

Item: Filing Fee for the Office of Register of Deeds

Date of BOCC Meeting: November 12, 2019

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to set the Register of Deeds filing fee for the ensuring 2020 election. The filing fee is set at 1% of the annual salary of the office sought. Therefore, the established fee for the Register of Deeds is \$851.73 pursuit to provisions outlined in G.S. 163-107. The filing fee was based on the average minimum salary rate reflected in the attached survey data.

§ 163-107. Filing fees required of candidates in primary

One percent (1%) of the annual salary of the office sought - The salary of any office that is the basis for calculating the filing fee is the starting salary for the office, rather than the salary received by the incumbent, if different. If no starting salary can be determined for the office, then the salary used for calculation is the salary of the incumbent, as of January 1 of the election year.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Goal 5: Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government

Resource Persons: Kathy Everett-Perry, Chief Human Resources Officer/Chief Employment Counsel; Derek Bowens, Director of Elections; and Lowell Siler, County Attorney

<u>County Manager's Recommendation</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board set the filing fee as recommended by Human Resources.

County Manager: