



City Council Meeting

May 4, 2026





Mayor Hooks

Call to Order





Sammy Ballard, Pastor FBC Mebane

Invocation





Mayor Hooks

Proclamation-

National Police Week- May 11th-17th





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Proclamation-

National Public Works Week- May 17th-23rd





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Proclamation- ALS Awareness Month- May





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Proclamation- Preservation Month- May





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Councilmember Montrena Hadley

Proclamation-

Public Service Recognition Week- May 3rd -9th





MEBANE POLICE DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION

- ❖ Awarded accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), placing the department among fewer than 5% of agencies nationwide to meet this gold standard of professional excellence.
- ❖ Kristin Bowers, CALEA Accreditation Manager, successfully completed the CALEA Accreditation Manager Certification Program, further strengthening the department's commitment to best practices and accountability.





Mayor Hooks

Public Comments



Consent Agenda

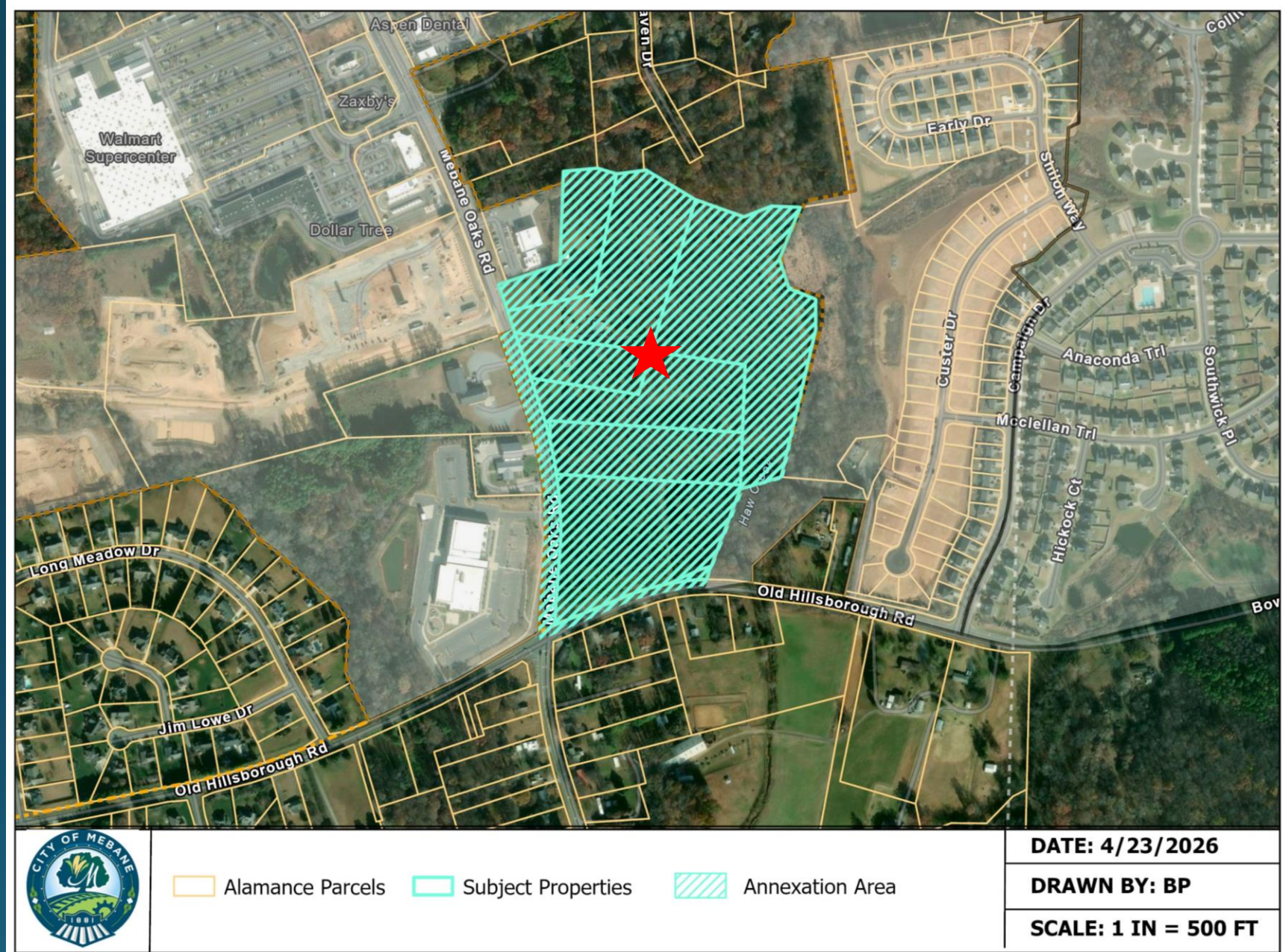
- a. Approval of Minutes-
 - i. March 12, 2026-Special Meeting- Budget Work Session
 - ii. March 19, 2026- Special Joint Meeting with Orange County BOCC
 - iii. April 6, 2026- Regular Meeting
- b. Petition for Voluntary Contiguous Annexation- DR Mebane LLC- Creekside Village
- c. Mebane's Third Quarter Financial Report
- d. Mebane FY26 Audit Contract
- e. DMDC Third Quarter Report
- f. Final Plat Reapproval- Potters Mill



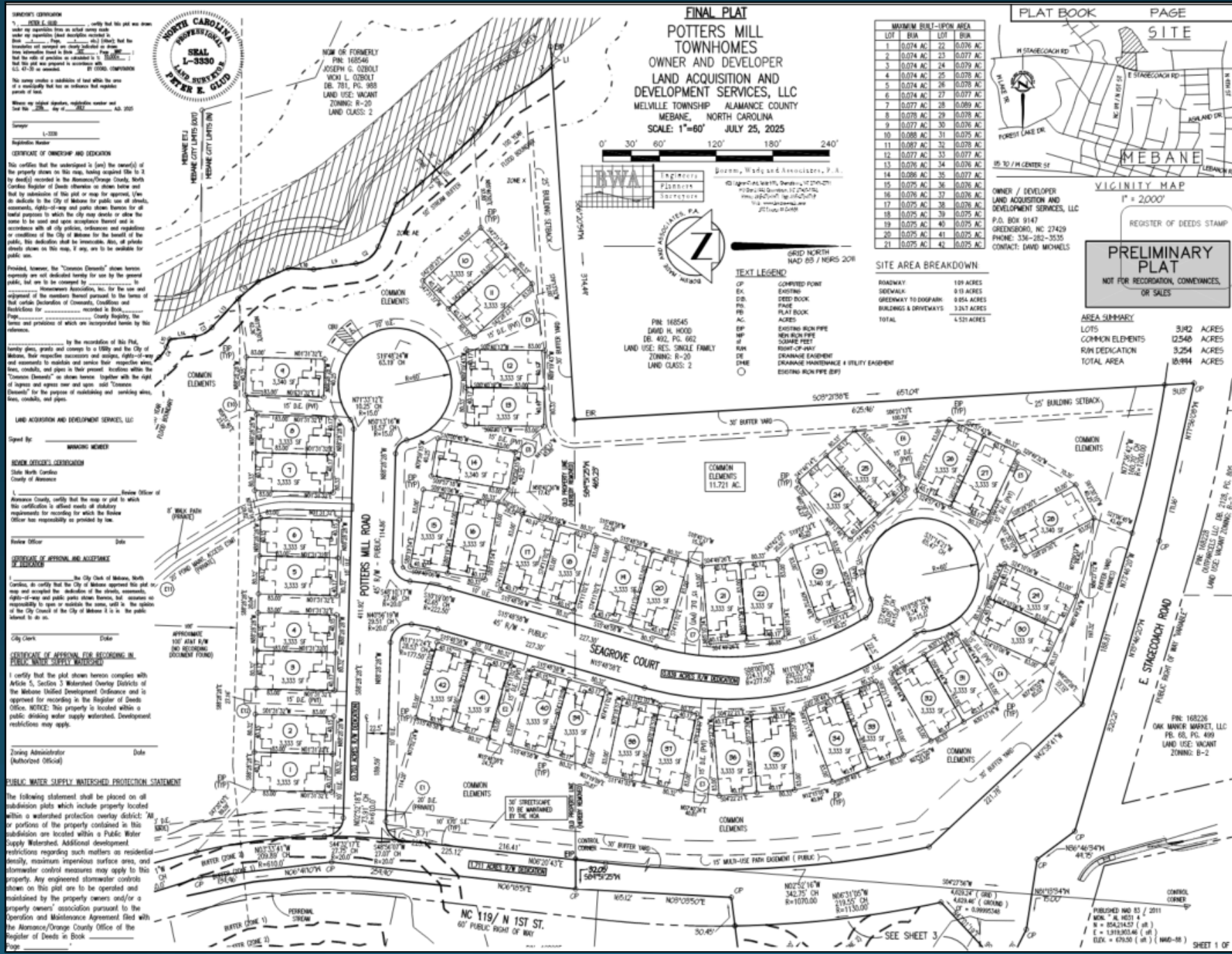
Annexation Petition-

DR Mebane LLC- Creekside Village

- Voluntary Contiguous
- +/- 36.153 acres located in Alamance County off Mebane Oaks Road
- Accept the Petition and the Clerk's Certificate of Sufficiency
- Set a Date for the Public Hearing for June 1, 2026



Final Plat Reapproval - Potters Mill





Lawson Brown, City Attorney

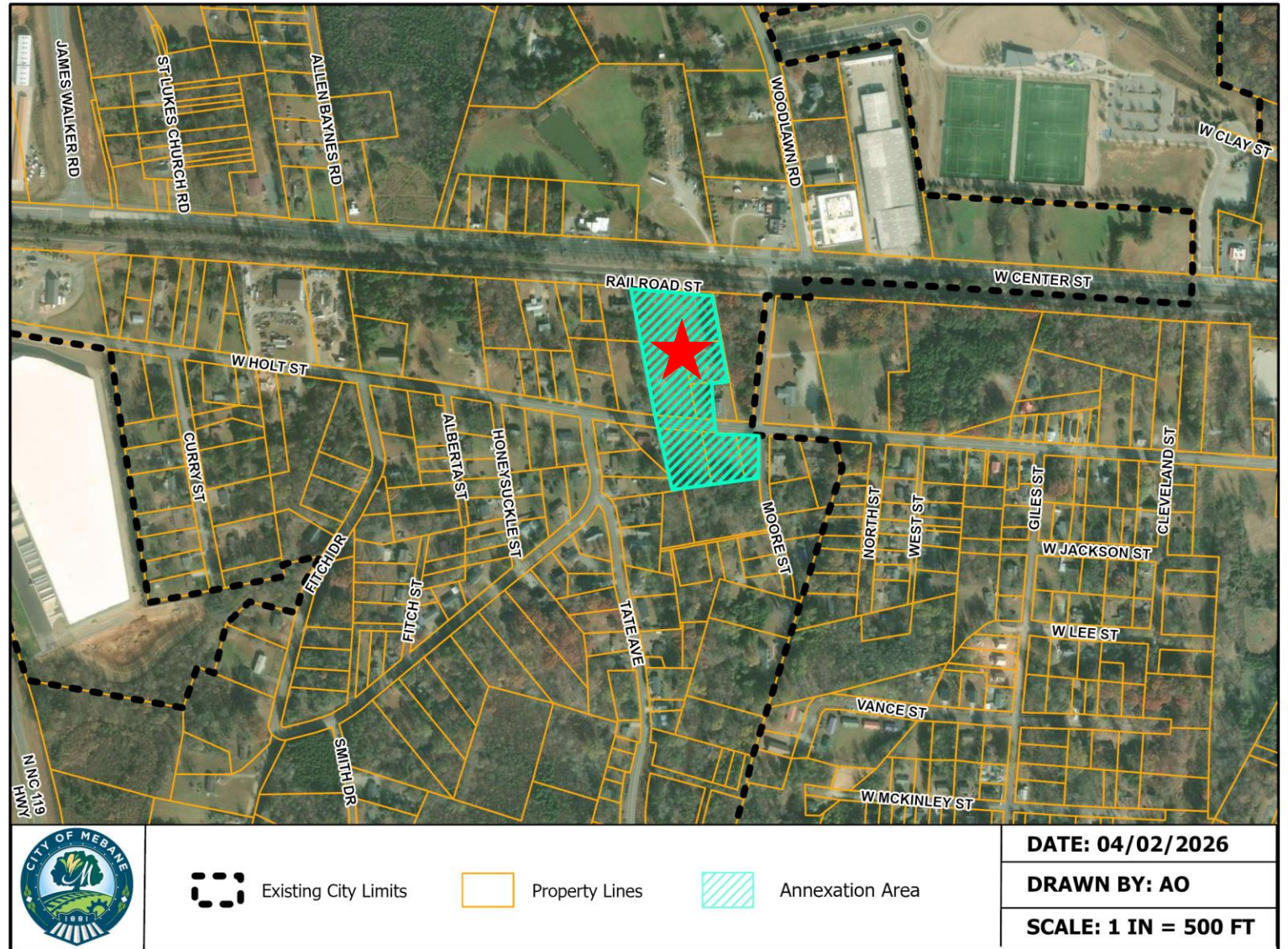
Public Hearing- Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits
Voluntary Contiguous Annexation- Grace Outreach Ministry, Inc.-
W. Holt Street



Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits-

Grace Outreach Ministry, LLC W. Holt Street

- Voluntary Contiguous
- +/- 5.10 acres located in Alamance County on W. Holt Street
- Council accepted the Petition and Certificate of Sufficiency and set a date for the Public Hearing for tonight





