

# 8.10.15 City Council Meeting



## **Item 19**: Contract Award for FY 2016 Street Resurfacing Project



#### **FUNDING**

- Road Resurfacing \$1.0M approved budget by City Council for FY15-16
- Low bidder Barnhill Contracting
- Base bid \$1,141,713.75
- Several streets removed from base bid to reduce contract amount to 1,000,000.

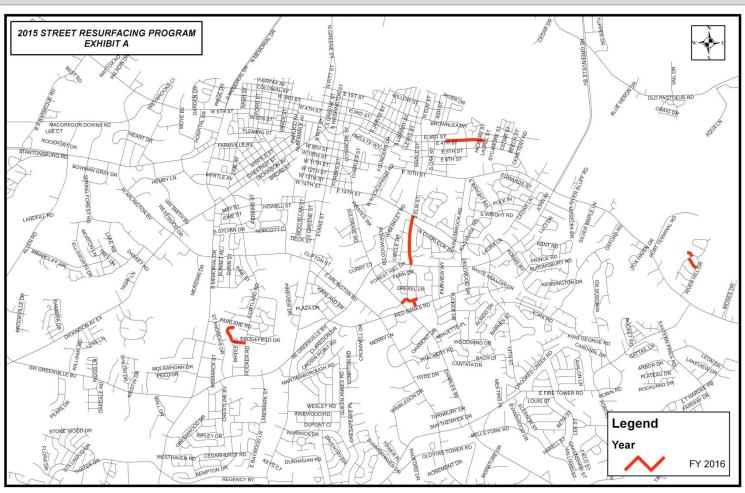


### STREETS TO BE PAVED

Street	From	То	<b>Lane Miles</b>	
Horseshoe Dr.	Hooker Rd.	Street End	0.90	
East 4 <sup>th</sup> Street	Forest Hills Cir.	Laurel St.	0.98	
Sloan Dr.	River Hill Dr.	River Hill Dr.	0.33	
Syme CI.	River Hill Dr.	Street End	0.17	
South Elm St.	14 <sup>th</sup> Street	Greenville Blvd.	2.65	
South Elm St.	Oakview Dr.	Charles Blvd.	0.23	
Churchside Dr.	Oakview Dr.	Red Banks Blvd.	0.18	
Oakview Dr.	South Elm St.	Pinecrest Dr.	0.31	
Total			5.75	



#### FY15-16 Street Resurfacing Program - \$1.0M





## Road Conditions Found During 2014 Resurfacing Contract

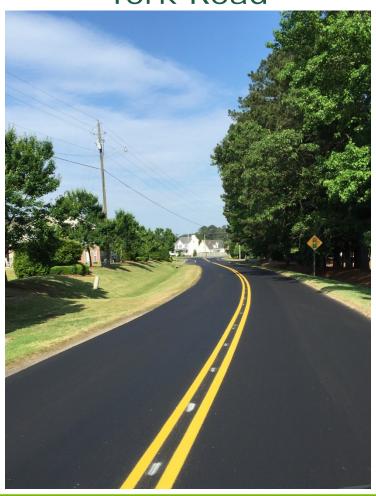
York Road (base repair work)







#### Road Conditions After Resurfacing York Road





## 2015 Street Resurfacing Project Request

- Council approve contract to Barnhill Contracting not to exceed \$1,000,000
- Funding Source: Street Improvement
   Fund \$1,000,000.00

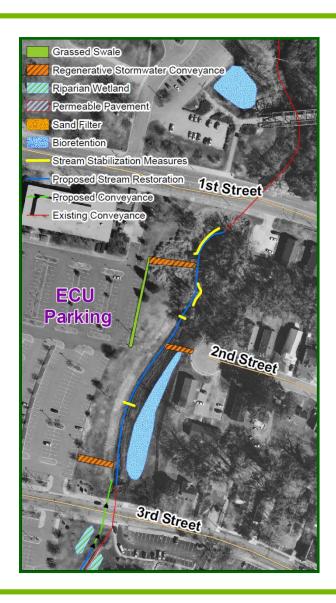


Item 20: Contract Amendment #2 for Green Infrastructure/Streetscape Improvements associated with Task Order #2 (final design) for the Town Creek Culvert drainage Project



## Green Infrastructure

- Letter of Intent to Fund February 2014 (\$7.3M)
- ER/EID approved August 2014 (\$10M)
- 15 BMPs were proposed
- Open channel between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets





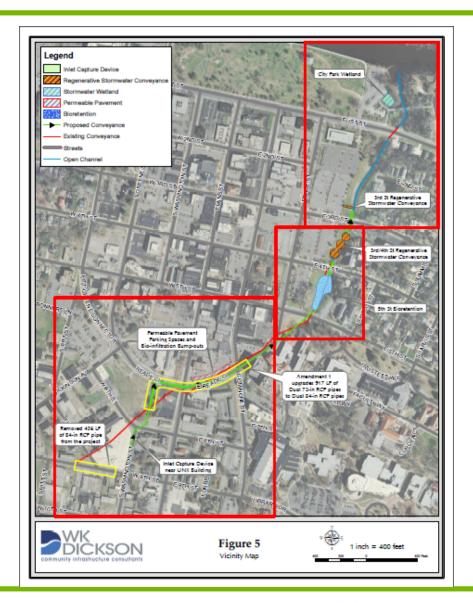
## Redirection by DWI

- On-site meeting
- Regional BMP required



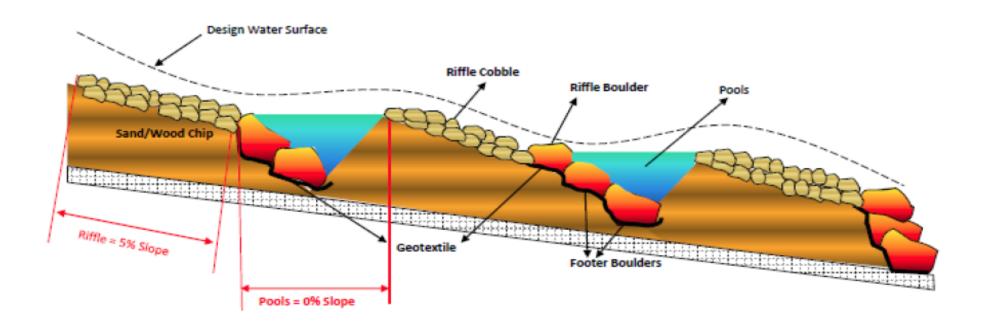
## ER/EID Amendment

- 15 BMPs were reduced to 6 BMPs
- Regional RSC included (250' Long x 40' Wide)
- Nitrogen removal increased from 69 lb/yr to 252 lb/yr





