

City Council Meeting Packet



January 19, 2016

AGENDA

Norton City Council

January 19, 2016

6:00 P.M.

1. Roll Call
2. Invocation – Rev. Ken Taylor
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Minutes
 1. Meeting of January 5, 2016
5. Audience for Visitors
6. Public Hearings
 - A. Consideration of a Supplemental Appropriation to the Norton City Schools' FY16 Fiscal Budget in the Amount of \$648,098 Which Includes an Audited Surplus of Local Funding from the FY15 Budget in the Amount of \$30,992.
 1. Public Hearing
 2. Comments/Consideration by City Council
7. New Business
 - A. Consideration of a Fee Schedule for Land Use Functions.
 - B. Discussion of the Real Property Reassessment.

- C. A Resolution Supporting the Reciprocity of State to State Recognition of the Ability to Carry Concealed Hand Guns And Virginia's Recognition of the Permits Held in Certain Other States
- D. Confirmation of a Check(s)/Transfer(s) in Excess of \$100,000.
- E. Closed Meeting to Discuss Personnel as Per 2.2-3711 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, as Amended.
1. Nominations to the Board of Equalization for a One (1) Year Term to Expire on 12/31/16.
 2. Appointment to the Norton Redevelopment & Housing Authority for a Four (4) Year Term, Currently Mr. Lynn Livingston, Whose Term Expires on 1/28/2016.

To 1/28/2020
 3. Appointment to the Ninth District Development Financing, Inc. for a Two (2) Year Term, Currently Mrs. Carol Caruso, Whose Term Expires on 1/31/16.

To 1/31/2018
 4. Appointment to the Norton Highway Safety Commission for a Two (2) Year Term, Currently Mr. Bobby Cassell, Whose Term Expires on 1/31/16.

To 1/31/2018
 5. Appointment to the Norton Highway Safety Commission for a Two (2) Year Term, Currently Mr. David Daniels, Whose Term Expires on 1/31/16.

To 1/31/2018

6. Appointment to the Norton Highway Safety Commission for a Two (2) Year Term, Currently Mr. Frank Gravely, Whose Term Expires on 1/31/16.

To 1/31/2018

7. Appointment to the Norton Highway Safety Commission for a Two (2) Year Term, Currently Mr. James Lane, Whose Term Expires on 1/31/16.

To 1/31/2018

8. Appointment to the Southwest Virginia Emergency Medical Service Council for a Three (3) Year Term, Currently Mr. Todd Lagow, Whose Term Expires on 1/31/16.

To 1/31/2019

8. Comments by the City Manager, City Attorney, and City Council.
9. Adjournment.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Norton City Council was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers with Mayor William Mays presiding.

Present: Mark Caruso, Robert Fultz, Jr., William Mays, Joseph Fawbush and Dee Belcher

Also Present: Fred L. Ramey, Jr., City Manager and Bill Bradshaw, City Attorney

The invocation was given by the City Manager Fred Ramey and was followed by the pledge of allegiance led by Police Chief James Lane.

Upon a motion by Councilman Caruso, seconded by Councilwoman Belcher, and passed by the following vote: YES – Caruso, Fultz, Fawbush, Belcher, Mays, NO – None, ABSENT – None, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting as presented.

There was no response to the Mayor's call for visitors.

Mr. Ramey advised that each year City employees are recognized with a service pin when they reach certain milestones in their years of employment. Tonight Council wishes to recognize eleven (11) of the City's employees whose combined service represents over 175 years.

Mayor Mays, on behalf of Council, presented these pins to the nine (9) employees who were present. Those present and receiving service awards were: Steve McElroy 10 years, Jason Boatright 10 years, Bucky Culbertson 10 years, Jeff Rose 10 years, Winfred Collins 10 years, Jeff Shupe 15 years, Carlos Fields 25 years, Mike Lintz 25 years, and Rebecca Coffey 25 years.

Receiving awards but not present were: Danny Hughes 10 years and Marie Muir 25 years.

After the presentation of these awards, applause was given to these employees and a group picture was taken with Council.

Mayor Mays expressed Council's appreciation of the years of service given to the City by these employees.

A public hearing was held on An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Amending Chapter 26.1 (Zoning and Zoning Map) of the Norton City Code.

