter for Matt and Catherine to sign. We are planning to send that first thing tomorrow morning and then the financial statements will be uploaded to the North Carolina Local Government Commission through their portal tomorrow. We will not be reporting any findings as it relates to internal controls over financial reporting or compliance with the city's major state program, which was the Powell Bill, fiscal 2024. The fund balance within the general fund is now at 28.47 million. The unassigned fund balance as a percentage of the general fund expenditures is 40.89%. Total unassigned fund balance increased this year from 16.0 million to 17.85 million. Available fund balance as a percentage of general fund expenditures is at 20.7 million or roughly 47.32% of the general fund expenditures. That's an increase from 18.37 last year 6/30/2023. Overall, the net increase in fund balance for the general fund was 1,132,974.00 for fiscal 24. In the utility fund, total net position increased to 78.27 million, which was roughly five and a half million dollar increase from fiscal 2023. Working capital is now at 33 million, up from 21.9 million. Cash on hand increased to 32.7 million at 6/30/2024 versus 23.4 million at June 30, 2023. The last thing I'll mention are the financial performance indicators of concern. You may have one that repeats related to your water and sewer infrastructure being aged a bit.

Mr. Cook thanked Mrs. Gwynn and the Finance department staff.

Mayor Gaylor thanked Mr. Cook for his work on the audit. Interim City Manager Livingston thanked the Finance staff for their work on the audit.

Work Session Item b. Friends of Seymour Discussion. Interim City Manager Livingston introduced Ken Gerrard with Friends of Seymour.

Mr. Gerrard shared an update on the upcoming legislative agenda.

Mayor Gaylor asked about next steps with the change in legislators with the upcoming election. Mayor Gaylor requested that Council consider additional funding to the Friends of Seymour. There is currently \$98,500 budgeted, \$90,000 of that is for Crossroads, and he would

like to bring the funding back to what we did back in 2014, a \$12,000 increase over what was budgeted. He shared details of the 2014 agreement. He also shared that Friends of Seymour, Military Affairs Committee, the City and the County need to be getting uniform briefings and working together on this. He shared the 2014 agreement has more detailed language on the deliverables and he wanted to get back to that as well. He recommended having Mr. Gerrard come and update Council quarterly, at a minimum.

Councilman White asked for more deliverables and a voting member seat on the board. Mayor Pro Tem Matthews asked for more verbiage on the administrative fees. Mayor Gaylor shared the Chamber of Commerce is being used for their administrative support. Councilman Boyette shared his support of solidifying the relationship. Mayor Gaylor shared comments regarding ex-officio seats on the board and upcoming Air Force initiatives. Councilman White shared we will always get information and have advocates working on behalf of Seymour in Raleigh. Councilwoman Jones asked if we would have someone lobbying just for Seymour Johnson and asked about the atmosphere regarding Seymour. Mr. Gerrard shared comments regarding the work being done at the state and local levels.

Councilwoman Weeks asked if the city will still have 3 appointed seats by the city on the Finance Committee and on average, about how many hours a month Mr. Gerrard spends on Friends of Seymour. Mr. Gerrard shared it varies, he never really kept up with it but maybe a few hours a week. Mr. Gerrard shared he wasn't sure about the seats on the finance committee. Mayor Gaylor shared the seats on the finance committee were part of the 2014 agreement and as he understands it, a lot of that didn't get fully materialized.

Mayor Gaylor shared we will get a draft agreement together for the November 18 work session for Council discussion.

Work Session Item c. NCDOT Presentation. Jennifer Collins, NCDOT Division 4, District 3 Engineer shared the presentation attached as *Exhibit A*.

Ms. Collins shared that Councilwoman Jones requested a signal at Carolina Street and Grantham Street, and she would send the request to DOT's Traffic Unit. Councilwoman Jones shared comments regarding her request.

Work Session Item d. Update on the Lead and Copper Water Line Inventory. Jonathan Perry, Engineering Services Manager shared the presentation attached as *Exhibit B* and shared the notice that will go to the citizens this week regarding service lines.

Mayor Gaylor shared the following from the notice: people living in homes with lead or galvanized pipe previously connected to a lead service line have an increased risk of exposure to lead in their drinking water. The City of Goldsboro provides safe high quality drinking water but we cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components on the customer side. Please note the city did not find any lead service lines in our system.

Work Session Item e. Downtown Sanitation Plan. Jamie Stanley, Deputy Public Works Director shared the presentation attached as *Exhibit C*. The presentation was for Council's information at this time.

Council discussed the dumpsters and trash downtown. Mayor Gaylor asked Mr. Stanley about next steps. Interim City Manager Livingston and Mr. Stanley shared comments regarding taking control of the city's corrals and dumpsters to curb illegal dumping and other issues.