## Regional RSC



Source: W. Virginia Stormwater Management & Design Guidance Manual



### **ER/EID Amendment**

SRF Recommended BMPs								
Basin(s)	Stormwater Control Measure	Nitrogen Removal (lb/yr)	Installation Cost (\$)		\$ per lb N Removed			
. ,					per yr			
3rd/4th St RSC	RSC	190.88	\$	197,800.00	\$	1,036.25		
3rd St RSC	RSC	10.76	\$	33,600.00	\$	3,122.39		
4th/5th St	Bioretention w/ IWS	39.73	\$	178,800.00	\$ 4,500	4,500.38		
Bioretention	Bioleteneion u/ 1116	33.75	Υ		Υ	1,500150		
Inlet Capture Device	Filtera/Silva Cell	3.60	\$	20,500.00	\$	5,694.44		
City Park Wetland	Wetland	5.45	\$	49,020.00	\$	8,989.55		
Reade St. PP	Permeable Pavement	1.22	\$	108,900.00	\$	88,536.59		
	Totals*	251.65	\$	500,620.00				
Cost per Pollutant Removed (\$/lb   Removed/yr) \$				2,339.01				

## Better project than initially submitted!



### **Results of Amendment**

- Equitable distribution of BMPs
  - Total Pollutant removal (~252 lb N/yr)
- Treat both surface runoff and flow through the trunk line (10<sup>th</sup> St. Connector).
- Large-scale Regenerative Stormwater Conveyance (RSC) System
  - Removes large amounts of pollutant (~191 lb N/yr)
  - On-line structure treating 258 acres.
  - Similar to converting 10% of this watershed to a coastal plain forest.



### **Town Creek Culvert**

Fall 2013
2014-2015
November 2015
Winter 2016
Spring 2016
Summer 2016
August 2016
Summer 2018

Analysis and Design
Complete Final Design
Permits/Easements
Advertise for Construction
Review Construction Bids
Award Construction Contract
Complete Construction

We are here



**Item 24**: Presentations by Boards and Commissions:

Historic Preservation Commission



## Historic Preservation Commission

# Annual Report to City Council

August 10, 2015



#### **Historic Preservation Commissioners**

- McLean Godley, Chair
- David Hursh, Vice Chair
- David Dennard
- Alice Arnold
- William Gee

- Brittany Whitney
- Kerry Carlin
- Roger Kammerer
- Ryan Webb
- Jeremy Jordan

Council Liaison: Kandie Smith

City Attorney: Bill Little

Planning Staff: Collette Kinane

Amy Nunez



#### Work Reviewed since November 2014:

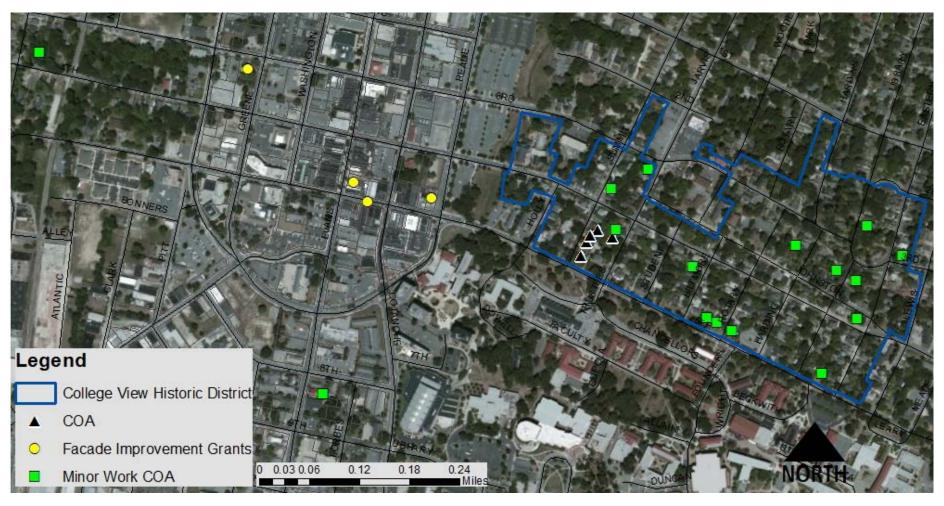
5 Certificates of Appropriateness (withdrawn)

21 Minor Works COAs

4 Façade Improvement Grants



#### Work Reviewed:







#### City of Greenville, North Carolina

Historic District and Local Landmark Design Guidelines

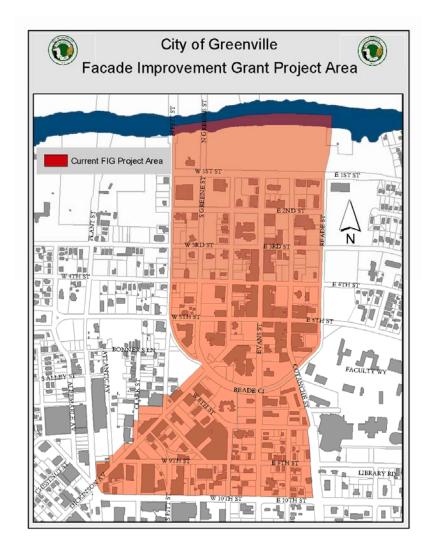


#### **Certificates of Appropriateness**

A COA is necessary when exterior alterations are being made to properties in College View Historic District or Local Landmarks.

Minor Works are repairs or improvements that can be reviewed by staff.





#### **Façade Improvement Grants**

Help preserve and enhance the unique historic character and architectural quality of Greenville's central business district.

Encourage substantial, historically appropriate exterior building renovations.

Matches 50% of eligible cost up to \$5,000 reimbursement per façade.

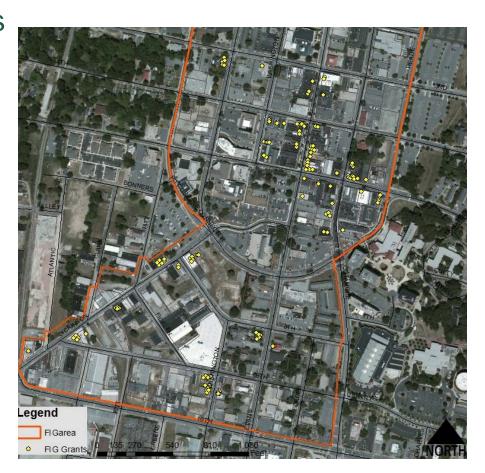


Since 1999, 130 funded grants (3 currently in progress).

