



Resolution R-25-093

Introduced By: Town Council

Date: November 20, 2025

Resolution Opposing the Expansion of Chemours' Fayetteville Works Facility

WHEREAS, the Chemours Company and its predecessor, DuPont, have reportedly had a documented history of releasing per and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), including GenX, into the Cape Fear River and surrounding environment, contaminating the drinking water supply for over 500,000 North Carolinians, including residents of Leland; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported that these discharges have resulted in significant public health concerns, environmental degradation, and economic burdens on local governments and residents who have had to invest in costly water treatment upgrades and health monitoring; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported that Chemours has repeatedly underreported its PFAS emissions and violated its air permit and the 2019 Consent Order; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the company's reported contamination of public drinking water supplies, Chemours' airborne PFAS emissions have reportedly polluted more than 11,000 private drinking water wells in 10 counties, with PFAS levels thousands of times higher than federal drinking water standards; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Carolina is still trying to determine the scope of Chemours' reported contamination and families continue to newly discover that their drinking water is polluted by PFAS; and

WHEREAS, Chemours has applied for an air permit to dramatically expand its Fayetteville operations; and

WHEREAS, Chemours' proposed expansion potentially risks increasing PFAS emissions by more than a ton per year, further jeopardizing the health and safety of North Carolina families, and the company has reportedly failed to demonstrate that its emission control technologies are effective; and

WHEREAS, Chemours is reportedly releasing high levels of ultra-short chain PFAS, including TFA and PFPrA, from its facility into downstream drinking water sources and has applied for a Clean Water Act discharge permit to continue to do so; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Environmental Quality has the authority and responsibility to deny permit applications that threaten public health and violate environmental laws and must act to protect the people and natural resources of North Carolina.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Leland Town Council formally opposes any expansion of the Chemours Fayetteville Works Facility; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council urges the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and other relevant regulatory bodies to deny any permits or approvals related to such expansion until Chemours has fully remediated existing contamination and demonstrated a sustained, transparent commitment to environmental and public health protections; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council formally opposes Chemours' releases of ultra-short chain PFAS from its facility into downstream drinking water intakes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council urges the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality to deny any permits that would allow Chemours to continue to release ultra-short chain PFAS from its facility; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council calls on Chemours to engage in meaningful dialogue with affected communities, disclose all relevant environmental data, and prioritize the health and safety of North Carolinians over corporate expansion.

Adopted by Town Council on this 20th day of November, 2025.


Brenda Bozeman, Mayor


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