

## City Council – Action Request Form

**Date:** August 9, 2021

**To:** Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

**From:** Damon C. Dequenne, Assistant City Manager  
S. Kirk Bjorling, Real Estate Administrator

**Council Action Requested:**

Resolution Authorizing a Land Lease with Glenda M. Cornatzer

**Strategic Focus Area:** Healthy Environment

**Strategic Objective:** Manage Water Quality and Quantity

**Strategic Plan Action Item:** No

**Key Work Item:** No



**Summary of Information:**

In 1992, Utilities acquired property from Jerry W. Cornatzer related to the construction of the P.W. Swann Water Treatment Plant. A lease was executed with Mr. Cornatzer which allowed him to lease back a portion of the excess farmland which was purchased from him. The lease also provided he could sublease this farmland. The lease has been renewed on an annual basis since that time. Mr. Cornatzer has recently passed away and his widow, Glenda M. Cornatzer, has requested that she be allowed to continue the lease-back under the same terms and conditions as the original lease.

Although this property was purchased by Utilities, the property is held in the name of the City of Winston-Salem, and the City Attorney’s Office advises that the City Council must authorize the lease. It is proposed that a lease for agricultural purposes be executed with Glenda M. Cornatzer for 10 years at \$280 per year for approximately 14 acres of farmland along the Yadkin River in Yadkin County, identified as Lot 9243, on the Yadkin County Tax Map, and further described on the attached map. The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Utility Commission and staff are supportive of this request.

The attached resolution authorizes a land lease with Glenda M. Cornatzer as described herein.

**Committee Action:**

<b>Committee</b>	<u>Finance 8/9/2021</u>	<b>Action</b>	<u>Approval</u>
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**Remarks:**