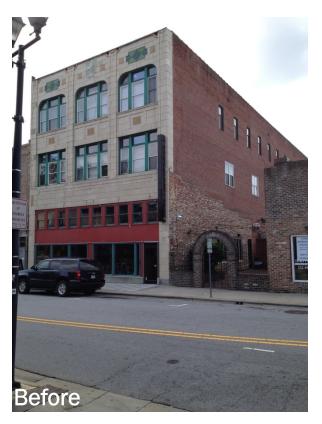
Grants have ranged from \$325 to \$5000.

City has invested \$270,928.20 while property owners have invested \$1,126,882.83

For every \$1 given by City, ~\$4.16 is spent by business owners.









Crossbones Tavern, 114 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street



#### **Educate:**

Workshops – public and region









#### **Educate:**



#DYK the Winterville Machine Works built 12 practice space capsules for NASA's Project Mercury? #tbt https://goo.gl/f0PC49



#### Winterville space capsules

Man overseeing machinery at Winterville Machine works, which is building 12 practice space capsules for NASA's project mercury. April 21, 1961....

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## Opportunities

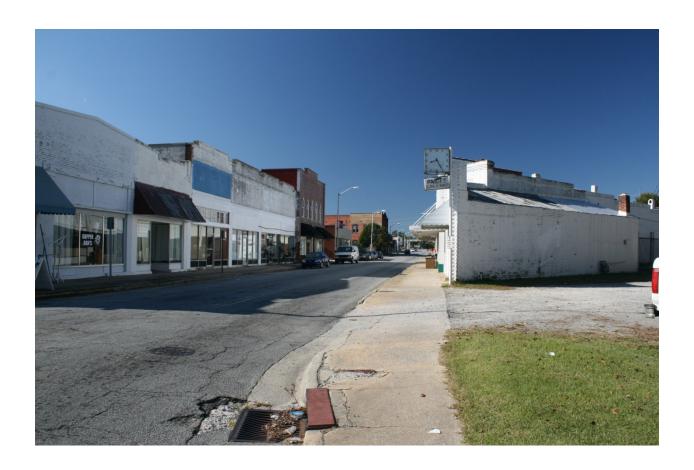


#### **Benefits of Historic Preservation:**

- Increased property value
- Retention of existing building materials
- Creation of local jobs
- Reuse of infrastructure
- Energy savings
- Retention of history and authenticity



## **Economic Development**





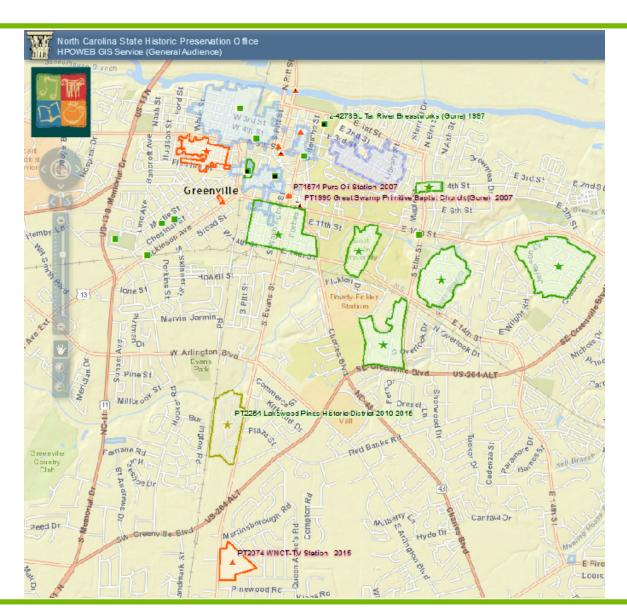
## **Neighborhood Restoration**







## Potential Nominations

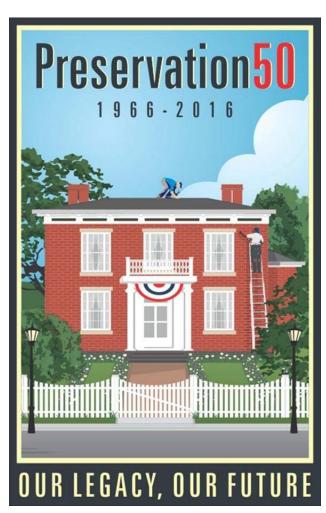




### **Expanding education**









**Item 24**: Presentations by Boards and Commissions:

Recreation and Parks Commission



# Greenville Recreation & Parks Commission

# Annual Report to City Council August 10, 2015



## The GRPD Goal:

Positively Impact our Community's Image, Environment, Economy & the Health & Well-Being of our Citizens





**Sunday in the Park** 





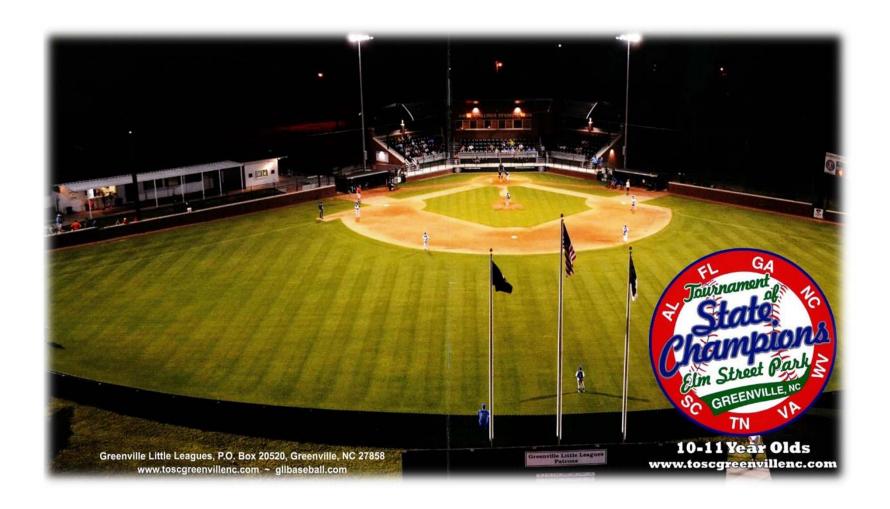
#### **Sunday in the Park Concessionaires**



# Sunday in the Park 2015 Sponsors

News Channel 12
Barbour Hendrick Honda
Pitt County Arts Council
The Greenville Times
East Carolina Veterinary Service
Physicians East
WNCT 107.9 & 1070 WNCT.

