Work Session Item f. City Manager Position Search Discussion. Mayor Gaylor shared four cover sheets and pricing proposals for the City Manager search with Council. City Clerk Getz will send Council the proposals by email tomorrow. This topic will be on the next Council agenda under Old Business. Mayor Gaylor shared he also wanted engagement with outside stakeholders. He shared the cost for the City Manager recruiter is anywhere from \$25,000-\$35,000.

Councilman Boyette shared his support of Interim City Manager Livingston as the City Manager and shared his concerns with spending taxpayers’ dollars on a search. Councilwoman Weeks also shared concerns regarding the cost of hiring a new city manager. She also asked Interim City Manager Livingston if he has been given any Key Performance Indicators by anyone on Council in the 8 months as interim city manager.

Interim City Manager Livingston shared he has not and shared comments regarding what it takes to be a successful manager.

Council continued discussion regarding Mr. Livingston and the city manager search.

Consent Agenda Review. Interim City Manager Livingston shared items D-F on the Consent Agenda. There were no comments or questions from the Mayor and Council.

Mayor Gaylor recessed the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, met in Regular Session in Council Chambers, City Hall, 214 North Center Street, at 7:03 p.m. on November 4, 2024.

Mayor Gaylor called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call.

Present:

- Mayor Charles Gaylor, IV, Presiding
- Mayor Pro Tem Brandi Matthews
- Councilwoman Hiawatha Jones
- Councilman Chris Boyette
- Councilwoman Jamie Taylor
- Councilwoman Beverly Weeks
- Councilman Rod White

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Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Father David Wyly, Police Chaplain provided the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Approval of Minutes. Councilwoman Weeks made a motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of October 7, 2024 and the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of October 21, 2024. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jones and unanimously approved.

Presentations.

Item B. Diabetes Awareness Day Proclamation. Read by Mayor Gaylor: The Goldsboro City Council proclaims November 14, 2024 as Diabetes Awareness Day in the City of Goldsboro and urge all citizens to recognize the importance of understanding their risk factors for diabetes and to take advantage of diabetes risk screenings and education. By doing so, we can collectively confront, combat, and most importantly, change the future of this serious and life-altering disease.

Mayor Gaylor presented the proclamation to the following people with UNC Health Wayne: Billy Tart, Coordinator of Diabetes Health Check; Jacqueline Kannan, Executive Director of the Foundation; Jennifer Loper, Diabetes Nurse Navigator; Jesse Tucker, President and CEO; Kimberly Fazio, Director of Marketing and Communications; Howard Whitfield, Vice-President of Operations and COO; Kim Brown, Director of Nursing Services; and Joseph Swales, Outpatient Registered Dietitian.

Item C. Veterans Day Proclamation. Read by Mayor Gaylor: The Goldsboro City Council proclaims November 11, 2024 as VETERANS DAY in the City of Goldsboro and urge all citizens to remember the service and sacrifice of our veterans who defend our freedom and preserve our way of life.

Mayor Gaylor presented the proclamation to LaFaith Artis, DAV Chapter 45 Commander; Eric Busse, Wayne County Veterans and Patriots Coalition and veterans that were in the Council Chambers. Mr. Busse shared details of the Veteran’s Day Parade to be held Downtown on Monday, November 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

Public Comment Period. Mayor Gaylor opened the public comment period. The following people spoke:

1. Carl Martin shared comments regarding stormwater management and provided his comments attached as *Exhibit D*. (Full comments are available on YouTube at 2:29.)
2. Willie Baptiste shared concerns regarding a Council member not returning phone calls, concerns regarding a tree on Lemon Street, requested a Coaches Day Proclamation for his son which passed away and comments regarding traffic concerns. (Full comments are available on YouTube at 2:32.)
3. T.K. Rochell thanked Councilwoman Taylor for bringing awareness to the concerns regarding the John Street corral. (Full comments are available on YouTube at 2:36.)

No one else spoke and the public comment period was closed.

Consent Agenda – Approved as Recommended. Interim City Manager Matt Livingston presented the Consent Agenda. All items were considered to be routine and could be enacted simultaneously with one motion and a roll call vote. If a Councilmember so requested, any item(s) could be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and considered separately. In that event, the remaining item(s) on the Consent Agenda would be acted on with one motion and roll call vote. Councilwoman Weeks moved the items on the Consent Agenda, Items D- F be approved. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jones and a roll call vote resulted in all members voting in favor of the motion.

The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Item D. Operating Budget Amendment FY24-25. Ordinance Adopted. The item was submitted by Catherine Gwynn, Finance Director.

Council adopted the FY24-25 annual operating budget on June 17, 2024.

Community Relations & Development (1017) General Fund

The Community Relations & Development department director, Ms. Felecia Williams, requested an appropriation for supplies in the amount of \$100. This will be funded with a donation received from Trillium Health sponsoring refreshments for the Committee on Community Relations event held on October 8th.

