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3 May 2024

Honorable Congressman David Rouzer
2333 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Rouzer,

I write today on behalf of the North Carolina State Administrative Agency (SAA) and the Homeland Security Advisor in support of the City of Fayetteville's proposal for grant funding from the federal government to support the city's hazard mitigation project proposal.

As the SAA responsible for administering pass-through of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds to local governments across North Carolina, I believe that the City of Fayetteville's request for grant funding to support the Locks Creek and Sessoms Drainage Improvements Stormwater Mitigation Project meets all of the requirements of the Building Resilient Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC) guidelines. Additionally, the proposal project is critical to the long-term safety and resiliency of the citizens in the 7th District. The North Carolina Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Section has reviewed the City's concept and design, along with completing a Benefits Cost Analysis, and have concluded that this project will yield the desired goals of the BRIC program.

As one of the most rapidly growing communities in North Carolina, the City of Fayetteville must continue to invest in hazard mitigation to build resilient neighborhoods.

Your support for the City of Fayetteville in this initiative is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

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William C. Ray

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William C. Ray
Director & Deputy Homeland Security Advisor
North Carolina Emergency Management





April 3, 2025

The Honorable David Rouzer
United States House of Representatives
2333 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Rouzer,

On behalf of the City of Fayetteville, I am writing to request \$4.85 million of Community Project Funding for its Locks Creek and Sessoms Drainage Improvements for Stormwater Mitigation.

Our Stormwater Mitigation Improvement Program projects are carefully designed to reduce the risk of flooding from storm events in key areas of the city. As a community that has repeatedly experienced widespread flooding and property damage, we know first-hand the impacts on property, families, and long-term economic stability.

These important projects for which we request your support will complete critical upgrades to the City's infrastructure that protect our community and reduce dependence on state and federal assistance following subsequent flooding events. A FEMA benefit-cost calculator found that when Lock's Creek is inaccessible due to flooding, the total economic loss exceeded \$629,000 per day. Federal funding in this request can address key elements of our stormwater infrastructure in the Fayetteville community that improve service to residents, protect homes and lives, ensure schools and businesses safely operate, and enable continued economic growth for the future.

The City of Fayetteville is an economic engine for the southeastern part of North Carolina, providing jobs, homes, culture, and entertainment for more than 500,000 people in one of the fastest-growing MSAs in North Carolina. We are grateful for your continued advocacy for our community's needs and respectfully request your support for this FY 2026 federal funding request.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitch Colvin", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Mitch Colvin
Mayor
City of Fayetteville

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April 17, 2025

The Honorable David Rouzer
U.S. House of Representatives
2333 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Congressman, Rouzer,

I am writing to support the City of Fayetteville's \$4.85 million request for FY 2025 Community Project Funding for its Locks Creek and Sessoms Drainage Improvements for Stormwater Mitigation

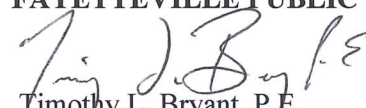
The existing storm pipe would be replaced with a larger culvert and the level of the roadway would be raised to improve the flow of water, thus reducing the risk of overtopping Lock's Creek Road during major storm events. This would prevent potential damage to the road and surrounding infrastructure and limit potential flooding of upstream properties from floodwater.

The Lock's Creek and Sessoms Drainage Improvements project is an urgent necessity. It would not only alleviate the flooding burden that residents are facing in the Lock's Creek neighborhood during severe storms but also provide protection against overtopping during storm events. The project would also improve access for emergency vehicles during flooding, resulting in quicker response times and increased safety for the community. Your support of this project will allow the City to complete critical upgrades to its infrastructure, enhancing its ability to protect the community and reduce dependence on state and federal assistance following subsequent flooding events.

The requested funding will address key elements of our stormwater infrastructure in the Fayetteville community that improve service to residents, protect homes and lives, ensure schools and businesses safely operate, and enable continued economic growth for the future. As a community that has repeatedly experienced widespread flooding and property damage, we know first-hand the impacts on property, families, and long-term economic stability work continuously to implement projects to mitigate flooding incidents. A FEMA benefit-cost calculator found that when Lock's Creek is inaccessible due to flooding, the total economic loss exceeds \$629,000 per day.

We respectfully request your support for the FY 2026 federal funding request for the Lock's Creek and Sessoms Drainage Improvements project. Thank you for your continued advocacy on behalf of our community.

Very truly yours,
FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION



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