Mr. Ramey advised Council that the City's Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map have been updated to comply with current state code and that the Planning Commission had held a public hearing and have referred back to Council for public hearing and approval. Also, Mr. Winfred Collins, the City Building Official was present to answer any questions Council may have regarding the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map.

There were no comments from Council prior to the public hearing.

Mayor Mays opened the public hearing.

There being no public comment, Mayor Mays closed the public hearing.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fawbush, seconded by Councilman Fultz and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote: YES – Caruso, Fultz, Fawbush, Belcher, Mays, NO – None, ABSENT – None, Council moved to adopt An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, Amending Chapter 26.1 (Zoning and Zoning Map) of the Norton City Code. Attached to the minutes is a list of the changes made in Chapter 26.1. This ordinance shall become effective after thirty (30) days. (Insert)

A public hearing was held to consider financial encumbrances for the General Operating fund for the year ending June 30, 2015 in the amount of \$372,893.

There were no questions or comments from Council prior to the public hearing. Mayor Mays opened the public hearing.

There being no public comments, Mayor Mays closed the public hearing.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fawbush, seconded by Councilwoman Belcher, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve the list of financial encumbrances as provided in their packets for the General Operating Fund in the amount of \$372,893.

Mr. Ramey advised that the completed FY 2014-2015 audit of the school's budget determined the amount that the school system could carry over from the FY 2015 budget to the FY 2016 budget. Dr. Keith Perrigan, Superintendent of the Norton City schools, was present to request a Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of \$648,098, which includes an audited surplus of local funding from the FY 2015 budget in the amount of \$30,992.

Dr. Perrigan went through the breakdown of the supplemental appropriations with Council for the school's FY 2014-2015 budget. He advised the School Board approved the supplemental appropriation and the audited surplus at their last meeting and is requesting Norton City Council's approval.

Councilman Caruso advised he had gone back and reviewed the school's update from June and he asked Dr. Perrigan if the School Board had a plan for the surplus.

Dr. Perrigan advised he is recommending to the School Board to either replace the floor tile at John I. Burton High School or demolish and rebuild the tennis courts at the high school. Dr. Perrigan also stated the School Board has not yet determined which one of the two projects to select to utilize the surplus funds.

After a lengthy discussion and upon a motion by Councilman Fawbush, seconded by Councilwoman Belcher, and passed by unanimous vote, Council authorized the City Manager to advertise a public hearing to amend Norton City School's current budget in the amount of \$648,098, which includes an audited surplus of local funding from the FY15 Budget in the amount of \$30,992.

In their packets, Council had one check to be confirmed. The check was to the Norton Industrial Development Authority in the amount of \$122,004.25 to cover the Powell Valley National Bank loan payment

Upon a motion by Councilman Fawbush, seconded by Councilman Fultz and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to confirm the one check to the Norton Industrial Development Authority as stated above.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fawbush, seconded by Councilman Caruso, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to go into closed meeting to discuss personnel as per Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

Mayor Mays declared Council in closed meeting.

The City Attorney left at this time.

Upon a motion by Councilman Caruso, seconded by Councilman Fultz, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into open meeting.

Mayor Mays declared Council back in open meeting.

The Clerk polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Closed Meeting with each answering yes. The Clerk then read a Resolution of the Certification of Closed Meeting.

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Councilman Fawbush nominated Mark Caruso and Todd Lagow.

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In comments from the City Manager, Mr. Ramey advised that:

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He advised that the City's 911 Center can now offer citizens the opportunity to Text to 911. A press release has been prepared and Police Chief James Lane was present to explain the new 911 service to Council.

Chief Lane outlined the new Text to 911 service and fielded questions from Council.

Mr. Ramey advised Council a new Flag Rock brochure had been placed at Council's desk.

He advised the Water Treatment Plant had received the 2014 Fluoridation Award.

The January holiday schedule had been placed at Council's desk.

A work session for City Council is scheduled for Saturday, January 9, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

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In comments from Council:

Councilman Caruso asked Mr. Ramey to share with Council a letter VCEDA had received from Buchanan County and the NIDA's response to Buchanan County's request to VCEDA.

Mr. Ramey advised Council Buchanan County had submitted a request to the VCEDA Board for a \$21 million dollar loan to purchase the assets of the Appalachian School of Law. This request would use all available VCEDA monies and it would take 30 years to fund this project. The VCEDA director contacted each of the IDA's asking for their position on the Buchanan County request. Each of the seven counties and the NIDA responded with either a letter of concern or opposition. VCEDA then scheduled a meeting in January to allow Buchanan County to amend their request.