Agency Organizational Support (7310) General Fund

Council approved the allocation of \$30,000 to Community Supporting Schools of Wayne County, Inc. for a mentor position at North Drive Elementary School at the August 19th council meeting. The funding will be used to cover the cost of the position, supplies and other necessary tools needed to start the program. The allocation will be funded by reducing the Agency Support Annual Allocation line item.

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the following entitled ordinance to amend the FY24-25 Operating Budget for the General Fund. *Consent Agenda Approval. Weeks/Jones (7 Ayes)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-59 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO FOR THE 2024-25 FISCAL YEAR”

Item E. Donation of a Control Panel Platform Used at Big Cherry Hospital Lift Station. Resolution Adopted. The item was submitted by Bert Sherman, Public Utilities Director.

The City of Goldsboro has successfully launched the River Bend lift station, replacing both the Big and Little Cherry Hospital lift stations. With the decommissioning of the Big and Little Cherry lift stations, there is now surplus equipment and structural aid available, including platforms and control panels.

General Statute 160A-280 establishes that (a) A city may donate to another governmental unit with the United States, any personal property, including supplies, materials, and equipment, that the governing board deems to be surplus, obsolete, or unused. The governing board of the City shall post public notice at least five days prior to the adoption of a resolution approving the donation. The resolution shall be adopted prior to making any donation of surplus, obsolete, or unused property.

The Public Utilities Department has acquired the River Bend lift station, which has been built above the flood plain. This has rendered the existing control panel platforms obsolete and surplus property. The department is now seeking approval to donate one of the platforms to the Town of Fuquay-Varina Public Utilities Department, to assist in elevating their equipment for their Associate Park II Pump Station during flooding events.

Staff recommends that Council adopt the following entitled resolution authorizing the donation of the control platform to the Town of Fuquay-Varina to assist and further the relationship between the City of Goldsboro and the Town of Fuquay-Varina. *Consent Agenda Approval. Weeks/Jones (7 Ayes)*

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-108 “A RESOLUTION DONATING SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY TO THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA”

Item F. Contractor Selection for the Dredging and Installation of Intake Screen. Resolution Adopted. The item was submitted by Bert Sherman, Public Utilities Director.

The intake screen is located within the Neuse River Basin and is situated within the Neuse River Pump Station (NRPS) Intake Structure. It serves as a vital barrier to prevent sand from infiltrating the raw water reservoir.

This essential component plays a critical role in safeguarding the reservoir from sand accumulation and protects key equipment, such as pump impellers, from erosion at the water treatment plant.

The intake screen has an approximate 2-foot hole that is damaged beyond repair. This stainless-steel screen is being fabricated. The fabrication time and delivery can take up to 12 weeks. Moreover, limitations due to environmental restrictions in the Neuse River further complicate the scheduling of this project. September 1st until February 1st is the allowable time frame to perform work in the river which is mandated by the state. Bids for dredging, removal and installation were opened on October 24, 2024, at 2:00 pm. In-Water Services Company Inc. was the lowest bidder.

Staff recommends that City Council approve the selection of In-Water Services Company Inc., and the following entitled resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract in the amount of \$386,431.00 with In-Water Services Company Inc. to dredge and remove the existing intake screen and install the new intake screen. *Consent Agenda Approval. Weeks/Jones (7 Ayes)*

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-109 “RESOLUTION OF SELECTED CONTACTOR FOR THE DREDGING, REMOVAL, AND INSTALLATION OF INTAKE STRUCTURE SCREEN”

End of Consent Agenda.

City Manager's Report.

Interim City Manager Livingston shared comments regarding the sewer AIA master plan, merger feasibility, organization study and the Fremont sewer bill.

Mayor and Councilmembers' Comments.

Councilwoman Jones shared the following: I would like to thank all the staff, and I want you to know that we all appreciate you and I appreciate you as well. I also want to thank Parks and Recreation. I was at the North End family reunion and there were wood columns that were really in need of repair and there were nails sticking out and bricks as well. I called Ms. Felicia Brown on that Monday, and that Tuesday, they were out there, and they were fixed. The people in that community were very happy. It did pose a safety issue for the children that play in that park. I want to thank you for your quick response.

Councilman Boyette shared the following: Thank you to our hard-working city employees. You're all valued and appreciated and this city could not run without you. Hat's off to Matt and Catherine and the appropriate staff members for the audit getting done on time. It's just amazing to see how far we've come in such a short amount of time getting our house back in order and I'm proud to be a part of that. We're officially caught up after all these years, that's good news. I know that the Triangle Business Journal recently featured an article that highlighted our last approval by the Council of the Ivy property at Park East. As I say all the time, there are so many good things that's going on in our community and so much positive out there that shouldn't be forgotten and talk about things and economic development wise, that's a huge feather in our cap out there recently. Between that addition of acreage and some other announcements we've had out there recently and the focus and attention that's being placed on Eastern North Carolina now in particular, Goldsboro and Wayne County, that's welcome and that's how we grow our community, working together to do so.

Councilwoman Taylor shared the following: I don't have much to say except to remind everyone that tomorrow's Election Day and to go vote if you haven't already.

