

Item Title: Interlocal Agreements between Wake County and the Towns of Knightdale, Rolesville, Wendell, and Zebulon for Building Inspections pursuant to North Carolina State Building Code

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners approves individual Interlocal Agreements between Wake County and the towns of Knightdale, Rolesville, Wendell, and Zebulon for Building Inspection Services.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners are required to approve interlocal agreements between the County and municipalities.

Background: In the 1980's, Wake County entered into separate interlocal agreements with the towns of Knightdale, Rolesville, Wendell and Zebulon, authorizing the County to perform building inspections within the town's territorial jurisdiction. These agreements, now decades old, need to be updated to reflect current expectations and responsibilities between the parties. The basic services provided by the County will remain unchanged. These services, including building plan review and building inspections, are consistent with the North Carolina State Building Code.

Board Goal: This action is consistent with routine County operations.

Fiscal Impact: This item has no fiscal impact.

Additional Information:

In accordance with N.C.G.S. 160D-1102, a town may arrange for a county to perform building plan review and building inspection services within a town's territorial jurisdiction. Between 1981 and 1983, the County entered such an arrangement with the towns of Knightdale, Rolesville, Wendell and Zebulon. Although the current interlocal agreements (ILA) are still valid, the parties agree that executing updated ILA's will provide an opportunity to formalize practices and expectations that have mutually evolved over the years. Examples include the collection and use of fees in accordance with new state laws, enforcement of municipal minimum housing codes, and cash handling procedures pursuant to County policy.

In performing these services, the County collects all permit fees in accordance with the County's adopted fee schedule. The Town's, at their discretion, may assess additional fees.

Each agreement is effective July 1, 2021 for a ten-year term, unless terminated by either party pursuant to the agreement.

The towns of Knightdale, Rolesville and Wendell have adopted the ILA. Zebulon is expected to adopt it at their April 5th Town Board meeting.

Attachments:

1. Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Knightdale
2. Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Rolesville
3. Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Wendell
4. Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Zebulon