

RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT



Office of the County Administrator

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT OF COUNCIL ACTIONS
REGULAR SESSION COUNCIL MEETING**

June 5, 2007

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: McEachern

INVOCATION: Montgomery

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Montgomery

CITIZEN'S INPUT: No one signed up to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Session: May 15, 2007 – Approved as submitted.

Budget Public Hearing: May 22, 2007 – Approved as submitted.

Zoning Public Hearing: May 22, 2007 – Approved as submitted.

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: The agenda was adopted as amended.

- a. One Executive Session item (lease agreement – rowing center) was added to the agenda.
- b. Third reading of the budget was moved from item 1d to item 6.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

- a. TIF Update
- b. Lease Agreement (Rowing Center)

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:

No report was given.

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL:

- a. **NACO Conference, July 13-17, 2007:** Ms. Finch reminded Council to let her know if they plan to attend the conference.
- b. **Community Relations Council Annual Luncheon, June 13, 2007:** Ms. Finch asked which council members were planning to attend so that she could purchase a table.
- c. **Midlands Workforce Development Board Employer Appreciation Luncheon, June 26, 2007:** Ms. Finch informed members of council of the MWDB luncheon on June 26, 2007.
- d. **Retirement Dinner for Magistrate Clement Stocker, June 8, 2007:** Ms. Finch informed members of council that a retirement dinner would be held for retiring Magistrate, Clement Stocker, on June 8, 2007.
- e. **Midlands Technical College Business Accelerator Opening:** Ms. Finch informed members of council of the opening of the MTC Business Accelerator on June 7, 2007.
- f. **July 3, 2007 Council Meeting:** Ms. Finch informed members of council that the first council meeting in July would take place on July 3rd, one day before the Independence Day Holiday. This item was taken up during the motion period.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN:

- c. **Comprehensive Plan regarding non-attainment air quality EPA standards:** Mr. McEachern stated he has spoken with staff regarding the development of a comprehensive plan, in collaboration with surrounding counties, to address air quality issues. **ACTION: Administration**
- d. **Work Session on June 19th Regarding Recreation Complex in Northeast Richland County** – Mr. McEachern stated that a work session regarding the Northeast Recreation Complex needs to be held on June 19th at 4:00 p.m.

OPEN/CLOSE PUBLIC HEARINGS: Public hearings were held for items 1a, 1b, and 1c. No one signed up to speak for or against.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS: The following items were approved for the Consent Agenda and adopted by motion of the County Council: 1a, 1b, 2d, 3c, 3d, 3e, 3f, 4a, 4b, and 4c. Items 1c, 2c, and 3a were removed from the Consent agenda.

1. THIRD READING ITEMS

- a. **Ordinance amending the FY 2006-2007 General Fund Budget to add one million sixty five thousand dollars to the budgets of Risk Management,**

The Ombudsman's Office and Central Services [PUBLIC HEARING] [CONSENT] – Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Finance, Administration**

- b. **Ordinance amending the FY 2006-2007 General Fund Budget to add \$50,000 to the Coroner's Budget [PUBLIC HEARING] [CONSENT]** – Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Finance, Administration**
 - c. **Ordinance authorizing the issuance of revenue refunding bonds and revenue bonds for the benefit of International Paper Company and related matters in connection therewith [PUBLIC HEARING]** – Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Finance, Administration**
2. **SECOND READING ITEMS**
- a. **Recommendation from Planning Commission to amend the Comprehensive Plan by incorporating "The Renaissance Plan for the Decker Boulevard/ Woodfield Park Area" into the 1-20 Corridor subarea plan** – Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Clerk, Administration**
 - b. **07-26MA, Dovetail Development, RM-MD to RM-HD, Multi-Family Dwellings, TMS #13607-02-01, Shop Road** – Council gave second reading approval to the map amendment. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Zoning, Clerk, Administration**
 - c. **07-28MA, Bunch/Lower Richland PDD, RU to PDD, Mixed Use Development, TMS #21800-01-06, Garners Ferry Road & Lower Richland Boulevard** – Council gave second reading approval to the map amendment. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Zoning, Clerk, Administration**
 - d. **07-29MA, Farrow Road Joint Venture, HI to GC, TMS #17200-03-101(p)/13/21/28/29 and TMS #I721 1-01-01(p)/07/09 and TMS #17206-02-01, 1-77 & Farrow Road [CONSENT]** – Council gave second reading approval to the map amendment. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Zoning, Clerk, Administration**
 - e. **Citadel Foundation/Northpoint Industrial Park/Land Purchase** – Council deferred consideration of this item to be taken up with item 5a.
 - f. **Midlands Technical College: Request for Multi- County Industrial Park Status** – Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**

3. REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a. Request to Approve Posting of the Civil Rights Act 1968 in County-occupied Buildings** – This request was approved by council. **ACTION: Community Development**
- b. An Ordinance Providing for Entering into a Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase Transaction of not exceeding \$3,700,000 and a Sublease with Allen University, to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended, to provide for the payment thereof, and other matters pertaining thereto** – Council gave first reading approval by title only and referred the ordinance to the Bond Review Committee for review. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**
- c. Memorandum of Understanding relating to the interim financing of the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority [CONSENT]** – Council voted to approve the MOU. **ACTION: Legal, Administration**
- d. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 18, Offenses; so that all business establishments within the unincorporated areas of Richland County with gasoline and diesel fuel pumps shall require full payment in advance for any quantity of gasoline or diesel sold {Committee Recommended Denial} [CONSENT]** - Council voted to uphold the committee’s recommendation to deny the request.
- e. Detention Center: Request to Approve Expenditure in the Amount of \$99,290.00 to Honeywell, Inc. for full maintenance coverage on the fire and security system for the Bluff Road Facility [CONSENT]** – Council voted to approve the request. **ACTION: Procurement, Detention Center, Administration**
- f. Detention Center: Request to Approve the Expenditure in the amount of \$135,492.00 to W. B. Guimarin & Company, Inc. for maintenance of the Bluff Road Facility Housing and Energy Plant [CONSENT]** – Council voted to approve the request. **ACTION: Procurement, Detention Center, Administration**

4. REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

- a. An Ordinance Authorizing the Amendment of a Development Agreement between Richland County, South Carolina and Lake Carolina Development, Inc. to reflect the addition of land to the Lake Carolina PUD-2 [CONSENT]** – Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**

- b. **Ordinance Authorizing the Granting of a Sanitary Sewer Easement to the City of Columbia Across County-owned Property on Elder's Pond Drive [CONSENT]** – Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**
- c. **Ordinance Authorizing the Granting of a Water Line Easement to the City of Columbia Across County-owned Property on Elder's Pond Drive [CONSENT]** – Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**
- d. **Request to Consider a Petition to Close a Portion of Hobart Road** – Council voted to approve this item with the issues of EMS, numbering and naming being addressed. **ACTION: Legal, EMS, Planning, Administration**
- e. **Ordinance Authorizing the Use of Fill in Floodplain Areas** – Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**

5. REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- a. **Ordinance Authorizing Special Source Revenue Bonds not to exceed \$1,000,000 Payable from fee-in-lieu of tax revenues generated from properties within the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park; the proceeds to be used to acquire land and finance improvements in the Northpoint Industrial Park & Citadel Foundation /Northpoint Industrial Park/ Land Purchase** – Council voted to defer this item to the June 19th meeting. **ACTION: Clerk**

6. FY 2007-2008 BUDGET ORDINANCE

Budget Motion Items:

- a. **Richland School District One** – Council approved \$158,924,862 for this item.
- b. **Richland School District Two** – Council approved \$94,801,475 for this item.
- c. **Recreation Commission** – Council approved \$9,763,332 for this item.
- d. **Midlands Technical College Capital** – Council approved \$1,845,000 for this item.
- e. **Richland County Public Library** – Council approved \$17,335,359 for this item and voided the Hospitality Tax allocation that was approved at Second Reading of the budget.