Mayor Pro Tem Matthews had no comments.

Councilwoman Weeks shared the following: Please get out tomorrow and vote. It's imperative that you let your voice be heard. Also, I want to publicly thank Councilwoman Jones and Councilwoman Taylor for being on the forefront of talking about the corrals and meeting with them and trying to get that in place. I know that the dumpsters on Center Street that I have access to, my cameras are showing that they have become breeding grounds for criminal activity. I very much stand for what you guys have been working on with that. And I want to publicly say that I appreciate you both for getting behind that. I want to congratulate you Matt, publicly and Catherine and the city staff for getting the audit completed in a timely manner. I'm telling you it's exciting things that we have ahead and so your sacrifices, your hard work, it does not go unnoticed. Catherine if you're watching, your staff your team and all the city employees, we're extremely grateful for you guys. The last thing that I had, just to again say what an honor and a privilege it is to be a part of this team. We don't always see eye to eye on everything, but at the end of the day, we do love and respect each other and so I just wanted to publicly say that it is truly an honor to serve with each of you.

Councilman White shared the following: I ditto everything that everybody said about our staff. We do have outstanding staff. I know the demands are hard, but you always rise to the challenge. I'd like to take just a few minutes, if I could, to talk about the dangers in our city. I understand that the gun crime is going up. I took a young man home a few weeks ago to Lincoln Homes, what I know as the old projects. And he said, Mr. White, I want you to go around the back. Don't take me to the front, go around the back. And I said, why do you want me to take you around back? He said, just to be honest with you, it's safer for you not to drive in Lincoln Homes after dark. So, we have a problem there and we raised the red flag when some young gentleman got killed and it seemed like it has died down. But we have a serious problem in that area and we need to address that. Also, I'd like to take a minute to talk about the gun that was found in Goldsboro High School by one of our resource officers. I applaud him for being on the job and for those students for stepping up and telling what they saw. We thank them for that because they really prevented something that could have went dramatically wrong. I do thank the

resource officer for being there and willing to engage and the students for stepping up and telling something. They saw something, so they said something. I'd like to salute those students. You know, a lot of times it's real unpopular to be considered the snitch so I'd really like to salute those students for stepping up to the plate and saying something. I would like to take this time to congratulate the Omega Psi Phi and the Deltas for the work that they're doing inside our school system, particularly at North Drive School for the initiative that they're doing there. My hats off to you for stepping up for our community and doing the work. Recently I had the opportunity to go to ADC, which is the Association of Defense Communities, which I think that we as a city need to send a representative because there's a lot of good innovative initiatives going on for host cities that could help us with making Goldsboro a better place for Seymour Johnson to reside. I went out there for childcare. For those who don't know, I'm the lead for the state for the military childcare initiative. We can be the lead here in North Carolina for childcare with just getting out and thinking outside the box, whether that be initiatives with tax breaks and tax incentives for home health, home childcare initiatives or something. But we can take the lead with that and be the model programs. We are having a Childcare Summit January 14th, so everybody's invited to come. We've got DoD personnel that will be there, as well as our new governor slated to be there, whoever that may be. Happy Veteran's Day to all my brothers and sisters in arms. For we all know that freedom is not free. Somebody had to pay for it. And I thank God that there were some people willing to write that blank check for us to live the way that we live. And lastly, I just said it before, I really think if we send somebody to the ADC Conference, it will pay off big dividends. There's a lot of breakout sessions that I couldn't get to because they go on at the same time. But I do think that that's one conference that we need to send maybe two people because there's so much going on.

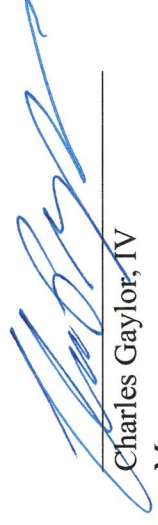
Councilwoman Jones offered her condolences to Mr. Baptiste on the loss of his son.

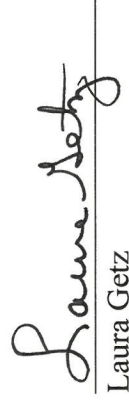
Mayor Gaylor shared the following: Everything that folks up here has said, I agree with and it's absolutely factual. The instance in Lincoln Holmes, I've had a very similar instance and it's frustrating and it's disheartening because while the public awareness and the public outcry kind of goes away, the work doesn't stop for our police. We're still very active with data-driven dispatch, making sure that we're assessing hotspots and officers are going to where the volumes are in trying to up skill in some cases and upfit and really being able to do community based policing where the folks are building these relationships and you do get these little bits and glimmers of hope when someone is brave enough to come forward and risk being unpopular or uncool, but willing to come forward and say something to a resource officer. That's big, that's bravery. And I absolutely echo Councilman White's comments, just pouring praise on the folks that were willing to do that because that's the way that you protect your school, that's the way you protect your community, that's the way you protect your family. Happy Veteran's Day to all who have served, and I hope to see everyone at the parade. To those that choose to celebrate quietly in their own homes, I still hope that you find time to celebrate and think back and reflect some and understand how appreciated you are.

