

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 26, 2013

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 6-A&B

SUBJECT:

- A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO RESERVE \$292,397 FROM FUND BALANCE FOR FUTURE APPROPRIATION TO FUND FIRE AND FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS SERVING THE FOREST HILL AND TRIANGLE FIRE TAX DISTRICTS
(EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT)**
- B. AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2013-2014 BUDGET ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE \$292,397 OF RESERVED FUND BALANCE FOR TRANSFER TO FIRE DISTRICT FUNDS AND FUTURE APPROPRIATION TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS CURRENTLY SERVING THE FOREST HILL AND TRIANGLE FIRE TAX DISTRICTS**

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

Forest Hill Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. and Triangle Volunteer Fire Department of Forsyth County, Inc. were dissolved leaving the Forest Hill Fire Tax District served by Mineral Springs Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc. and Triangle Fire Tax District served by Beeson Crossroads Fire and Rescue, Inc., Union Cross Fire-Rescue of Forsyth County, Inc., and Gumtree Fire and Rescue, Inc. Proceeds remaining after the dissolution of Forest Hill Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. and Triangle Volunteer Fire Department of Forsyth County, Inc. totaled \$321,765 and were returned to Forsyth County where they are located in Fund Balance to serve the districts that generated the funding.

This agenda item authorizes moving the above-referenced funds into a Reserved Fund Balance for transfer to fire district funds and future appropriation to the fire departments that serve Forest Hill and Triangle Fire Tax Districts.

The original amount distributed to Forsyth County after the dissolution of Forest Hill Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. and Triangle Volunteer Fire Department of Forsyth County, Inc. was \$321,765. \$29,368 of this total was used by the County, at the request of the Volunteer Fire Departments, as match for a grant, resulting in a balance of \$292,397.

Of the \$292,397 remaining in Fund Balance, \$204,464 is attributable to Forest Hill's dissolution and will be transferred to fire district funds for future appropriation to Mineral Springs Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc., which provides fire protection and rescue services to the Forest Hill Fire Protection and Rescue Tax District. The remaining \$87,933 in Fund Balance is attributable to Triangle Fire's dissolution and will be transferred to fire district funds for future appropriation to the fire departments which provide fire protection and rescue services to the Triangle Fire Tax District as follows based on the percentage of real property served in the Triangle Fire Tax District:

Beeson Crossroads Fire and Rescue, Inc.:	\$47,738
Union Cross Fire-Rescue of Forsyth County, Inc.:	\$20,411
Gumtree Fire and Rescue, Inc.:	\$19,784

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: *J. Stanley Watts, Jr.*
COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: August 22, 2013

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER AND CHIEF
FINANCIAL OFFICER TO RESERVE \$292,397 FROM FUND BALANCE
FOR FUTURE APPROPRIATION TO FUND FIRE AND FIRE/RESCUE
SERVICES BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS SERVING THE
FOREST HILL AND TRIANGLE FIRE TAX DISTRICTS
(EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT)**

WHEREAS, Forest Hill Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Incorporated and Triangle Volunteer Fire Department of Forsyth County, Inc. were dissolved leaving the Forest Hill Fire Tax District served by Mineral Springs Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc. and the Triangle Fire Tax District served by Beeson Crossroads Fire and Rescue, Inc., Union Cross Fire-Rescue of Forsyth County, Inc., and Gumtree Fire and Rescue, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds remaining after the dissolution of Forest Hill Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Incorporated and Triangle Volunteer Fire Department of Forsyth County, Inc. totaled \$321,765 and were returned to Forsyth County where they are located in Fund Balance to serve the districts that generated the funding; and

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WHEREAS, of the \$292,397 remaining in Fund Balance, \$204,464 is attributable to Forest Hill's dissolution and will be transferred to fire district funds for future appropriation to Mineral Springs Volunteer Fire Department which serves Forest Hill Fire Protection and Rescue Tax District; and the remaining \$87,933 is attributable to Triangle Fire's dissolution and will be transferred to fire district funds for future appropriation to the fire departments which provide fire protection and rescue services to the Triangle Fire Tax District as follows based on the percentage of real property served in the Triangle Fire Tax District:

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Manager and Chief Financial Officer to reserve \$292,397 from the County's General Fund for transfer to fire district funds for future appropriation to fund fire protection and rescue services by the fire departments serving the Forest Hill and Triangle Fire Tax Districts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Manager, Chief Financial Officer, and Clerk to the Board are hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of Forsyth County, all necessary documents, agreements, and amendments thereto to fund the fire protection and rescue services in the Forest Hill and Triangle Fire Tax Districts in the respective amounts designated herein up to a total of \$292,397, subject to compliance with applicable bidding laws, compliance with the provisions of the Budget Ordinance, necessary Board appropriation and authorization, a pre-audit certificate thereon by the Chief Financial Officer, where applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners that the County Manager, Chief Financial Officer, and Clerk to the Board are hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of Forsyth County, all necessary documents, agreements, and amendments thereto, to fund fire protection and rescue services within the Forest Hill and Triangle Fire Tax Districts' respective budgeted appropriations, subject to the applicable provisions and limitations outlined herein in future fiscal years, if these services remain necessary to the County.

Adopted this the 26th day of August 2013.

**FORSYTH COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
AMENDMENT TO
2013-2014 BUDGET ORDINANCE**

FROM: BUDGET & MANAGEMENT

MEETING DATE:

August 26, 2013

EXPLANATION:

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An amendment is needed to Section 7 of the 2013-2014 Budget Ordinance to increase the fire district funds for future appropriation to the following four fire departments serving the Forest Hill (Mineral Springs Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Inc.) and Triangle (Beeson Crossroads Fire and Rescue, Inc., Union Cross Fire-Rescue of Forsyth County, Inc., and Gumtree Fire and Rescue, Inc.) Fire Tax Districts.

This action will allow the four departments serving the Forest Hill and Triangle Fire Tax Districts to request these funds in the future in order to better provide fire protection and rescue services to these areas.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FORSYTH COUNTY THAT THE
2013-2014 BUDGET ORDINANCE IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

INCREASE:	<u>SECTION 1. REVENUES</u> RESERVED FUND BALANCE	<u>\$292,397</u>
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INCREASE:	<u>SECTION 7. TAX LEVIES FOR FIRE & FIRE/RESCUE</u> <u>PROTECTION DISTRICTS</u> TRANSFER TO FIRE DISTRICT FUNDS	<u>\$292,397</u>
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NATURE OF TRANSACTION:

- Additional Revenue Available
- Transfer within Accounts of
Same fund
- Other: Transfer of Reserved Funds to Appropriate Fund

APPROVED BY BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS AND ENTERED ON
MINUTES DATED _____
AGENDA ITEM NUMBER _____