



**RICHLAND COUNTY  
GOVERNMENT**  
Office of the County Administrator

**Council Actions Report  
Regular Session Council Meeting  
October 18, 2016  
6:00PM**

**Call to Order:** Rush

**Invocation:** Myers

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Myers

**Presentation of Proclamation**

- a. **Proclamation Recognizing the month of October 2016 as Community Planning Month:** Mr. Pearce presented a Proclamation to the County's Planning Department staff, recognizing the month of October 2016 as Community Planning Month.
- b. **Proclamation Recognizing the Week of October 22, 2016 to October 29, 2016 as End Childhood Hunger SC Week:** Mr. Rush Presented a Proclamation recognizing the last week of October 2016 as End Childhood Hunger Week.

**Approval of Minutes**

- a. **May 17, 2016 - {Deferred at June 7, 2016 Council Meeting}:** Approved as published.
- b. **Regular Session: October 4, 2016:** Approved as published.

**Adoption of Agenda:** Adopted as published.

**Report of the Attorney for Executive Sessions Items**

- a. **SC Public Interest Foundation Attorney's Fees**
- b. **Employee Grievance**
- c. **An Agreement by and between Richland County and the University of South Carolina whereby the County and USC desire to agree herein for the prepayment by USC to County of the estimated future County net parking revenue payments**

**Citizen's Input:** Seven people spoke.

## Report of the County Administrator

- a. **Recognition of Transportation Program Interns:** Richland County Transportation Director Rob Perry introduced the Transportation Program Interns to County Council.
- b. **Employee Grievance:** Executive Session item.

## Report of the Clerk of Council

- a. **Midlands Technical College Oyster Roast & Shrimp Boil, October 27, 6:00 p.m., MTC Northeast Campus:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the upcoming Midlands Technical College Oyster Roast & Shrimp Boil on October 27, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at its Northeast Campus.

## Report of the Chairman

- a. **National Customer Service Week Competition:** Mr. Rush updated Council of an upcoming customer service competition and requested Councilmembers Dixon, Myers, Manning and Dickerson to serve as judges.

## Open/Close Public Hearings

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 General Fund Annual Budget to Appropriate Thirty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars (\$38,740) to increase funding to the Board of Voter Registration & Elections Department to cover the costs of legal bill(s):** No one spoke.

## 1. Approval of Consent Items

- a. [Removed from Consent] **16-023MA**  
**Debbie Nix**  
**RS-MD to OI (3.17 Acres)**  
**806 Universal Drive**  
**19106-06-01:** Council deferred this item to a future Council meeting. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**
- b. **16-024MA**  
**Mark Taylor**  
**RU to GC (14 Acres)**  
**219 Rabon Road**  
**19903-06-01:** Council gave third reading approval to the rezoning amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**
- c. **16-025MA**  
**Ashley Chason RU to GC (1.2 Acres)**  
**1640 Dutch Fork Rd.**

**02412-01-04:** Council gave third reading approval to the rezoning amendment.  
**ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

**d. [Removed From Consent] 16-026MA**

**David Tuttle**

**M-1/RS-LD to PDD (33.88 Acres)**

**Roseberry Lane**

**22807-01-04:** Council deferred this item until a future Council meeting. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

**e. An Ordinance Authorizing deed to the City of Columbia for certain water lines to serve the Decker Center; Richland County TMS #16911-03-09:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, CAPITAL PROJECTS**

**2. Third Reading Items**

**a. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; so as to add duets as a use in the RM-MD and RM-HD Zoning Districts with Special Requirements:** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

**b. An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 General Fund Annual Budget to appropriate Thirty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars (\$38,740) to increase funding to the Board of Voter Registration & Elections Department to cover the costs of legal bill(s):** Council gave third reading approval to the budget amendment in the amount of \$38, 740. The vote for reconsideration failed. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ELECTIONS, ADMINISTRATION**

**3. Second Reading Items**

**a. An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 General Fund Annual Budget to appropriate Seven Hundred Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty Six Dollars (\$716,446) to fund officer safety equipment and service agreement - body worn cameras [PAGES 45-48]:** Council gave second reading approval to the budget amendment in the amount of \$646,420. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION, SHERIFF**

**4. Report of Administration & Finance Committee**

**a. Future Management of the Pinewood Lake Property:** Council approved absorbing the operation and management of the Pinewood Lake Property into the County through the Conservation Department. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION, CONSERVATION**