Detailed comments from the Mayor and Council are available on YouTube and Facebook.

There being no further business, Mayor Gaylor adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.




Charles Gaylor, IV
Mayor


Laura Getz
City Clerk



NORTH CAROLINA

Department of Transportation



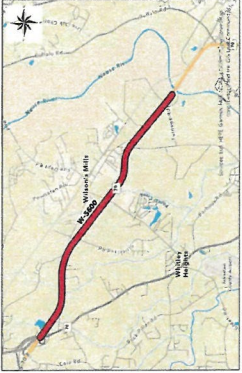
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Transportation Update

Jennifer Collins, Division 4 District 3 Engineer

November 4, 2024

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Project Manager Corey McLean, PE 721-644-4488 corey.mclean@ncdot.gov

TIP: W-5600

US 70 upgrade to future I-42 near Wilson's Mills in Johnston Co.

Construction: March 2021

Est. Completion: March 2025



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Future Interstates

Interstate Expansion into Eastern NC



I-587

US 264 corridor from the US 64/264 split in Zebulon to Wilson to Greenville



Future I-42

US 70 corridor between I-40 in Raleigh to Morehead City



Future I-87

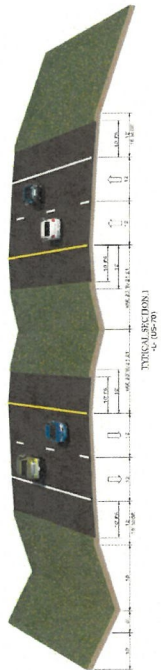
US 64/17 corridor from Raleigh to Rocky Mount to Williamston to Edenton to Elizabeth City to Virginia State Line

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W-5600

US 70 (Future I-42) Project Updates

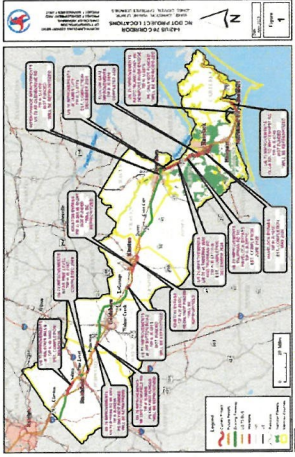
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Division 4 – US 70 (Future I-42)

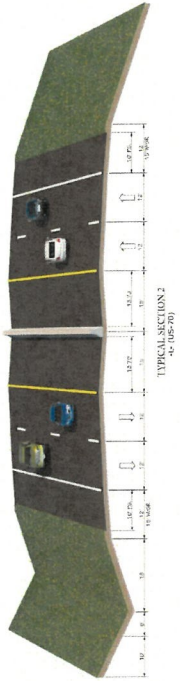


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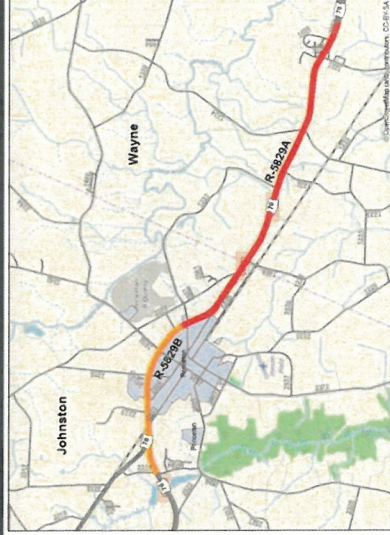
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US 70 (Future I-42) Project Updates

WV-5600 – Wilson's Mills



TIP: R-5829A, R-5829B

US 70 upgrade to future I-42 in Princeton in Johnston Co. and Wayne Co.

2024-2033 STIP: Programmed for PE only

US 70 (Future I-42) Project Updates

WV-5600 – Wilson's Mills



Wayne County Future Interstate I-42

R-5829A – US 70 Upgrades from Princeton to Goldsboro Bypass

Capps Bridge Rd. & Ebenezer Church Rd. Interchange

**Funded for PE Only
Estimate: \$150 M**



US 70 (Future I-42) Project Updates

**TIP: R-5829 A & B
US 70 - Johnston County**

Project Description: Upgrades US 70 to Interstate standards from US 70 Goldsboro Bypass to West of US 70A.