Mr. Caruso advised he would like for Council to discuss an ATV ordinance.

He advised the governor had enacted the revocation of recognition of concealed carry permits issued by other states and he would like for the City to adopt a resolution naming the City of Norton as a "Concealed Carry Weapon" (CCW) sanctuary. This resolution would recognize all previously approved CCW states. The resolution would allow the Norton Police Department to operate similar to the "don't ask don't tell" order.

He thinks for the work session Saturday Council needs a vision for the future and concrete ideas. The City needs to go beyond recovery to growth.

Councilman Fultz advised it was his first meeting as an elected Councilman.

He asked if the City had received a stocking date for the reservoir.

Mr. Ramey advised the stocking will be done some time in January.

Councilman Fultz asked for an update on the pool house.

Mr. Ramey advised that Old Dominion Power will pull the three phase power on Thursday. Once the power is moved the fence can be removed. Then a portion of the building will be removed, at which, City Administration is currently exploring this segment of the project.

Councilman Fultz advised he is pleased that DoughMakers Pizza is investing in the City again with the recent purchase of Fishtales.

Councilwoman Belcher had no comments.

Councilman Fawbush stated for the upcoming budget he thinks Council needs to review each line item in the school's budget and be very cautious with school appropriations over the next six months.

He stated Flag Rock is still very busy and he thanked Mr. Ramey and Parks & Recreation for leaving the park open.

He advised two plaques will be ready in February to place on the Woodbooger statue. The Committee is meeting to begin work on October's Woodbooger event.

At this time, Councilman Caruso asked for an update on the downtown banner project.

Mr. Ramey advised that two payments had been received.

Councilman Caruso asked if anyone else was attending the Legislative Reception in Richmond later this month.

Mr. Ramey advised he and Councilman Fawbush will be attending the Legislative Reception in Richmond.

Mayor Mays thanked everyone for their attendance.

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA

William Mays, Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council



January 5, 2016

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the Municipal Council Chambers located at 618 Virginia Avenue, N.W., Norton, Virginia. The purpose of the hearing is to solicit input on Consideration of Supplemental Appropriations to the Norton City Schools' FY16 Fiscal Budget in the Amount of \$648,098 Which Includes an Audited Surplus of Local Funding from the FY15 Budget in the Amount of \$30,992. A Breakdown of the Appropriations is Available for Inspection Monday through Friday between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in the City Manager's Office or available at www.nortonva.gov. All Attendance and Comments at the Meeting are Encouraged and Welcome.

Fred L. Ramey, Jr.

City Manager

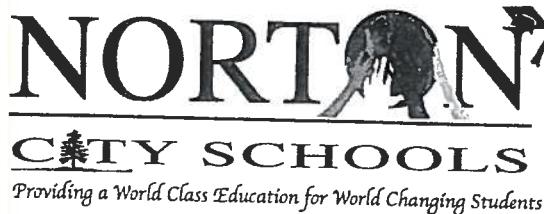
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TO THE COALFIELD:

Please run in the Friday, January 8th and Friday, January 15th editions of the Coalfield Progress.

SCHOOL BOARD

Sherry Adams, Chairperson
Mark Leonard, Vice-Chairperson
Carol Caruso
April Fletcher
Joseph Stallard



DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT

Keith Perrigan, Ed.D.
kperrigan@nortoncityschools.org
Phone 276.679.2330
Fax 276.679.4315

December 15, 2015

Mr. Fred L. Ramey, Jr.
City Manager
618 Virginia Ave., NW
Norton, VA 24273

Re: 2015-2016 Supplemental Appropriation Request

Mr. Ramey:

The Norton City School Board requests a supplemental appropriation in the following amounts:

Fund 001-General Operating Fund	
2014-2015 audited surplus -	\$153,992
(\$30,992 in local revenue and \$123,000 state revenue, with \$37,131 in encumbrances)	
State funding of Security Grant	\$76,025
Additional Erate funding	\$91,960
Region 7 Consortium payments	\$81,500
Additional Title I funding	\$55,414
Math and Science Grant	\$19,505
Total supplemental appropriation request General Operating Fund (\$30,992 in local funding)	\$478,396
Fund 006 - Textbook Fund	
Ending Balance, June 30, 2015	\$26,518
Total supplemental appropriation request Textbook Fund	\$26,518
Fund 008 - Retiree Health Fund	
Ending Balance, June 30, 2015	\$83,124
Retiree payments	\$60,060
Total supplemental appropriation request Retiree Health Fund	\$143,184
Total supplemental appropriation request all funds	\$648,098

