

## BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. C(9)

### AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: March 20, 2012

**TITLE: A Resolution Setting Public Hearings Related to Grant Fund Eligibility for the Roberson Street Sewer Project**

<b>DEPARTMENT: Economic and Community Development</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING: <u>YES</u> or NO</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution</b>	<b>FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Annette D. Stone, AICP Economic and Community Development Director</b>

#### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this agenda item is to schedule the required public hearings in order to be eligible for Community Development Block Grant Funds from the NC Department of Commerce, Community Investment and Assistance under the Small Business and Entrepreneurial Program.

#### **INFORMATION:**

In response to the on August 26, 2011 failure of the common private sewer lateral that serves the businesses on the 100 East Main Street, the Board of Aldermen passed a resolution of intent to pursue construction of a public sewer line on Roberson Street. In addition, the Board passed a resolution requesting that Orange County participate in the funding of a public sewer on Roberson utilizing the ¼ cents sales tax designated for Economic Development. The estimated cost of the project is \$250,000. The Public Works Department has already begun preliminary engineering analysis to determine feasibility.

Town staff has identified a potential source of funding through the NC Department of Commerce, Division of Community Investment and Assistance. Over the next month staff will be developing an application for submission in order for the town to compete for these funds. The public hearing should be scheduled for April 10, 2012 and April 24, 2012 with the deadline for submission being April 30, 2012.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

If funded the grant dollars will off-set the Town's contribution to any proposed project.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Consider scheduling the public hearings on April 10, 2012 and April 24, 2012.