

MUNICIPAL HOME RULE
PILOT PROGRAM

City of Weston

2018
PROGRESS
REPORT

West Virginia State Code §8-1-5a (m) provides:

"Commencing December 1, 2015, and each year thereafter, each participating municipality shall give a progress report to the Municipal Home Rule Board and commencing January 1, 2016, and each year thereafter, the Municipal Home Rule Board shall give a summary report of all the participating municipalities to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance."

The Municipal Home Rule Board has developed this standard format for Pilot Program participating municipalities to prepare and submit their respective Annual Progress Reports. The intent of this standard format is to gather and compile information in a consistent, easily understood, and efficient manner that will be used to develop a concise and practical summary report to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

Annual Progress Reports must be submitted electronically as an individual file in PDF format no later than the close of business on December 3, 2018, by emailing Courtney Shamblin at courtney.d.shamblin@wv.gov, West Virginia Department of Revenue, West Virginia Home Rule Pilot Program, State Capitol Complex, Building 1, Room W-300, Charleston, West Virginia 25305, 304-558-3356.

A. General Information		
Name of Municipality: <u>Weston</u>		
Certifying Official: <u>Julia Spelsberg</u>	Title: <u>Mayor</u>	
Contact Person: <u>Kristin Droppleman</u>	Title: <u>City Manager</u>	
Address: <u>102 Wand Street</u>		
City, State, Zip: <u>Weston WV 26452</u>		
Telephone Number: <u>304-269-6141</u>	Fax Number: <u>304-269-7842</u>	
E-Mail Address: <u>Kdroppleman@cityofwestonwv.com</u>		
2010 Census Population: <u>4110</u>		
B. Municipal Classification		
<input type="checkbox"/> Class I <input type="checkbox"/> Class II <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class III <input type="checkbox"/> Class IV		
C. Pilot Program Entry Phase		
<input type="checkbox"/> Phase I (2007 Legislation) <input type="checkbox"/> Phase II (2014 Legislation) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phase III (2015 Legislation)		
D. Attest <u>Kristin Droppleman</u>		
I hereby confirm that I am the authorized official for this municipality and certify that the information submitted herein and attached hereto is true and accurate and that this report addresses each and every initiative included in the original Home Rule Pilot Program Plan Application for this municipality and any subsequent amendments, if applicable.		
<u>Julia Spelsberg</u>	<u>Julia Spelsberg</u>	<u>10/31/18</u>
Type Name of Certifying Official	Signature of Certifying Official	Date

Please use this page to report progress on each **non-tax related initiative** included in your Home Rule Application. Each non-tax related initiative must have a separate page.

Initiative: Increase Police Department Age
Category of Issues Addressed (check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Organization <input type="checkbox"/> Administration <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personnel <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input type="checkbox"/> ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted?
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s) There has been no challenges in enacting this ordinance. We have not had any extra interest in the police department with the pan to increase the age.
SUCSESSES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting successes realized through the implementation of this initiative and any metrics used to track performance.
LESSONS LEARNED – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities.



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Initiative: On site Citations
Category of Issues Addressed (check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administration <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input type="checkbox"/> ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? AUG. 15, 2016
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s) There has been no challenges in enacting this ordinance. We have not had any extra interest in the police department with the pan to increase the age.
SUCSESSES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting successes realized through the implementation of this initiative and any metrics used to track performance. The City has the authority to cite individuals for high grass and other property violations. Properties are getting cleaned up faster and staying clean.
LESSONS LEARNED – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities. More public education

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Initiative: Ability to choose our own Auditor			
Category of Issues Addressed (check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Personnel	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input type="checkbox"/> ?			
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted?			
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s) There has been no challenges in enacting this ordinance. We have not had any extra interest in the police department with the pan to increase the age.			
<p>SUCCESES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting successes realized through the implementation of this initiative and any metrics used to track performance. Unfortunalety, due to the large gap in price difference the City has continued to use the State Auditor’s office.</p>			

LESSONS LEARNED – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities.
 Do more research on the cost difference between the State Auditor’s Office and private auditors

Please use this page to report progress on each **tax related initiative** included in your Home Rule Application. Each tax related initiative must have a separate page.

Initiative: 1% Sales Tax
Was this tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input type="checkbox"/> ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? January 1, 2018
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s)

REVENUES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting revenue amounts and revenue categories realized; revenue amounts and revenue categories reduced; net revenue gain;

and, any metrics used to track performance. The revenue amount from the 1% sales tax as of October 2018 the City has collected \$172,000.00. The business and occupational privilege tax was reduced for rentals, royalties and fees, services and all others, and manufactured, compounded or prepared for sales products.

SUCSESSES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting projects, improvements, programming, etc. realized through the implementation of this revenue initiative and any metrics used to track performance. The City has been able to completely repave 3 streets and repair two major slips. We have also been able to pay our portion to replace a bridge leading into a neighborhood.

LESSONS LEARNED – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities. Put out as much information as possible. Also, have plenty of public meetings to answer all the business owners and citizen's questions.