Please contact me if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Keith Perrigan, Ed.D.
Superintendent

Fee Schedule for Land Use Functions

Administrative Appeal, Variance, Special Exception, Interpretation of district boundaries-Board of Zoning Appeals Functions. - \$100

Sign Appeal-Planning Commission Function-\$30

Zoning ordinance amendment or conditional Zoning-Planning Commission and Council Functions-\$300, Zoning Map Amendment add \$100 fee for posting signs on property.

Subdivision Plat Submittal-Planning Commission-\$500

City of Norton Planning Commission Application Package

This application is for:

- An appeal from the building inspector's decision regarding a sign permit application. Section 21-11 Norton City Code. Fill out information below and proceed to page # 2
- Use permissible on appeal-Report to Board on Zoning Appeals. Section 26.1-61(c) (3) b. Fill out the information below and skip to pages #3 and 4.
- Zoning ordinance amendment-Report to Council-Requires two public hearings. 26.1-52(2)(3)(4). Fill out the information below and skip to page #5, 6, and 7 as applicable.
- Conditional Zoning-Report to Council-Requires a public hearing and proffer statement. 26.1-73. Fill out the information below and skip to pages #5,6,8.
- Floodway development-Conditional Use Permit. 26.1-31-8 Fill Out Page #1
- Subdivision Plat-5-3 and 5-6 in appendix of zoning regulations. Fill out Page #1

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone(____) _____ Fax# (____) _____ E-mail _____

Owner of Record: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone(____) _____ Fax# (____) _____ E-mail _____

Applicant(Who is the contact person representing): _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone(____) _____ Fax# (____) _____ E-mail _____

Sign Appeal

Attach sign application along with sketch of proposed sign(s)

Select the type of sign for which this request is made:

- Freestanding Sign
- Wall Sign
- Projecting Sign
- Directional Sign
- Directory Sign
- Church Sign
- Outdoor Advertising Sign
- Temporary Development Sign
- Marquee
- Multi-family dwelling sign
- Subdivision, neighborhood or community sign
- Prohibited

This appeal relates to the: ___size ___height ___location ___number ___message content
height _____other.

Planning Commission Decision: ___Approved ___Denied.

_____ Date
Planning Commission Chairman

If this appeal has been denied, you have the right to request a hearing before the City Council within 30 days of this decision. Do you wish to appeal the decision of the planning commission? ___Yes ___No

Please sign, date, and mail back to the City of Norton, P.O. Box 618 Norton, VA 24273.

Signature	Date
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Fee Amount: \$30	Date Paid: _____

Use Permissible on Appeal

Please select the appropriate use permissible on appeal:

Floodway Zone

R-A

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Convalescent Homes | <input type="checkbox"/> General Purpose Farms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Philanthropic Uses | <input type="checkbox"/> Federal or state or municipal uses |

R-B

- Permissible use in R-A zone
- Group Housing projects and larger apartment houses
- Manufactured home park

B-1

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Laundries and dry cleaning | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrialized office building |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manufactured Mobile Home Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrialized office building for temporary use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Similar retail business | |

B-2

- Manufacturing incidental to a retail business

B-3

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industrialized office building | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrialized office building for temporary use |
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M-1

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Industrialized office building | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrialized office building for temporary use |
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M-2

