

# **Guilford County**

301 West Market Street Greensboro, NC 27402

## Meeting Agenda - Final

# **Board of Commissioners - Work Session**

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

1:00 PM

Blue Room 1st Floor, Old County Courthouse

#### I. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

(Chairman Jeff Phillips)

- II. MWBE PROGRAM UPDATE
- III. REVIEW OF ARCHITECT & ENGINEER REQUIREMENTS
- IV CONSIDERATION OF GUILFORD COUNTY FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER HIGH POINT EXPANSION
- V. ELECTRONIC LEGAL NOTICE UPDATE
- VI CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATES
- VII. ADJOURN

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## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2017

#### SESSION LAW 2017-210 SENATE BILL 181

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZING CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PUBLISH REQUIRED NOTICES ELECTRONICALLY AND TO AUTHORIZE GUILFORD COUNTY TO PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES VIA THE COUNTY-MAINTAINED WEB SITE FOR A FEE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.(a)** Part 3 of Article 4 of Chapter 153A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

## "§ 153A-52.2. Electronic notice for notices required to be published by the board.

- (a) Except as provided in this section, the governing board may adopt an ordinance providing that any notice it is required by law to publish or advertise, whether under G.S. 1-597, under Article 8 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, under any other general law, or under any local act, may be published electronically as provided by this section in lieu of or in addition to the required publication or advertisement. The ordinance may cover all notices required to be published or advertised or a clearly identified category of notices.
- (b) Upon adoption of an ordinance under subsection (a) of this section, the governing board shall publish specific instructions as to how to access all notices published electronically under the ordinance adopted pursuant to this section at least once a month for 12 months in a newspaper having a general circulation for that jurisdiction, as provided in G.S. 1-597.
- (c) Any notice published under an ordinance adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall comply with all of the following:
  - (1) The notice is published on the Web site of the governing board no later than the time that publication is required under the applicable statute or local act.
  - (2) The Web site contains, on its main page, links to all notices or a link to another page with links to all notices.
  - (3) Notices and links to all notices on the Web site shall be maintained on that Web site for at least one year after publication and shall be searchable.
  - (4) A copy of the notice shall be filed in a notice book maintained separate and apart from the ordinance book or minutes of the governing board. The notice book shall be appropriately indexed and maintained for public inspection in the office of the clerk or in the office of another individual who is an employee of the governing board, as designated in the ordinance adopted pursuant to this section.
  - A copy of the notice shall be mailed or e-mailed to any person who has filed a written request for notice with the clerk or secretary of the governing board or with some other person designated by the governing board. The governing board may require each person submitting such a written request for notice to renew that request annually.
- (d) Ordinances adopted pursuant to this section may not supersede any general law or local act that requires notice by mail to certain persons or classes of persons or the posting of signs on certain property.



- (e) The ordinance adopted by the governing board may control notice given by any board appointed by the governing board, including the planning board, board of social services, and board of health.
- (f) For purposes of this section, "governing board" means the body elected or appointed as the board of county commissioners, city council, or county board of elections."

#### SECTION 1.(b) G.S. 160A-1(7) reads as rewritten:

- "(7) "Publish," "publication," and other forms of the verb "to publish" mean insertion any of the following:
  - <u>a.</u> <u>Insertion</u> in a newspaper qualified under G.S. 1-597 to publish legal advertisements in the county or counties in which the city is located.
  - <u>b.</u> <u>Electronic notice, as provided in G.S. 153A-52.2, if an ordinance has been adopted by the governing board."</u>

#### **SECTION 1.(c)** G.S. 153A-1(6) reads as rewritten:

- "(6) "Publish," "publication," and other forms of the verb "to publish" mean insertion any of the following:
  - <u>a.</u> <u>Insertion</u> in a newspaper qualified under G.S. 1-597 to publish legal advertisements in the county.
  - b. Electronic notice, as provided in G.S. 153A-52.2, if an ordinance has been adopted by the governing board."

#### **SECTION 1.(d)** G.S. 159-1(b)(5) reads as rewritten:

- "(5) "Publish," "publication," and other forms of the word "publish" mean insertion any of the following:
  - <u>a.</u> <u>Insertion</u> in a newspaper qualified under G.S. 1-597 to publish legal advertisements.
  - b. Electronic notice, as provided in G.S. 153A-52.2, if an ordinance has been adopted by that governing board."

