



Agenda Item Summary Sheet

Date: 6/4/24

Item #: 5

Item Title: Presentation from NC State Professor Dr. Richardson and Consideration of a Comprehensive Survey for Milfoil

Item Summary: At the May 7, 2024, Town Council meeting, staff presented a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality for the treatment of milfoil in the town's canals. After discussion, staff was directed to bring back a MOU for a comprehensive survey to be performed to determine the presence of milfoil within the canal system. The MOU only is for the sole purpose of the survey and no treatment is included at this time. The results of the survey will help determine what if any action should be taken next.

Staff was also asked to schedule a professional in the field of aquatic weeds to provide information on milfoil treatment. Included in this presentation will be information on the use of 2, 4-D as the treatment method.

Staff Recommendation and Requested Action: Staff recommends the Town Council authorize the Town Manager to enter into a contract with NCDEQ to conduct a comprehensive survey for the presence of milfoil within the Town's canal system.

Attachments: Draft MOU for milfoil survey between North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality and the Town of Southern Shores