#### **Drew Steele Center**



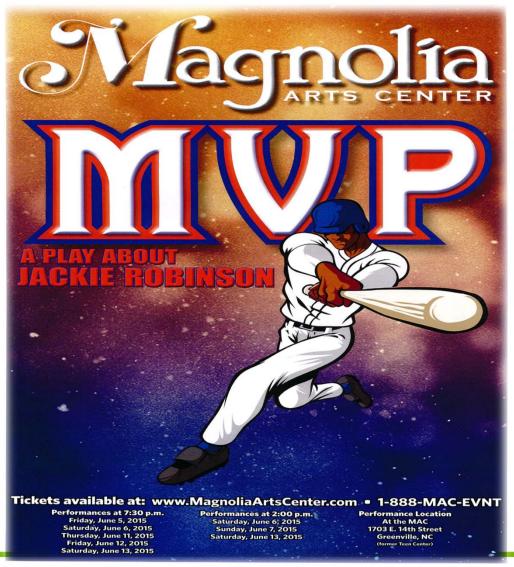
















MVP - The Jackie Robinson Story



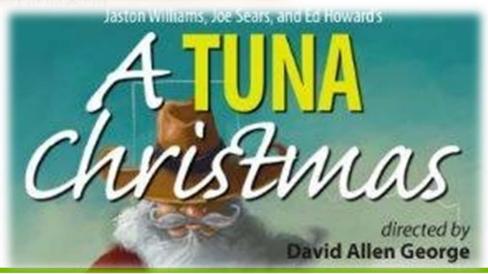


**Check Presentation** 





What's Next?









**Community Garden** 

**Greenfield Terrace Playground Program** 







### Playground Program Greenfield Terrace





**Splashpoint at Dream Park** 







#### **River Park North**













**Kids' River Fest** 



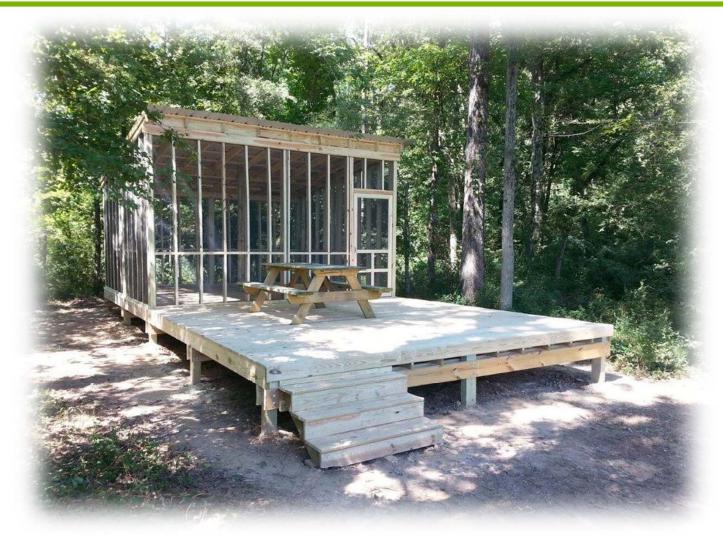






**Kid's RiverFest** 





**Camping Platform** 





**Environmental Symposium, River Park North** 





## Environmental Symposium, River Park North NC Secretary of Natural Resources Vandervart

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#### **Love a Sea Turtle Camp**



You're Invited to Attend
VOLUNTEER
APPRECIATION DAY!

August 6<sup>th</sup>
5:30 PM–8:30 PM
River Park North

RSVP by July 20, 2015 at surveymonkey.com/r/grpdvolunteer For more information, call 252.329.4550 or email Morgan Rickert at mrickert@greenvillenc.gov.

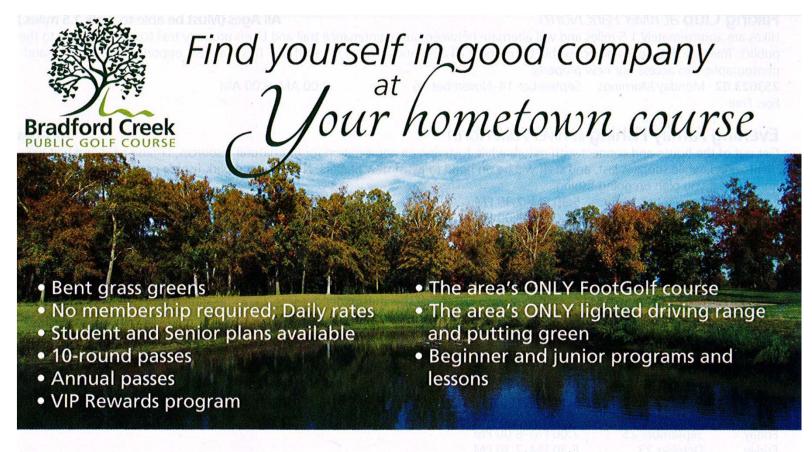






Annual Mud Day - Sept 19, 2015





For information on booking tee times, lessons, or hosting your next event with us, call 252.329.4653 or visit greenvillenc.gov