## SECTION 1.(e) G.S. 163-33(8) reads as rewritten:

#### "§ 163-33. Powers and duties of county boards of elections.

The county boards of elections within their respective jurisdictions shall exercise all powers granted to such boards in this Chapter, and they shall perform all the duties imposed upon them by law, which shall include the following:

To provide for the issuance of all notices, advertisements, and publications (8) concerning elections required by law. If the election is on a State bond issue, an amendment to the Constitution, or approval of an act submitted to the voters of the State, the State Board of Elections shall reimburse the county boards of elections for their reasonable additional costs in placing such notices, advertisements, and publications. In addition, the county board of elections shall give notice at least 20 days prior to the date on which the registration books or records are closed that there will be a primary, general or special election, the date on which it will be held, and the hours the voting places will be open for voting in that election. The notice also shall describe the nature and type of election, and the issues, if any, to be submitted to the voters at that election. Notice shall be given by advertisement at least once weekly during the 20-day period in a newspaper having general circulation in the county and by posting a copy of the notice at the courthouse door. Notice may additionally be made on a radio or television station or both, but such notice shall be in addition to the newspaper and other required notice. This subdivision shall not apply in the case of bond elections called under the provisions of Chapter 159. The county board may adopt a policy in

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accordance with G.S. 153A-52.2 to provide for notices, advertisements, and publications to be given electronically."

**SECTION 1.(f)** This section applies only to Guilford County and any municipality located wholly or partly in Guilford County.

**SECTION 1.(g)** This section becomes effective December 1, 2017, and applies to notices published on or after that date.

**SECTION 2.(a)** Article 50 of Chapter 1 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

### "§ 1-602. Publication via county-maintained Web site.

- (a) In lieu of publishing in a newspaper in accordance with this Article, publication of any notice permitted or required by law to be published in a newspaper may be accomplished by contracting with a county who has adopted an ordinance authorizing the county to publish such notice on the county-maintained Web site pursuant to this section. The board of commissioners may adopt an ordinance establishing the county Web site as a central location for publishing or advertising legal notices in accordance with this section, if the county complies with all of the following:
  - (1) The county maintains its own Web site, with sufficient staff to maintain that Web site.
  - (2) The county has sufficient staff to complete affidavits as needed for all legal notices as required by subsection (d) of this section.
  - (3) The county collects and remits fees as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section.
- (b) The county may charge fees for the administrative costs to the county as follows for such publication:
  - (1) For foreclosures, except those initiated by that county, no more than four hundred fifty dollars (\$450.00).
  - (2) For other notices, except those by the State or any other political subdivision thereof, no more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
  - (3) For notices by the State or any other political subdivision thereof, other than that county, no more than ten dollars (\$10.00).
  - (4) For notices by that county, no fee shall be charged.
- Whenever a county has published a notice or any other paper, document, or legal advertisement within the meaning of G.S. 1-597 and a county employee makes a written statement under oath taken before any notary public or other officer or person authorized by law to administer oaths, stating that the county placed such notice, paper, document, or legal advertisement upon its Web site, such sworn written statement shall be received in all courts in this State as prima facie evidence that the county placed the notice, paper, document, or legal advertisement upon its Web site for the stated period of time. When filed in the office of the clerk of the superior court of that county, any such sworn statement shall be deemed to be a record of the court and such record or a copy thereof duly certified by the clerk shall be prima facie evidence that the county placed the notice, paper, document, or legal advertisement upon its Web site for the stated period of time.
- (d) Notwithstanding G.S. 1-595, when a statute or written instrument stipulates that an advertisement of a sale shall be made for any certain number of weeks, publication via the county Web site in accordance with this section for the number of weeks so indicated is a sufficient compliance with the requirement.
- (e) Nothing in this section requires a county to adopt an ordinance authorizing the county to publish notices on a county-maintained Web site."