Funding Status: Funded for Preliminary Engineering Only in 2024-2033 STIP

Schedule:

- Environmental Document (CE) - July 1019 (complete)

Project Estimated Cost (\$548,000,000):

- R-5829B - \$214,700,000
- R-5829A - \$154,100,000

Upcoming Actions:

- Project to be re-submitted into STIP P7 by Division 4
- Continue Plan Development and Preliminary Engineering

2024-2033 STIP Status:

In STIP P7 or P8

R-5829B - P7 Scores:

Statewide: 71.27 out of 100

Region: 44.86 out of 70

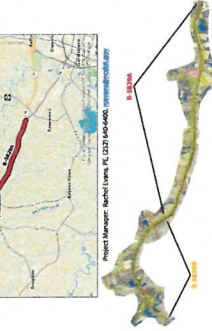
Division: 31.09 out of 50

R-5829A - P7 Scores:

Statewide: 66.51 out of 100

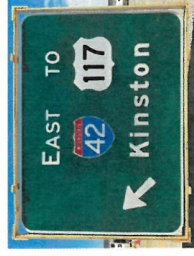
Region: 42.54 out of 70

Division: 25.96 out of 50



US 70 (Future I-42) Project Updates

- US 70 Bypass around Goldsboro re-signed as Interstate 42 and given new mile markers and exit numbers
- Federal Approval to re-designate the 20-mile bypass as I-42.
- A total of 82 metal signs replaced to and 80 mile marker signs replaced to reflect the new numbering.
- Replaces US 70 symbol for the I-42 shield.



US 70 (Future I-42) Project Updates



Wayne County Projects

U-5724 - Align Central Heights Rd. with Royal Ave. & Construct Fallin Blvd.



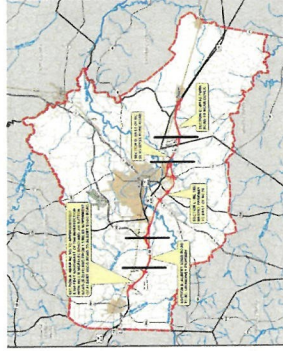
Construction Amount:
\$19,839,000

Awarded to:
Barnhill Contracting

Status:
Right of Way complete.
Utility relocations underway.

R-2553 US-70 (Kinston Bypass)

- Project will upgrade existing US-70 to Interstate Standards to the east of CF Harvey Parkway and to the west of NC-58
- Project between CF Harvey Parkway and NC-58 will be constructed on a new alignment over the Neuse River
- Currently funded for Preliminary Engineering Only
- Currently working on the Environmental Document for the project



U-5724 - Align Central Heights Rd. with Royal Ave.
& Construct Fallin Blvd.

Wayne County Future Interstate I-795

U-3125 - US 117 Upgrade to I-795 from
US 70 to I-40

Study Area for Future I-795

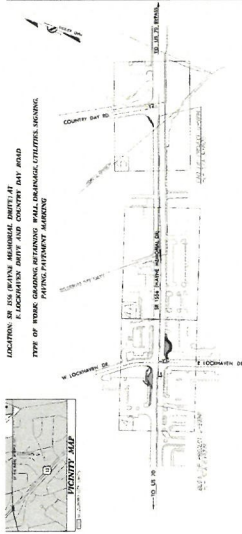
- Project broken into six sections, A through F, which are in various stages of development and funding.



U-5724 - Align Central Heights Rd. with Royal Ave.
& Construct Fallin Blvd.

Wayne County Projects

U-5994 – Wayne Memorial Drive Access Management at Lockhaven Drive & Country Day Road – Bulb-outs to accommodate U-Turns



Construction Amount:
\$450,000

Construction Let:
2024 – On Call Contract

Status:
Right of Way complete
Utilities in progress

Wayne County Projects

U-3609B – Widen & Improve US 13 (Berkeley Blvd.)

Description: Widen to 4 lanes with raised median from New Hope Rd. to US 70 Bypass with intersection improvements at Saulston Road
Construction Est.: \$59,159,000
Status: Right of Way in Progress.

Let Date: 2025



Wayne County Projects

U-4753 – Widen Wayne Memorial Dr.

Description: Widen to 4 lanes with raised median from New Hope Rd. to US 70 Bypass

Construction Est.: \$12,440,000
Let Date: January 2026



Wayne County Projects

B-4838 Replace bridge adjacent to Franklin Bakery; construct sidewalks

Construction Est.: \$7,500,000

Status: Right-of-way complete

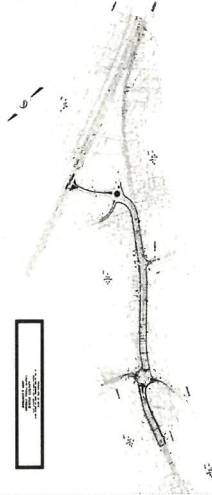
Let Date: May 2025



Wayne County Projects

U-4407 – Widen Ash St. from Oak Forest Rd. to US 70

Description: Widen to 3 lanes & Install Roundabouts
Construction Est.: \$23,569,000



Right-of-Way: 2025
Construction: 2027



Wayne County Projects

Additional projects included in the 10-year Transportation Program

- R-5853 – Add turn lanes on US 13 from Saulston Rd. to Greene County
- U-6110 – Improve Oak Forest Rd/US 70 Intersection
- U-6204 – Improve Wayne Memorial Dr. (New Hope to Country Day Rd.)
- U-6205 – Widen Wayne Memorial Dr. from US 70 Bypass To Stoney Creek Church Road.
- U-6206 – Modernize Miller's Chapel Rd. from US 70 to Thoroughfare Rd.
- U-6207 – Modernize Bill Lane Blvd. from Arrington Bridge Rd. to NC 111

Wayne County Projects

Additional Programs

- Low Impact Bridge Replacements
- Resurfacing
- Safety Projects, both state and federally funded
- Locally Administered Projects including sidewalks/greenways

Questions?