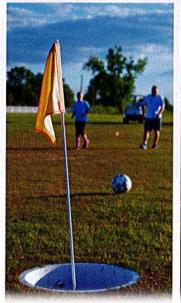














#### **Bradford Creek**

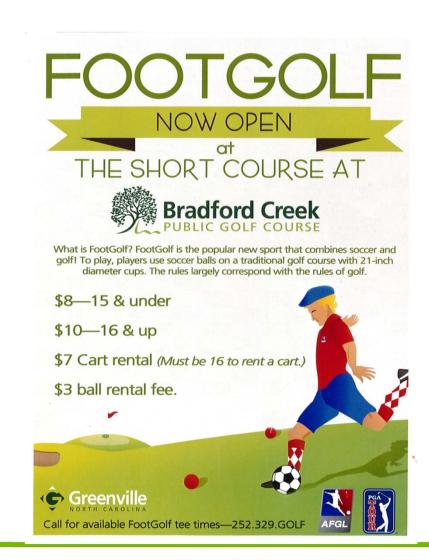






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SPORTSMANSHIPRESPECT
CONFIDENCEPERSEVERANCE
COURTESY









**Youth Golf** 







**Athletics** 







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#### **The Yellow Fins**





#### **End-of-Season Meet**











**CAMPS** 





**Jaycee Jamboree** 



# The Facility Improvement Program









#### Facility Improvement Program





#### **South Greenville**



# South Greenville Recreation Center Renovations







# **Examples Camping Platform, Observation Deck**

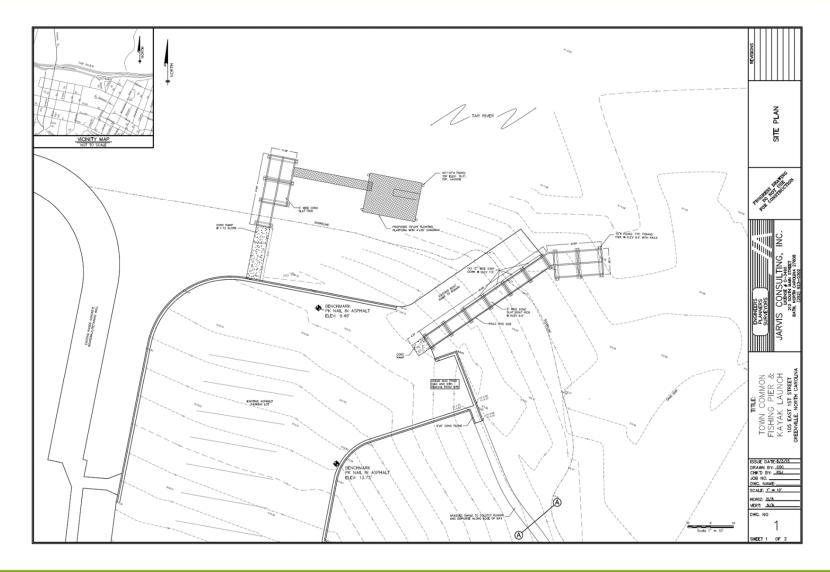
















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#### Doggie Pool Party – Next Saturday











The Arts



# **Item 25**: Presentation on Pitt County Revaluation for 2016

# Pitt County

Revaluation for 2016

### What Is Revaluation?

Revaluation is the process of reappraisal that updates the assessed value of all properties to keep those values consistent with what the properties are worth in the current market.

The goal is for

Assessed Value = Market Value

### Why Is Revaluation Necessary?

- North Carolina law requires a revaluation be completed at least once every eight years. (NCGS 105-286A)
- The effective date of the new revaluation— January 1, 2016—will be four years from Pitt County's last revaluation in 2012.
- Some counties conduct the revaluing process more frequently to lessen the impact on taxpayers and to better maintain equity.

### Why Is Revaluation Necessary?

Revaluation is conducted to ensure all properties are appraised or assessed equitably because over time some properties increase or decrease in value in comparison to others in the county.

## Why Is Revaluation Necessary?

Revaluing ensures that all property owners are paying their fair share of the property tax burden based on the true market value of their property.

### **How Are Market Values Determined?**

The Pitt County Tax Assessor uses various tools to arrive at market value including:

- 3 Comparable Property Sales Files
- 3 Sales Questionnaires
- 3 Multiple Listing Service
- 3 Revenue Stamps
- 3 Cost Books
- 3 Ratio Studies conducted in-house and by the NC Department of Revenue

### Why Appraise At Market Value?

NC law requires appraisal of real and personal property at its true value in money, which is its market value. (NCGS 105-283)

### Why Appraise At Market Value?

- ↑ The law also establishes a uniform assessment standard (NCGS 105-284).
- All property real and personal shall be assessed for taxation at its true value and taxes levied by all counties and municipalities shall be levied uniformly on assessments.

# How Much Will My Property Value Change?

Each property's value will change at various rates depending upon numerous market factors.

Your property appraisal may increase, decrease, or stay the same depending upon the changes that have occurred since the last revaluation.

### Who Conducts The Revaluation?

Tax Administration is conducting the 2016 revaluation. Tax Administration staff have many years of experience in property assessment and are familiar with the local marketplace in Pitt County.

### When Will I Know My New Value?



All real property owners will be mailed a revaluation notice in February.

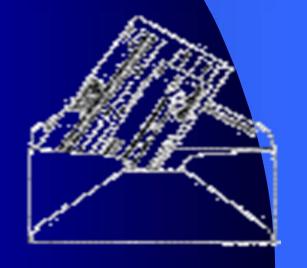
# When Will The Revaluation Become Effective?

The background work for revaluing property began in January of 2014 and will be completed in January of 2016.

The new tax values will be effective on January 1, 2016.

# When Will The Change Show Up On My Tax Bill?

- ↑ Tax bills with the new assessed values will be mailed in July 2016 and become due on September 1, 2016.
- Payment of these bills will become past due on January 6, 2017.



### **How Much Will My Taxes Change?**

There is no way at this time to determine how much your tax bill will be affected by the revaluation.

The tax rate for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 will be determined by the Pitt County Board of Commissioners prior to July 1, 2016 and will be based on the level of services Pitt County provides its citizens and the revenue needed to support those services.

# How Much Will My Taxes Change?

The tax rate necessary will be computed based on the total county property assessment as determined by the revaluation.

Typically as a result of revaluation, the total taxes paid on real property increase due to appreciation. As you are aware, we did not experience a typical revaluation 2012 due to the weak real estate market.

### Components Of Your Tax Bill

There are two components to your tax bill--each set at different times of the year.

Assessed Value......January 01

Tax Rate.....July 01

Assessed Value X Tax Rate = Tax Bill

#### **Tax Rates**

Pitt County's ad valorem tax rate for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 is 68¢ per \$100 valuation.

The tax rate for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 could decrease, increase or stay the same. Again, the rate will be established during the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget process.

# What If I Disagree With The New Assessed Value?

Any property owner has the right to appeal their assessment. Instructions for appeal will be included with your revaluation notice.

### Pitt County's Role

- 4 Inform citizens of revaluation process--communicate, communicate!
  - Newspaper
  - I TV
  - Public Meetings
- 4 Conduct a fair and impartial revaluation of property
- 4 Accept and investigate appeals thoroughly, accurately and timely.

