



CHAPTER 160A
ARTICLE 16A - PROVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE BY CITIES

N.C.G.S. § 160A-340.4.

Financing.

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§ 160A-340.4(a) A city or joint agency subject to the provisions of G.S. 160A-340.1 shall not enter into a contract under G.S. 160A-19 or G.S. 160A-20 to purchase or to finance the purchase of property for use in a communications network or to finance the construction of fixtures or improvements for use in a communications network unless it complies with subsection (b) of this section. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the repair, rebuilding, replacement, or improvement of an existing communications network, or equipment relating thereto.

§ 160A-340.4(b) A city shall not incur debt for the purpose of constructing a communications system without first holding a special election under G.S. 163-297 on the question of whether the city may provide communications service. If a majority of the votes cast in the special election are for the city providing communications service, the city may incur the debt for the service. If a majority of the votes cast in the special election are against the city providing communications service, the city shall not incur the debt. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit a city from revising its plan to offer communications service and calling another special election on the question prior to providing or offering to provide the service. A special election required under Chapter 159 of the General Statutes as a condition to the issuance of bonds shall satisfy the requirements of this section. (2011-84, s. 1(a); 2017-6, s. 3; 2018-146, ss. 3.1(a), (b), 6.1.)

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REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 160A-340.1	(a)	<i>"agency subject to the provisions of"</i>
G.S. 160A-19	(a)	<i>"not enter into a contract under"</i>
G.S. 160A-20	(a)	<i>"a contract under G.S. 160A-19 or"</i>
G.S. 163-297	(b)	<i>"first holding a special election under"</i>

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Citation

FULL SECTION

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