

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TEMPORARILY
SUSPEND THE ASSESSMENT OF LATE FEES ON DELINQUENT CITY
SERVICES STATEMENTS AS THE RESULT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, Section 29-54.(15) of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances authorizes the late payment charges;

WHEREAS, Guilford County declared a State of Emergency in response to COVID-19 on Friday, March 13, 2020;

WHEREAS, beginning March 16, 2020, the City temporarily suspended water shutoffs for non-payment to ensure that residents were able to continue to practice good hygiene, which is critical to slow the spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, the City Manager received a letter from NC Attorney General Josh Stein encouraging all NC utilities to suspend shutoffs and late fees;

WHEREAS, the City Manager requests authorization to temporarily suspend the assessment of late fees on Delinquent City Services Statements as the Result of the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the City Manager is granted the authority to suspend the assessment of late fees on delinquent water accounts through the period he deems necessary to minimize the financial burden on residents as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.