



**RICHLAND COUNTY
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Office of the County Administrator

**Council Actions Report
Regular Session Council Meeting
December 1, 2015
6:00PM**

Call to Order: Rush

Invocation: Jeter

Pledge of Allegiance: Jeter

Presentation of Proclamation

- a. Move for a Resolution honoring the life and heroism of Forest Acres Police Officer Gregory Alia and to declare December 14th as Officer Gregory Alia day in Richland County:** Councilmembers Rose, Jeter, Manning and Pearce presented a Resolution to the family of Gregory Alia, honoring his life and heroism, and declared December 14th as Officer Gregory Alia day in Richland County.

Approval of Minutes

- a. Regular Session: November 17, 2015:** Approved as published.
- b. Zoning Public Hearing: November 24, 2015:** Approved as published.

Adoption of Agenda: Adopted as amended. A presentation by Carolina United was added to the agenda as item 10b. Item 35b, Richland Memorial Hospital, was amended to reflect that the advertisement for the Richland Memorial Hospital Board was for 2 vacancies.

Report of the Attorney for Executive Sessions Items:

- a. Consultant Contract**
- b. Personnel Matter**

Citizen's Input: Four people spoke.

Report of the County Administrator:

- a. Introduction of Employee:** Mr. McDonald introduced Kevin Bronson to Council as the new Assistant County Administrator.



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Report of the Clerk of Council: No report provided

Report of the Chairman

- a. **Personnel Matter:** Executive Session item.
- b. **Carolina United:** Bruce Cannon, from Carolina United, provided a brief presentation to Council on their flood recovery efforts in the Midlands.

Open/Close Public Hearings

- a. **Ordinance to amend the agreement for designation of the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park dated April 15, 2003 by and between Fairfield and Richland Counties so s to enlarge the Park (Seibels Service Group, Inc.):** No one spoke.
- b. **An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Hospitality Tax Fund Annual Budget to appropriate \$75,000 of Hospitality Fund Balance to provide funding for Famously Hot New Year:** No one spoke.

1. Approval of Consent Items

- a. **15-34MA**
Tyson Reilly
RU to RS-E (202.56 Acres)
Heins Rd.
23500-05-03: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.
ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING
- b. [Removed from Consent] **15-35MA**
Cynthia Weatherford
RS-HD to LI (1.27 Acres)
2610 Harlem St.
16204-08-01: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.
ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING
- c. **15-37MA**
Jonathan Yates
RU to GC (19.69 Acres)
4600 Hardscrabble Rd. 2



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0300-03-03 & 04: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.
ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

d. 15-39MA

Nelson Lindsay

RU to LI (26.6 Acres)

Baker Rd.

15100-03-02 & 03: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

e. 15-42MA

David Brandes

RU to GC (8.52 Acres)

Piney Grove Rd. & Piney Woods Rd.

04913-04-01/02/03/11/14: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

f. 15-44MA

Sean Heideman

OI to GC (1 Acre)

5209 Two Notch Rd.

14108-09-12: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING

- g. Council member Jackson's Motion Regarding Unauthorized Businesses:** Council directed staff to develop and implement an approach, with input from the County's Legal Department, that utilizes the available enforcement mechanisms to remedy the issue of businesses operating outside of the County's ordinances related to business licenses.

ACTION: LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION, BUSINESS SERVICE CENTER, FINANCE

- h. Conservation Department – Hopkins Conservation Easement on Lower Richland Blvd.:** Council approved the request from the Richland County Conservation Commission (RCCC) to place a conservation easement on 60 acres on Lower Richland Blvd., and to purchase the development rights of the property for a sum of \$50,000, which will be paid from the RCCC Capital Acquisition Fund.

ACTION: LEGAL, FINANCE, CONSERVATION, SUPPORT SERVICES

- i. Solid Waste - Award of Contract for a Comprehensive Audit and RFID RetroFit of All County Garbage and Recycling Roll Carts:** Council approved the request to award



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the comprehensive audit contract to BMT Services. **ACTION: LEGAL, FINANCE, PROCUREMENT, SOLID WASTE**

- j. Council-Administrator Form of Government Training; Council Rule Amendment; Disciplinary Policy for Employees:** Council accepted this item as information.
- k. Richland County Sheriff's Department Victims of Crime Act Special Solicitation Grant; Equipment Only; 20% match:** Council approved the request to accept the Victims of Crime Act-Special Solicitation grant, if awarded, to fund the purchase of equipment / supplies and training costs for the Richland County Sheriff's Department Victim Services Unit. The total amount of grant funding applied for is \$72,400, which includes a 20% grant match of \$14,480. **ACTION: FINANCE, GRANTS, SHERIFF**

2. Third Reading Items

- a. Ordinance to amend the agreement for designation of the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park dated April 15, 2003 by and between Fairfield and Richland Counties so as to enlarge the Park (Seibels Service Group, Inc.):** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Hospitality Tax Fund Annual Budget to appropriate \$75,000 of Hospitality Fund Balance to provide funding for Famously Hot New Year [PAGES 119-134]:** Council gave third reading approval to the budget amendment. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, GRANTS**

