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**Council Actions Report  
Regular Session Council Meeting  
June 16, 2015  
6:00PM**

**Call to Order:** Rush

**Invocation:** Rush

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Rush

**Presentation of Resolutions**

- a. **Mosquito Control Awareness Week Proclamation:** Mr. Rush presented a Proclamation to Tammy Brewer, Director – Richland County Vector Control Department, recognizing June 21, 2015 – June 27, 2015 as Mosquito Control Awareness Week.
- b. **Proclamation Recognizing Leora McCarty for her years of service to Richland County:** Mr. Livingston presented a Proclamation to Leora McCarty, recognizing her for her years of service to Richland County.

**Approval of Minutes**

- a. **Regular Session: June 2, 2015:** Approved as published.

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

**Report of the Attorney for Executive Sessions Items:** No items reported.

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

**Report of the County Administrator:**

- a. **Transportation Summer Interns:** Mr. McDonald recognized the summer interns in the County's Transportation Department's Internship Program, and allowed each intern to introduce themselves to Council.
- b. **NACo Award: Development Services:** Mr. McDonald informed Council that the County's Development Services Department was named the winner of the 2015 Achievement Award by the National Association of Counties (NACo).



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- c. **Cgov – Overall Excellence Award: Development Services:** Mr. McDonald informed Council that the County's Development Services Department was named the winner of the 2015 Overall Excellence Award by the Government Customer Service Community of Practice (Cgov).

## Report of the Clerk of Council:

- a. **Community Relations Council Luncheon & Award Presentation, June 17, 2015, 12:00 PM, Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the upcoming Community Relations Council Luncheon & Award Presentation, on June 17th, at 12:00 PM at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center.

## Report of the Chairman:

- a. **Planning Commission Appointee Absences:** Council voted to waive the enforcement of Section 2-328 of the County's Ordinance to allow the Planning Commission appointee to remain an appointee of the Planning Commission, given that the multiple absences were beyond the control of the appointee. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING, LEGAL**
- b. **Innovista Project Groundbreaking:** Mr. Rush updated Council on the recent groundbreaking for Phase I of the Innovista project, held on June 11, 2015 at the Greene Street athletic fields.

## Presentations

- a. **Lower Richland Sewer Project: Bill Stangler, Congaree Riverkeeper:** Bill Stangler, Executive Director – Congaree Riverkeeper, presented information to Council on the efforts of the Congaree Riverkeeper, and the Lower Richland Sewer Project.
- b. **Lower Richland Sewer Project: Wendy Brawley, Hopkins and Lower Richland Citizens United:** Wendy Brawley, Spokesperson – Hopkins and Lower Richland Citizens United, presented information to Council regarding the efforts of the Hopkins and Lower Richland Citizens United, and the Lower Richland Sewer Project.

## Open/Close Public Hearings

- a. **An Ordinance Authorizing a ground lease between Richland County and Richland County School District Two on behalf of the Richland County Public Library; so as**



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**to allow for the automatic transfer of title to the library building to Richland County School District Two at the end of the lease term: No one spoke.**

**1. Approval of Consent Items**

**a. 15-20MA**

**Ashley Chason**

**RU to OI (3.7 Acres)**

**1551 Dutch Fork Rd.**

**02411-04-03:** Council gave third reading approval to the rezoning amendment.

**ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

**b. 15-21MA**

**Deanna M. Shealy**

**RU to RS-LD (2.22 Acres)**

**Island Trail**

**01300-01-01/02 & 01400-01-02/03/04:** Council gave third reading approval to the rezoning amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

**c. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; Increasing the Number of Uses in the Light Industrial District (LI): Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance amendment. ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

**d. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 6, Buildings and Building Regulations; Article III, Building Codes; Section 6-84, Boarded-Up Structures; Subsection (d), Paragraph (1); so as to change the language, "The Permit Fee Shall be \$25.53 for Residential Buildings and \$51.05 for Mixed-Use and Commercial Buildings" to "The Permit Fee Shall be charged at the rate on the current Richland County Fee Schedule": Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance amendment. Staff will publish Section 6-84 on the County's website with the redlined changes to ensure that the public is aware thereof. ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, FINANCE, BUILDING SERVICES**

**2. Third Reading Items**

**a. An Ordinance Authorizing a ground lease between Richland County and Richland County School District Two on behalf of the Richland County Public Library; so as to allow for the automatic transfer of title to the library building to Richland County School District Two at the end of the lease term: Council gave third reading**



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approval to the ordinance. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION**

**b. 15-23MA**

**JR LEX 2, LLC**

**RU to RC (2.61 Acres)**

**7743 Bluff Rd. 32403-03-05 & 32403-03-06(p):** Council gave third reading approval to the rezoning amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

### **3. Report of Rules and Appointments Committee**

**a. Notice Of Vacancies**

**i. East Richland Public Service Commission - 2**

Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**ii. Accommodations Tax Committee - 1**

Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**b. Discussion From Rules And Appointments Committee**

- i. Ordinance providing for the appointment of Ex Officio members to public bodies whose membership is appointed by the governing body of Richland County. The governing body of Richland County may appoint up to three (3) ex officio members to any board, commission, committee, entity or any other "public body" as defined in the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act whose members are appointed by the governing body of Richland County. Such ex officio members shall pursuant to Roberts Rules of Order have all the privileges of board (or other public entity) membership, including the right to make motions and to vote and to participate in regular or special called meetings and executive sessions, but none of the obligations. Ex officio members have no obligation to participate and should not be counted in determining the number required for a quorum or whether a quorum is present at a meeting. When an ex officio member of any board, commission, committee, entity or any other public body ceases to hold the office that entitles him or her to such membership, his or her membership on the public body terminates automatically [WASHINGTON]: This item was held in Committee.**



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**4. Other Items**

**a. A Resolution to appoint and commission Zachary M. Cavanaugh as a Code Enforcement Officer for the proper security, general welfare, and convenience of Richland County:** Council approved the Resolution. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, BUSINESS SERVICE CENTER**

**b. REPORT OF THE SEWER AD HOC COMMITTEE**

**i. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24, Utilities; Article IV, Sewers and Sewage Disposal; Division 2, Use of Public Sewers; Section 24-81, Use of Public Sewers Required; so as to clarify that the section only applies to new construction:** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance amendment. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, UTILITIES**

**1. Septic tanks that are functioning properly should not be disallowed in Richland County. Direct staff to contact DHEC to determine why a septic that needs maintenance or repair is not Page 3 of 57 allowed to be done if a public sewer is within 200 feet of the property. Property owners should not be forced to incur expenses that will burden them for years to come and replacement septic system should be allowed provided it is shown the new system can function properly [MALINOWSKI]:** This item was addressed by the Council action taken on item 18a.

**5. Citizen's Input:** Two people spoke.

**6. Executive Session:** An Executive Session was not held.

**7. Motion Period**

**a. Motion to recognize Deputy Trobatin Johnson for his heroism and unselfish acts by jumping in to Pinewood Lake to save the lives of two citizens when their boat capsized [JACKSON]:** Council unanimously approved the Resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**b. Move that Council request the legal department to review the potential liability of permitting any form of human occupied watercraft to operate at Pinewood Lake Park and make a recommendation to Council as to their findings [PEARCE]:**



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Council sent this item to the D&S Committee. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL,  
LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION**

**8. Adjournment:** Council adjourned at 7:10PM.