



# City of Greensboro

Melvin Municipal  
Office Building  
300 W. Washington Street  
Greensboro, NC 27401

## Agenda Report

File Number: 2025-160

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### Agenda Item# I.2.

**Agenda Date:** 3/4/2025. **Department:** Police

**Meeting Type:** Council Meeting **Category:** Consent Agenda

**Title:** 2025- 160 Ordinance Establishing a Project Fund for the Opioid Settlement Fund Program

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

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safest City          | <input type="checkbox"/> Most Skilled Workforce                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easiest Place to Do Business    | <input type="checkbox"/> Most Connected City                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Sports Capital            | <input type="checkbox"/> Hub of Recreation and Entertainment               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abundance of Attainable Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Admin <u>Briefly Explain 3 word maximum</u> |

**Council District:** All

**Public Hearing:** No

**Advertising Date/By:** NA

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#### PURPOSE:

The attached ordinance would establish a project fund for the Opioid Settlement Fund Program in the amount of \$6,367,847. Approval of the ordinance is requested from the Greensboro City Council in accordance with current city fiscal procedures.

#### BACKGROUND:

The City entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the State of North Carolina and Local Governments September 2021. The MOA states the settlement funds shall be distributed annually to the State and to Local Governments in such proportions and for such uses as set forth in the MOA, provided Opioid Settlement Funds shall not be considered the funds of the State or any Local Government unless and until such time as each annual distribution is made. Local Governments may spend settlement funds for high impact opioid abatement strategies to include, but not limited to, collaborative strategic planning, evidence-based addiction treatment, early intervention, post-overdose response teams, and naloxone distribution per Exhibit A of the MOA. These activities were approved by City Council on October 18, 2022 (2022-1039). The City expects to receive approximately \$6,367,847 through 2038.

The City originally created a grant fund to house the settlement payments. However, further guidance from the NCACC Opioid Settlements Technical Assistance Team states the funds need to be held in a project fund instead.

*Vision Statement: "A Community with Endless Economic Opportunities and Exceptional Quality of Life."*

**Additional information**

The proposal for use of Opioid Settlement Funds focuses on two parts of Option A that are inter-related in addressing the use of opioids and joint efforts within the City between the Department of Public Safety and Greensboro Police. In addressing these two areas in Option A, the City will focus on those who are using and experienced an overdose and those who are involved in drug use but have not yet become involved in the criminal justice system.

8. Post-Overdose Response Team: \$3,840,649.88

10. Criminal Justice Diversion Program \$2,527,197.12

GPD and the Department of Community Safety will develop directives that set forth the procedure for referrals by/to LEAD and the process for both successful and unsuccessful completion of the program.

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

There is no adverse budgetary impact.

**ACCOUNT NUMBER:**

234-35-3597001

**RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is recommended that City Council adopt the attached settlement project fund ordinance establishing special revenue fund in the amount of \$6,367,847.