#### Questions

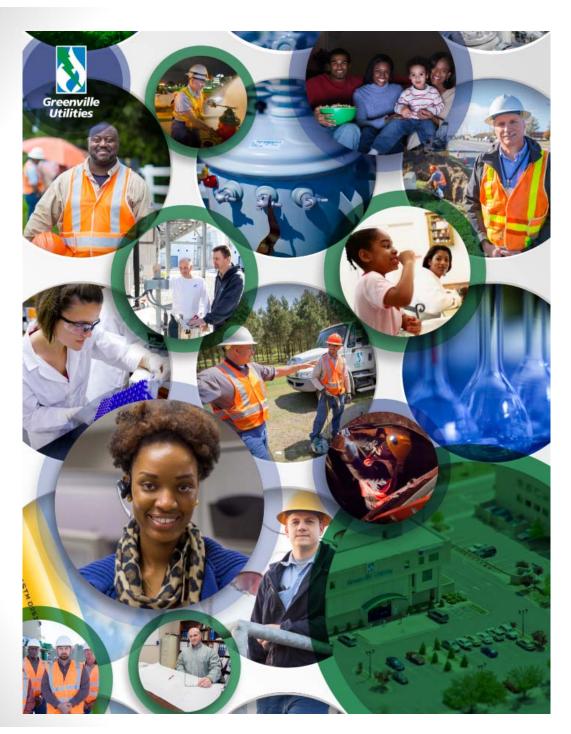
For more information concerning Revaluation 2016,

please contact Pitt County Tax Administration at 252-902-3390

or visit our website at <a href="http://www.pittcountync.gov/depts/taxadmin">http://www.pittcountync.gov/depts/taxadmin</a>



# Item 26: Appeal from Decision of Greenville Utilities Commission as to rates



#### **GUC Long-Term Rate Strategy**

August 10, 2015

#### 110 Years of Service



- Not-for Profit
- Independent agency owned by the citizens of Greenville
- Chartered by N.C. General Assembly

### **Board of Commissioners**



### **Long-Term Strategy**

On June 29, 2015, the Board of
 Commissioners adopted new electric rate
 schedules, effective August 1, 2015, which
 included a 7% retail rate reduction for all
 customer classes.

## **Due Diligence**

First Southwest	Financial Advisor
Black & Veatch	Financial Forecasting & Power Supply Modeling
McCarter & English	Legal Services
GUC General Counsel	Legal Services
Sidley Austin	Bond Counsel

# **Rate Strategy Considerations**

- Asset sale to reduce GUC's 2016 wholesale power costs by approximately 15.8%.
- Wholesale costs are just a portion of the retail rate so the maximum available retail reduction would be 13.5%
- Duke Energy Progress projects average annual wholesale increases of 3.5%, beginning April 2016
- Long-time policy of GUC's leaders to create predictability and stability in rates to avoid rate shock.
- Rate Stabilization Reserve Fund (RSRF)
  - Set aside funding annually to minimize future rate impacts

# Rate Strategy Goals

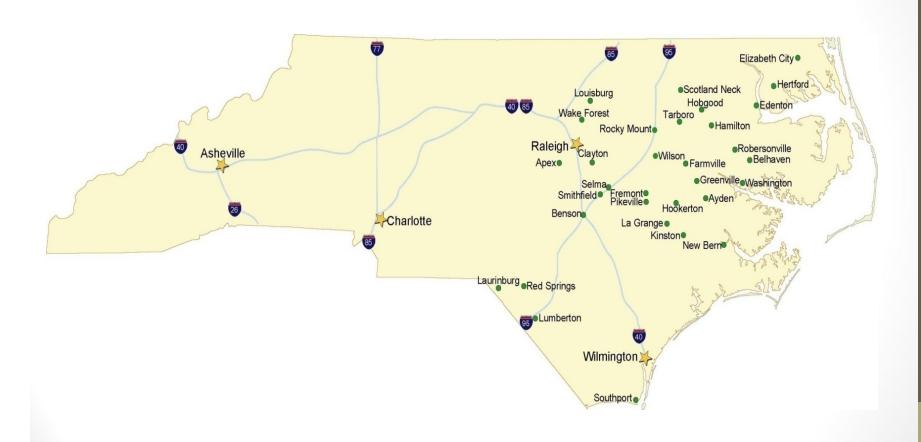
- Stability/predictability
- Lower rates for a longer period
- Market competitive rates
- Minimize future retail increases

