

MUNICIPAL HOME RULE PROGRAM

City of Shinnston

2022
PROGRESS
REPORT

West Virginia
Municipal Home Rule Board
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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.

A. General Information			
Name of Municipality:			
Certifying Official: Chad M Edwards	Title: City Manager		
Contact Person: Tori Drainer	Title: Executive Assistant		
Address: 40 Main Street			
City, State, Zip: Shinnston, WV 26431			
Telephone Number: 3045922126	Fax Number: 3045921597		
E-Mail Address: citymanger@shinnstonwv.com			
2010 Census Population:			
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. 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.			
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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.

Initiative: Authorize eliminating party affiliation requirement for Municipal Building Commission
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment Y ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? Y 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 not been an active building commission assembled in the past four years.
SUCCESSSES - 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. N/A
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

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.

Initiative: 1% Municipal Sales Tax
Was this tax initiative a part of your original plan application or a plan amendment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y or N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? 07/01/2020
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 metrics involved are the quarterly amounts of revenue received.
SUCCESSSES - In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting project, improvements, programming, etc. realized through the implementation of this revenue initiative and any metrics used to track performance. With this new revenue, we have been able to increase police salaries and offer a \$1,500.00 sign-on bonus.
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. Nothing at this time.

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Initiative: Authorize appropriation of funds to promote the city
Was this tax initiative a part of your original plan application N or a plan amendment Y <input checked="" 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? July 1 st 2018
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).
<p>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</p> <p>We are tracking new businesses as well as income increases/decreases</p>
<p>SUCCESSSES - In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting project, improvements, programming, etc. realized through the implementation of this revenue initiative and any metrics used to track performance.</p> <p>Our downtown is almost full of new businesses. We have only two or three empty store fronts. New developments include a music recording studio, two new hairdressers, and three gift shops as well as a paint splashing room. B&O and sales taxes are up.</p>
<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.</p> <p>Advertising is a good investment to grow a municipality when you're not right off I-79.</p>

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Initiative: Authorize vacant building registration program
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input checked="" 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).
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. Our attorney advised us to put all actions on hold because of a pending lawsuit with another city. That was pre-Covid and we will need to follow 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. N/A