

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT HIGH-PERFORMANCE AND GOVERNMENT INNOVATION WITH A FOUNDATION IN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT PRACTICES BY THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE

The Council finds that high performance and government innovation is grounded in transparency and accountability which are critical in the public sector for the effective and credible functioning of a healthy democracy, and in fulfilling the government's responsibility to citizens and taxpayers. Transparent and reliable reporting serve to promote accountability, enhance the effectiveness of government services to its citizens, and increase the public's confidence in their government. The Mayor, City Council, and staff share a duty to ensure that the actions of public officials, employees, contractors, and volunteers of the City are carried out in the most responsible manner possible and that city policy, budgets, goals, and objectives are fully implemented.

WHEREAS, the City of Fayetteville ranked as the top overall performer in a national assessment for high performing cities and named the most innovative city in the country by Govnering and Living Cities organizations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fayetteville desires to be data driven and results-focused with a robust strategic plan and performance framework; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fayetteville proactively encourages resident and business participation in government and also seeks to inform and empower those entities by providing diverse engagement opportunities and easy and open access to public data and information; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Fayetteville to increase transparency with regard to City revenues, expenditures, budgets, contracts, leases, and grants, and organizational performance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fayetteville is committed to timely and consistent publication of data which is essential to open and effective government; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fayetteville is committed to using technology to foster open, transparent, and accessible government; and

WHEREAS, the City's official website, social media channels and performance and open data portals provide exceptional vehicles for dissemination of important City information and data to the public, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; and

WHEREAS, by creating the transparency and accountability web page, the City will provide greater transparency of its public service operations, and through the information provided therein, will enable the public to more fully understand and scrutinize the level of the public services it receives, and will empower the public with information to help improve the ways in which the City conducts the public's business;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Fayetteville does hereby affirm the following:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City Council hereby pledges to establish and maintain a transparency website which will include various data, focusing on efficacy, cost, and completeness.

Section 4. The City Council instructs staff to maintain and enhance the City's existing performance and open data portals.

Section 3. The City Council pledges openly and faithfully to support a high performance government framework through innovation in operations and transparency in results..

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, on this, the ____ day of _____, 2018;

By: _____
MITCH COLVIN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____

PAMELA J. MEGILL, CITY CLERK