Mr. Brown

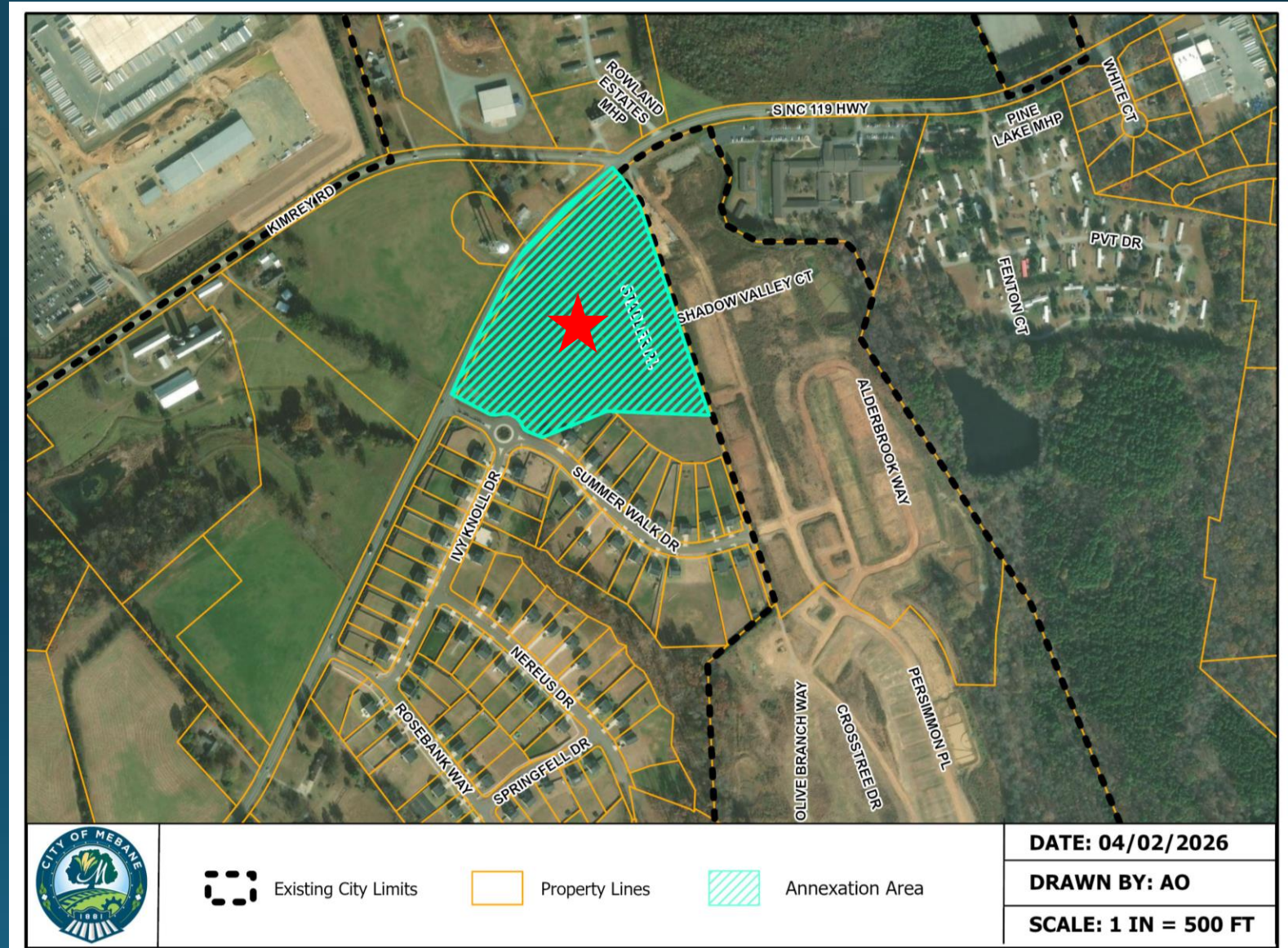
Public Hearing- Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits
Voluntary Non-contiguous Annexation- Christian Education Society
of Mebane Inc. and Hawfields BTR Partners LLC- Stadler Place



Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits-

Christian Education Society of Mebane Inc. and Hawfields BTR Partners LLC- Stadler Place

- Voluntary Non-Contiguous
- +/- 14.73 acres located in Alamance County off S. NC Hwy 119. 140 apartments previously approved by the Council in July 2025 are planned for this property
- Council accepted the Petition and Certificate of Sufficiency and set a date for the Public Hearing for tonight

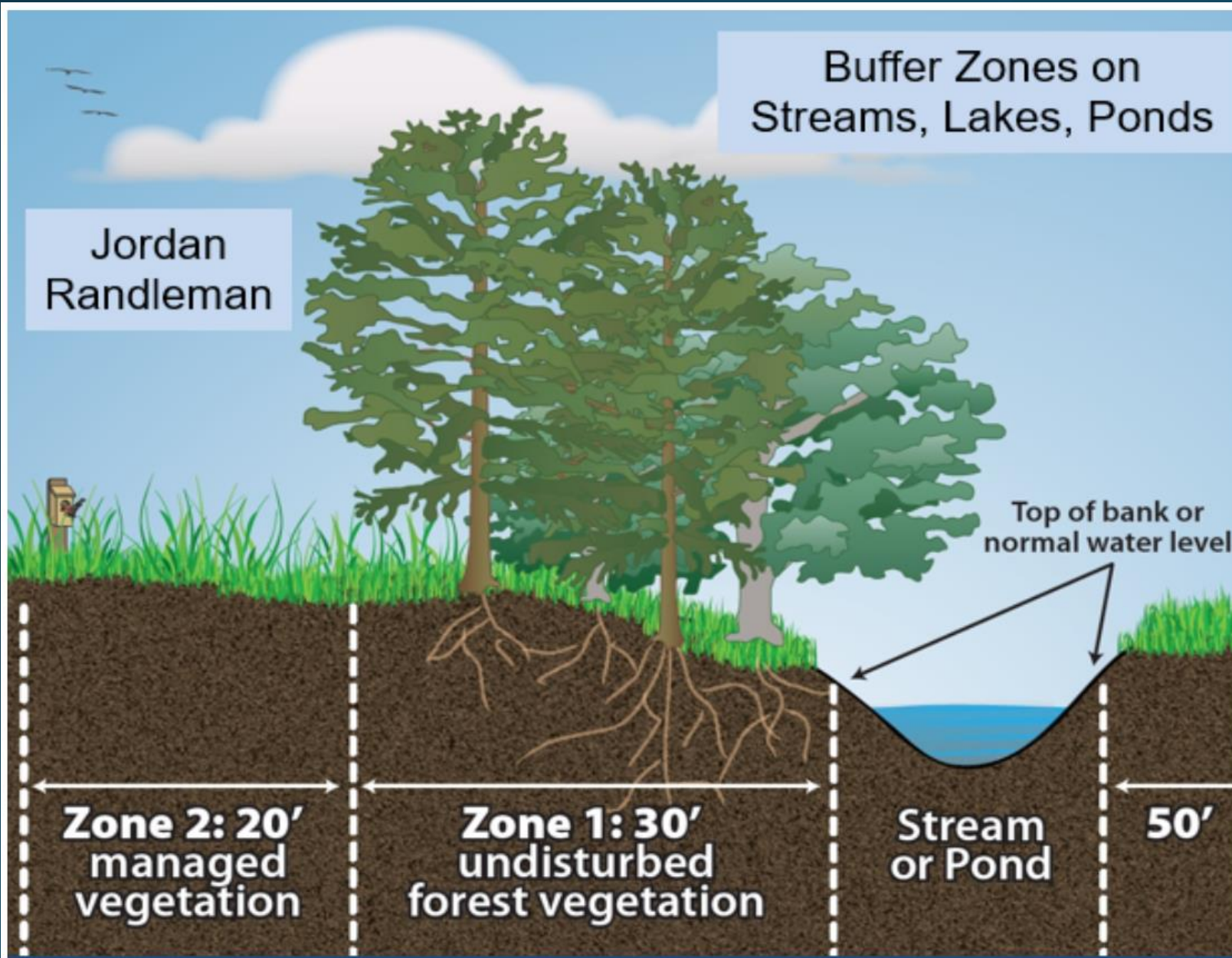




Ashley Ownbey, Development Director

Public Hearing- Quasi-judicial Board of Adjustment
Minor Variance Request: Zone Two Riparian Buffer
Impacts & Setback Variance by Bryan Burney





227 Emerson Drive

Minor Variance Request

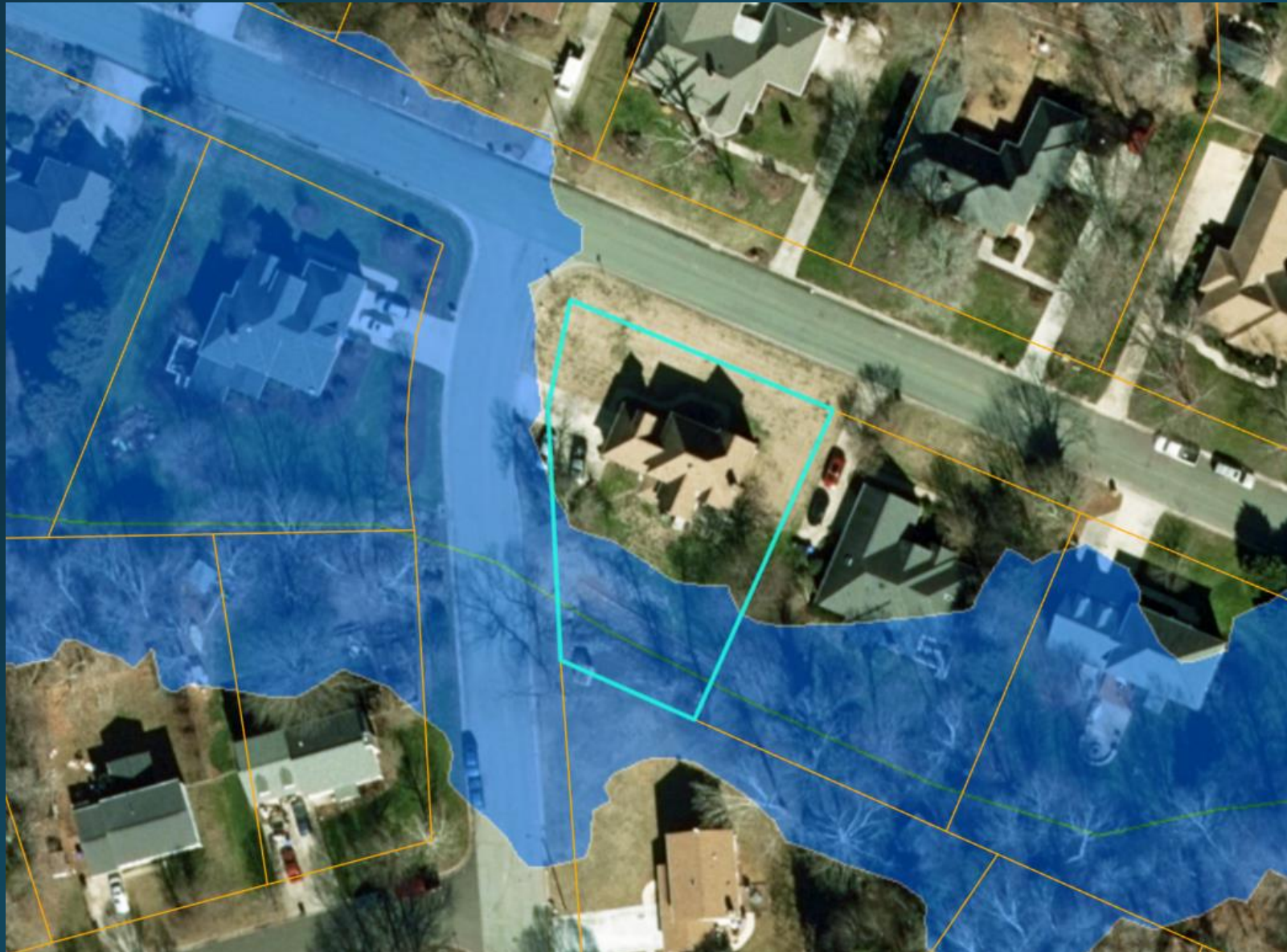
Riparian Buffer Ordinance

- Adopted November 2010
- Amended as required by the State

Jordan Lake: 50' Buffer on All Sides

- Zones One and Two
- Table of Uses establishes exempt, allowable, and allowable with mitigation uses





227 Emerson Drive

Minor Variance Request

Mapped stream and FEMA
floodplain present on property





227 Emerson Drive

Minor Variance Request

Shed installed without permits and code enforcement notice provided in February 2025

Located in non-encroachment area of FEMA floodplain and Zone One of the stream buffer.

- City of Mebane is not authorized to permit an accessory structure in these locations.



227 Emerson Drive

Minor Variance Request

New impervious surface is prohibited within the stream buffer.

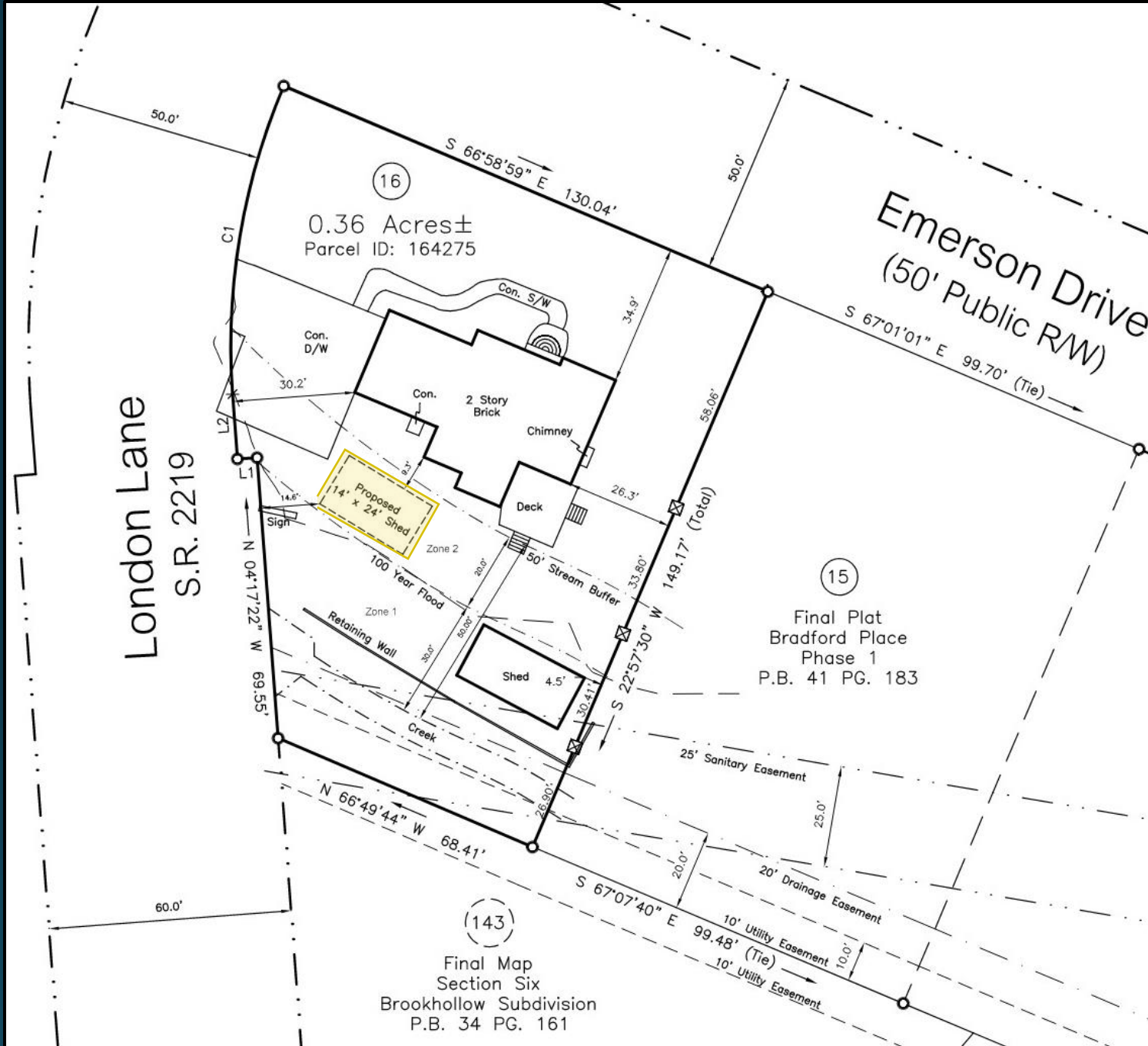
"...no impervious surface is added within 50 feet of the surface water where it did not previously exist as of the effective date of this Ordinance..."

Page 5-54-5-55, Mebane UDO

Minor variances are activities that will only impact Zone Two. The City of Mebane may consider minor variances.

Relocated shed requires approval of a 14.6' setback from property line along London Lane.

