



## Government

**Federal Government Activity Affecting the Area – N/A**

**State Laws or Activity Affecting the Study Area – N/A**

### **Local Government:**

- i. Type of Government - Harrisonburg is an independent City that operates under the Council/City Manager form of Government.
- ii. Sources of revenue; taxation – Like most local governments in Virginia, Harrisonburg’s largest revenue source is real estate taxes. Personal property taxes, retail sales taxes, meals tax revenues, and lodging tax revenues are also major contributors to the City’s general fund.
- iii. Current plans affecting the study area, such as comprehensive plans, area plans, school system plans, capital improvement programs, etc. - Attached you will find Golf Course Site Plan, Heritage Oaks Golf Course Master Plan, Heritage Oaks Environmental Management Plan, and the Driving Range, Grassing, Irrigation, Planting Plans and the recent Heritage Oaks Golf Course Analysis conducted by Golf Business Advisors completed in April 2021.
- iv. Laws and regulations impacting land use and development in the study area (note any unusual or constraining provisions) – The golf course is surrounded by low density residential zoning.
- v. Agencies or departments with responsibilities in the study area; relevant local policies and programs (such as inclusionary zoning or subsidized housing program, economic development programs, school busing requirements, social service programs, etc.) - Heritage Oaks Golf Course falls under the operational and capital authority of the Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department.
- vi. Local political representation: key issues; type and level of interest and activity – Harrisonburg City Council is comprised of five members elected at-



large. Each Council member represents the interests of the entire City. The mayor is selected by and from the five elected Council members.