- Manufacture or refining of ammonia; bleaching powder; chlorine; cement; gypsum; lime; plaster of paris; coke; creosote; dextrin; glucose; starch; dye; explosives and fireworks; fertilizer; fuel gas or illuminating gas in excess of one thousand (1,000) cubic feet per day except in a municipal or public service plant; gelatin, glue or size from fish or animal refuse or offal; hair; hydrochloric; nitric, picric, sulfuric and sulphurous acid; lampblack, linoleum or oil cloth; matches, pyroxylin or articles thereof; rubber or treatment thereof involving offensive odor, tar, turpentine or varnish.
- Storage of explosives and fireworks in excess of five hundred (500) pounds, storage of fuel gas or illuminating gas in excess of ten thousand (10,000) cubic feet except in a municipal or public service plant, and the storage of pyroxylin or articles thereof in excess of five hundred (500) pounds (all such storage must comply with the NFPA Life Safety Code, as amended)
- Blast furnaces
- Distillation of bones, coal, wood or tar or manufacture of any of their products
- Drop forges
- Fat, grease, lard or tallow manufacturing, refining or rendering
- Incineration, reduction of dumpings of dead animals, garbage, offal or refuse, except by the city or the agents of the city or when accumulated and consumed on the same premises without the emission of odor
- Slaughtering or eviscerating plants or stockyards
- Tanning, curing or storage of raw hides or skins
- Any other use detrimental to a neighborhood because of odor, smoke, dust, fumes, fire, vibration or hazardous because of danger of fire or explosion.

Attach minutes of planning commission meeting to be forwarded to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Comments: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Fee Amount: \$100	Date Paid: _____

Zoning Map Amendment Conditional Zoning Request

Proposal: Rezone _____ Acres from _____ Zoning to _____ Zoning

Conditionally rezone _____ Acres from _____ Zoning to _____ Zoning
(Complete and attach proffer form located on page 7 to this application)

Existing Comprehensive Plan Land Use _____

Location: _____

Tax Map Parcel(s): _____

Section 15.2-2284 of the Code of Virginia states that, "Zoning ordinances and districts shall be drawn and applied with reasonable consideration for the existing use and character of property, the comprehensive plan, the suitability of property for various uses, the trends of growth or change, the current and future studies and other studies, the transportation requirements of the community, the requirements for airports, resources, the preservation of floodplains, the preservation of agricultural and forestal land, the conservation of properties and their value and the encouragement of the most appropriate use of land throughout the locality."

What is the Comprehensive Plan designation for this property? _____

What public need or benefit does this rezoning serve? _____

Are public water, sewer, and roads available to serve this site? Will there be any impact on the facilities?

Describe your request in detail, including why you are requesting this particular zoning district.

Attachments required:

1. Recorded plat or boundary survey of the property requested for rezoning. If there is no recorded plat or boundary survey, please provide legal description of the property and the Deed Book and page number or Plat Book and page number.
2. Ownership information-If ownership of the property is in the name of any type of legal entity or organization including, but not limited to, the of a corporation, partnership or association, or in the name of a trust, or in a fictitious name, a document acceptable to the City must be submitted certifying that the person signing below has the authority to do so.

If the applicant is a contract purchaser, a document acceptable to the City must be submitted containing the owner's written consent to the application.

If the applicant is the agent of the owner, a document acceptable to the City must be submitted that is evidence of the existence and scope of the agency.

Owner/Applicant Must Read and Sign

I hereby certify that I own the subject property, or have the legal power to act on behalf of the owner in filing this application. I also certify that the information provided on this application and accompanying information is accurate, true, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Owner, Contract Purchaser

Date

Print Name

Daytime phone number of Signatory

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Fee Amount: \$400	Date Paid: _____

ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT

Section of the proposed amendment _____

Please write the existing text that you would like to have amended: _____

Please write the language that you are proposing to replace the existing text: _____

Please state the reason for the proposed amendment: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Fee Amount: \$300	Date Paid: _____

Original Proffer____

Amended Proffer____

Amendment #____

PROFFER FORM

Date: _____

Tax Map and Parcel Number(s)_____

_____Acres to be rezoned from_____to_____

Pursuant to Section 26.1-73 of the Norton City Code, the owner, or their duly authorized agent, hereby voluntarily proffers the conditions listed below which shall be applied to the property, if rezoned. These conditions are proffered as a part of the requested rezoning and it is agreed that: (1) the rezoning itself gives rise to the need for the conditions; and (2) such conditions have a reasonable relation to the rezoning request.

Signature of All Owners

Printed Names of All Owners

Date

OR

Signature of Attorney-in -Fact

Printed Name of Attorney-in-Fact

Date



Inter-Office Memo

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Fred L. Ramey, Jr., City Manager *FR*
CC:
Date: January 14, 2016
Re: Real Property Reassessment

Based on the recent reassessment, it appears that the City's taxable real property values increased by more than 1%. Virginia Code Section 58.1-3321 details the procedure City Council must go through anytime a reassessment of real property results in an increase of more than 1%.

