City of Greensboro



Agenda Report

File Number: 2025-255

Agenda Item# G.38.

Agenda Date: 3/18/2025. Department: Guilford Metro 911 Meeting Type: Council Meeting Category: Consent Agenda

Title: 2025 – 255 Resolution Supporting the Reclassification of Guilford Metro 911 Dispatchers

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

☑ Safest City
□ Easiest Place to Do Business
□ Youth Sports Capital
□ Abundance of Attainable Housing

Most Skilled Workforce
 Most Connected City
 Hub of Recreation and Entertainment
 Other/Admin Briefly Explain 3 word maximum

Council District: All

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

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PURPOSE:

911 dispatchers are the first line of response during an emergency, and they deserve to be classified in a way that recognizes their work is on par with the work of other public servants classified as first responders. Senator Richard Burr introduced a reclassification bill in the United States Senate, and 911 dispatchers are working with elected officials to re-introduce this legislation with the next Congress. Local support will assist this effort.

BACKGROUND:

In September of 2021, U.S. Representatives Norma J. Torres and Brian Fitzpatrick announced that their 9-1-1 SAVES Act passed the House as part of the Fiscal Year 2022 National Defense Authorization Act. The 9-1-1 SAVES Act is bipartisan legislation to reclassify 911 dispatchers from "Office and Administrative Support" to "Protective Service Occupations" in the Office of Management and Budget's Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) catalog. 911 dispatchers worked with Representatives Torres and Fitzpatrick along with Senators Klobuchar and Blackburn to re-introduce this legislation, and local support will assist the effort to get the legislation passed.

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

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

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council adopt a Resolution supporting the reclassification of Guilford Metro 911 dispatchers.