**SECTION 2.(b)** This section applies to Guilford County only.

**SECTION 2.(c)** This section becomes effective December 1, 2017, and applies to notices published on or after that date.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

- s/ Ralph E. Hise Presiding Officer of the Senate
- s/ David R. Lewis
  Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

#### **Chapter 17: Electronic Notices**

#### Sec. 17-1. Electronic Notices For Notices Required To Be Published By The Board

- (a) Any notice required by law to be published or advertised by the board, whether under G.S. 1-597, under Article 8 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, under any other general law, or under any local act, may be published electronically in lieu of or in addition to the required publication or advertisement. This ordinance covers all such notices authorized to be published or advertised.
- (b) Upon this ordinance's adoption, the county shall publish specific instructions as to how to access all notices published electronically under this ordinance at least once a month for twelve (12) months in a newspaper having a general circulation for that jurisdiction, as provided in G.S. 1-597.
- (c) Any notice published under this ordinance shall comply with G.S. 153A-52.2(c) (as it may be amended from time to time). As of the adoption of this ordinance, G.S. 153A-52.2(c) requires that any notice published under this ordinance comply with all of the following:
  - (1) The notice is published on the county's Web site no later than the time that publication is required under the applicable statute or local act.
  - (2) The county Web site contains, on its main page, links to all notices or a link to another page with links to all notices.
  - (3) Notices and links to all notices on the county Web site shall be maintained on that Web site for at least one year after publication and shall be searchable.
  - (4) A copy of the notice shall be filed in a notice book maintained separate and apart from the ordinance book or minutes of the board of county commissioners. The notice book shall be appropriately indexed and maintained for public inspection in the office of the clerk.
  - (5) A copy of the notice shall be mailed or e-mailed to any person who has filed a written request for notice with the clerk of the board of county commissioners. Such written requests for notice must be renewed annually to remain effective.
  - To the extent that the requirements of G.S. 153A-52.2(c) are amended, this subsection shall immediately incorporate the then-applicable requirements of G.S. 153A-52.2(c).
- (d) This ordinance does not supersede any general law or local act that requires notice by mail to certain persons or classes of persons or the posting of signs on certain property.
- (e) This ordinance also controls notice given by any board appointed by the board of county commissioners.
- (f) Nothing herein shall limit the county's authority under Code 17-2.

#### Sec. 17-2. Publication Via County-Maintained Web Site.

- (a) The county Web site is established as a central location for publishing or advertising legal notices in accordance with G.S. 1-602. In connection therewith, the county shall comply with all of the following:
  - (1) The county maintains its own Web site, with sufficient staff to maintain that Web site.
  - (2) The county has sufficient staff to complete affidavits as needed for all legal notices as required by G.S. 1-602.
  - (3) The county collects and remits fees as provided in G.S. 1-602.
- (b) The county may charge fees for the administrative costs to the county as follows for such publication:
  - (1) For foreclosures, except those initiated by the county, four hundred fifty dollars (\$450.00), or such other fee as may be authorized by statute and approved by the board of county commissioners.
  - (2) For other notices, except those by the state or any other political subdivision thereof, one hundred dollars (\$100.00), or such other fee as may be authorized by statute and approved by the board of county commissioners.
  - (3) For notices by the state or any other political subdivision thereof, other than the county, ten dollars (\$10.00), or such other fee as may be authorized by statute and approved by the board of county commissioners.
  - (4) For notices by the county, no fee shall be charged.
  - Without limitation of any other rights it may have, the county may suspend a party's privilege of publishing notices on the county Web site for nonpayment.
- (c) To be within the scope of this ordinance, a notice must be specifically permitted or required by law. It is not the intent of this ordinance that the county Web site be open to notices not reasonably calculated to satisfy specific legal requirements.
- (d) The county may phase in its acceptance of notices for publication under this ordinance, on a lawful basis, based upon its capacity to comply with the requirements set out above, as determined by the manager. Similarly, the county may at any time exercise its authority under this ordinance by accepting for publication or advertising some but not all notices, on a lawful basis, based upon its capacity to comply with the requirements set out above, as determined by the manager.
- (e) The county may administratively set and post on the county Web site requirements for the submission of notices for publication, including but not limited to deadlines for submission, manner of submission, document format, payment terms, required information, and terms of use.
- (f) Nothing herein shall limit the county's authority under Code 17-1.