Thank you for the invitation!

Our Project Highlights:

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Utility_Owned

- Lead Category: Non-Lead
- Material: Non-Lead - Plastic
- Source of Data: Field inspection only with no records

Customer_Owned

- Lead Category: Non-Lead
- Material: Non-Lead - Plastic
- Source of Data: Field inspection only with no records

Our Project Highlights:

2108 COURTNEY ROAD

Utility_Owned

- Lead Category: Unknown
- Material: Unknown - Unknown Lead
- Source of Data: Statistical analysis

Customer_Owned

- Lead Category: Unknown
- Material: Unknown - Unknown Lead
- Source of Data: Statistical analysis

Questions?

Downtown Solid Waste Issues

Information and Awareness
City Council Work Session

November 4, 2024

John Street Parking Lot Corral



View from John St. Side 9.26.2024

Current Issues

- Unsanitary Conditions
- Constant litter clean up by city departments
- Unauthorized use by businesses and individuals
- Vandalism
- Homeless Population Activity
- City Regulations and Interpretations
- Coordinating Public / Private Operations Management
- Appropriate Use and Authorization Understanding

John Street Parking Lot Corral



View from John St. Side 10.22.2024

John Street Parking Lot Corral



View from John St. Side
GFL
City of Goldsboro (2)



View from Center St. Side
Waste Management
Pratt
GFL

Public Trash Receptacle Education

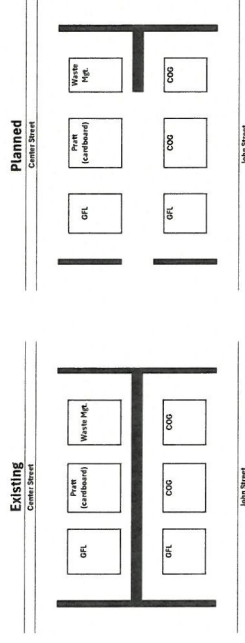
This is the only type of public trash receptacle in Goldsboro

All citizens and visitors walking by may use to place items inside only... not remove items or plunder

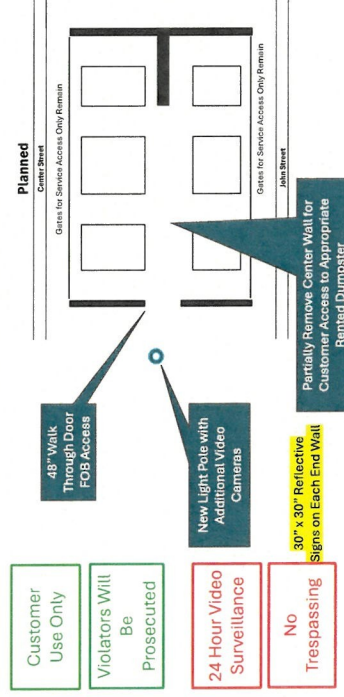
All other solid waste and recycle receptacles are to be used only by the business or individual paying the fee whether they are dumpsters or roll out containers.



John Street Corral Modifications



John Street Corral Modifications



Current Ongoing Tasks

- Analyze current City Ordinances and Rules
- Verify solid waste services for each downtown water customer is either city provided or privately provided
- Create estimate on corral modifications and power installation for light and cameras
- Gather estimates on additional video surveillance equipment and FOB controlled access system
- Continue to educate downtown businesses and residents on city policy regarding solid waste
- Allow only city dumpsters in city built/owned corrals
- Analyze removal of all roll out containers in the downtown district and replace with assigned dumpster access

FY 2022-2023 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS

Good evening, Mayor, the other members of City Council, City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk

I have asked the City Clerk to give each of you a rough draft of the brief comments I will be making this evening, and copies of some supporting documents for my comments.

I come before you to speak about the FY 2022-2023 proposed budget for the Stormwater Management Utility.

