



**RICHLAND COUNTY
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**Council Actions Report
Regular Session Council Meeting
July 7, 2015
6:00PM**

Call to Order: Rush

Invocation: Washington

Pledge of Allegiance: Washington

Presentation of Resolutions

- a. **Resolution recognizing Deputy Trobatin Johnson for his act of heroism in rescuing two citizens when their boat capsized on Pinewood Lake:** Mr. Jackson presented a Resolution to Deputy Trobatin Johnson, recognizing him for his act of heroism in rescuing two citizens when their boat capsized on Pinewood Lake.

Approval of Minutes

- a. **Regular Session: June 16, 2015:** Approved as published.
- b. **Zoning Public Hearing: June 23, 2015:** Approved as published.

Adoption of Agenda: Adopted as amended. A contractual matter was added to the agenda as an Executive Session item.

Report of the Attorney for Executive Sessions Items:

- a. **South Carolina Public Interest Foundation and William B. DePass, Jr. vs. Allen Dowdy, Adell Adams, Elaine Dubose, Herbert Sims, Samuel Selph, and the Board of Elections and Voter Registration for Richland County - Legal Advice**
- b. **Road Closing Petition (Portion of Technology Circle)**
- c. **Contractual Matter**
- d. **Emergency Construction of Restrooms**
- e. **Contract Agreement**



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Citizen's Input: Four people spoke.

Report of the County Administrator: No report provided.

Report of the Clerk of Council: No report provided.

Report of the Chairman: No report provided.

Open/Close Public Hearings

- a. **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":** No one spoke.

1. Approval of Consent Items

- a. **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 third 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**

- b. **15-15MA**
CCW Bluff Rd, LLC
HI to LI (2.5 Acres)
1400 Bluff Rd.
11209-03-05: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.
ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

- c. **15-26MA**
Jeff & Jodi Salter
RS-MD to OI (5 Acres)
2304 Clemson Rd.



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20200-01-01: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.
ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

d. 15-27MA

Robert Berger

RU to NC (3.53 Acres)

4154 Hard Scrabble Rd.

20200-03-30: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

e. 15-28MA

Kay Evans

RU to RS-MD (14 Acres)

Riding Grove Rd.

28900-01-27/28/31: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

f. 15-30MA

M. B. Arnold

RM-HD to GC (.64 Acres)

1555 & 1557 Daulton Dr.

17012-03-11 & 12: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

g. 15-31MA

Elton Johnson

GC to RS-MD (.97 Acres)

6423 Monticello Rd.

09401-06-07: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

h. SCE&G Utility Easement – Jim Hamilton Blvd: Council approved the request to grant SCE&G a utility easement along the northeast end of Jim Hamilton Blvd., contingent upon Legal review and inclusion of any amendments to the easement.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, AIRPORT

i. Motion to Withhold County Funding From Any Neighborhood/Community/HOA Which Does not Allow Public Attendance and/or Denies Access to Anyone: Council approved amending the Neighborhood Improvement Grant Program's guidelines to reflect that any neighborhood-related entity which does not allow public attendance will



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be prohibited from receiving any form of funding from Richland County, effective July 1, 2015. **ACTION: GRANTS, PLANNING, FINANCE**

