MUNICIPAL HOME RULE PILOT PROGRAM

2016 PROGRESS REPORT

City/Town of St. Albans

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 1, 2016, by emailing Debbie Browning at debbie.a.browning@wv.gov, West Virginia Development Office, West Virginia Home Rule Pilot Program, State Capitol Complex, Building 6, Room 553, Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0311, 304-558-2234.

A. General Information		
Name of Municipality: City of St. Albans		
Certifying Official: Richard Callaway	Title: Mayor	
Contact Person: Barbara Hughes	Title: City Clerk/Treasurer	
Address: P.O. Box 1488		
City, State, Zip: St. Albans, WV 25177		
Telephone Number: 304-722-3391	Fax Number: 304-722-6555	
E-Mail Address: samayor@suddenlinkmail.com		
2010 Census Population: 11,044		
B. Municipal Classification		
☐ Class I X☐ Class II ☐ Class III	☐ Class IV	
C. Pilot Program Entry Phase		
☐ Phase I (2007 Legislation) ☐ Phase II (201	4 Legislation) X□ Phase III (2015 Legislation)	
D. Attest		
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.		
Richard Callaway, Mayor	1) Callaway 11/30/16	
Type Name of Certifying Official Signature of	of Certifying Official Date	

Initiative: Intergovernmental Agreements by Resolution Rather then Ordinance
Category of Issues Addressed (check all that apply)
☐ Organization
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application $X\square$ or a plan amendment \square ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? $X\square$ Yes \square No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? 2/16/16 Article 404
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s)
SUCCESSES – 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.
Article 404 – the City has not entered into any intergovernmental agreements to date.
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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.
N/A

Initiative: Disposition of City Property Without Auction
Category of Issues Addressed (check all that apply)
☐ Organization
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application $X\square$ or a plan amendment \square ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? $X\square$ Yes \square No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? 2/16/16 Article 405
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s)
SUCCESSES – 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.
Article 405 – the City has not disposed of city property without auction since this ordinance was enacted.
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. N/A

Initiative: Enforcement of External Sanitation and Common Nuisance Violations
Category of Issues Addressed (check all that apply)
☐ Organization
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application $X\square$ or a plan amendment \square ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? \qquad X \square Yes \qquad No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? 2/16/16 Article 406
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s)
SUCCESSES – 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.
Article 406 – This initiative is to provide additional and alternative methods and processes to enforce the municipal code provisions regarding exterior sanitation and common nuisances related to property located within the city in a fair, speedy and inexpensive manner, and to improve compliance with such provisions.
191 written notices of violation have been served since the enactment of this ordinance, 167 took corrective action, and 24 were issued citations.
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. N/A

Initiative: Purchases Through Public Entity Cooperatives
Category of Issues Addressed (check all that apply)
☐ Organization
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application $X\square$ or a plan amendment \square ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? \Box Yes $X\Box$ No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted?
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s)
City Attorney is in process of drafting required ordinance.
SUCCESSES – 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. N/A

Initiative: Placing Public Nuisance Liens Without Court Order
Category of Issues Addressed (check all that apply)
☐ Organization
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application $X\square$ or a plan amendment \square ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? $X\square$ Yes \square No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? 2/16/16 Article 407
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s)
SUCCESSES – 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.
Article 407 – the City has not filed nuisance liens since this ordinance was enacted.
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.
N/A