18' required by Section 4-2 of Mebane UDO





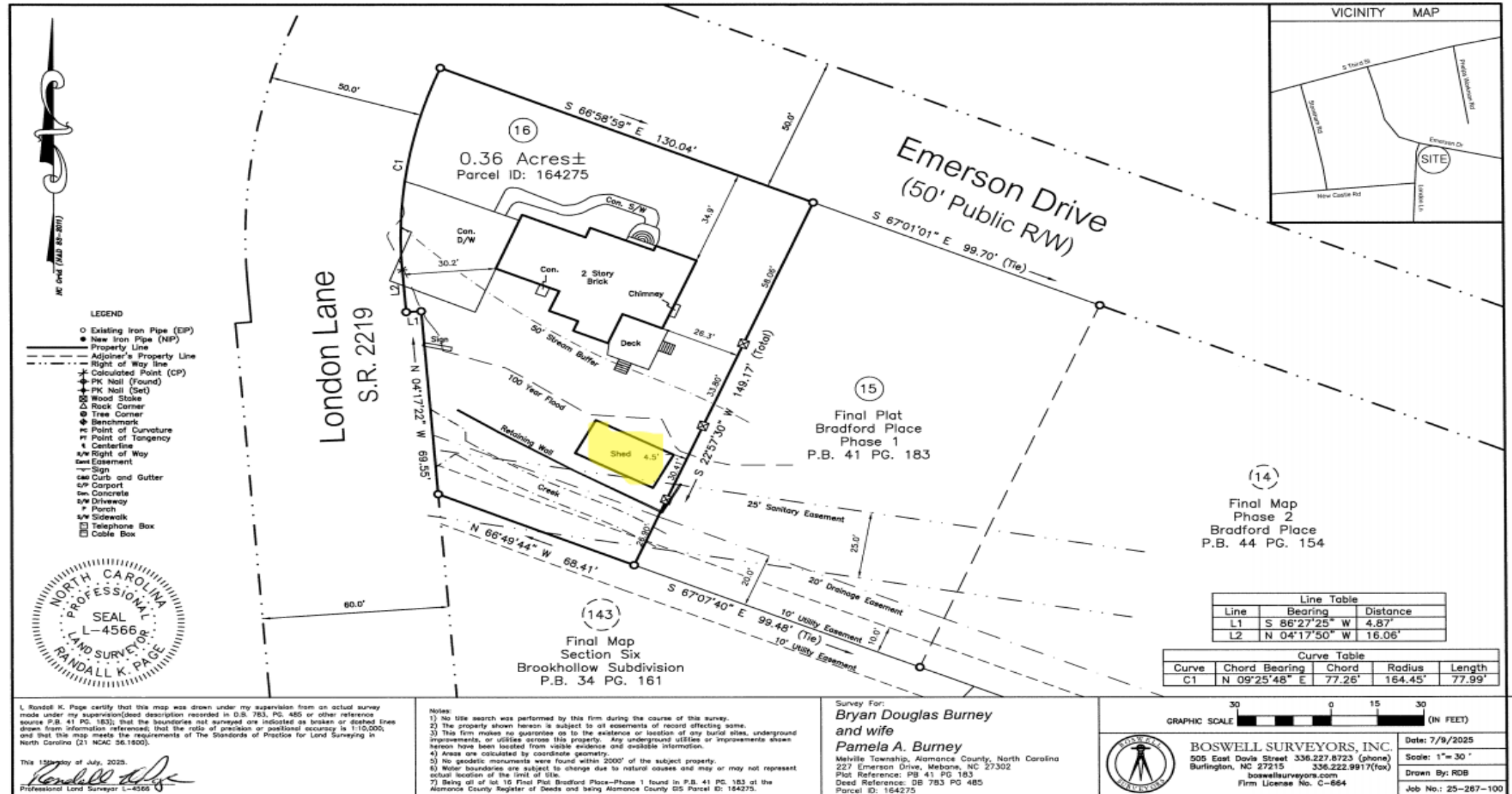
Applicant Presentation



Bryan Burney

Request for Variance

Current Position of Storage Shed

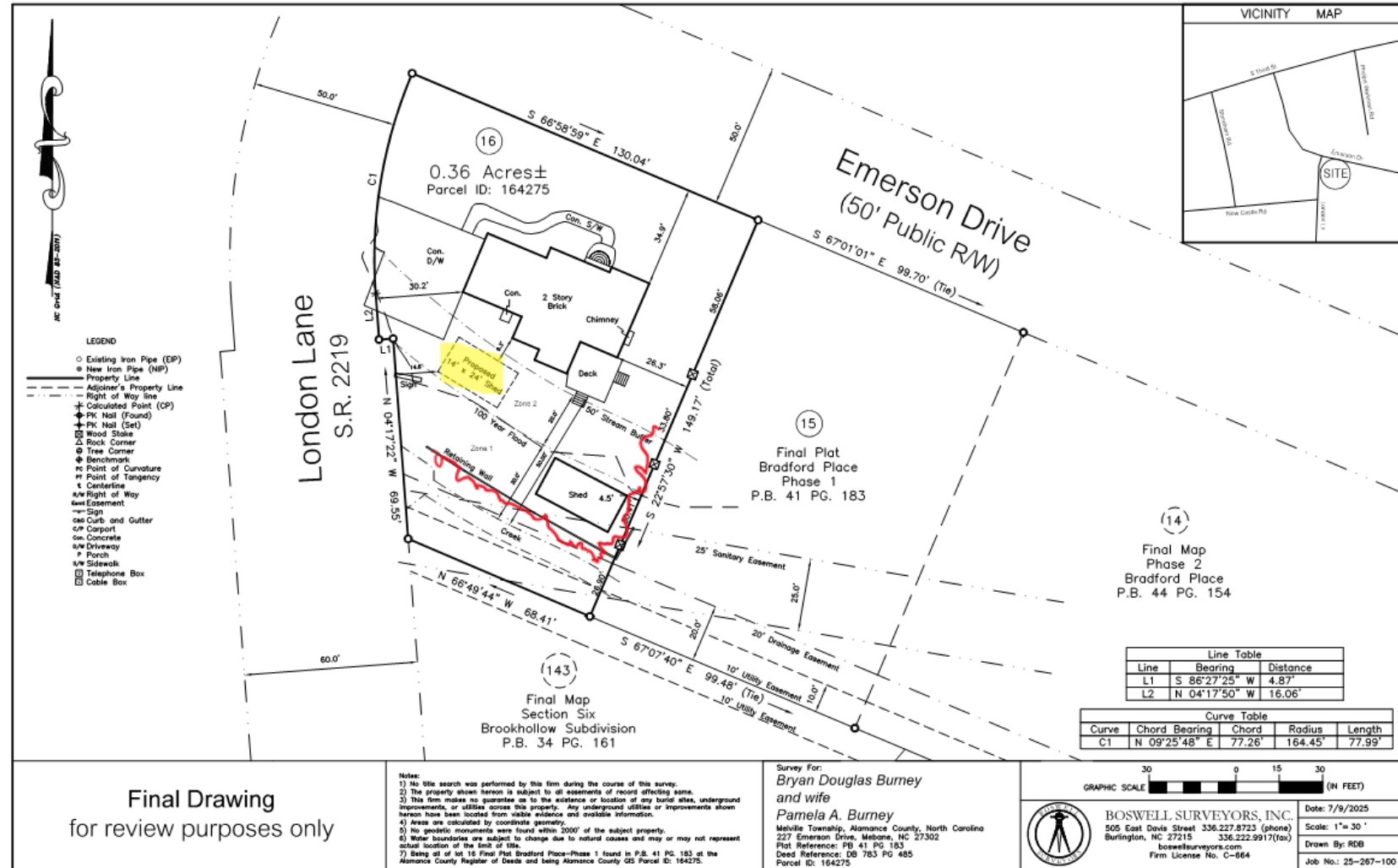








Proposed Location







Why should this variance be allowed

- The property condition creates a unique situation in that the entire back yard is mostly covered by either the 100 year flood plain or the 50 foot stream buffer
- The retaining wall and resulting flat area of yard was there previous to the UDO requirements preventing placement of the storage building in the either setback that would confuse any homeowner about their being a potential buffer or flood plain requirement.
- Strict compliance with the UDO would create an unnecessary hardship for Mr. Burney as he would have to completely get rid of the storage building as there is no where on his property to place it other than the front yard which is also not in compliance with the UDO.



Ms. Ownbey, Development Director

Public Hearing- Quasi-judicial Board of Adjustment
Variance Request: ADU in Existing Garage at
403 E McPherson Drive by Malik Khan



Variances

NCGS 160D-705

When unnecessary hardships would result from carrying out the strict letter of a zoning regulation, the board of adjustment shall vary any of the provisions of the zoning regulation upon a showing of all of the following:



Variances

(1) Unnecessary hardship would result from the strict application of the regulation. It is not necessary to demonstrate that, in the absence of the variance, no reasonable use can be made of the property.



Variances

(2) The hardship results from conditions that are peculiar to the property, such as location, size, or topography. Hardships resulting from personal circumstances, as well as hardships resulting from conditions that are common to the neighborhood or the general public, may not be the basis for granting a variance. A variance may be granted when necessary and appropriate to make a reasonable accommodation under the Federal Fair Housing Act for a person with a disability.



Variances

(3) The hardship did not result from actions taken by the applicant or the property owner. The act of purchasing property with knowledge that circumstances exist that may justify the granting of a variance is not a self-created hardship.



Variances

(4) The requested variance is consistent with the spirit, purpose, and intent of the regulation, such that public safety is secured and substantial justice is achieved.





Variance Request

403 E. McPherson Drive

Variance Request

Existing detached garage proposed to be converted to one accessory dwelling unit (ADU)

Required setbacks for ADUs greater than 600 square feet:

- 25' Rear
- 10' Side

Sec. 4-7.4 (A) of Mebane UDO





Applicant Presentation





Setbacks:

9 ft/ Left of the garage

9 ft/ Rear of garage once
back storage is removed

30 ft/ Right of the garage

100 ft/ Front of the garage



9 ft/ Left of the garage



9 ft/ Rear of garage once back storage is removed



30 ft/ Right of the garage



100 ft/ Front of the garage



Ms. Ownbey, Development Director

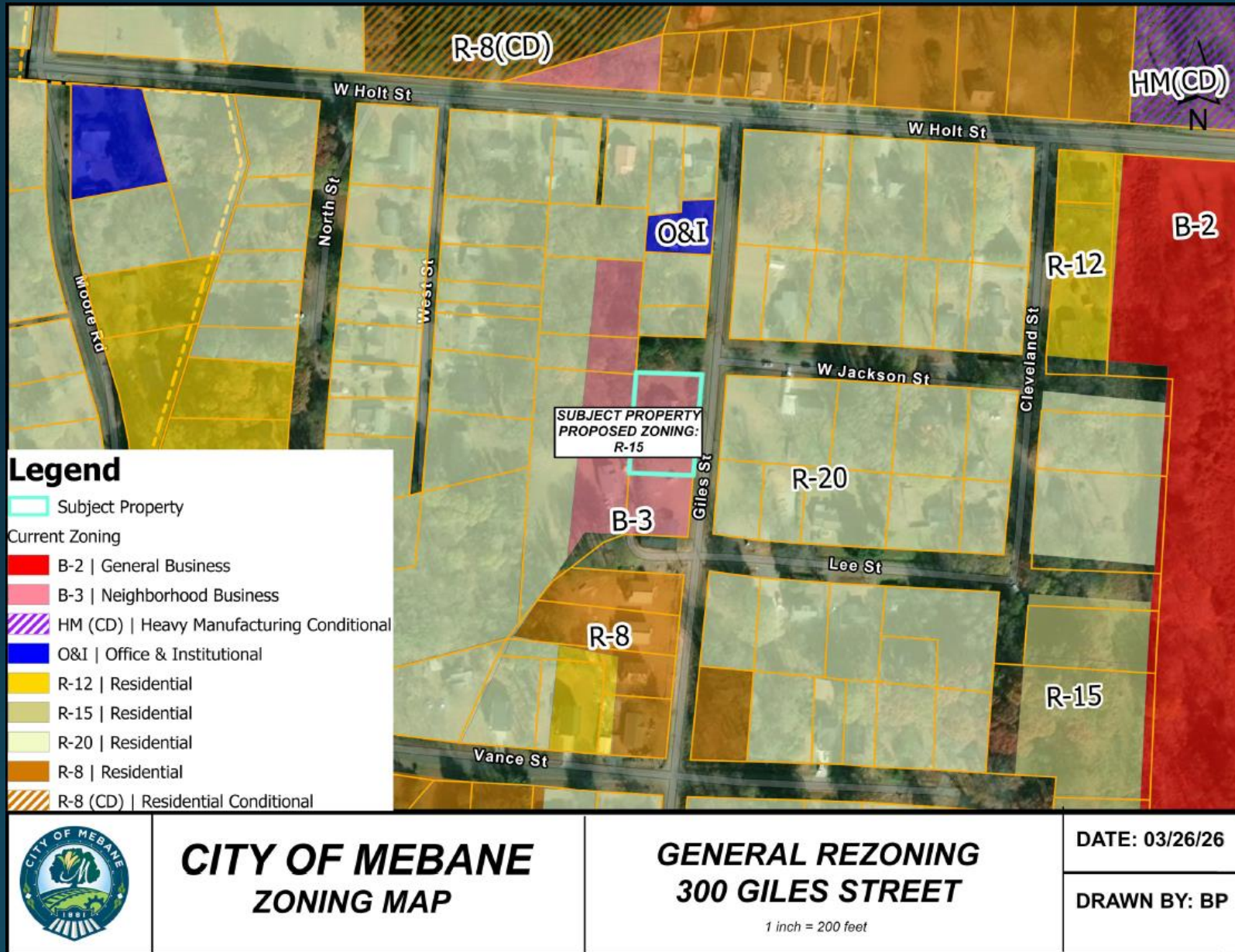
Request to Rezone: B-3 to R-15
by Antonio Mosqueda



300 Giles Street

General Rezoning Request

- Request by Antonio Mosqueda
- +/- 0.39 acre
- Existing zoning: B-3
- Requested zoning: R-15



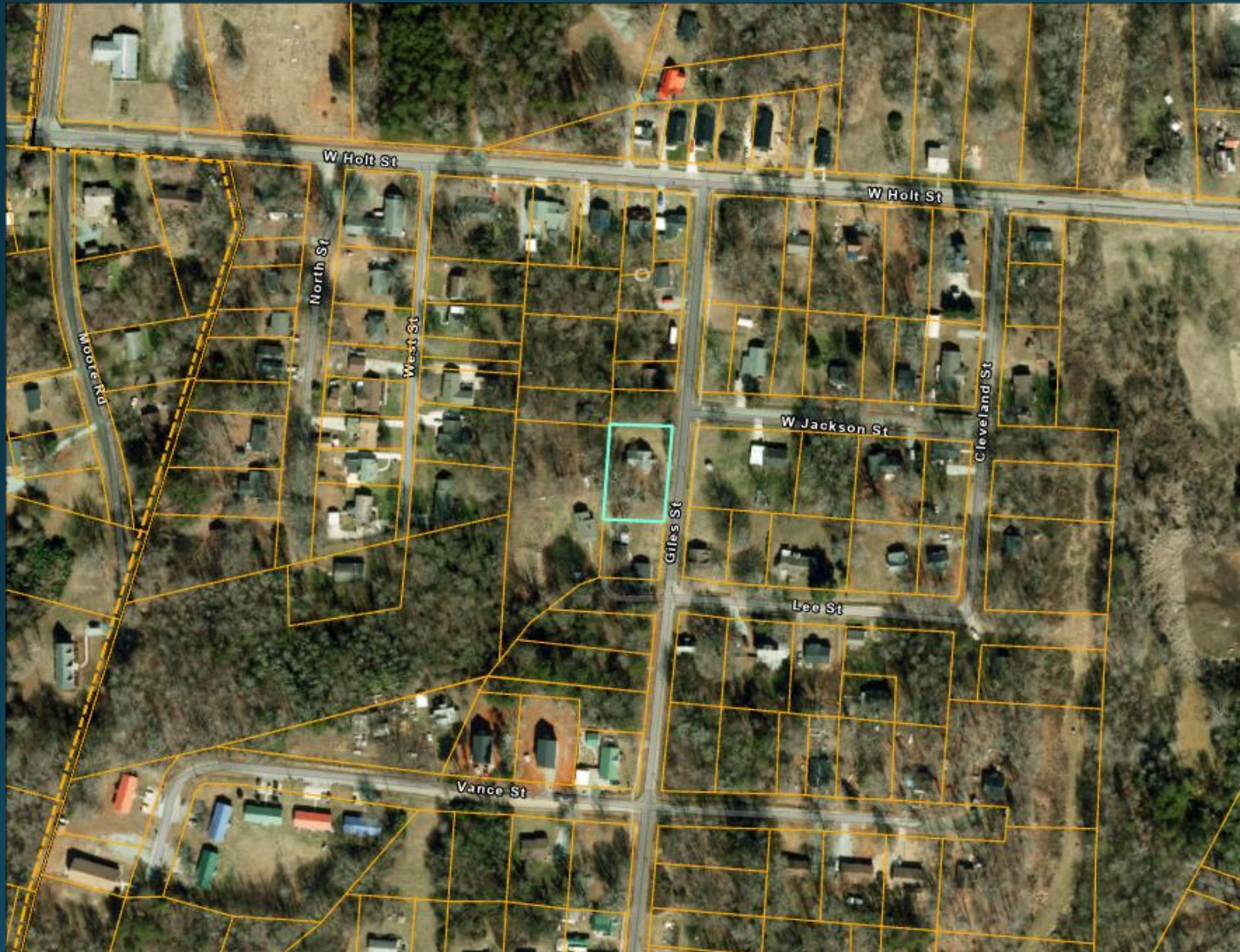


300 Giles Street

General Rezoning Request

- Mebane City Limits
- Alamance County
- City utilities are available.