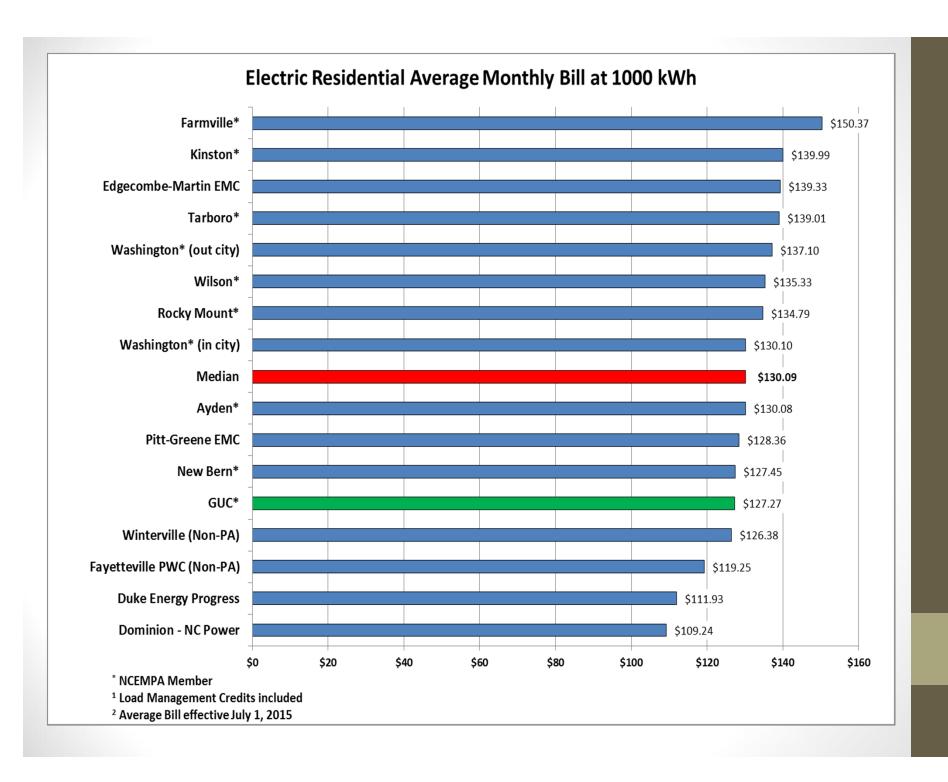
# Rates and Funding Forecast

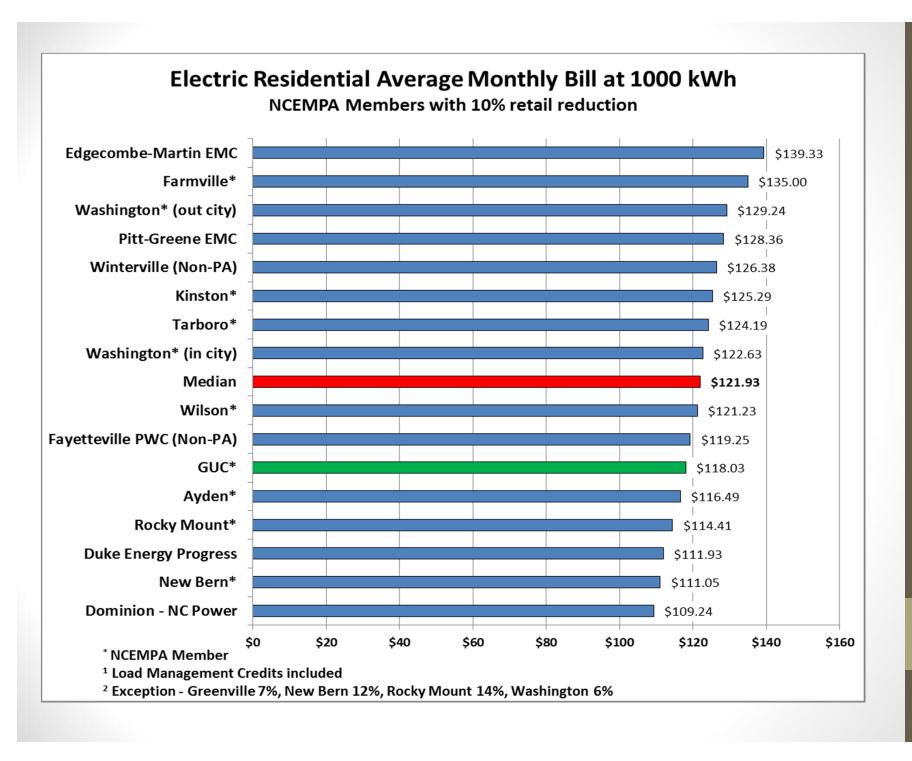
First Rate Increase	Year	Purchased Power Rate Adjustment	GUC Rate Adjustment	Transfer to/(from) RSRF
	FY 2015		0.0%	\$1,500,000
	FY 2016	(15.8)%	(7.0)%	\$13,000,000
	FY 2017	3.2%	0.0%	\$7,000,000
	FY 2018	3.1%	0.0%	-
	FY 2019	2.3%	0.0%	(\$6,000,000)
	FY 2020	1.1%	0.0%	(\$5,500,000)
YR6	FY 2021	3.5%	4.0%	(\$1,500,000)
	FY 2022	4.2%	3.5%	(\$2,000,000)
	FY 2023	2.7%	3.5%	(\$1,500,000)
	FY 2024	6.2%	4.0%	(\$1,000,000)
	FY 2025	4.8%	4.0%	(\$3,000,000)
	FY 2026	(1.4)%	2.5%	\$4,000,000
	FY 2027	3.9%	2.5%	-
	FY 2028	1.9%	2.5%	(\$1,500,000)
	FY 2029	2.3%	2.5%	(\$500,000)
	FY 2030	7.0%	2.5%	(\$3,000,000)

### **Rate Decisions:**

### Unique to Each NCEMPA Member







# **Strategy Benefits**

- Immediate rate relief
- Maintains lower rate for an extended period of time
- Rate stability and predictability
- Keeps GUC rates competitive with other regional providers
- Minimizes future retail rate increases

# **Credit Rating Agencies Update**

Moody's

**Fitch**Ratings

STANDARD &POOR'S from - Aa3 to Aa2
With a stable outlook

from - A+ to AA-With a stable outlook

A⊕
With a stable outlook

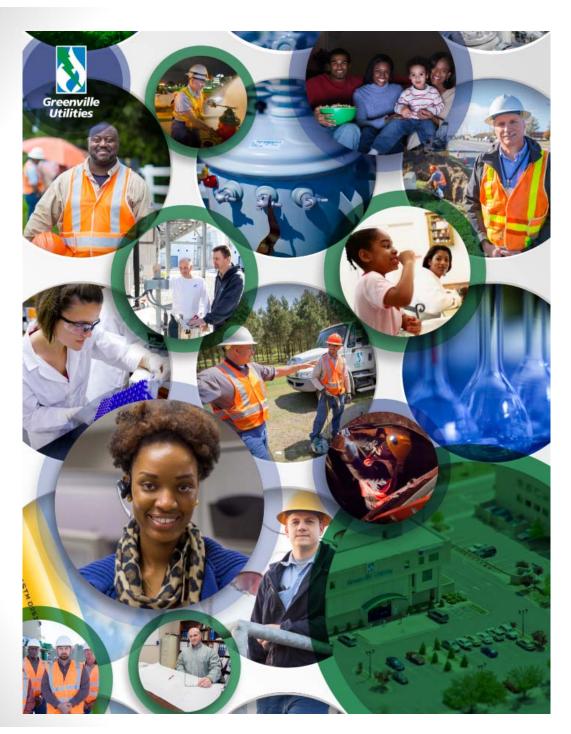
# **Key Drivers of Rating Upgrades**

- Strong financial operations
- Healthy liquidity margins (i.e. strong cash flows)
- Keen focus of management on operating metrics
- Conservative and proactive management
- Timely adoption of rate adjustments
- Stability due to diversified sources of revenues of the combined utility

# **Rating Sensitivities**

GUC's financial forecast takes into account the sale of NCEMPA's assets to DEP and the associated decrease in power costs and GUC's resulting rate decrease. The decreased costs will allow GUC to implement a 7% rate decrease, while also transferring a total of \$20 million to a RSF in 2016 and 2017 and not raising rates until 2021.

CHANGE IN FINANCIAL STRATEGY: While not anticipated, a shift in management strategy to operate at tighter margins could prompt negative rating pressure.



## **GUC Long-Term Rate Strategy**

August 10, 2015



Item 28: Minority and Woman Business Enterprise (MWBE) Program Update



# City of Greenville Minority and Women Business Enterprise (MWBE) Program

"Putting Our Words to Work..."





### What is MWBE?

### Minority and Women Business Enterprise

- Joint Program between the City of Greenville & Greenville Utilities.
- Vehicle to promote our policy to provide minorities and women <u>equal opportunity</u> in selling their products and services to the City and GUC.



# What is MWBE?: Then & Now

### (1989)

NC General Statute 143-128 amended to include provision for MWBE participation on building construction projects. City/GUC adopt interim plan.

### (1991)

City/GUC create M/WBE plan and develop MOA for joint administration. Plan expands GS to include all categories of work. Duties added to existing position.

