ORDINANCE 16461

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FILING FEES FOR CANDIDATES TO MUNICIPAL OFFICE IN THE CITY OF DURHAM

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE DURHAM CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 3-101 (Filing Fees for Candidates to Municipal Office) of the Fee Schedule is changed to read:

3-101 (Filing Fees for Candidates to Municipal Office)

BACKGROUND.

- 1. North Carolina General Statutes section 163-294.2(e) requires that municipal governing boards fix the amount of the required filing fees in nonpartisan elections.
- 2. The amount of such filing fees may not be less than \$5.00 nor more than one percent of the annual salary of the office sought.
- 3. The annual salary of the Mayor of the City of Durham at the time of Council action setting filing fees was \$48,058.
- 4. The annual salary of each Council Member of the City of Durham at the time of Council action setting filing fees was \$40,727.

FINDING BY COUNCIL.

It is the finding of the City Council that a filing fee of one percent of the annual salary of the office sought, as of the time of Council action setting filing fees, is a fair and reasonable filing fee.

Section 1. Pursuant to 163-294.2(e) the filing fee for the office of Mayor is fixed at \$480.58. Section 2. Pursuant to 163-294.2(e) the filing fee for the office of Council Member is fixed at \$407.27.

- Section 2. The City Clerk is directed to furnish a certified copy of this ordinance to the Durham County Board of Elections.
- Section 3. That this ordinance is effective upon adoption, and any ordinance, or portion of such ordinance, in conflict with this ordinance is hereby repealed.

Adopted this the <u>2</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2025.

APPROVED BY