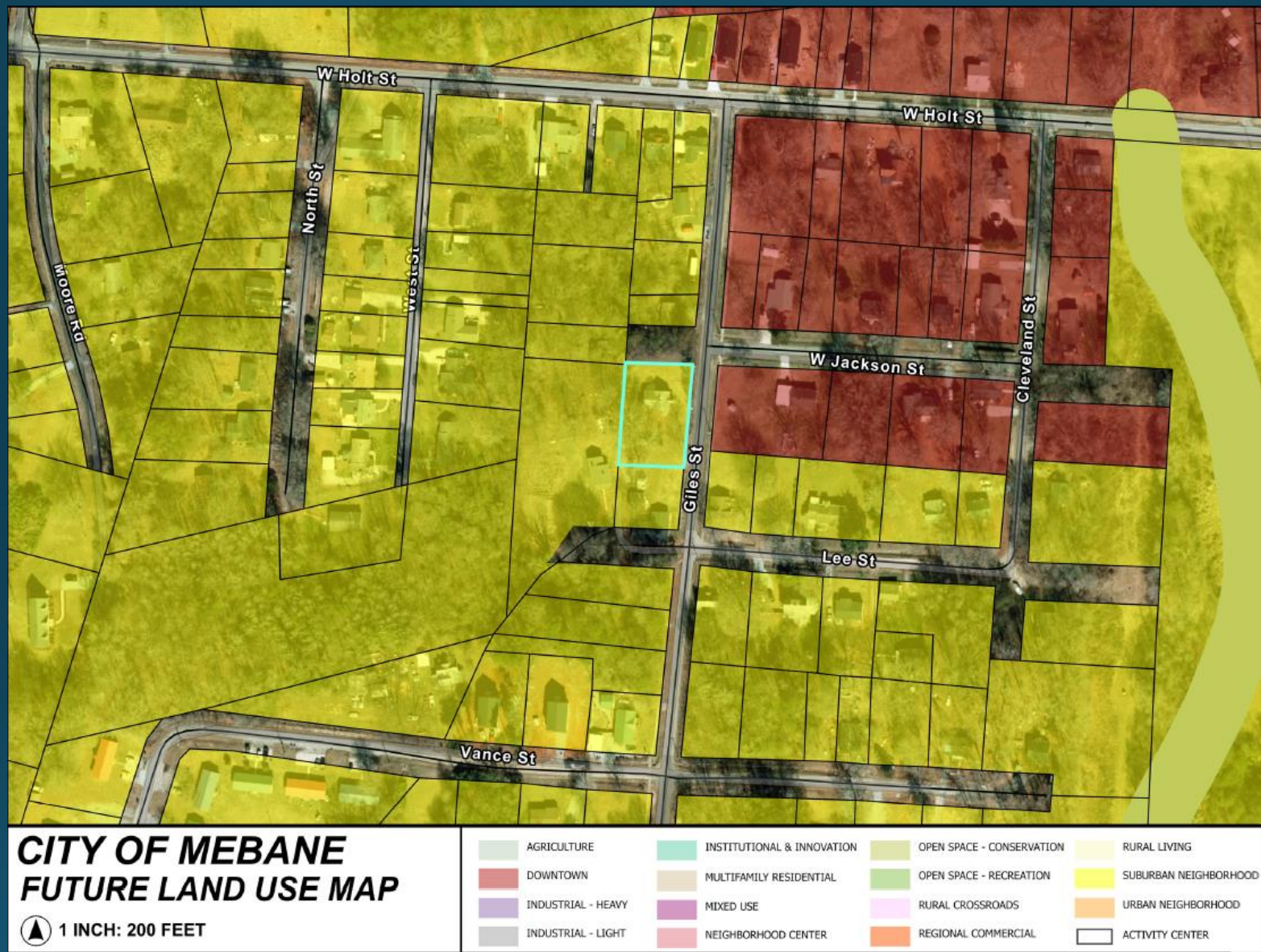


300 Giles Street

General Rezoning Request

- Existing use: Uninhabitable structure recently demolished
- Surrounding uses include:
 - Single-family
 - Vacant
 - Daycare





300 Giles Street
General Rezoning Request

Mebane 2045 Comprehensive Plan, Suburban Neighborhood





Applicant Presentation



Requested to be continued per the applicant



Ms. Ownbey, Development Director

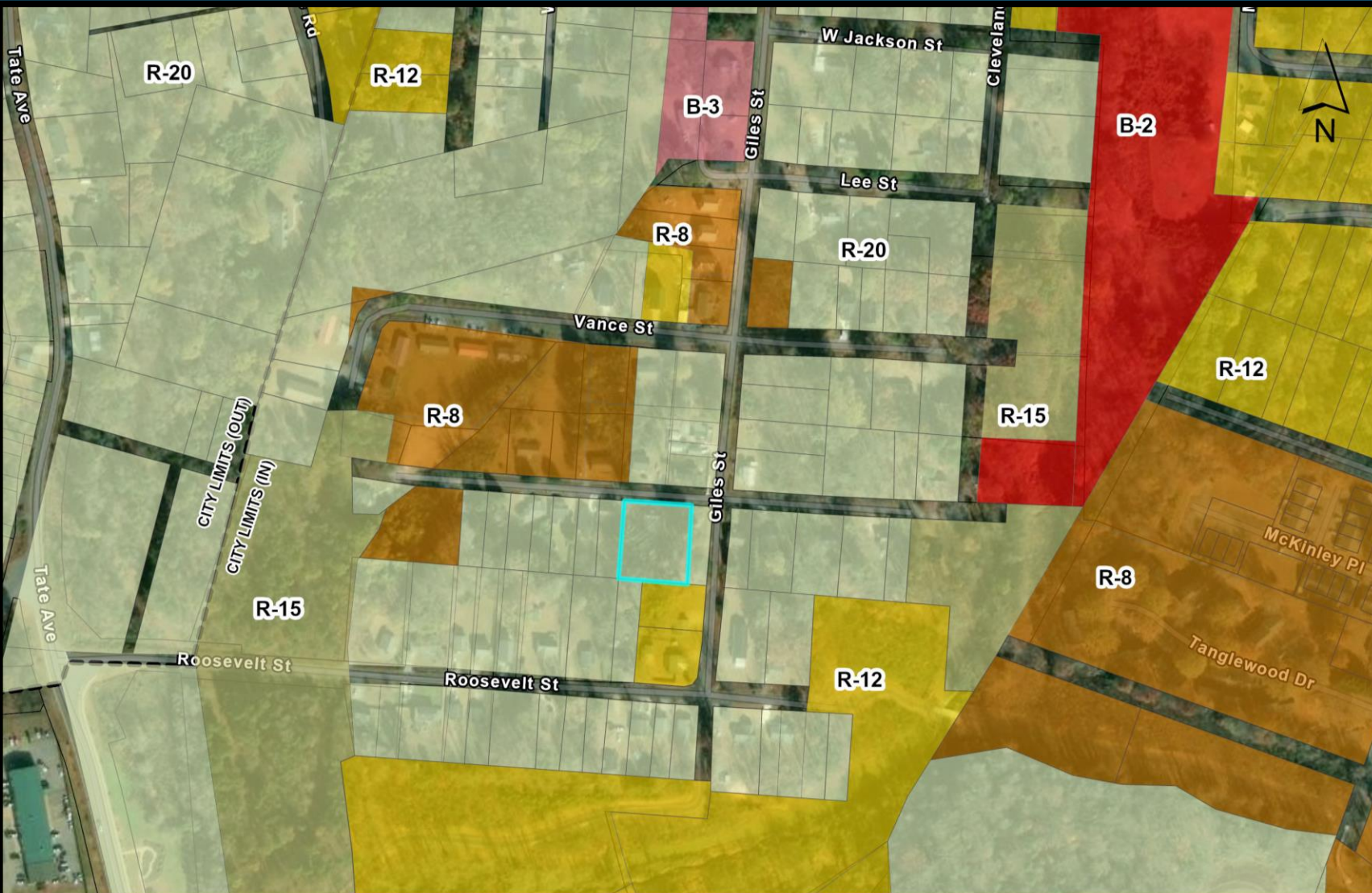
Request to Rezone: R-20 to R-8
by Whitt Real Estate Investments, Inc.



703 W. McKinley Street

General Rezoning Request

- Request by Whitt Real Estate Investments, Inc.
- +/- 0.69 acre
- Existing zoning: R-20
- Requested zoning: R-8



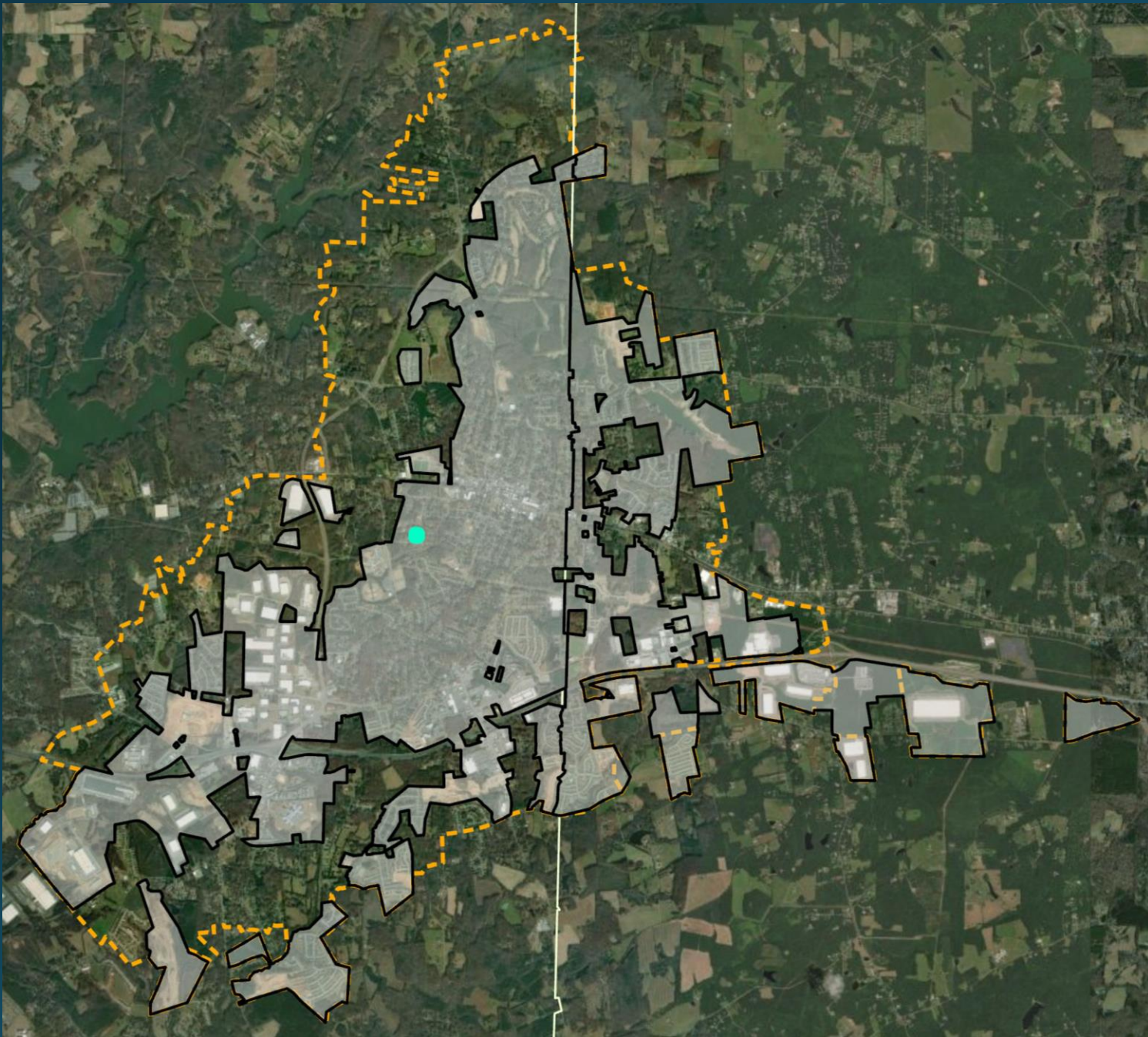
CITY OF MEBANE
ZONING MAP

GENERAL REZONING
703 W MCKINLEY STREET

1 inch = 300 feet

DATE: 04/23/2026

DRAWN BY: AO



703 W. McKinley Street

General Rezoning Request

- Mebane City Limits
- Alamance County
- City utilities are available.