- On June 5, 2017 City Council voted, by way of a Consent Agenda item, to amend the City Ordinance for:
 1. unlawfully create the Stormwater Management Utility as a public enterprise, and to
 2. unlawfully establish a schedule of stormwater utility services fees, to fund a stormwater management program, and a structural and annual stormwater and drainage system. (See Exhibit A)
- City Council's illegal actions, were wrongfully based, on the authority given in Article 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes (See Exhibit B)
- City Council's actions were illegal because City Council did not hold a public hearing as specified in Article 160A-314 (a1) (1) and (2) of the North Carolina General Statutes, before voting to amend the ordinance to create the Stormwater Management Utility public enterprise. (See Exhibit B)
- This issue has been brought to the City's attention, and I was advised that City Council held a public hearing on creating the Stormwater Management Utility and establishing fee rates, in the City Council meeting, that was held on May 15, 2017.
- In response to a public records request, the City provided me a copy of the Agenda for the May 15, 2017 City Council meeting. (See Exhibit C)
- The City also provided me a copy of the Special Meeting Notice for a Budget Work Session that was scheduled for May 15, 2017 at 3:00 PM, for the purpose of discussing the proposed 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget. (See Exhibit C)
- The City also provided me a copy of the notice that was published in the Goldsboro News Argus about a public hearing scheduled to be held in the May 15, 2017 City Council meeting at 5:00 PM, to consider the proposed 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget. (See Exhibit C)
- There is no mention in the City's Special Meeting Notice, or the Goldsboro News Argus published public hearing notice, of a public hearing to be held on the proposed amendment to the City Ordinance, to create the Stormwater Management Utility as a public enterprise, or to establish a schedule of stormwater utility services fees for the Stormwater Management Utility. (See Exhibit C)
- There is no item on the agenda on the May 15, 2017 City Council meeting, regarding a public hearing on the proposed amendment to the City Ordinance, to create the Stormwater Management Utility as a public enterprise, and to establish a schedule of stormwater utility services fees. (See Exhibit C)
- In the approved minutes for the May 15, 2017 City Council meeting, there is no mention that a public hearing was held, on the proposed amendment to the City Ordinance to create the Stormwater Management Utility as a public enterprise, and to establish a schedule of stormwater utility services fees. (See Exhibit C)

- In the council meeting on December 18, 2017 City Council voted by a margin of 5-2 to accept a declining block rate schedule for the Stormwater Management Utility fees, that were developed by an experienced stormwater management consultant. (See Exhibit D)
- In the council meeting on January 22, 2018 City Council voted by a margin of 6-1 to adopt an amendment to the City of Goldsboro Ordinance to establish a declining block fee schedule for the Stormwater Management Utility fees of non-single family residential properties. (See Exhibit E)
- It is apparent that there are no City of Goldsboro public records, of a public hearing to create the Stormwater Management Utility as a public enterprise, or public hearings to establish schedules of stormwater utility services fees.
- Therefore, the City of Goldsboro has not legally established the Stormwater Management Utility, as a public enterprise, nor has the City of Goldsboro legally established schedules of stormwater utility services fees, pursuant to Article 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes.
- The City of Goldsboro has not legally established any public hearings, pursuant to Article 160-314 (a1) (1) and (2) of the North Carolina General Statutes. Therefore, the amendment to the City of Goldsboro Ordinance to establish the Stormwater Management Utility declining block fee schedule for the Stormwater Management Utility fees of non-single family residential properties, is illegal and unenforceable.
- Since July 1, 2017, the City of Goldsboro has illegally billed and collected approximately \$6.8 million dollars in Stormwater Management Utility fees, and the City of Goldsboro has wrongfully spent approximately \$1.8 million dollars for labor, and approximately \$2.6 for expenses, for an approximate total of \$4.4 million dollars in expenditures from illegally collected, Stormwater Management Utility fees.
- The City of Goldsboro should therefore immediately stop the illegal and wrongful collection of all stormwater utilities fees.
- The City of Goldsboro should also immediately stop spending any more of the illegally collected stormwater utilities fees, until the City of Goldsboro has legally created a public enterprise pursuant to Article 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes.
- The City of Goldsboro should also refund all \$6.8 million dollars of the illegally collected stormwater utilities fees.
- Considering the current dismal condition of our stormwater infrastructure, the City of Goldsboro should look to legally establish a stormwater public enterprise, and legally establish a schedule of stormwater utility service fees, to fund a stormwater management program, and a structural and natural stormwater and drainage system.
- The City of Goldsboro should, in establishing a legal public enterprise, do as the late great Luther Vandross has said. And that is, to "Get It Right".
- Speaking of getting things right, the Stormwater Stakeholder Committee, that made the recommendation to City Council to establish a stormwater public enterprise, has not held a meeting to discuss, consider, or make recommendations to City Council on the 2022-2023 fiscal year proposed budget, for the Stormwater Management Utility Fund. Nor has the Stormwater Stakeholder Committee met, or held, any meetings since March 8, 2017.
- City Council should "Get It Right", by including in the Stormwater Stakeholder Committee is properly established in the City of Goldsboro Ordinance, a provision that requires the Stormwater Stakeholder Committee fulfills their core of responsibility, of reviewing the stormwater maintenance work performed by City Staff, and recommending to City Council, the appropriate level of service and the means to find it. (See Exhibit F)
- Questions???

Carl Martin - Concerned Citizen