



# City of Greensboro

Melvin Municipal  
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300 W. Washington Street  
Greensboro, NC 27401

## Agenda Report

File Number: 2023-151

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### Agenda Item# J. 6.

**Agenda Date:** 2/21/2023. **Department:** Legislative/City Council

**Meeting Type:** Council Meeting **Category:** General Business Agenda

**Title:** 2023 – 151 Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Pursue an Agreement with the Guilford County Board of Education Regarding the Transfer and Acceptance of Property at 2301 and 2301 2309 Trade Street, Known as Hampton Elementary School

**Council Priority: Place an ‘x’ in the box.**

- Create an Environment to Promote Economic Development Opportunities and Job Creation
- Maintain Infrastructure and Provide Sustainable Growth Opportunities
- Promote Public Safety & Reduce Crime
- Exceptional Customer Service and a Diverse City Government Workforce
- Ensure Fiscal Stewardship, Transparency, & Accountability

**Council District:** 1

**Public Hearing:** No

**Advertising Date/By:** NA

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**PURPOSE:**

Guilford County Board of Education has deemed the real property assets at 2301 and 2301 2309 Trade Street, totaling approximately 17.12 acres, as surplus property and has offered to convey the properties to the City for future development. City Council is requested to authorize the City Manager to pursue an agreement for the transfer and acceptance of the properties.

**BACKGROUND:**

On June 14, 2022, the Guilford County Board of Education deemed the real property asset located at 2301 and 2301 2309 Trade Street, currently known as Hampton Elementary School in Greensboro, NC, as surplus property, as defined by NC.G.S 115C-518(a). The two parcels total approximately 17.12 acres and are no longer factored into the Guilford County Schools Facilities Master Plan for future use. Declaration of the property as surplus allows a path for transfer of ownership between respective government organizations.

By law, the surplus property must be first offered to the Guilford County Board of Commissioners for fair market value prior to being transferred to others by the Board of Education. On December 15, 2022, the Guilford County Board of Commissioners refused the purchase/sale of the real property asset.

On February 6, 2023, the City submitted a formal letter of interest to Guilford County Schools (GCS) requesting transfer of the deed of the former Hampton Elementary School site in order for the City to redevelop the property with community input and for public good. Potential future uses may include park space, community support facilities, and/or trails, such as an East Greensboro Greenway to connect residents and users to other key community destinations and institutions.

On February 7, 2023, Guilford County Board of Education voted to unanimously accept the City's request for transfer of the property to the City. Both Guilford County Schools and the City of Greensboro serve residents as a matter of quality of life, access, and opportunity, and the transfer of the property allows for continuation of this mission.

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

The properties are being offered as a donation, with the City assuming expenses within existing budgets for routine maintenance and minimal expenses associated with recordation and transfer of the deed. Any additional expenses above those which will be assumed for maintenance will be determined as future site development options are evaluated.

**ACCOUNT NUMBER:**

NA

**RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is recommended that City Council authorize the City Manager to pursue an agreement with the Guilford County Board of Education regarding the transfer and acceptance of the property located at 2301 and 2301 2309 Trade Street, known as Hampton Elementary School.