

RESOLUTION # 2024-14
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION TO EPA FOR
CLEAN UP GRANT

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides various funding opportunities to clean up Brownfield sites; and

WHEREAS, the Jenkins Wholesale/Old Smoot Tannery site has been identified as a brownfield; and

WHEREAS, the Town has been working with North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) to assess and determine contaminants on the Jenkins Wholesale/Old Smoot Tannery site located off Maple Street and Vance Street through their statewide administration of the Multipurpose, Assessment, RLF, and Cleanup Grant (MARC) Grant through EPA; and

WHEREAS, to date, NCDEQ has assisted the Town through a Phase I ESA, Phase II ESA (with attendant waste profiling and disposal, etc.), Engineering Evaluation of the Smokestack, updates to our Phase I ESA including methane sampling totaling close to \$100,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Town is being assisted by Hometown Strong in writing an EPA Clean Up Grant to clean up the site; and

WHEREAS, the Town will need to own the property to be eligible for the grant application; and

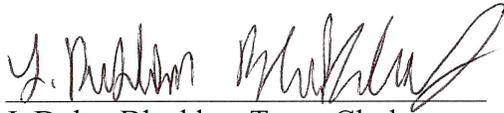
WHEREAS, if the Town was successful in winning the grant the match would not be required this year due to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, cost sharing and matching funds are not required under this competition; and

WHEREAS, the Town will be asking the Board of Commissioners to grant application to the EPA's Clean Up Grant for \$1,357,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of North Wilkesboro that:

Town Staff are hereby directed to apply to the Environmental Protection Agency Cleanup Grant for up to \$1,357,000 for the purposes of cleaning up the Jenkins Wholesale/Old Smoot Tannery site.

Adopted this 1st day of October 2024.



J. Dylan Blankley, Town Clerk



Marc R. Hauser, Mayor