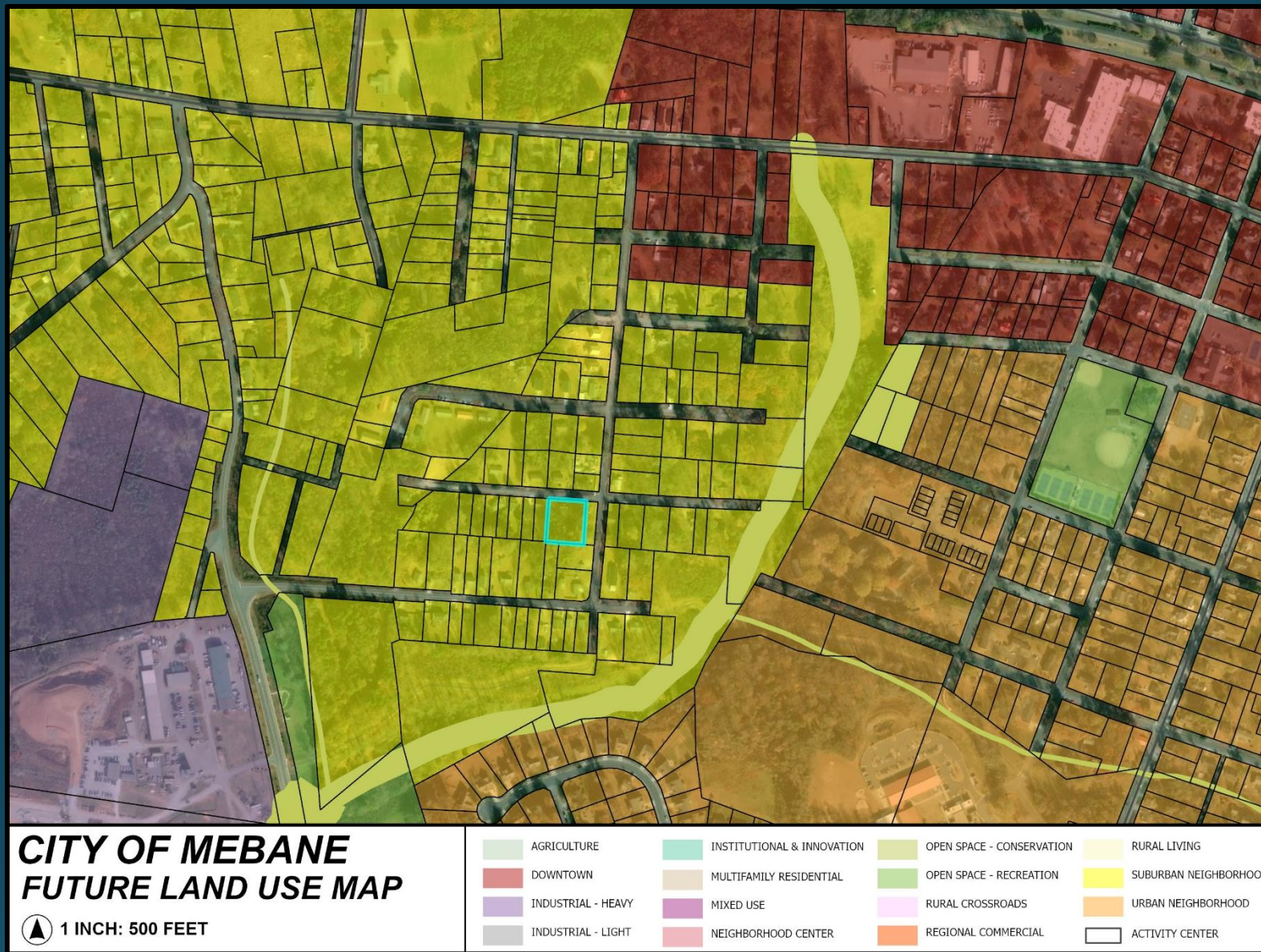


703 W. McKinley Street

General Rezoning Request

- Existing use: Uninhabitable structure
 - Active condemnation case
- Surrounding uses include:
 - Single-family
 - Public Pocket Park
 - Vacant/Undeveloped





703 W. McKinley Street
General Rezoning Request

Mebane 2045 Comprehensive Plan, Suburban Neighborhood



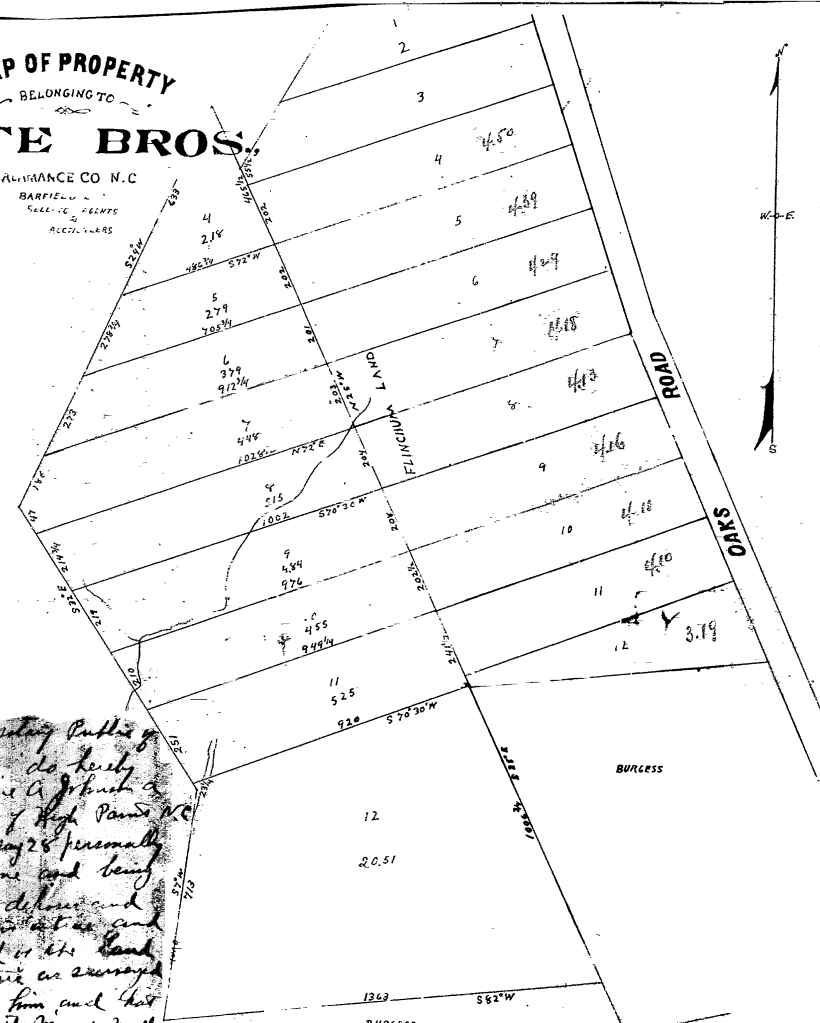


Applicant Presentation



MAP OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO **WHITE BROS.**

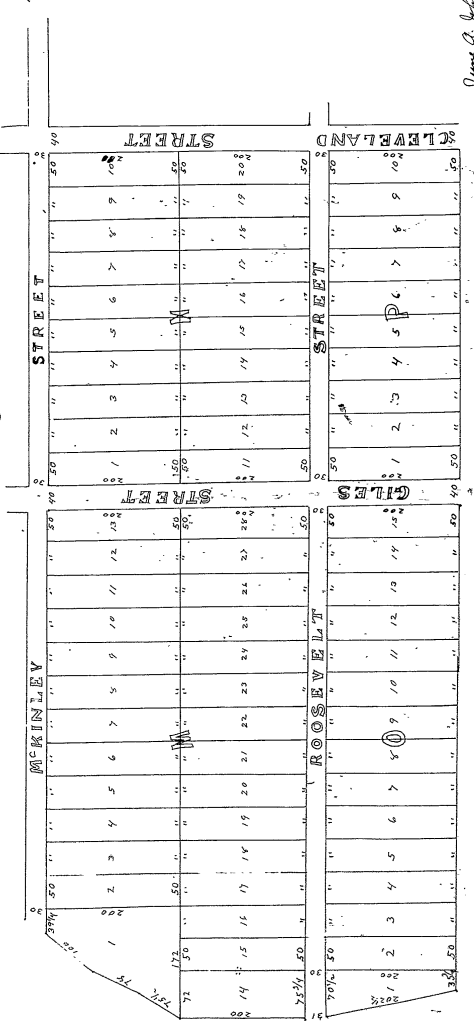
ALAMANCE CO. N.C.
 BARFIELD -
 SALLIE G. WHITE
 RECEIVED



A Notary Public for
 Mebane, N.C. do hereby
 certify that James A. Johnson &
 Charles E. Johnson of High Point, N.C.
 did on day May 28 personally
 appear before me and being
 duly sworn depose and
 say that the within and
 accurate map of the land
 of White Bros. as surveyed
 and plotted by him and that
 the variation of the magnetic needle
 was 1° 30' W. in the year
 18-1919
 J. J. Smith, Notary Public

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA--Alamance County.
 THE FOREGOING CERTIFICATE OF J. J. Smith
 a Notary Public in and for Alamance County, State of North Carolina
 attesting the within and to-wit: the facts herein set forth as the basis of the map
 of the land of White Bros. as surveyed and plotted by him and that
 the variation of the magnetic needle was 1° 30' W. in the year 18-1919
 was read to the parties and they acknowledged the same.
 Filed for registration at the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance County, N.C.
 and recorded with the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance County, N.C.
 This the 16th day of July 1919
 J. J. Smith, Notary Public

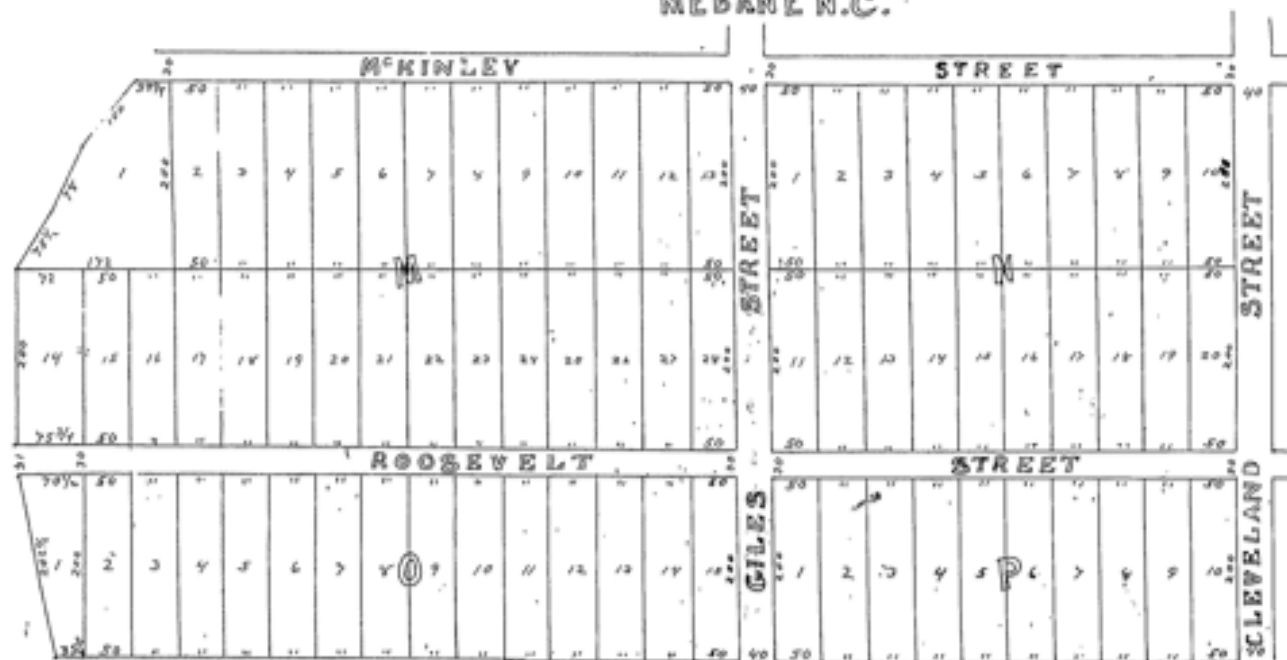
MAP OF MEABANE LAND & IMPROVEMENT CO'S LOTS, NEBANE, N.C.



J. J. Smith the Notary Public of Mebane, N.C. do
 hereby certify that James A. Johnson & Charles E. Johnson
 High Point, N.C. did on day May 28 1919 personally
 appear before me and being duly sworn depose and say that the
 within and accurate map of the land of Mebane Land and
 Improvement Co. as surveyed and plotted by him and that
 the variation of the magnetic needle was 1° 30' W. in the year
 18-1919
 J. J. Smith, Notary Public

James A. Johnson & Charles E. Johnson
 High Point, N.C.
 SCALE 100 FT. = 1 INCH.
 April 12th 1919

MAP OF MEBANE LAND & IMPROVEMENT CO'S LOTS, MEBANE N.C.



James A. Johnson, C.E.,
High Point, N.C.
SCALE 100 FT. = 1 INCH.
April 12th 1919.

I, J. J. Smith, Mayor of Mebane N.C. do hereby certify that James A. Johnson a Civil Engineer High Point N.C. did this day May 28 1919 personally appear before me and being duly sworn depose and say that the above is a true and accurate map of the lands of the Mebane Land & Improvement Co. as surveyed and plotted by him in 1919, and that the variation of the Magnetic Needle was 1° 50' between my time and the time of the May 28 1919

J. J. Smith Mayor





Cliff Ayscue, Inspections Director

Mr. Brown

Condemnation- 620 N. Charles Street



620 N. Charles Street





Cliff Ayscue, Inspections Director

Mr. Brown

Condemnation- 816 W. Holt Street



816 W. Holt Street





Richard White, City Manager

City Manager's Recommended Budget FY 2026-27





Manager's Recommended Budget

FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

MAY 4, 2026

Richard J. White III,
City Manager



Economic Factors

- Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Limit Property Tax Levy
 - Creates a “levy limit” restricting the total property tax revenue a local government can collect,
 - Property taxes are the largest revenue source for the General Fund,
 - Shifts authority from local elected officials to the General Assembly,
 - Restricted revenue could lead to City leaders being forced to make cuts to City services or to delay or reduce infrastructure projects, and
 - The League of Municipalities has noted such limits could lead to lower bond ratings, making it more expensive for the City to borrow money.
- The Property Tax Revaluation Moratorium Bill (SB 889) would block counties that completed property reappraisals in 2026 from using those new values for the upcoming tax year. The next revaluation for Alamance County is scheduled for January 1, 2027.
- Global Crisis
 - Energy, shipping and logistics disruption
 - Market volatility
 - Operating costs and purchases continuing to increase
- Revenue continues to increase through commercial, retail, and residential growth, however, not enough to fund the debt payments for a Tiller, Fire Station 4, a Public Works shed, and a portion of the Community Park Field 1 replacement.



FY26-27 Budget Highlights

General Fund Expenditures	\$46,768,247
Utility Fund Expenditures	\$18,039,711
Occupancy Tax Special Revenue Fund Expenditures	<u>\$327,400</u>
Total Expenditures	\$65,135,358

General Capital Reserve Fund Revenue	\$1,128,604
Utility Capital Reserve Fund Revenue and appropriated fund balance	\$6,482,148
• Revenue \$3,611,298	
• Appropriated fund balance \$2,870,850	

- Property Tax Rate \$0.39 per \$100 valuation (\$.02 cent increase)
- \$.02 of the \$0.39 is transferred to the General Capital Reserve Fund
 - Median value of owner-occupied housing in Mebane = \$395,580
 - Tax bill at 0.37 cents = \$1,464; Tax bill at \$0.39 cents = \$1,543
 - Difference in median tax bill = \$79.00



FY26-27 Budget Highlights

Water Rates

- *Inside City:* \$10.10 per 1,000 gallons
- *Outside City:* \$20.20 per \$1,000 gallons

Sewer Rates

- *Inside City:* \$10.85 per 1,000 gallons
- *Outside City:* \$21.70 per 1,000 gallons

**Water and Sewer Rates reflect a 10.5% rate increase from FY 25-26 based on rate study conducted by an outside consultant.*

Garbage/Recycling \$8 per month per address

- *The rate is unchanged from FY 25-26*



FY26-27 Budget Highlights

Cost of Living Increase 3%

- *FY25-26 COLA was 3%*

Compensation and Class Study Recommendations

Mayor and City Council Salary Adjustment

Health Insurance: 6% increase for medical, 5.5% increase for dental, and no increase for vision

Retirement Rate: General will increase from 14.35% to 15.10%; Law Enforcement will increase from 16.08% to 17.10%

- Retirement rates are set by the N.C. State Treasurer.



