



TOWN RESOLUTION



RESOLUTION NAME: **ALLOCATION OF AREA WATER AUTHORITY FUNDS FOR LOCAL WATER INVESTMENT**

RESOLUTION #: RES-2019-005

ORIGINAL ADOPTION DATE: 12-10-19

ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 12-10-19

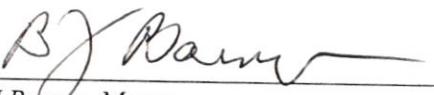
WHEREAS, after consideration of the projected costs and Summerfield impacts related to the formation of a regional water authority and development of a regional water system as envisioned in the Northwestern Guilford County Water System Preliminary Feasibility Study completed in September 2018; and,

WHEREAS, the Timmons Group study was a regional undertaking with Guilford County and the Towns of Summerfield, Oak Ridge, and Stokesdale as the primary stakeholders and was funded by a Guilford-area appropriation of \$3.6 million from the General Assembly in Session Law 2017-17; and after discussions with state officials, community leaders, and neighboring towns; and,

WHEREAS, Summerfield views that its most pressing water-related needs are local improvements and support for fire protection for residents and businesses, specifically regarding quicker and reliable access to water during fire events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Summerfield believes that development of a regional water authority and system would place a tremendous financial burden on the Town; the proposed infrastructure investments do not appear to be well supported by taxpayers; neighboring jurisdictions do not collectively wish to develop a regional water system; and, a regional approach is most congruent with the Town of Summerfield Comprehensive Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Summerfield requests that the North Carolina General Assembly pass a local bill that would reallocate the remaining funds of approximately \$3.4 million in equal portions to the Towns of Summerfield, Oak Ridge, and Stokesdale in support of each municipality's specific water-related goals.


BJ Barnes, Mayor


Lance G. Heater, Town Clerk

(Town Seal)