- f. **Mental Health** – Council approved \$1,556,580 and voted to amend the General Fund budget to accommodate a one-year \$32,000 grant to Mental Health.
- g. **Conservation Commission** – Council approved \$605,000 for this item.
- h. **Neighborhood Redevelopment** – Council approved \$605,000 for this item.
- i. **Stormwater Management** – Council approved \$2,574,961 for this item.
- j. **Mass Transit** – Council voted to approve the budget of \$4,284,000, and to revisit the fee amount in September. **ACTION: Finance, Administration**
- k. **Hospitality Tax** – Council voted to approve \$150,000 for this item from the Undesignated Hospitality Tax Fund and referred the Memorandum of Understanding to the A&F Committee. **ACTION: Administration**
- l. **Human Resources (\$46,353 Wellness Coordinator position)** – Council voted to defer this item until October in order to work on a program in collaboration with the University of South Carolina and Palmetto Richland. **ACTION: Human Resources, Administration**
- m. **Auditor (\$87,750 Chief Deputy Auditor Position)** – Council voted to defer this item until October in order for the new Auditor to make an evaluation and to bring back a recommendation and assessment to Council and to have the new Auditor work with the Human Resources Department to be sure the position fits into the Class and Comp system of the County. **ACTION: Auditor, Human Resources, Administration**
- n. **General Fund (Amount available for Council to allocate as needed - \$5,000)** – Council voted to allocate \$5,000 for Voter Registration’s part-time account.
- o. **Conservation Commission** – Council voted to approve directing the Conservation Commission to provide funding assistance to the Gills Creek Watershed group by providing \$50,000 to be used at the discretion of the Commission with Mr. Jim Wilson supervising the use of those funds.
- p. **Hospitality Tax (Approve Funding Distribution)** – Council voted to approve the County Promotions distribution, with the addition of \$6,500 for Center City Partnership.
- q. **General Fund (Based on updated mill value, additional amount available for Council to allocate)** – Council voted to apply the remaining \$204,000 to lower the amount of fund balance used on one-time appropriations.

- r. **FY2007-2008 Budget Ordinance** – Council gave third reading approval to the budget ordinance, as amended. **ACTION: Legal, Finance, Auditor, Administration**

- 7. **CITIZENS INPUT:** No one signed up to speak.

- 8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
 - a. **TIF Update** – Received as information.

 - b. **Lease Agreement (Rowing Center)** – Council voted to move forward as discussed in Executive Session. The vote in favor was unanimous.

- 9. **MOTION PERIOD:**
 - a. **Judge Clemon Stocker Resolution** – Council voted unanimously to adopt a resolution for Judge Clemon Stocker in honor of his retirement. **ACTION: Clerk**

 - b. **Northeast Richland Recreation Complex Work Session** – Council voted unanimously to schedule a work session for June 19th at 4:00 p.m. **ACTION: Clerk**

 - c. **July Meeting Schedule** – Council voted unanimously to reschedule the July 3rd meeting until July 10th. **ACTION: Clerk**

 - d. **Discretionary Account Policies** – Ms. Smith referred the draft proviso she circulated in regarding the policy on the discretionary accounts to the Rules & Appointment Committee. **ACTION: Clerk**

 - e. **Electronic Agenda Update** – Mr. Montgomery requested an update from the Clerk on the status of the electronic agenda. **ACTION: Clerk**

 - f. **Conservation Overlay District Regarding Crane Creek Water Shed** – Council voted unanimously to refer this item to staff and have them bring back recommendations to the Planning Commission. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Administration**

 - g. **Resolution Recognizing Tamara Abraham as a West Point Cadet** – Council voted unanimously to adopt a resolution for Ms. Tamara Abraham. **ACTION: Clerk**

 - h. **Accountability of Outside Agencies Funding** - Mr. Malinowski referred to the A&F Committee the issue of accountability of outside agencies requesting funding. The agency must submit a budget and every six months submit an

audit of how the funding is being utilized. **ACTION: Legal, Finance, Administration**

- i. Policy Regarding Submission of Back-Up Data to Council Members** – Mr. Malinowski referred to the Rules & Appointment Committee the issue of Council members no longer accepting back-up materials on the day of Council meetings. **ACTION: Clerk**
 - j. Furniture Requests** – Mr. Malinowski referred to the A&F Committee the issue of County furniture purchases. **ACTION: Procurement, Administration**
 - k. Notification of Re-zoning Issues** – Mr. Malinowski referred to A&F Committee the issue of notifying Council members of re-zoning issues in their districts as soon as said request is received. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Administration**
 - l. Affordable Housing Trust Fund** – Mr. Jackson referred to the D&S Committee the formulation of an affordable housing trust fund. **ACTION: Legal, Community Development, Administration**
 - m. Joint Planning Commission** – Mr. Jackson referred to the D&S Committee to explore the possibility of a joint planning commission with the City of Columbia. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Administration**
- 10. ADJOURNMENT:** Council adjourned at 8:57 p.m.