General Fund Recommended Budget

FY26-27



General Fund Function Per Dollar



\$.41
Public Safety

\$.20
Public Works

\$.17
General
Government

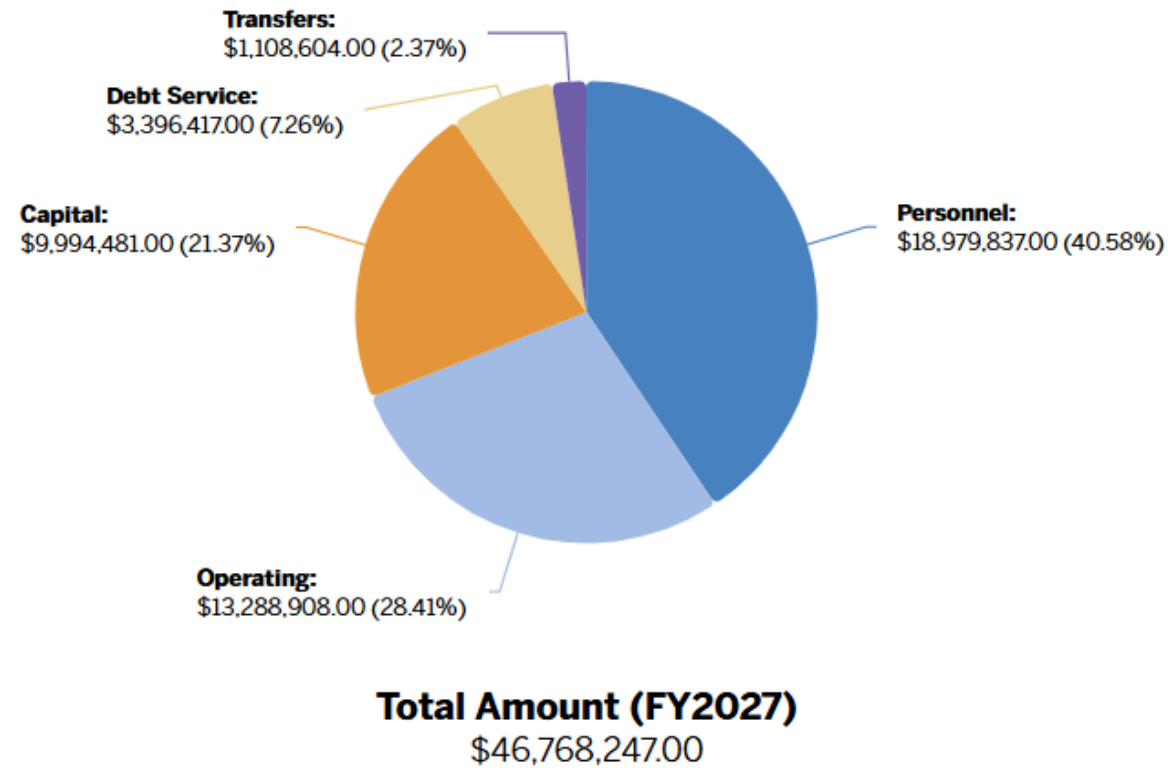
\$.08
Recreation

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Economic
and
Physical
Development

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Debt
Service



General Fund Expenditures



Percentages are rounded to two decimal places.



General Fund Expenditures by Category

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 ADOPTED	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY25-26 ACTUALS	FY26-27 PROPOSED	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	Percentage Change
Expenses						
Personnel	\$15,903,970	\$16,921,642	\$16,809,849	\$13,111,359	\$18,979,837	13%
Operating	\$9,621,564	\$11,610,643	\$12,996,803	\$7,685,164	\$13,288,908	2%
Capital	\$2,865,805	\$4,905,365	\$9,772,022	\$1,669,876	\$9,994,481	2%
Debt Service	\$2,539,566	\$2,864,002	\$2,864,002	\$2,141,004	\$3,396,417	19%
Transfers	\$935,570	\$1,010,323	\$1,535,323	\$1,403,687	\$1,108,604	-28%
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$31,866,475	\$37,311,975	\$43,977,999	\$26,011,090	\$46,768,247	6%



General Fund Expenditures

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 APPROVED BUDGET	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY25-26 YTD ACTUALS	FY26-27 REQUESTED	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	Percent Increase
General Fund						
100 - Salaries and Wages - Benefited	\$10,199,091	\$11,571,467	\$11,472,664	\$8,932,215	\$12,888,508	12%
101 - Salaries and Wages - Non - Benefited	\$635,639	\$971,756	\$963,556	\$602,556	\$963,607	0%
110 - Fringe Benefits	\$5,069,240	\$4,378,419	\$4,373,629	\$3,576,588	\$5,127,722	17%
190 - Professional Services	\$1,483,889	\$1,619,288	\$2,006,916	\$1,354,463	\$2,031,575	1%
300 - Services and Contracts	\$5,187,004	\$6,843,747	\$7,424,032	\$4,065,117	\$7,836,719	6%
200 - Supplies and Materials	\$2,653,801	\$2,776,358	\$3,163,187	\$1,998,794	\$3,024,314	-4%
680 - Other Contracts, Grants, Subsidies	\$154,395	\$201,250	\$260,194	\$124,317	\$212,300	-18%
630 - Aid to other Governments	\$142,474	\$170,000	\$142,474	\$142,474	\$184,000	29%
700 - Capital Outlay	\$2,865,805	\$4,905,365	\$9,772,022	\$1,669,876	\$9,994,481	2%
800 - Debt Service	\$2,042,491	\$2,333,177	\$2,333,177	\$1,748,261	\$2,652,923	14%
801 - Debt Service Interest	\$497,075	\$530,825	\$530,825	\$392,744	\$743,494	40%
960 - Interfund Transfer to Governmental	\$935,570	\$1,010,323	\$1,360,323	\$1,403,687	\$1,108,604	-18%
962 - Interfund Transfer to Proprietary	-	\$0	\$175,000	-	\$0	-100%
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$31,866,475	\$37,311,975	\$43,977,999	\$26,011,090	\$46,768,247	6%



General Fund Expenditures - Departments

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 APPROVED BUDGET	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY25-26 YTD ACTUALS	FY26-27 PROPOSED BUDGET	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	Percent Change
Expenses						
City Council	\$74,781	\$84,647	\$84,647	\$59,570	\$86,646	2%
Administration	\$976,457	\$1,027,764	\$1,041,214	\$778,207	\$1,125,319	8%
Human Resources	\$445,644	\$495,018	\$522,518	\$372,020	\$625,768	20%
Finance	\$773,593	\$727,681	\$757,681	\$619,932	\$845,405	12%
IT	\$1,970,460	\$1,946,910	\$2,319,299	\$1,256,986	\$2,440,574	5%
Non-Departmental	\$1,959,313	\$2,484,860	\$2,684,273	\$2,351,883	\$2,725,489	2%
Economic Development	\$1,400,214	\$942,234	\$942,234	\$731,796	\$942,234	0%
Planning	\$631,865	\$535,898	\$573,086	\$370,841	\$558,812	-2%
Inspections	\$1,021,729	\$1,118,338	\$2,138,921	\$1,267,154	\$1,377,327	-36%
Engineering	\$466,700	\$476,000	\$476,001	\$368,510	\$500,000	5%
Police	\$6,681,564	\$7,033,645	\$7,258,061	\$5,409,936	\$7,408,132	2%
Fire	\$6,548,322	\$7,781,742	\$8,561,524	\$4,179,301	\$11,460,478	34%
Public Works	\$4,162,965	\$3,230,208	\$3,972,983	\$2,042,903	\$5,903,755	49%
Public Facilities	\$1,185,111	\$1,123,491	\$1,253,727	\$715,549	\$973,157	-22%
Sanitation	\$2,030,596	\$2,198,476	\$2,233,088	\$1,331,667	\$2,574,301	15%
Recreation and Parks	\$3,589,024	\$3,241,061	\$6,294,741	\$2,013,830	\$3,824,433	-39%
Debt Service	\$2,591,054	\$2,864,002	\$2,864,002	\$2,141,004	\$3,396,417	19%
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$36,509,392	\$37,311,975	\$43,977,999	\$26,011,090	\$46,768,247	6%



General Fund Capital Highlights

- *Fire Station 4 - \$6.0 million*
- *Public Works Shed - \$1.57 million*
- *Community Park Soccer Field One Replacement - \$750,000*
- *Four replacement police vehicles - \$300,000*
- *Replacement leaf vacuum truck - \$285,000*
- *Replacement Jetter - \$175,000*
- *Public Works/Public Utilities construction of mechanics office- \$175,000*
- *New Rear Load Garbage Truck - \$160,000*
- *City Hall Front Desk/Entry Way Security Project - \$100,000*

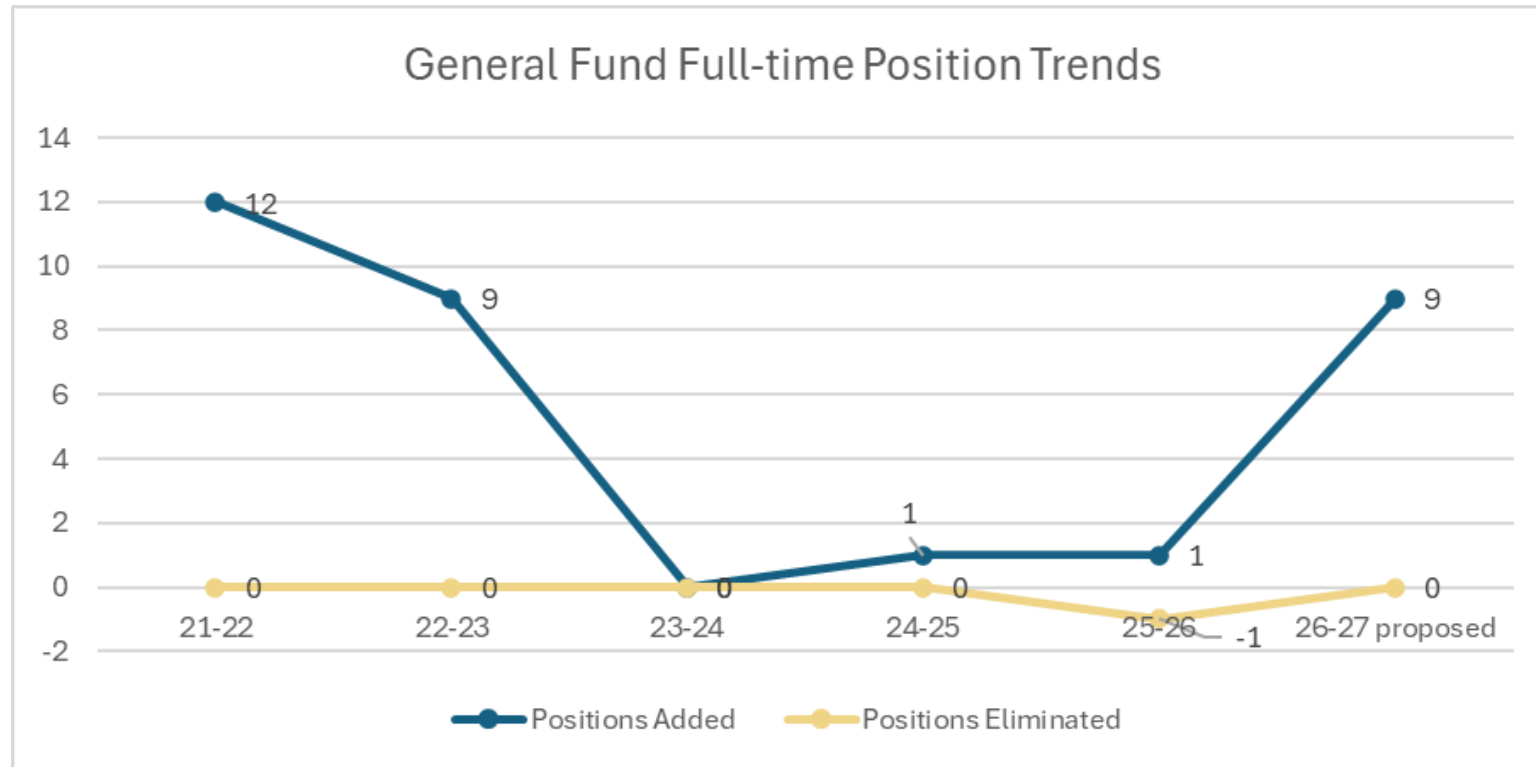


General Fund Personnel Changes

- Nine new positions
 - 1 Human Resources Analyst
 - 1 IT Specialist*
 - 3 Firefighters
 - 1 Building Code Inspector I*
 - 1 Equipment Operator
 - 2 Maintenance Technicians
- The IT Specialist position is mostly funded by contract services dollars used in FY25-26 to have a contracted position on-site.
- The Building Code Inspector I position is funded by Inspection Department fees that can only be used for inspection-related expenditures.
- The 3 firefighters are needed to have enough staff to run the new Tiller truck, as discussed in last year's budget cycle.
- One Maintenance Technician position and the Equipment Operator position are requested so the City can prioritize stormwater projects.



PERSONNEL HISTORY GENERAL FUND



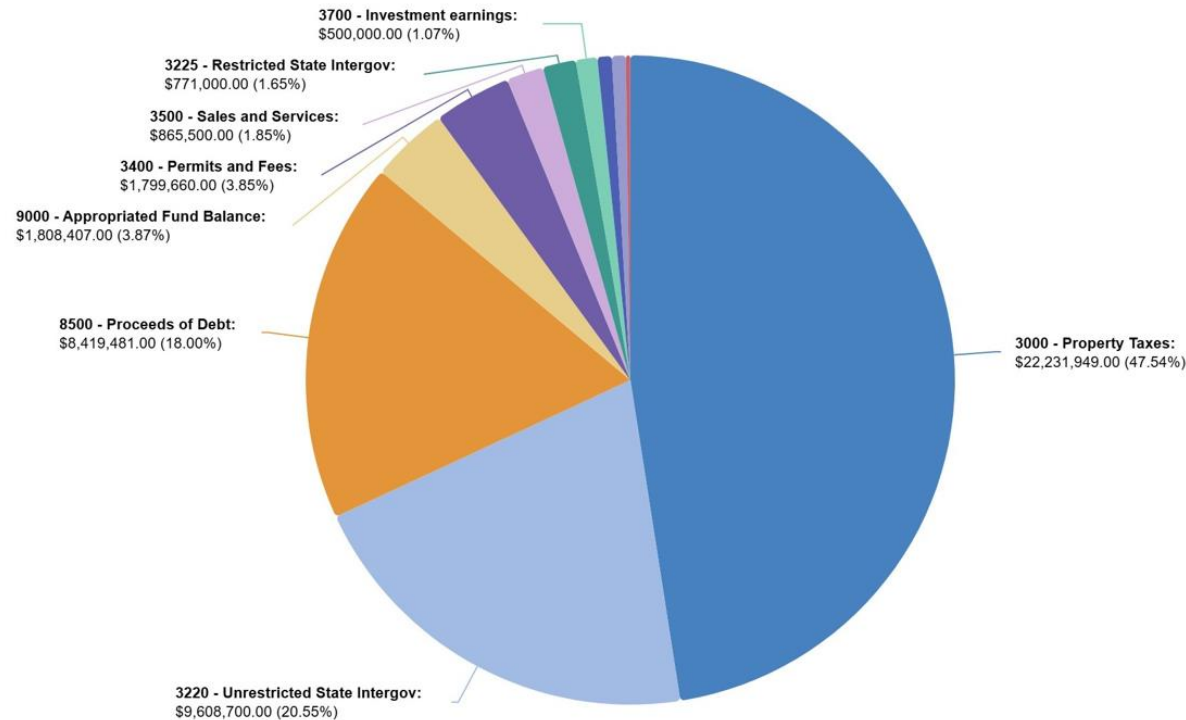


Outside Agencies

Outside Agencies					
Agency	FY24-25 Actuals	FY25-26 Approved	FY25-26 Actuals	FY26-27 Requested	FY26-27 Variance
Mebane Historical Museum Subsidy*	\$51,700	\$51,700	\$51,700	\$54,700	6%
Tommy Long Train Display	\$1,384	\$10,000	\$814	\$10,000	0%
Alamance County Arts Council	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	0%
ACTA Subsidy	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	0%
United Way 211	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0%
Downtown Mebane Development Corp.**	\$118,000	\$136,600	\$136,600	\$139,600	2%
Total	\$192,584	\$219,800	\$210,614	\$225,800	3%
* This Agency is funded by the General Fund (\$46,700) and the Occupancy Tax Fund (\$8,000).					
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General Fund Revenues and Other Financing Sources



Total Amount (FY2027)
\$46,768,247.00

Dark purple slice -3230 – Unrestricted Local Intergovernmental \$336,000 0.72%

Light purple slice - 3235 – Restricted Local Intergovernmental \$330,150 0.71%

Red slice - 3800 – Miscellaneous Revenue \$96,500 0.21%

Percentages are rounded to two decimal places.



