



Legislation Text

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Title:

Land Development Services Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Town of Huntersville

Summary

ACTION:

Adopt the Resolution authorizing Execution of the Amended and Restated Land Development Services Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between Mecklenburg County and the Town of Hundersville

Staff Contact: W. Dave Canaan, LUESA - Storm Water Services

Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

LUESA - Storm Water Services provides Land Development services on behalf of the six Towns. These services include enforcement of the Town's zoning, subdivision, water quality, planning, floodplain and other ordinances.

In March 2018 the Town of Huntersville, Board of Commissioners instructed Town staff to initiate discussions with the County on the potential for the Town to assume the responsibility of providing Land Development services. The County was informed that the Town's reasons for assuming responsibility for providing these services are to create a one-stop shop; increase the Town's control and ownership to match the Town's accountability for roads, sidewalks, street trees, etc.; and enhance the ability for the Town to adjust fees. Since March 2018, Town and Storm Water staff have resolved most of the issues for a successful transition of Land Development services to the Town effective July 1, 2019.

Proposed changes to the Amended and Restated Land Development Services Interlocal Cooperation Agreement codifies the transition of services to the Town and documents other administrative details like the County collecting fees on the Town's behalf.

LUESA - Code Enforcement will continue to provide services to ensure compliance with the NC Building Code. The Town has requested the County continue to enforce the Town's Floodplain Ordinance due to the relative infrequency of development in the floodplain in Huntersville and the complexities of managing this regulatory program to the State of North Carolina and FEMA standards. The County will also continue to manage the EPA, National

Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit in partnership with all the municipalities. The NPDES permits include numerous activities that focus on protecting water quality during and after development. The County and Town also anticipate continuing to partner on stream restoration projects. At the present time, the Town and County are partnering on the restoration of a section of Torrence Creek with an estimated project budget of \$1,600,000.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:

N/A

POLICY IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

The loss in revenue and reduction in expenses as a result of the Town providing these services starting in July 1, 2019 has been incorporated into the County's FY2020 budget.