

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: March 17, 2021

SUBJECT: North Carolina Cities Initiative Program – EAC Request

PRESENTER: Andrew Myers, EAC Chairman
Grady Nance, EAC Vice-Chair

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1. EAC Cover Letter

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

On December 1st, 2020, the Environmental Advisory Committee voted to recommend to the Board that Henderson County staff participate in the North Carolina Cities Initiative program. This Environmental Defense Fund hosted program is a collaboration between two dozen North Carolina counties, cities and councils of government that is working to reduce carbon emissions and address systemic barriers to greenhouse gas (“GHG”) reductions in North Carolina. There is no cost to join except providing a staff member to actively participate in the roundtables and travel expenses if the in-person meetings resume.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested hear the presentation, and direct Staff accordingly.

Suggested Motion:

No motion suggested.

HENDERSON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE



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January 4th, 2021

Henderson County Board of Commissioners
1 Historic Courthouse Square, Suite 6
Hendersonville, NC 28792

RE: Recommendation to participate in the Cities Initiative

Dear Henderson County Board of Commissioners:

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We believe the County should participate because it is in the best interests of the residents of Henderson County, North Carolina and the United States to reduce the impact of future climate warming by minimizing GHG contributions. As a member of the North Carolina Cities Initiative program, Henderson County will learn how it can better affect the minimization of GHG emissions within the county.

Respectfully submitted by,

The Henderson County Environmental Advisory Committee