General Fund Revenues and Other Financing Sources

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 APPROVED BUDGET	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY25-26 YTD ACTUALS	FY26-27 PROPOSED	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	% Change
Revenues						
3000 - Property Taxes	\$18,015,138	\$19,338,977	\$19,338,977	\$20,292,662	\$22,231,949	15%
3100 - Other Taxes and Licenses	\$980	\$900	\$900	\$920	\$900	0%
3215 - Restricted Federal Intergov	\$21,037	\$0	\$100,591	\$4,875	\$0	-100%
3220 - Unrestricted State Intergov	\$8,805,008	\$8,831,000	\$8,831,000	\$5,138,251	\$9,608,700	9%
3225 - Restricted State Intergov	\$722,969	\$761,000	\$761,000	\$661,072	\$771,000	1%
3235 - Restricted Local Intergov	\$314,898	\$346,150	\$346,150	\$265,982	\$330,150	-5%
3230 - Unrestricted Local Intergov	\$353,667	\$432,000	\$432,000	\$46,781	\$336,000	-22%
3400 - Permits and Fees	\$2,048,323	\$1,676,810	\$2,415,361	\$2,549,283	\$1,799,660	-25%
8100 - Transfers from Governmental Funds	-	\$0	\$2,899,943	-	\$0	-100%
3500 - Sales and Services	\$833,705	\$862,884	\$862,884	\$652,585	\$865,500	0%
3700 - Investment earnings	\$691,168	\$500,000	\$500,000	-	\$500,000	0%
3800 - Miscellaneous Revenues	\$1,374,589	\$59,900	\$271,516	\$392,134	\$96,500	-64%
8150 - Transfers from Other Funds	-	\$0	\$40,000	\$107,844	\$0	-100%
8500 - Proceeds of Debt	\$1,184,984	\$3,161,858	\$3,681,858	-	\$8,419,481	129%
9000 - Appropriated Fund Balance	-	\$1,340,496	\$3,495,819	\$0	\$1,808,407	-48%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$34,366,466	\$37,311,975	\$43,977,999	\$30,112,389	\$46,768,247	6%



General Fund Debt

Debt Proceeds

Fire Station 4	\$6,000,000
Public Works shed	\$1,568,481
Leaf vacuum truck	\$285,000
Jetter	\$175,000
Rear load garbage truck	\$160,000
Pick-up truck(plow & service body)	\$82,000
Pick-up truck (plow)	\$77,000
Salt spreader for dump truck	\$40,000
<u>SUV</u>	<u>\$32,000</u>
Total debt	\$8,419,481

Debt will also be issued in FY26-27 for the Tiller truck for \$2.6 million. This debt was approved in the FY25-26 budget.

Debt Payments

- **Fire Station 4:** estimated 5% interest over 20 years, payments will be \$349,669 annually.
- **Public Works shed:** estimated 5% interest over 15 years, payments will be \$151,111 annually.
- **Vehicles:** estimated 5% interest over 5 years, payments will be \$196,560 annually.
- **Tiller truck:** estimated 5% interest over 10 years, payments will be \$334,193 annually.
- \$324,284 in debt payments retired and/or partially retired in FY25-26/FY26-27.
- Complete Debt Schedules are in the budget document.



General Fund Tax Increase

- Additional estimated revenue generated by a \$0.02-cent tax increase is \$1,108,604.
- Annual debt payments for the Tiller truck, Fire Station 4, and the Public Works shed total \$834,973.
- Community Park Field #1 is being replaced in FY26-27 for \$750,000.
- In FY27-28, will need to hire nine (9) Fire Department positions to staff Fire Station 4.
 - This cost is estimated to be approximately \$1,004,815 (based on FY26-27 rates)
 - The cost includes 3 Lieutenants, 3 Engineers, & 3 Firefighters



General Fund Tax Increase

Description	Dollars
Estimated increase in revenue from a \$0.02 cent tax increase	\$ 1,108,604
Annual payments for the Tiller truck Fire Station 4, and the Public Works shed	<u>(834,973)</u>
Remaining dollars to be used to replace Field #1 at Community Park in FY26-27, and toward funding 9 fire positions in FY27-28.	\$ 273,631



General Capital
Reserve Fund
Recommended
Budget
FY26-27



General Capital Reserve Fund

General Capital Reserve Fund Revenues & Other Financing Sources				
	FY24-25 Actual	FY25-26 Amended Budget	FY26-27 Recommended Budget	Percent Change
Transfer from General Fund	935,570	1,053,686	1,108,604	5%
Appropriated Fund Balance	-	1,809,697	-	
Interest Earning	24,965	36,560	20,000	-83%
Total revenues	\$ 960,535	\$ 2,899,943	\$ 1,128,604	-157%
Transfers out	-	(2,899,943)	-	0%
Revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	\$ 960,535	\$ -	\$ 1,128,604	



Special Revenue Fund – Occupancy Tax Recommended Budget

FY26-27



Special Revenue Fund – Occupancy Tax

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY25-26 APPROVED BUDGET	FY25-26 YTD ACTUALS	FY26-27 PROPOSED	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	% Change
Revenues						
3100 - Other Taxes and Licenses	\$253,189	\$226,000	\$226,000	\$132,111	\$257,400	14%
3700 - Investment earnings	\$839	\$0	\$0	-	\$0	-
9000 - Appropriated Fund Balance	-	\$0	-	-	\$70,000	-
REVENUES TOTAL	\$254,027	\$226,000	\$226,000	\$132,111	\$327,400	45%

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 APPROVED BUDGET	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY26-27 PROPOSED BUDGET	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	Percent Change
Expenses					
Occupancy Tax					
020 - SALARIES & WAGES	\$46,885	\$50,514	\$50,514	\$64,987	29%
050 - FICA	\$3,587	\$3,864	\$3,864	\$3,379	-13%
060 - GROUP INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION	\$6,698	\$10,036	\$10,036	\$4,311	-57%
070 - RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION	\$10,830	\$7,552	\$7,552	\$6,670	-12%
265 - SOCIAL MEDIA AND MARKETING	\$46,000	\$107,994	\$107,994	\$136,757	27%
266 - TOURISM ACTIVITIES	\$37,000	\$37,000	\$37,000	\$101,000	173%
270 - TAX COLLECTION FEE	\$7,550	\$9,040	\$9,040	\$10,296	14%
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$158,550	\$226,000	\$226,000	\$327,400	45%

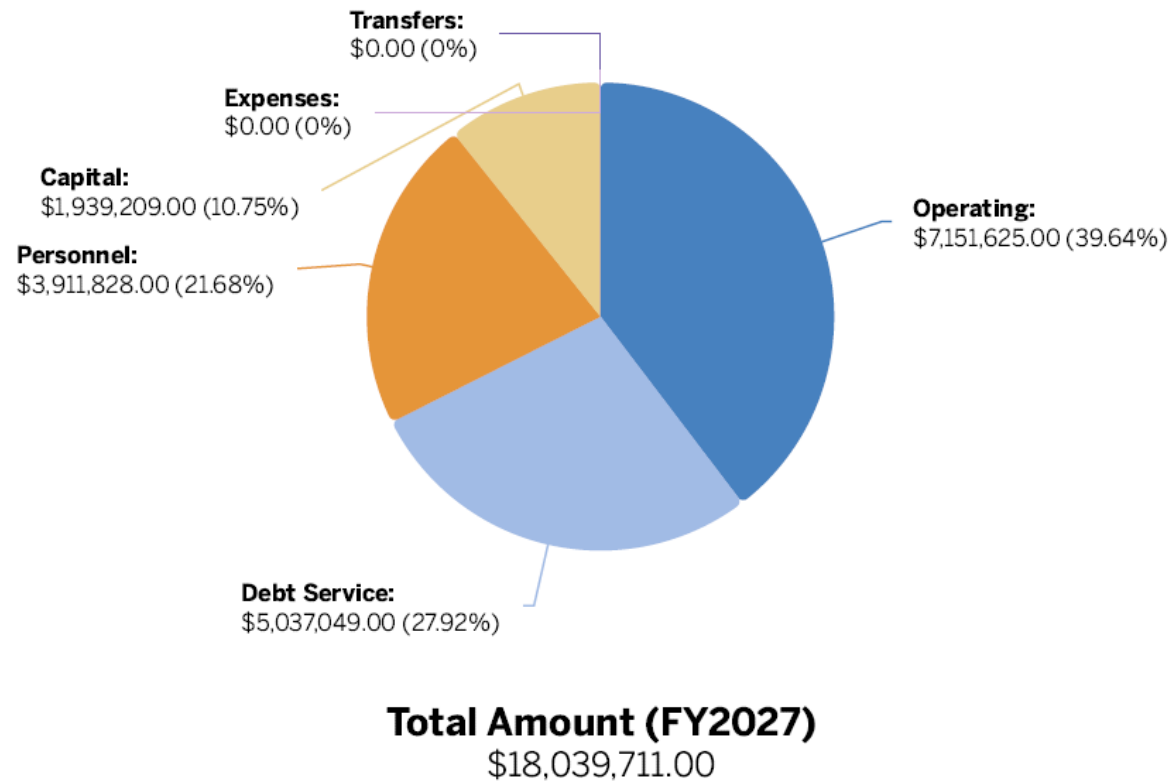


Utility Fund Recommended Budget

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Utility Fund Expenditures



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Utility Fund Expenditures by Category

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 ADOPTED	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY25-26 ACTUALS	FY26-27 PROPOSED	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	Percentage Change
Expenses						
Personnel	\$3,044,531	\$3,390,751	\$3,376,140	\$2,623,476	\$3,911,828	16%
Operating	\$4,560,362	\$5,947,937	\$6,274,027	\$4,078,583	\$7,151,625	14%
Capital	\$1,306,276	\$400,440	\$606,338	\$382,376	\$1,939,209	220%
Debt Service	\$3,025,154	\$5,016,281	\$5,016,281	\$4,677,611	\$5,037,049	0%
Transfers	\$1,635,333	\$0	\$0	-	\$0	-
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$13,571,656	\$14,755,409	\$15,272,786	\$11,762,047	\$18,039,711	18%



Utility Fund Expenditures by Expenditure Type

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 APPROVED BUDGET	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY25-26 YTD ACTUALS	FY26-27 REQUESTED	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	Percent Increase
Utility Fund						
100 - Salaries and Wages - Benefited	\$1,541,446	\$1,680,174	\$1,669,974	\$1,320,972	\$1,949,268	17%
101 - Salaries and Wages - Non - Benefited	\$30,348	\$44,234	\$44,234	\$27,983	\$47,034	6%
110 - Fringe Benefits	\$1,472,736	\$1,666,343	\$1,661,932	\$1,274,522	\$1,915,526	15%
190 - Professional Services	\$587,313	\$410,600	\$643,730	\$407,935	\$458,800	-29%
300 - Services and Contracts	\$1,350,746	\$2,130,728	\$2,260,453	\$1,636,955	\$3,032,427	34%
200 - Supplies and Materials	\$2,622,303	\$3,406,609	\$3,369,844	\$2,033,693	\$3,660,398	9%
700 - Capital Outlay	\$1,306,276	\$400,440	\$606,338	\$382,376	\$1,939,209	220%
800 - Debt Service	\$1,889,670	\$1,694,980	\$1,694,980	\$1,365,382	\$1,721,980	2%
801 - Debt Service Interest	\$1,135,484	\$3,321,301	\$3,321,301	\$3,312,229	\$3,315,069	0%
916 - Transfers to Capital Project Fund	\$1,635,333	\$0	\$0	-	\$0	-
UTILITY FUND TOTAL	\$13,571,656	\$14,755,409	\$15,272,786	\$11,762,047	\$18,039,711	18%



Utility Fund Expenditures by Department

	FY24-25 ACTUALS	FY25-26 APPROVED BUDGET	FY25-26 AMENDED BUDGET	FY25-26 YTD ACTUALS	FY26-27 PROPOSED BUDGET	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	Percent Change
Expenses						
Admin, Meters and Billing	\$2,255,336	\$1,890,601	\$1,922,271	\$1,502,743	\$2,141,455	11%
Utility Maintenance	\$6,209,816	\$4,902,894	\$5,267,647	\$3,519,851	\$6,094,435	16%
Utility Engineering	\$293,000	\$303,000	\$303,000	\$263,460	\$350,000	16%
Water Resource Recovery Facility	\$2,694,326	\$2,550,633	\$2,671,587	\$1,716,947	\$4,024,683	51%
Utility Non-Departmental	\$5,025,224	\$5,108,281	\$5,108,281	\$4,759,045	\$5,429,138	6%
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$16,477,702	\$14,755,409	\$15,272,786	\$11,762,047	\$18,039,711	18%



Utility Fund Capital Highlights

- *750,000 gallons per day share of agreed upon capital improvements for the City of Graham's WWTP - \$465,750*
- *Principal and interest payments for the City of Graham's WWTP Expansion project - \$366,990*
- *One-time closing costs for the City of Graham WWTP Expansion project - \$248,969*
- *50% share of agreed upon capital improvements for the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) shared with the City of Graham - \$240,000*
- *Jones Road Outfall – engineering costs - \$225,000*