In order to maintain a real estate tax rate of \$0.90 per \$100 that was approved by Council earlier this year, the City must advertise a public hearing to initiate a tax rate.

Attached please find the computation of the 2016 Reassessment for the City, a copy of the advertisement used in 2012, and a copy of Virginia Code Section 58.1-3321 for your review.

Thank You.



Judy K. Miller
 Commissioner Of The Revenue
 City of Norton

P.O. Box 347
 Norton, Virginia 24273-0347

Phone (276) 679-0031
 Fax (276) 679-3510

COMPUTATION OF % INCREASE IN 2016 REASSESSMENT

2016 Real Property Reassessment

(A) Total Assessed Value of Real Property	\$231,950,000
(Minus New Construction)	- 874,584
	\$231,075,416

(B) Previous Year Assessed Value of Real Property	(\$218,739,172)
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Difference of:	12,336,244
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Calculation of Percentage of Increase: 12,336,244 divided by 218,739,172 = 5.64%

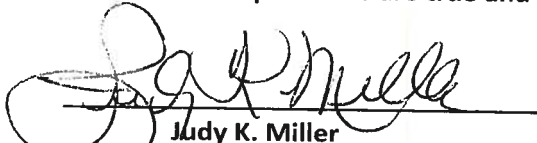
LOWERED TAX RATE:

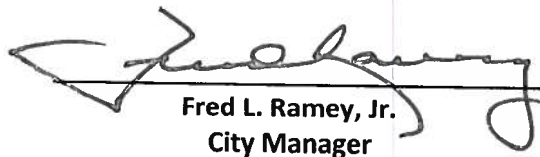
Total Assessed Value in A above X the tax rate that would levy the estimated same amount of Real Estate Tax as last year (2015)

Formula: $\frac{2015 \text{ Tax Levy} \times 101}{2016 \text{ Assessment}}$

$\frac{218,739,172 \times .80/100 \times 101}{231,075,416} = \0.764 (New Real Property Tax Rate as of 1/1/16)

The above computations are true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.


 Judy K. Miller
 Commissioner of the Revenue


 Fred L. Ramey, Jr.
 City Manager

Notice of Proposed Real Property Tax Increase

The City of Norton proposes to increase property tax levies.

1. **Assessment Increase:** Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of real property by 6.35 percent.
2. **Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment:** The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be \$.75 per \$100 of assessed value. The rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate".
3. **Effective Rate Increase:** The City of Norton proposes to adopt a tax rate of \$.80 per \$100 of assessed value. The difference between the lowered tax rate and the proposed rate would be \$.05 per \$100, or 6.67 percent. This difference shall be known as the "effective tax rate increase." Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.
4. **Proposed Total Budget Increase:** Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of the City of Norton will exceed last year's by 1.45 percent.

A public hearing on the increase will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the Municipal Council Chambers located at 618 Virginia Avenue N.W., Norton, Virginia. All public attendance and comments at the meeting are encouraged and welcome.

Code of Virginia
Title 58.1. Taxation
Chapter 32. Real Property Tax

§ 58.1-3321. Effect on rate when assessment results in tax increase; public hearings.

Bills amending this Section

A. When any annual assessment, biennial assessment or general reassessment of real property by a county, city or town would result in an increase of 1 percent or more in the total real property tax levied, such county, city, or town shall reduce its rate of levy for the forthcoming tax year so as to cause such rate of levy to produce no more than 101 percent of the previous year's real property tax levies, unless subsection B of this section is complied with, which rate shall be determined by multiplying the previous year's total real property tax levies by 101 percent and dividing the product by the forthcoming tax year's total real property assessed value. An additional assessment or reassessment due to the construction of new or other improvements, including those improvements and changes set forth in § 58.1-3285, to the property shall not be an annual assessment or general reassessment within the meaning of this section, nor shall the assessed value of such improvements be included in calculating the new tax levy for purposes of this section. Special levies shall not be included in any calculations provided for under this section.

B. The governing body of a county, city, or town may, after conducting a public hearing, which shall not be held at the same time as the annual budget hearing, increase the rate above the reduced rate required in subsection A above if any such increase is deemed to be necessary by such governing body.