Department	<b>Public Notice</b>	Recruitment	Service	Other	<b>Grand Total</b>
Animal Shelter		\$100.00			\$100.00
Clerk to the Board	\$4,433.48				\$4,433.48
County Attorney	\$8,829.44			\$550.40	\$9,379.84
County Commissioner	\$6,116.20		\$268.39		\$6,384.59
Elections	\$4,991.54			\$96.20	\$5,087.74
Emergency Services		\$110.00	\$6,210.62		\$6,320.62
Finance		\$100.00		\$250.00	\$350.00
Internal Audit		\$100.00			\$100.00
JCPC	\$1,440.66				\$1,440.66
Law Enforcement	\$563.62	\$20,735.53			\$21,299.15
Planning	\$7,550.48				\$7,550.48
Public Health		\$60.00	\$72,514.77	\$163.80	\$72,738.57
Purchasing	\$820.72	\$300.00			\$1,120.72
Social Services	\$26,192.54		\$120,125.03	\$45.29	\$146,362.86
Solid Waste			\$5,005.01		\$5,005.01
Tax	\$8,988.66				\$8,988.66
Debt Service	\$1,043.58				\$1,043.58
Register of Deeds			\$4,772.00		\$4,772.00
Grand Total	\$70,970.92	\$21,505.53	\$208,895.82	\$1,105.69	\$302,477.96

Media Type	Public Notice	Recruitment	Service	Other	<b>Grand Total</b>
Newspaper	\$70,970.92	\$503.02	\$8,845.39	\$96.20	\$80,415.53
TV			\$44,384.57		\$44,384.57
Radio		\$13,176.00	\$85,144.98		\$98,320.98
Professional Assoc		\$660.00	\$90.00		\$750.00
Other		\$7,166.51	\$70,430.88	\$1,009.49	\$78,606.88
Grand Total	\$70,970.92	\$21,505.53	\$208,895.82	\$1,105.69	\$302,477.96

Public Notices	Public Notice
Clerk to the Board	\$4,433.4
Legal Notice	\$2,041.84
Property - JDC HVAC RFP	\$155.0
Property - Sealed Bids	\$1,515.50
Guilford-Mack Interlocal	\$138.9
Property - Lease	\$232.3
Public Hearing	\$2,391.6
Animal Services	\$124.6
Bonds	\$141.5
Budget	\$320.6
DSS-Transportation	\$396.0
Economic Development	\$537.0
Planning	\$615.7
Public Health	\$256.0
County Attorney	\$8,829.4
Legal Notice	\$8,829.4
Tax Foreclosure	\$8,829.4
County Commissioners	\$6,116.2
Legal Notice	\$3,382.9
Property - Sealed Bids	\$976.4
Property - Upset Bid	\$2,271.8
Property - Lease	\$134.7
Public Hearing	\$2,733.2
Development Ordinance	\$309.0
DSS-Transportation	\$1,049.1
Planning	\$1,223.3
Tax	\$151.6
Elections	\$4,991.5
Legal Notice	\$4,991.5
Board of Elections - Absentee Applications	\$56.70
Board of Elections - Absentee Voting Schedule	\$129.20
Board of Elections - Alternate Polling Sites	\$2,716.50
Board of Elections - Ballot Count	\$246.32
Board of Elections - Ballot Count & Meeting	\$70.80
Board of Elections - Early Voting Schedule	\$1,644.00
Board of Elections - meeting schedule	\$128.02
JCPC	\$1,440.66
Legal Notice	\$1,440.66
Juvenile Crime Prevention Council - RFP	\$1,440.66
Law Enforcement	\$563.62
Legal Notice	\$563.62

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Notice of sale of real property under a writ of execution	\$378.14
Sale/Destruction of Firearms	\$185.48
Planning	\$7,550.48
Public Hearing	\$4,751.04
Board of Adjustment	\$482.08
Planning Board	\$4,268.96
Public Meeting	\$2,799.44
Historic Preservation Commission	\$2,467.00
Planning Board	\$332.44
Purchasing	\$820.72
Legal Notice	\$820.72
Request for Proposal/Bid	\$820.72
Social Services	\$26,192.54
DSS custody	\$4,147.75
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DSS TPR	\$21,001.49
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DSS TPR/Custody	\$1,043.30
Pcard - no scanned invoice, so assigned to TPR/custody	\$1,043.30
Tax	\$8,988.66
Legal Notice	\$4,662.40
Tax - Revaluation	\$321.20
Tax Liens	\$4,341.20
News Ad	\$3,708.14
Tax	\$3,708.14
Public Meeting	\$618.12
Board of E&R	\$618.12
Debt Service	\$1,043.58
Bond Ad	\$1,043.58
Bond Ad	\$1,043.58
rand Total	\$70,970.92

