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Short Title: Fairview Incorporated.

(Local)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1
2 AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF FAIRVIEW, SUBJECT TO A
3 REFERENDUM.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** A Charter for the Town of Fairview is enacted to read:

6 "Charter of the Town of Fairview.

7 "ARTICLE I. INCORPORATION AND CORPORATE POWERS.

8 "Section 1.1. **Incorporation and Corporate Powers.** The inhabitants of the Town
9 of Fairview are a body corporate and politic under the name 'Town of Fairview'. The
10 Town of Fairview has all the powers, duties, rights, privileges, and immunities
11 conferred and imposed on cities by the general law of North Carolina.

12 "ARTICLE II. CORPORATE BOUNDARIES.

13 "Section 2.1. **Town Boundaries.** Until modified in accordance with the law, the
14 boundaries of the Town of Fairview are as follows:

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16 Beginning at the county line on Highway 601 North at Cabarrus County and Union
17 County and following the county line east to Rocky River, then following the south side
18 of Rocky River to Sikes Mill Road. Follow the centerline of Sikes Mill Road, crossing
19 Highway 218 East, until it intersects with Old Fish Road, then taking the centerline of
20 Old Fish Road west until it intersects with Unionville-Brief Road. Taking the centerline
21 of Unionville-Brief Road south until Unionville-Brief Road intersects with Clontz-Long
22 Road. Following the centerline of Clontz-Long Road west until it intersects with
23 Highway 601 and following the centerline of Highway 601 South until it intersects with
24 Lawyers Road. Taking the centerline of Lawyers Road west until it intersects with
25 Howey Bottoms Road. Taking the centerline of Howey Bottoms Road until it intersects
26 with Mill Grove Road and following the centerline of Mill Grove Road west crossing
27 Highway 218 West, until it reaches the Mecklenburg County line. Following the

1 Mecklenburg County line until it reaches the Cabarrus County line and following the
2 Cabarrus County line east to Highway 601 North.

3 "ARTICLE III. GOVERNING BODY.

4 "Section 3.1. **Structure of Governing Body; Number of Members.** The governing
5 body of the Town of Fairview shall be the Town Council, which shall have four
6 members, and the Mayor.

7 "Section 3.2. **Manner of Electing Council.** The qualified voters of the entire Town
8 shall elect the members of the Town Council and, except as provided in this section,
9 they shall serve four-year terms. In 2003, the two candidates receiving the highest
10 numbers of votes shall be elected to four-year terms and the two candidates receiving
11 the next highest numbers of votes shall be elected to two-year terms. In 2005, and
12 biennially thereafter, two members shall be elected to four-year terms.

13 "Section 3.3. **Temporary Officers.** Until the initial elections of 2003 provided for
14 by Section 4.1 of this Charter, Richard Williams is hereby appointed Mayor, and Brad
15 Purser, Kathy Casey, Jerry Clontz, and Libby Long are appointed members of the Town
16 Council. They shall possess and exercise the powers granted to the governing body until
17 their successors are elected or appointed and qualified pursuant to this Charter.

18 "Section 3.4. **Manner of Electing Mayor; Term of Office.** The qualified voters of
19 the entire Town shall elect the Mayor. In 2003, and quadrennially thereafter, the Mayor
20 shall be elected for a term of four years.

21 "ARTICLE IV. ELECTIONS.

22 "Section 4.1. **Conduct of Town Elections.** Elections shall be conducted on a
23 nonpartisan basis and results determined by a plurality as provided in G.S. 163-292.

24 "ARTICLE V. ADMINISTRATION.

25 "Section 5.1. **Town to Operate Under Mayor-Council Plan.** The Town of
26 Fairview will operate under the Mayor-Council form of government as provided in Part
27 3 of Article 7 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes."

28 **SECTION 2.** From and after the effective date of this act, the citizens and
29 property in the Town of Fairview shall be subject to municipal taxes levied for the fiscal
30 year beginning July 1, 2001, and for that purpose, the Town shall obtain from Union
31 County a record of property in the area herein incorporated which was listed for taxes as
32 of January 1, 2001. The Town may adopt a budget ordinance for fiscal year 2001-2002
33 without following the timetable in the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act
34 but shall follow the sequence of actions in the spirit of the act insofar as is practical.
35 For fiscal year 2001-2002, ad valorem taxes may be paid at par or face amount within
36 90 days of adoption of the budget ordinance and thereafter in accordance with the
37 schedule in G.S. 105-360 as if the taxes had been due and payable on September 1,
38 2001.

39 **SECTION 3.** The Union County Board of Elections shall conduct an
40 election on a date set by it, not less than 70 nor more than 150 days after the date this
41 act becomes effective, for the purpose of submission to the qualified voters for the area
42 described in Section 2.1 of the Charter of the Town of Fairview, the question of whether

1 or not the area shall be incorporated as the Town of Fairview. Registration for the
2 election shall be conducted in accordance with G.S. 163-288.2.

3 **SECTION 4.** In the election, the question on the ballot shall be:

4 " FOR AGAINST

5 Incorporation of the Town of Fairview".

6 **SECTION 5.** In the election, if a majority of the votes are cast "For the
7 Incorporation of the Town of Fairview", Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall become
8 effective on the date that the Union County Board of Elections certifies the results of the
9 election. Otherwise, Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall have no force and effect.

10 **SECTION 6.** This act is effective when it becomes law.