# NOTES

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Ken A. Graves, Deputy City Manager

DATE: April 23, 2025

SUBJECT: Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:

- 1. A memo and flyer from Tiana Berryman, Director of Neighborhood & Business Services, regarding 2025 annual Mix-N-Meet on Thursday, May 22, 2025 from 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the City Hall Third Floor Gallery
- 2. A memo from Kevin Mulligan, Public Works Director, regarding Public Works Transit Division Update

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Attachment

### Memorandum



To:	Michael Cowin, City Manager
From:	Tiana Berryman, Director of Neighborhood & Business Services
Date:	April 21, 2025
Subject:	2025 Annual Mix-N-Meet

The Neighborhood & Business Services Department is excited to host the annual Mix-N-Meet, Thursday, May 22, 2025, from 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the City Hall Third Floor Gallery. Mix-N-Meet is an annual networking event designed to connect city employees that buy goods and services, with minority and women-owned small businesses interested in doing business with the City and Greenville Utilities Commission. This year's theme is "P-Card Power-Turn City Dollars into an Opportunity."

The format will be that of a "reverse tradeshow" where firms will set up displays to highlight their business solutions. Some examples of the types of vendors that may attend are caterers, food truck operators, printers, promotional product specialists and firms that provide specialized services to meet the needs of any department.

A brunch will be available by 9:30 a.m. for all attending the Mix-N-Meet. The Mix-N-Meet is a free event and open to the public. To attend, please register at MixandMeet2025.Eventbrite.com. Join us to discover the variety of small businesses available to fulfill purchasing needs.

Event Details:

- Check-in begins (9:30 a.m.)
- Business Opportunity Fair (10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)

Attendees visit vendor booths and network with other attendees.

• Swipe & Connect (10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.)

This is a networking challenge for attendees to collect as many business cards as possible by 11:30 a.m. To encourage attendees to increase engagement and make more connections. The person with the most business cards will win a bonus prize.

### • P-Card Power Lunch-N-Learn (12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.)

A workshop for small business owners to provide insight on P-Card (Purchasing Card) spending by the City, identifying some of the top expenditures and how this might by a growth opportunity for their business. We'll close the session with helping those interested, get registered as an official vendor of the City of Greenville.

For more information or questions, please contact the Business Development Division at 252-329-4505. Thank you for your support.

cc: Dene' Alexander, Assistant City Manager Tish Williams, Business Development Manager Docusign Envelope ID: 55B94867-9A76-45AF-B59D-1DDF84150DFC Business Opportunity Fair





# May 22, 2025 • 10:00 AM-12:00 PM City Hall Gallery • 200 W 5th Street

"P-Card Power-Turn City Dollars into an Opportunity"

### ▶ Business Opportunity Fair 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Swipe & Connect- Get ready to mix and mingle to collect as many business cards as you can. Each card is a connection and a chance to win a bonus prize!

Free brunch & swag bag

Register by May 15th at 2025MixandMeet.Eventbrite.com



For more information, please contact Tish Williams at (252) 329-4505

## Memorandum



Find yourself in good company

To: Michael Cowin, City Manager

From: Kevin Mulligan, Public Works Director

Date: April 22, 2025

Subject: Public Works Transit Division Update

#### **GREAT Extends Service Hours Starting May 5, 2025**

Public Works is pleased to announce that Greenville Area Transit (GREAT) is expanding its fixed-route bus service hours, beginning **Monday**, **May 5**, **2025**. This update will mark a significant improvement in accessibility and convenience for riders across the city.

On May 5, the new hours for GREAT buses will be as follows:

- Monday-Friday: 6:15 AM 8:15 PM (14 hours)
- Saturday: 9:15 AM 4:15 PM (7 hours)

This change represents an increase in **weekly service hours in excess of 50%** for our City of Greenville riders. See the chart below for a comparison of existing versus new service times.

GREAT Service Hours	Current Hours	NEW Expanded Hours
Monday – Friday	7:15 AM – 5:15 PM	6:15 AM – 8:15 PM
Saturday	-	9:15 AM – 4:15 PM
Total Hours per Week	50	77

We expect several additional new features as they relate to our Transit operations this summer. More information will be released in the near future on those items.