### (2007)

New full-time position created, MWBE Coordinator. Moves from plan to program.



# What is MWBE?: 5 Major Functions

- Serves as liaison between MWBE firms and buyers. Includes knowledge, access, and resource networks.
- Responsible for compliance with NC General Statutes and City/GUC Policy. Provides guidance and training on MWBE requirements.
- 3. Reports MWBE participation to the State of NC, City Council, Utilities Commission, and other interested bodies.
- 4. Provides business development and technical assistance to MWBE firms.
- Develops and creates strategic alliances to increase the participation and utilization of MWBE.



# What is MWBE?: Targeted Groups

### How do we define Minority?

51% of the business is owned and

(2) The management and daily business operations are controlled by a business owner(s) who is a member of at least one of the groups in subsection (b)

Subsection b

(1) Black, (2) Hispanic, (3) Asian American, (4)American Indian, (5) Female, (6) Disabled, (7) Disadvantaged

\*Must be certified to qualify!



# What is MWBE?: Equal Opportunity

How do we define Equal Opportunity?

The chance for minorities and women to obtain contracts and procurement opportunities at the same <u>rate</u> as their availability.

Rate or percentage is determined by comparing the number of available (ready, able, & willing) MWBE firms to the number of total available firms.



### What is MWBE?: Goals

If the City were to reach its goal in each category of work, the utilization of MWBE firms would **equal** the availability.

	Construction	Services	Supplies & Materials (ASME)
MBE (Minority)	10%	4%	2%
WBE (Woman)	6%	4%	2%



# Why do we have a MWBE Program?

### Value Proposition

- Historically and even into present day, MWBE firms are not utilized in proportion to their availability in the market.
- We value diversity and equal opportunity.
- It's a smart economic decision.
  - Growing firms creates jobs and strengthens overall economic activity.
- It's just good business.
  - When firms compete, tax payers win.



# 2013 and 2014 Participation Results

- Total spend \$25.1M in FY 2013
  - Construction, ↑ASME,
     Services
  - MWBE spend \$3M or 11.9%
  - Overall percentage of minority spend from 2012. 43%
     of the certified MWBE firms doing business were new.

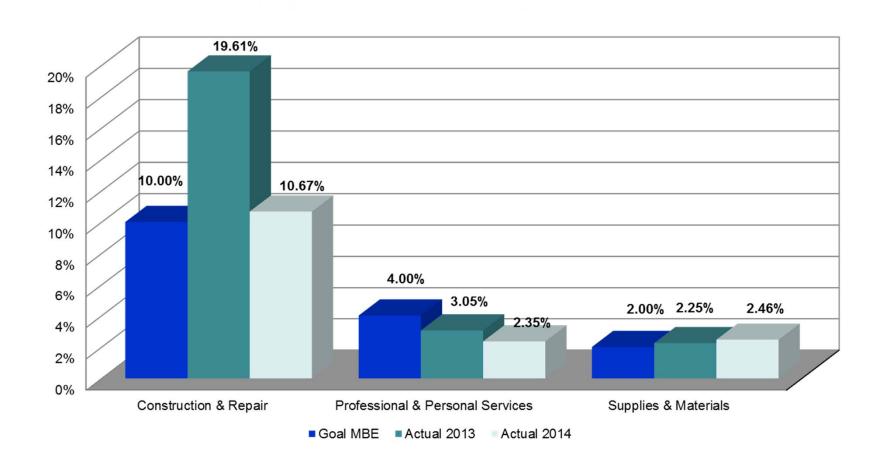


# 2013 and 2014 Participation Results

- Total spend \$23M in FY 2014
  - Considerable in construction, ↑ ASME, ← Services
  - MWBE spend \$2M or 8.7%
  - In overall percentage of minority spend from 2013 likely due to decreased spend in category with greatest # of available MWBE firms (construction)

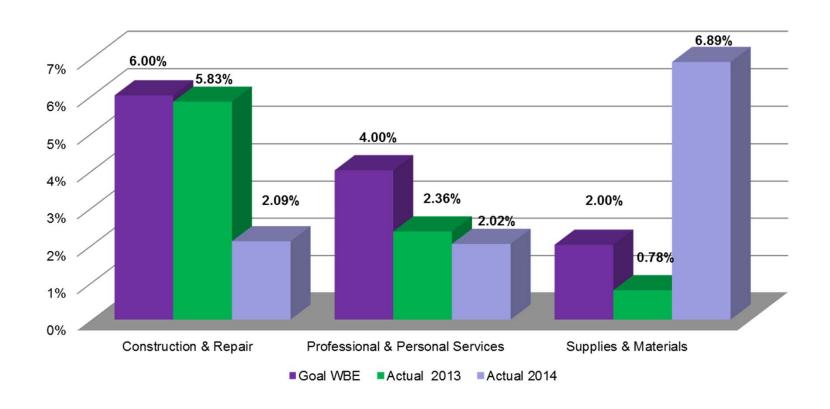


# 2013 and 2014 MBE Goals vs. Actual

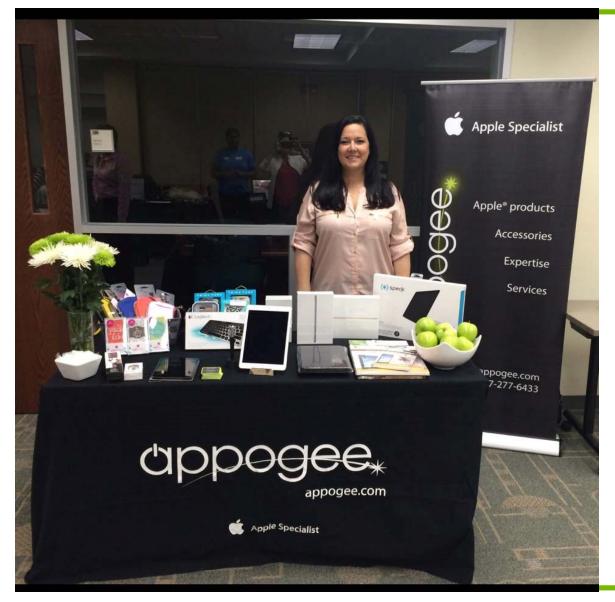




# 2013 and 2014 WBE Goals vs. Actual







# Putting Our Words to Work... Signature Event: Mix-n-Meet

"Thank you,
City of Greenville and
Greenville Utilities
Commission for
having Appogee at the
MWBE Mix-n-Meet!"







# To view full reports and learn more about the MWBE Program, visit mwbe.greenvillenc.gov