- j. [Removed from Consent] **Motion to Direct the Administrator and Staff to Abide by all Policies, Directives, Guidelines and Ordinances set by Council; Action Plan for Violations:** Council directed staff to compile all County departmental policies, and forward the policies to Council for their consideration. This information was previously provided by Staff, and is currently pending review in the Rules and Appointments Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- k. **One Year Extension of County-City 911 Intergovernmental Agreement:** Council approved the request to implement a one year extension of the County's intergovernmental agreement with the City of Columbia to provide a joint 911 Communications Center. The one year extension of the current agreement will provide Staff with additional time to explore and negotiate a new intergovernmental agreement. The Committee directed Staff to incorporate all of the applicable County operations (e.g., Sheriff, Coroner, and Fire Departments) into the new agreement, and to ensure that the concerns of the Sheriff's Department are addressed. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, EMERGENCY SERVICES, SHERIFF, FINANCE, CORONER**
- l. [Removed from Consent] **An Ordinance Authorizing a lease to United Way of the Midlands for 5178± square feet of space at 2000 Hampton Street, 3rd Floor and _____ square feet of space at 2000 Hampton Street, 4th Floor:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance, contingent upon review of the lease agreement regarding the janitorial services provided by the County. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, SUPPORT SERVICES, FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION**
- m. [Removed from Consent] **Approval of Sponsorship/Donation Payments:** Council approved the sponsorship/donation payments, totaling \$1,690.00, made between September 2014 and December 2014 to be in compliance with the "South Carolina Transparency – Political Subdivision Appropriation of Funds" and Richland County "Individual Recommended Agency Funding" Policies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION**

2. Second Reading Items

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; Article II, Rules of Construction; Definitions; Section 26-22, Definitions; so as to alter the definition of "Subdivision":** Council gave second



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reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

- b. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; Article IV, Amendments and Procedures; Section 26-54, Subdivision Review and Approval; Subsection (c), Processes; Paragraph (3), Major Subdivision Review; Subparagraph D, Bonded Subdivision Plat Review and Approval; Clause 6, Recordation; and Subparagraph E, Final Subdivision Plat Review and Approval; Clause 6, Recordation; so as to properly cross-reference two subsection:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**
- c. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; so as to add townhouses as a permitted use with special requirements in the RMMD and RM-HD Zoning Districts:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

3. Report of Administration and Finance Committee

- a. Lease Agreement; Warehouse for Richland Library during Capital Program:** Council deferred this item to a future Council meeting. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE**

4. Report of Rules and Appointments Committee

a. Notification Of Appointments

i. Board of Zoning Appeals - 1

Council voted to re-appoint William Wallace Smith, Sr. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

ii. Planning Commission - 1

This item was held in Committee. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

5. Other Items

a. REPORT OF PINEWOOD LAKE AD HOC COMMITTEE



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- c. **Contractual Matter:** Received as information. No action taken.
- d. **Emergency Construction of Restrooms:** Council directed staff to proceed with the original plan for the construction of the restrooms; however, if the contractor cannot construct the restrooms at the original cost estimate, this item will come back to Council for review and action. **ACTION: CAPITAL PROJECTS, LEGAL, FINANCE, PROCUREMENT, ADMINISTRATION**
- e. **Contract Agreement:** Council directed staff to move forward with the contract agreement with the amendment that any surplus of funds remaining from the proposed annual operating cost will be returned to the County. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: CAPITAL PROJECTS, LEGAL, FINANCE, PROCUREMENT, ADMINISTRATION**

8. Motion Period

- a. **Resolution recognizing Chaplain Carnell Johnson on being named 2015 Correctional Volunteer of the Year [MALINOWSKI]:** Council unanimously approved the Resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. **Move that Richland County Council pass a resolution requesting the State Legislature remove the Confederate Battle Flag from the State House grounds [ROSE]:** Council unanimously approved the Resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- c. **Request that Richland County Council pass a resolution that states to Governor Nicki Haley and the Richland County Legislative Delegation that, Richland County Council will not support racial discrimination and the practice of hate crimes or terrorism, foreign or domestic, against an individual or specific group of people. As a collective group, Richland County Council is a nondiscriminatory body, who supports individual liberty and the pursuit of happiness for all people. We respectfully request that immediate action be taken to remove the Confederate Battle Flag that flies on the grounds of the South Carolina State House which sits in the County of Richland. [JACKSON]:** Council unanimously approved the Resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**



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d. Allow Council Members to electronically participate in ad hoc committee meetings

[WASHINGTON]: Council sent this item to the Rules & Appointments Committee:

ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL

9. Adjournment: Council adjourned at 8:43PM.