



February 3, 2017

Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government
Committee Chair and Committee Assistant
NC General Assembly
16 W. Jones Street
Raleigh, NC 27601

RE: Financing of City Park project

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 120-157.2(a) of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended, the City of Mebane North Carolina hereby notifies you of its intent to utilize an installment purchase contract under North Carolina General Statute 160A, Article 3, Section 20. The principal amount is not to exceed \$5.83 million to finance construction of a new city park on a 32-acre site, to be repaid with General Fund revenues.

The new park was recommended by the Recreation and Parks Comprehensive Master Plan adopted by the City Council in January 2014, and its design has been aided by a public process including public input meetings and recommendations of a citizen committee. The park design includes soccer fields with synthetic turf, a splash pad, dog park, open space, concession and restroom facilities.

Construction of the park includes the extension of streets and water and sewer infrastructure to the area, including the addition of a sewer lift station, turning lane on Highway 70, and the extension of Clay Street. The project has been included in the City of Mebane's capital improvement planning since 2014-15, and estimated debt service requirements will be included in the 2017-18 operating budget.

The preliminary project budget was adopted by City Council on February 6, 2017.

As required by the Local Government Commission, we have solicited bids for the construction of the park, and presented a recommendation to the City Council on February 6th. The City Council agreed to a tentative award to the low bidder, Fred Smith Company, pending LGC approval and financing for the project.

We anticipate construction will be complete by the end of 2016 or early in 2017.



The City of Mebane anticipates that the North Carolina Local Government Commission will consider approval of the issuance of this proposed debt at its meeting scheduled for April 4, 2017.

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