



meeting date: November 14, 2023

attachment(s): yes

**Public hearing/action re: voluntary annexations
(17 petitions for consideration by ordinance)**

STAFF COMMENTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATION:

Voluntary annexation involves 5 initial steps:

1. Property owners submit petition.
2. Clerk determines sufficiency of the petition (does it contain the correct information and is it signed by all the owners of the property for which annexation is sought?).
3. Clerk certifies the sufficiency of the petition to TC.
4. TC then schedules a public hearing on the proposed annexation, at which hearing the owners of the property and current residents may speak.
5. After the public hearing is closed, TC may adopt an annexation ordinance annexing some or all of the land for which annexation has been sought.

There are 17 petitions and Council will consider these (by ordinance) following the hearing (step 4). A color map is provided to show the parcels. Council has options of how to process the requests, which may be considered independently, as one group, or as multiple groups (e.g., contiguous and non-contiguous). Any properties that are annexed will also have to be zoned by the town within 60 days of the effective date of annexation. A suggested date is 1/1/24, which affords some process time for follow-up zonings.

If approval is desired, a suggested motion is: "Acknowledging that required procedural steps have been followed, I move to adopt the following ordinances that achieve voluntary annexations of the referenced properties identified by Guilford County parcel numbers. Approval indicates that these parcels will be added to Summerfield's corporate limits effective 1/1/24 (date to be updated on all ordinances) and properly recorded and advertised afterward. My motion includes the following addresses and ordinance numbers: (_____, _____, _____, _____, _____, etc.)"

NOTES:

COUNCIL ACTION AND/OR DIRECTION: