



## Legislation Text

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Ordinance Amending Section 21-8 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances with Respect to Personnel

Department: Legal  
Meeting Date:  
Public Hearing: No  
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**PURPOSE:**

To amend Sec. 21-8 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances to enable city officers, agents or employees to become a candidate for nomination, election, or appointment to political office in areas other than the City of Greensboro or Guilford County.

**BACKGROUND:**

The proposed amendments to Sec. 21-8 are the result of Council's deliberations concerning the rights and possible conflicts surrounding the issue of an employee who runs for political office. The amendment that is currently proposed differs from previous versions in that it states the purpose of this ordinance, which is to recognize the benefits of having citizens fulfill their civic duty as members of neighboring communities while balancing the concern that employees of the City of Greensboro are civil servants who are meant to be impartial as they serve the public in their daily duties.

Specifically, the amendment would permit officers, agents, or employees of the City to become a candidate for nomination, election, or appointment to political office in areas other than the City of Greensboro or local governments in Guilford County.

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is recommended that City Council consider amending Sec. 21-8 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances to enable city officers, agents or employees to become a candidate for nomination, election, or appointment to political office in areas other than the City of Greensboro or Guilford County.