3. Second Reading Items

- a. Authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee-in-lieu of tax agreement by and between Richland County and Project Oro whereby Richland County will enter into a fee-in-lieu of tax agreement with Project Oro and providing for payment by Project Oro of certain fees-in-lieu of ad valorem taxes; providing for the allocation of fees-in-lieu of taxes payable under the agreement for the establishment of a multi-county industrial/business park; and other matters relating thereto:** Council deferred this item to the December 8, 2015 Council meeting. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**



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- b. An Ordinance Authorizing the execution and delivery of an Infrastructure Credit Agreement by and between Richland County, South Carolina and [Project VA] with respect to certain economic development property in the county, whereby such property will be subject to certain payments in lieu of taxes, and such company will receive certain infrastructure credits in respect of investment in related infrastructure; and other matters related thereto:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

4. First Reading Items

- a. An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Court Appointed Special Advocates Training Grant Annual Budget to add two new CASA Case Worker positions:** Council gave first reading approval to the budget amendment. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, CASA, HUMAN RESOURCES**

5. Report of the Development & Services Committee

- a. Removal of Lien off of Property** Council deferred this item to the December 8, 2015 Council meeting. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, BUILDING SERVICES, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

6. Report of the Administration & Finance Committee

- a. Decker Center Change Order #1:** Council approved the Decker Center Change Order #1 in the amount of \$54,507. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, PROCUREMENT, CAPITAL PROJECTS**
- b. Magistrates, Authorization of Negotiation of Purchase Contract for 144 O'Neil Ct and 4913 North Main St properties:** Council authorized the negotiation of the proposed purchase agreements for both 144 O'Neil Ct and 4913 North Main St. Once the negotiations are completed, Staff will bring the purchase agreements back to Council for their review and action. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, CAPITAL PROJECTS, SUPPORT SERVICES**

7. Report of Rules & Appointments Committee

- a. Notification of Appointments**



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i. Transportation Penny Advisory Committee - 1

Council voted to appoint Murray Coleman. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

ii. Lexington Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council (LRADAC)

Council voted to re-appoint Roosevelt Garrick, Jr. and John Jacob Loveday.
ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL

iii. Richland Memorial Hospital Board - 2

This item was held in Committee.

iv. Airport Commission - 3

This item was held in Committee.

b. Notification of Vacancies

i. Music Festival Commission - 1

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

ii. Richland Memorial Hospital Board - 2

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

c. Rules and Appointments: Items for Action

i. Terms of Service - Eligibility Requirements after Two Consecutive Terms

This item was held in Committee.

8. Report of the Ordinance Review Ad Hoc Committee

a. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 17, Motor Vehicles and Traffic; Article II, General Traffic and Parking Regulations;



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Section 17-10, Parking in Residential and Commercial Zones of the County; so as to prohibit the parking of motor vehicles in the front yard in certain Residential Zoning Districts: Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance amendment.

ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING, SHERIFF

- b. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 18, Offenses; Section 18-4, Weeds and Rank Vegetation; so as to decrease the maximum height of growth allowed:** Council denied this request. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING, SHERIFF**
- c. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 18, Offenses; Section 18-4, Weeds and Rank Vegetation; so as to amend the time for notification:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING, SHERIFF**
- d. **Motion to name Courtroom 2b in the Judicial Center the Ada Harper James Courtroom:** Council approved naming courtroom 2b in the Richland County Judicial Center located at 1701 Main Street the Ada Harper James courtroom. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: SUPPORT SERVICES, CLERK OF COURT, LEGAL**
- e. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, General Provisions; Section 1-15, Naming of Buildings; so as to exclude naming of rooms:** Council denied this request. The vote to reconsider failed.

9. Office of Small Business Opportunity Ad Hoc Committee

- a. **Compliance Process to track all contracts for SLBE Participation:** This item was held in Committee.
- b. **Consultant Contract:** This item was held in Committee.

10. Report from the 1,000 Year Flood Disaster Recovery Work Session:

Council approved staff to proceed with items a. – f. as outlined below. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**

- a. **Approval to Develop Long Term Recovery Plan (Goal Completion = 60-90 days)**
- b. **Establish Long Term Flood Recovery Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee**
- c. **Establish County Staff Work Group**



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- d. **Develop Outreach Plan:**
- e. **Conduct Un-Met Needs Analysis**
- f. **Communicate to State/Congressional Delegation**

11. Other Items

- a. **A Resolution to appoint and commission James O. Ballentine, Marcus L. Glenn, and Rayford Brown as Code Enforcement Officers for the proper security, general welfare, and convenience of Richland County:** Council unanimously approved the Resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, EMERGENCY SERVICES**

12. Citizen's Input: Four people spoke.

13. Executive Session:

- a. **Consultant Contract:** This item was not discussed in Executive Session.
- b. **Personnel Matter:** Received as information. No action was taken.

14. Motion Period

- a. **All organizations that use a fiscal agent to administer grant funded projects through the Hospitality Tax and / or Accommodations Tax grant programs can only do so for three fiscal years, after which they must have a 501(c)(3) tax exempt status to receive future Hospitality Tax and / or Accommodations Tax grant funds from the County [LIVINGSTON]:** Mr. Livingston withdrew this motion. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. **I move that Council develop an Ad Hoc Committee to facilitate the development of an after action report for the county emergency response during the 1,000 year flood. [WASHINGTON AND PEARCE]:** Council approved the motion to develop an Ad Hoc Committee to facilitate the development of an after action report for the County's emergency response during the 1,000 year flood. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

15. Adjournment: Council adjourned at 8:04PM.