Notice of the public hearing shall be given at least 30 days before the date of such hearing by the publication of a notice in (i) at least one newspaper of general circulation in such county or city and (ii) a prominent public location at which notices are regularly posted in the building where the governing body of the county, city, or town regularly conducts its business, except that such notice shall be given at least 14 days before the date of such hearing in any year in which neither a general appropriation act nor amendments to a general appropriation act providing appropriations for the immediately following fiscal year have been enacted by April 30 of such year. Any such notice shall be at least the size of one-eighth page of a standard size or a tabloid size newspaper, and the headline in the advertisement shall be in a type no smaller than 18-point. The notice described in clause (i) shall not be placed in that portion, if any, of the newspaper reserved for legal notices and classified advertisements. The notice described in clauses (i) and (ii) shall be in the following form and contain the following information, in addition to such other information as the local governing body may elect to include:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The (name of the county, city or town) proposes to increase property tax levies.

1. Assessment Increase: Total assessed value of real property, excluding additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to property, exceeds last year's total assessed value of real property by _____ percent.

2. Lowered Rate Necessary to Offset Increased Assessment: The tax rate which would levy the same amount of real estate tax as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of real estate with the exclusions mentioned above, would be \$_____ per \$100 of assessed value. This rate will be known as the "lowered tax rate."

3. Effective Rate Increase: The (name of the county, city or town) proposes to adopt a tax rate of \$_____ per \$100 of assessed value. The difference between the lowered tax rate and the proposed rate would be \$_____ per \$100, or _____ percent. This difference will be known as the "effective tax rate increase."

Individual property taxes may, however, increase at a percentage greater than or less than the above percentage.

4. Proposed Total Budget Increase: Based on the proposed real property tax rate and changes in other revenues, the total budget of (name of county, city or town) will exceed last year's by _____ percent.

A public hearing on the increase will be held on (date and time) at (meeting place).

C. All hearings shall be open to the public. The governing body shall permit persons desiring to be heard an opportunity to present oral testimony within such reasonable time limits as shall be determined by the governing body.

D. The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to the assessment of public service corporation property by the State Corporation Commission.

E. Notwithstanding other provisions of general or special law, the tax rate for taxes due on or before June 30 of each year, may be fixed on or before April 15 of that tax year.

Code 1950, § 58-785.1; 1975, c. 622; 1979, c. 473; 1980, c. 396; 1981, c. 212; 1984, c. 675; 1990, c. 579; 2007, c. 948; 2009, cc. 30, 511.

**A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia
Supporting the Reciprocity of State to State
Recognition of the Ability to Carry Concealed Hand Guns
And Virginia's Recognition of the Permits Held in Certain Other States**

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of Virginia has directed that hand-carry concealed gun permits from other states will not be recognized in the State of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, such a directive might be considered as non-effect in some counties of the State of Virginia such as central and eastern counties whose boundaries are not continuous to counties within another state; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norton boundaries are near to counties of the State of Kentucky, West Virginia, Tennessee and North Carolina, that the possibility of citizens from Virginia and their states traveling to each other's borders are great; and

WHEREAS, this City of Norton feels that these citizens will be adversely affected by such a resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Norton City Council requests the restoration of the Reciprocity of State to State Recognition of the Ability to Carry Concealed Hand Guns And Virginia's Recognition of the Permits Held in Certain Other States.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the Norton City Council wishes that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Southwest Virginia Legislative Delegates, the Honorable Governor of the State of Virginia and the Honorable Attorney General of the State of Virginia.

ADOPTED this 19th day of January 2016.

ATTEST:

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA

Clerk


William J, Mays, Mayor

SCHOOL BOARD

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Mark Leonard, Vice-Chairperson
Carol Caruso
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Joseph Stallard

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TO: Jeff Shupe, Director of Finance
FROM: Tamrya Spradlin, Supervisor of Finance 
SUBJECT: Request For Funds
DATE: December 14, 2015

The Norton City Schools requests a deposit of City Funds in the amount of \$300,000.00 to cover accounts payable and payroll expenditures.

Thank you!


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TO: Jeff Shupe, Director of Finance
FROM: Tamrya Spradlin, Supervisor of Finance 
SUBJECT: Request For Funds
DATE: September 28, 2015

The Norton City Schools request a deposit of City Funds in the amount of \$300,000.00 to cover payroll expenditures.

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