

# MUNICIPAL HOME RULE PROGRAM

City/Town of \_\_\_\_\_

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PROGRESS  
REPORT

WV Municipal Home Rule Board  
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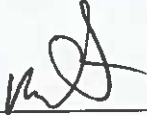
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**West Virginia State Code §8-1-5a (m) provides:**

“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 Home Rule 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 the first business day of December, by emailing to WV Municipal Home Rule Board at [MunicipalHomeRule@wv.gov](mailto:MunicipalHomeRule@wv.gov).**

<b>A. General Information</b>		
Name of Municipality: City of Hinton		
Certifying Official: Megan Turner	Title: City Manager	
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Address: 322 Summers St		
City, State, Zip: Hinton WV, 25951		
Telephone Number: 304-466-3255	Fax Number:	
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2020 Census Population: 2266		
<b>B. Municipal Classification</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Class I	<input type="checkbox"/> Class II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class III
<input type="checkbox"/> Class IV		
<b>C. Attest</b>		
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.		
Megan Turner		12/22/2025
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 and Amendment(s). Each non-tax related initiative must be listed on a separate page.

<b>Initiative:</b> Sale of Municipal Property Without Auction
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? 8/16/2022
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).
<b>SUCSESSES</b> – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative which highlights successes realized through the implementation of this initiative and any metrics used to track performance.  This has been helpful to get rid of items no longer necessary to the operations of the City. This has allowed us to clean up storage spaces.
<b>LESSONS LEARNED</b> – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities.  We continue to use this and clean up our City.

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

<b>Initiative:</b> 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"/> or N/A <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? 7/1/2025
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).
<b>REVENUES</b> – 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 Sales Tax ordinance was passed in 2022, but just recently implemented. The 1% tax has helped us collect revenue on sales within the City.
<b>SUCCESES</b> – 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.  We are still working through lessons and uses for this revenue. We have only received one payout since this was implemented.
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<b>Initiative:</b> <b>Sale of Municipal Property to Non-profits for less than fair market value</b>
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If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? 08/16/2022
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).
<b>SUCCESES</b> – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative which highlights successes realized through the implementation of this initiative and any metrics used to track performance.  We have not used this ordinance at this time.
<b>LESSONS LEARNED</b> – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities.  We have not used this ordinance at this time.

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<b>Initiative:</b> <b>On-the-spot citations for public nuisance, health, and safety code violations</b>
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<b>SUCCESSSES</b> – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative which highlights successes realized through the implementation of this initiative and any metrics used to track performance. We are currently using this for our code enforcement official. He has written multiple tickets for trash, weeds and unsafe buildings.
<b>LESSONS LEARNED</b> – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities. This has freed up our policemen from doing this and has worked well in helping to clean up our city.

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**Initiative:**

**Shortened Period of time for forfeitures of structures when owners of properties that have been dilapidated or uninhabitable refuse to address code violations.**

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If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? 08/16/2022

If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).

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**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:**

**Manage blighted and vacant properties and place lien on city remediated properties without court order.**

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**SUCSESSES** – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative which highlights successes realized through the implementation of this initiative and any metrics used to track performance.

We have on some occasions mowed and cleaned up vacant properties and have attached liens to the property for the costs associated with the clean up.

**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.

We have not collected any of this money yet but we hope to if the property turns over to another owner and in the mean time we have helped out the local community by getting the properties more presentable.

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<b>Initiative:</b> <b>Ability to hire part/full time police officers over forty years old</b>
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