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Newspaper	\$70,970.92	\$503.02	\$8,845.39	\$96.20	\$80,415.5
C NEWSPAPERS	\$383.30				\$383.3
CAROLINA PEACEMA	\$5,470.20		\$3,315.00		\$8,785.2
CARTER PUBLISHIN	\$110.00				\$110.0
CHARLOTTE OBSERV	\$70.00				\$70.0
DANVILLE REGISTE	\$418.00				\$418.0
FAYETTEVILLE OBS	\$1,239.12				\$1,239.1
HERALD SUN	\$426.00				\$426.0
HIGH POINT ENTER	\$9,378.20		\$375.00		\$9,753.2
KLYN MEDIA, LLC	\$660.00				\$660.0
NEWS & RECORD	\$45,986.09	\$503.02	\$4,005.39	\$96.20	\$50,590.7
NJ ADVANCE MEDIA	\$390.75				\$390.7
QUE PASA	\$387.00				\$387.0
RICHMOND TIMES-D	\$547.00				\$547.0
STANLY NEWS AND	\$387.32				\$387.3
THE GREENSBORO T	\$675.00		\$1,150.00		\$1,825.0
WINSTON SALEM JO	\$3,689.94				\$3,689.9
WOMACK NEWSPAPER	\$753.00				\$753.0
Other		\$7,166.51	\$70,430.88	\$1,009.49	\$78,606.8
ALLOVER MEDIA IN		700000	\$2,600.00		\$2,600.0
ALLOVER MEDIA, L			\$15,283.00		\$15,283.0
AREER SERVICES		\$110.00			\$110.0
BERRY COMPANY, L				\$163.80	\$163.8
CAMPUS PUBLISHER			\$2,516.00		\$2,516.0
CAREER CENTER OF		\$150.00			\$150.0
d Advertising wire-E			\$950.00		\$950.0
d DSS adoption ad ex			\$539.51		\$539.5
DOUGLAS DISPLAYS			\$4,121.25		\$4,121.2
FAIRWAY OUTDOOR		\$5,700.00	\$2,800.00		\$8,500.0
FAST SIGNS			\$1,749.70		\$1,749.70
FAYETTEVILLE STA		\$295.00	± 9€00 00 00 00		\$295.00
GOODWILL IND CTR		\$100.00			\$100.00
GREENSBORO BASEB			\$5,425.00		\$5,425.00
GTCC		\$200.00			\$200.00
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NORTH CAROLINA M		\$251.51			\$251.52
OWN GREENSBORO			\$125.00		\$125.00
POSITIVE PROMOTI			\$660.62		\$660.6
SAM'S CLUB			700.02	\$45.29	\$45.29
se accrual				\$250.00	\$250.00
55 400, 441			\$31,812.96	7230.00	\$31,812.96

## 2017 Advertising Expenses

/endor	Public Notice	Recruitment	Service	Other	<b>Grand Total</b>
Vivial Media LLC			\$168.84		\$168.84
WRS GROUP, LTD			\$829.00		\$829.00
Professional Assoc		\$660.00	\$90.00		\$750.00
GOVERNMENT FINAN		\$300.00			\$300.00
NCACC		\$300.00			\$300.00
NCPHA			\$90.00		\$90.00
OD TECHNOLOGY		\$60.00			\$60.00
Radio		\$13,176.00	\$85,144.98		\$98,320.98
DICK BROADCASTIN		\$1,200.00	\$9,630.00		\$10,830.00
ENTERCOM-GREENSB		\$9,166.00	\$73,339.98		\$82,505.98
NC A & T STATE U			\$875.00		\$875.00
NORSAN BROADCAST		\$2,810.00	\$1,300.00		\$4,110.00
TV			\$44,384.57		\$44,384.57
TIME WARNER CABL	***************************************	***************************************	\$21,259.00		\$21,259.00
TRIBUNE BROADCAS			\$12,890.56		\$12,890.56
WFMY			\$5,230.00		\$5,230.00
WFMY TV			\$5,005.01		\$5,005.01
Grand Total	\$70,970.92	\$21,505.53	\$208,895.82	\$1,105.69	\$302,477.96

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