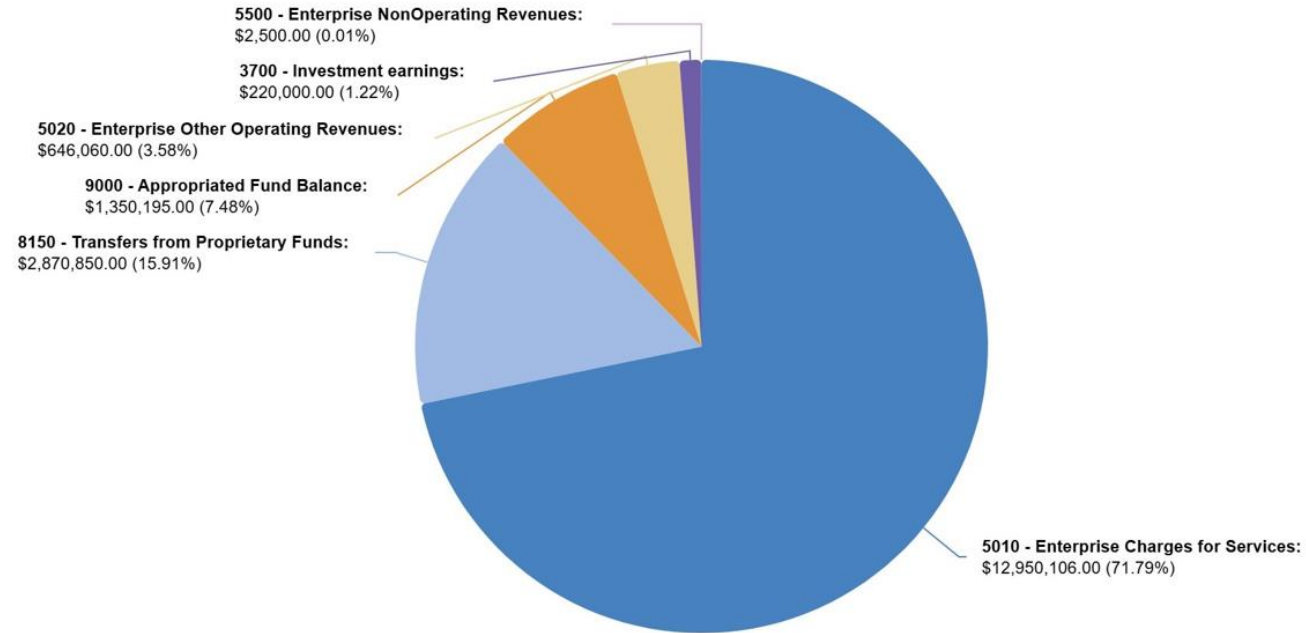


Utility Fund Debt

- The FY26-27 budget is the last year of interest only payments for the Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF) Expansion revenue bonds. The interest payment is \$2,870,850.
- The FY26-27 recommended budget includes a transfer from the Utility Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of the interest payment.
- Starting in FY27-28, payments on both the principal and interest will begin and will average annual payments of \$4.3 million until the debt is retired in FY49-50.
- No debt retired in FY25-26.
- Complete Debt Schedules are in the budget document.



Utility Fund Revenues and Other Financing Sources



Total Amount (FY2027)
\$18,039,711.00

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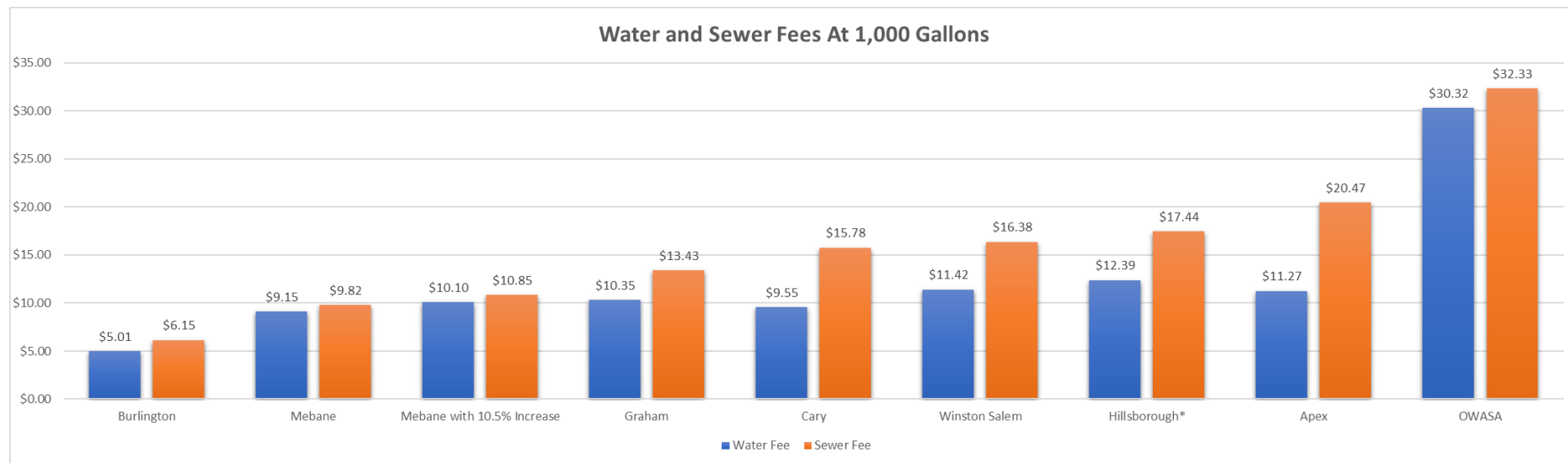


Utility Fund Revenues and Other Financing Sources

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	FY2025	FY2026	FY2026	FY2026	FY2027	% Change
Revenues						
5500 - Enterprise NonOperating Revenues	\$46,116	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$34,515	\$2,500	0%
5010 - Enterprise Charges for Services	\$10,290,533	\$11,393,814	\$11,393,814	\$8,457,712	\$12,950,106	14%
3400 - Permits and Fees	\$86,000	\$0	\$0	\$25,160	\$0	-
8100 - Transfers from Governmental Funds	-	\$0	\$175,000	-	\$0	-100%
5020 - Enterprise Other Operating Revenues	\$633,989	\$637,025	\$637,025	\$764,183	\$646,060	1%
3700 - Investment earnings	\$154,006	\$200,000	\$200,000	-	\$220,000	10%
3800 - Miscellaneous Revenues	\$242,837	\$0	\$0	-	\$0	-
8150 - Transfers from Proprietary Funds	\$32,864	\$0	\$0	-	\$2,870,850	-
8500 - Proceeds of Debt	\$758,750	\$175,000	\$0	-	\$0	-
9000 - Appropriated Fund Balance	-	\$2,347,070	\$2,864,447	-	\$1,350,195	-53%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$12,245,095	\$14,755,409	\$15,272,786	\$9,281,571	\$18,039,711	18%



RATE COMPARISONS





Water & Sewer Rates 10.5% Increase

FY26-27 Proposed Rates		Per 1,000 Gallons
Inside Water		\$10.10
Inside Sewer		\$10.85
Outside Water		\$20.20
Outside Sewer		\$21.70



Capital Reserve Fund Recommended Budget

FY26-27

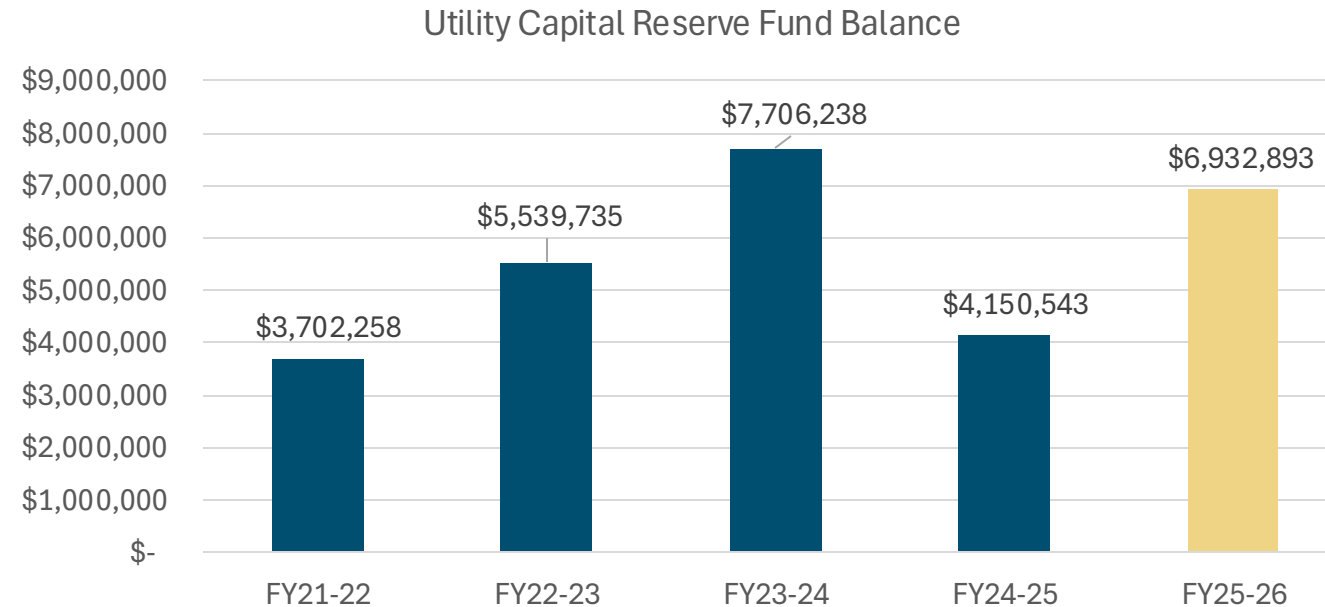


Utility Capital Reserve Fund

Utility Capital Reserve Fund Revenues & Other Financing Sources				
	FY24-25 Actual	FY25-26 Amended Budget	FY26-27 Recommended Budget	Percent Change
System Development Fees	3,654,226	2,817,714	3,591,298	22%
Appropriated Fund Balance	-	-	2,870,850	
Interest Earning	127,215	20,000	20,000	0%
Total revenues and other funding sources	\$ 3,781,441	\$ 2,837,714	\$ 6,482,148	56%
Transfers out (Systems Development Fees)	(7,337,136)	-	(2,870,850)	0%
Revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	(3,555,695)	2,837,714	3,611,298	21%



Utility Capital Reserve Fund



The FY25-26 number is as of 4.27.26. The drop in fund balance in FY24-25 was due to transferring \$7,012,136 to the WRRF Expansion Capital Project Ordinance.



Next Steps

- Motion to Set Public Hearing for June 1, 2026
- Budget Work Session – May 13, 2026
- Council Adoption – June 1, 2026



Questions?



Mr. Brown

Alamance County Library Committee Appointment Recommendations



Alamance County Library Committee Mebane Trustee Recommendation

- 2 openings

Applicants:

- Melissa Teets
- Kayla Schilke
- Mandy Al-Bjaly





Ms. Ownbey, Development Director

Downtown Exterior Improvements
Grant Award- 132 W. Clay Street



Downtown Exterior Improvements Grant

MEBANE DOWNTOWN EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS GRANT



WHAT DOES THE GRANT FUND?

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- \$50,000 allocated by City Council in FY 25-26 Budget
- Program adopted at the November 1, 2021, meeting
- The City is still accepting applications.



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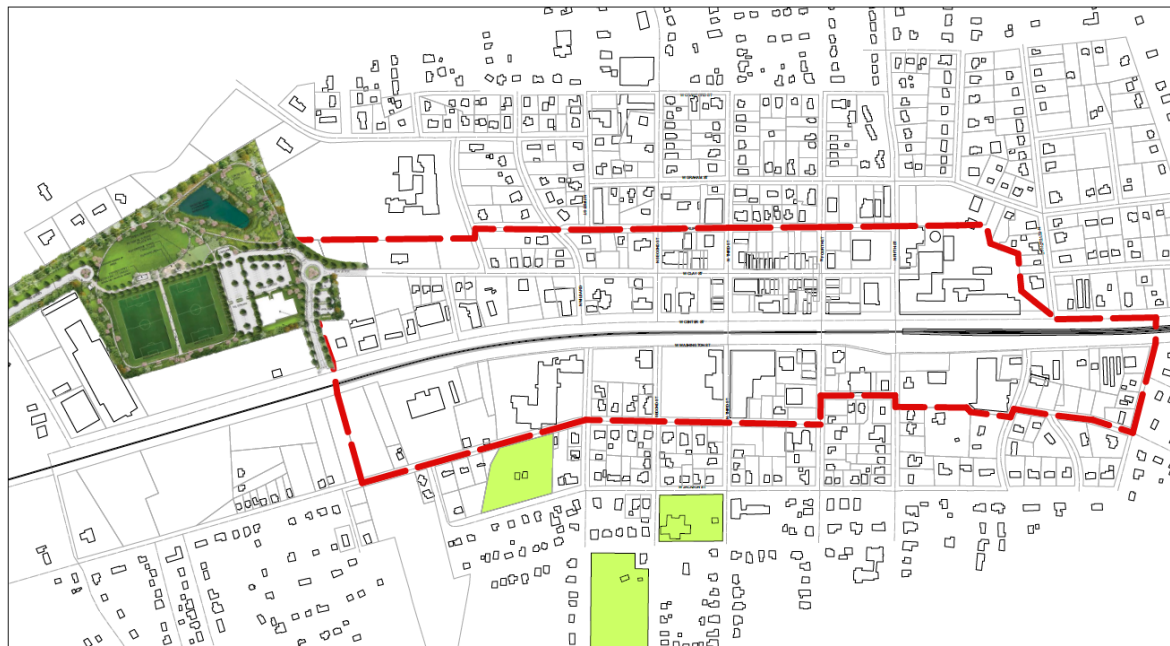
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- Must have two quotes, minimum
- Tenants must have documented property owner approval
- Offsite commitments must have written permission, inc. from City ROW/sidewalk
- Changes to application after awarded must be pre-approved by staff



Downtown Exterior Improvements Grant



- Properties must be within area of *Downtown Vision Plan*
- 50/50 match for proposed project, to be reimbursed following project completion and inspection
- Up to \$10,000
- First-come, first-served



Downtown Exterior Improvements Grant



- Façade Improvements
- Historic Preservation
- Art
- Outdoor Seating





132 West Clay Street

- Request by business owner with permission from property owner
- Installation of awning with signage
- Requesting \$1,014.13





Kyle Smith, Utilities Director

West Ten Road Waterline Connector- Cost Share MOU





Franz Holt, City Engineer

Kyle Smith, Utilities Director

Daphna Schwartz, Finance Director

Contract Award- Fieldstone Sewer Pump Station Upgrade Project



Fieldstone Pump Station Upgrade Project

- The project increases the Fieldstone Sewer Pump Station pumping ability from 0.633 mgd up to 1.5 mgd
- Design/Build Selection Process yielded two Statement of Qualifications responses (with the readvertisement city is allowed to proceed to award)
- Based on the selection criteria established in the RFQ staff recommends awarding a contract to Crowder Construction Company with McGill as the project engineer
- Total Project Budget: \$2,584,684
 - Phase 1 - Preconstruction Services and Allowance for Long Lead Time Equipment Items - \$1,151,592
 - Phase 2 – Agreement for remaining engineering and construction - \$1,433,092 (estimated) formalized with a Guaranteed Maximum Price taken to Council for Approval (anticipated in January 2027)
- City staff recommends awarding a contract to Crowder Construction Company for Phase 1 of the Fieldstone Pump Station Upgrade project in the amount of \$1,151,592.
- City staff recommends approval of the transfer of revenue bond funds remaining in the Elevated Water Tank CPO (\$1,528,535) to the GKN and Fieldstone Pump Station Projects CPO.





Closed Session for Legal Claim to NCGS 143-318.311(a)3



Announcements:

- May 13th @ 1:00 pm- Council Budget Work Session- Council Chambers of the Glendel Stephenson Municipal Building
- City offices will be closed on Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day





Mayor Hooks

Adjournment