### 3. Economic Development Committee

- a. **Authorizing the expansion of the boundaries of the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park jointly developed with Fairfield County to include certain real property located in Richland County; the execution and delivery of a Credit Agreement to provide for Special Source Revenue Credits to Haven Campus Communities - Columbia, LLC, and other related matters:** Council denied this request. The vote to reconsider failed.
- b. **An Agreement by and between Richland County and the University of South Carolina whereby the County and USC desire to agree herein for the prepayment by USC to County of the estimated future County net parking revenue payments:** Executive Session item.
- c. **Authorizing the expansion of the boundaries of the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park jointly developed with Fairfield County to include certain real property located in Richland County; the execution and delivery of a Credit Agreement to provide for Special Source Revenue Credits to [Project Alimex] and other related matters.** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- d. **A Resolution consenting to and ratifying the assignment by University Residences Columbia, LLC to Trea Greene Crossing, LLC of certain property tax incentive agreements and other matters related thereto:** Council approved the Resolution. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

### 4. Report of the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee

- a. **Sidewalk Package S-3 (Sheltered Market): Construction Award:** Council approved awarding the Sidewalk Package S- 3 project to Orion Construction in the amount of \$275,474.98 which includes a 10% construction contingency. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, TRANSPORTATION**
- b. **Sidewalk Package S-5 (Sheltered Market): Construction Award:** Council approved awarding the Sidewalk Package S- 5 project to Armstrong Construction in the amount of \$128,344.70 which includes a 10% construction contingency. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, TRANSPORTATION**
- c. **Bluff Road Phase I Widening Project: Construction Award:** Council approved awarding the Bluff Road Phase I Widening project to Cherokee Inc. in the amount of \$5,515,719.95 which includes a 10% construction contingency. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, TRANSPORTATION**

- d. **Shop Road Phase I Extension Project: Construction Award:** Council deferred this item to a future Council meeting. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, TRANSPORTATION**
- e. **Mitigation Bank Excess Credit Sales:** Council approved the sale of excess credits at the price as published, and for the sales proceeds to be credited to the Transportation Program. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION, TRANSPORTATION**

**Citizen's Input:** One person spoke.

### **Executive Session**

- a. **SC Public Interest Foundation Attorney's Fees:** This item was not discussed during the Executive Session.
- b. **Employee Grievance:** Council voted to uphold the County Administrator's recommendation. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, HUMAN RESOURCES, ADMINISTRATION**
- c. **An Agreement by and between Richland County and the University of South Carolina whereby the County and USC desire to agree herein for the prepayment by USC to County of the estimated future County net parking revenue payments:** Council approved the agreement. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

### **Motion Period**

- a. **Move to pass a resolution in honor of the life of the late Richland County Conservation Commission member Ann Furr [ROSE]:** Council approved the Resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. **In his letter of October 4, 2016 addressed to Chairman Rush and copied to Council members Senator John Scott, Chairman of the Richland County Legislative delegation cites a 1989 Attorney General's "opinion" which concludes: "...since the Board of Election and Registration is a county office, McCormick County would have the same responsibility for providing legal advice or paying for legal representation for the Board as it would for any other county agency or office." I move that the Richland County Attorney's office review this opinion and provide recommendations to County Council as the feasibility of challenging this "opinion" via legal action [PEARCE]:** Council approved the motion as presented. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL**
- c. **I move to direct the County Attorney to engage the services of an attorney associated with the October 1997 Weaver vs. Richland County Recreation**

Commission to advise Council as to the legal actions available to determine if Act 397 Section 4. (Codified as Section 6-11-2971) of 1998 “cured” the taxing authority question found in the decision of the Supreme Court in the Weaver case [PEARCE]: Council approved the motion as presented. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL**

- d. **Resolution honoring Greg Sinkler of Lower Richland an employee of SCE&G and his crew who went above and beyond tirelessly 20 hours daily helping the citizens of Lower Richland during and after Hurricane Matthew restoring power in an expeditious manner. With the work he performed his presence was requested in the Low Country to help our State [JACKSON]: Council approved the Resolution. ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
  
- e. **Motion to explore the reopening of Wild Cat Road a 12 mile length of road from Leesburg Road to Percival Road improving the Level of Service (LOS) on Garners Ferry Road, I-77 and I-20 to Northeast Columbia. Note: In 2013 the Garrison Commander supported the reopening if the entire length was secured with protective fence. Additionally a minimum of two bridges were designed in the reopening so as not to affect the flow of traffic on Fort Jackson. The reopening would also provide multiple access to the National Cemetery and access to McCrady McEntire Airbase and Shaw Air Force Base [JACKSON]: Council sent this item to the D&S Committee. ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION**
  
- f. **Resolution in support of the 70th anniversary of the Southern Negro Youth Council [LIVINGSTON, JETER, DIXON, JACKSON, MANNING, PEARCE and MYERS]: Council approved the Resolution. ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**Adjournment:** Council adjourned at 8:19 p.m.