City of Greensboro



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Title: 2024 -844 Resolution Approving the City's Obligations under its "Joint Governmental Agreement" with Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority and the Other Local Government Members

Council Priority: Place an 'x' in the box.

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Council District: All

Public Hearing: No Advertising Date/By: N/A

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PURPOSE:

The Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority (PTRWA) is preparing to design and construct an upgrade and expansion to the PTRWA water treatment plant. PTRWA is seeking to finance construction activities through bond anticipation notes (BANs). All six PTRWA members must approve a resolution accepting the City's obligations under its "Joint Governmental Agreement" among the City, PTRWA, and other local governments in order to proceed with construction activities.

BACKGROUND:

As part of the City's membership and joint ownership of the Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority (PTRWA), the City participates in costs to upgrade and expand the PTRWA water treatment plant as needed. To meet new regulatory requirements tied to "forever chemicals", support future economic development, and meet regional growth demands, PTRWA is planning an upgrade to add treatment to remove emerging contaminants, such as Per- and polyflouroalkyl substances (PFAS), as well as increase the plant's capacity from 14.7 to 26.7 million gallons per day (MGD). These improvements are currently estimated at \$176 million. PTRWA has selected a design builder and plans to begin construction in early 2025, with completion projected in 2029. Greensboro will be receiving 89% of the expansion capacity to support the City's growth

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and economic development efforts. The City owns 53% of PTRWA's existing capacity, so Greensboro's estimated allocation of the cost of the project is approximately \$125 million. Upon completion of the project, Greensboro's allocation of finished water from PTRWA is expected to be 18.52 MGD, up from 7.836 MGD.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The City is responsible for its share of interest-only payments during construction. These costs are budgeted in the Water and Sewer Operations Fund annually. The estimated interest over the life of the BAN is \$4,668,064, with an average annual cost of \$1,931,613.

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

501-70-7027001.5932

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council approve a resolution accepting the City's obligations under its "Joint Governmental Agreement" with Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority, and the other local government members.