

# *Richland County Council*



**Special Called Meeting  
May 26, 2011  
6:00PM  
Council Chambers**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Honorable Paul Livingston**

**1. FY 2011-2011 Budget Ordinance [SECOND READING]**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES, WHICH, TOGETHER WITH THE PRIOR YEAR'S CARRYOVER AND OTHER STATE LEVIES AND ANY ADDITIONAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED BY THE RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2011, WILL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT REVENUES FOR THE OPERATIONS OF RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT DURING THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2011, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012**

**2. FY 2011-2011 Millage Ordinance [SECOND READING]**

**AN ORDINANCE TO RAISE REVENUE, MAKE APPROPRIATIONS, AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR RICHLAND COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2011 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2012**

**3. Adjournment**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RICHLAND COUNTY  
ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_-11HR

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Pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution of the State of South Carolina and the general Assembly of the State of South Carolina, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RICHLAND COUNTY:

**SECTION 1.** That a tax for the General Fund to cover the period from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, both inclusive, is hereby levied upon all taxable property in Richland County, in a sufficient number of mills not to exceed forty-seven and eight tenths (47.8) to be determined from the assessment of the property herein.

**SECTION 2.** That the additional taxes, besides that noted above in Section 1, to cover the period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, both inclusive, are hereby levied upon all taxable property in Richland County for the funds:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MILLS</u>
General Fund Debt Service	9.0
Solid Waste – Landfill	3.0
Capital Replacement	3.0
Library	13.3
Library – prior year deficit	.1
Mental Health	1.2
Riverbanks Zoo	1.3
Conservation Commission	.5
Neighborhood Redevelopment	.5

**SECTION 3.** That the additional taxes, besides that noted in Section 1 and 2, to cover the period from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, both inclusive, are hereby levied upon all taxable property located within each of the following respective Special Tax Districts in Richland County for the following Funds:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MILLS</u>
Fire Service – Operations	18.2
Fire Service – Debt Service	1.7
School District One – Operations	231.4
School District One – prior year deficit	4.0
School District One – Debt Service	53.0
School District Two – Operations	258.3

School District Two – Debt Service	85.0
Recreation Commission – Operations	10.4
Recreation Commission – Debt Service	3.0
Midlands Technical College – Operations	2.8
Midlands Technical College – Capital & Debt Service	1.4
Riverbanks Zoo – Debt Service	.7
Stormwater Management	3.0
East Richland Public Service District – Debt Service	4.0

**SECTION 4. Conflicting Ordinances Repealed.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 5. Separability.** If any section, subsection, or clause of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, and clauses shall not be affected thereby.

**SECTION 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

BY: Paul Livingston, Chair

FIRST READING: May 3, 2011  
PUBLIC HEARING: May 19, 2011  
SECOND READING:  
THIRD READING:

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
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AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR RICHLAND COUNTY, SOUTH  
CAROLINA FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2011 AND  
ENDING JUNE 30, 2012.**

**WHEREAS**, 4-9-120 and 4-9-140 of the Laws of South Carolina require that a County Council shall adopt an annual budget, and shall act by Ordinance to adopt a budget and levy taxes.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by County Council of Richland County in Council, duly assembled, and by the authority of the same:

**SECTION 1.** That the following appropriations by activity be, and the estimated revenue to support these appropriations, as well as other supporting documents contained in the recommended budget are hereby adopted, such supporting documents being made part thereof and incorporated herein by reference:

<b><u>REVENUES</u></b>	<b><u>FY12 Appropriation</u></b>
General Operations	127,242,475
Capital Replacement	4,700,000
Victims Assistance Surcharge/Assessments	692,300
Temporary Alcohol Permits	92,465
Title IV Civil Process	80,000
Solicitor Drug Court	57,000
Emergency Telephone System	1,800,000
Accommodations Tax	650,700
Road Maintenance	5,850,000
Hospitality Tax	5,250,000
Conservation Commission	725,000
Neighborhood Redevelopment	725,000
Tourism Development	975,000
Stormwater Management	3,104,000
Fire Service - Operations	20,488,254
Solid Waste – including Landfill	28,113,764
Hamilton-Owens Airport	258,300
Utilities System	5,579,846
Parking Garage	144,850
School District No. 1 – Operations	177,449,139
School District No. 2 – Operations	117,750,851
Recreation Commission – Operations	10,784,000
Midlands Technical College	4,341,000
Midland Technical College - Capital and Debt Service	2,094,000
Columbia Area Mental Health	1,905,500
Library	19,817,000
Riverbanks Zoological Park – Operations	2,003,300
School District No. 1 – Debt Service	39,825,146
School District No. 2 – Debt Service	42,712,442
General County Debt Service	12,125,239
Fire Service – Debt Service	1,664,728
East Richland Public Service District – Debt Service	927,921

Riverbanks Zoological Park – Debt Service	1,699,920
Recreation Commission – Debt Service	2,552,256

<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>644,181,396</b>
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**FUND BALANCE AND OTHER SOURCES**

General Fund	4,058,101
Neighborhood Redevelopment	385,445
Hospitality Tax	250,000
Stormwater Management	500,000
Conservation Commission	362,500
Accommodation Tax	111,891
Parking Garage	140,000
Emergency Telephone System	563,696
Mass Transit	1,670,000

<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE AND OTHER SOURCES</b>	<b>8,041,633</b>
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**TRANSFERS IN**

GF Transfer In (Cost Allocation)	1,906,760
GF Transfer In (From Conservation & Neighborhood)	725,000
To Victims Assistance from General Fund	361,400
To Emergency Telephone System from General Fund	1,613,785
To Emergency Telephone System from Fire Service	830,000
To Public Defender from General Fund	1,317,650
To Airport Fund from General Fund	100,000
To Utilities System from Stormwater	500,000
To Debt Service from Hospitality Tax	1,966,352

<b>Total Transfers In</b>	<b>9,320,947</b>
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<b>TOTAL SOURCES</b>	<b><u>\$661,543,976</u></b>
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**EXPENDITURES**

General Operations	133,461,847
Capital Replacement	1,777,654
Victims Assistance Surcharge/Assessments	954,689
Temporary Alcohol Permits	92,465
Title IV Civil Process	74,176
Solicitor Drug Court	57,000
Emergency Telephone System	4,795,833
Accommodations Tax	750,000
Road Maintenance	5,494,725
Mass Transit	1,670,000
Hospitality Tax	3,099,659
Conservation Commission	706,673
Neighborhood Redevelopment	712,970
Tourism Development	957,631
Stormwater Management	2,979,034
Fire Service - Operations	19,298,303
Public Defender Fund	1,317,650

Solid Waste – including Landfill	27,838,183
Hamilton-Owens Airport	358,300
Utilities System	5,922,593
Parking Garage	284,850

School District No. 1 – Operations	177,449,139
School District No. 2 – Operations	117,750,851
Recreation Commission – Operations	10,784,000
Midlands Technical College	4,341,000

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<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>652,223,029</b>

**TRANSFERS OUT**

From Victim's Assistance to General Fund	99,011
From Tourism Development to General Fund	17,369
From Emergency Telephone System to General Fund	11,648
From Fire Service to General Fund	359,951
From Fire Service to ETS	830,000
From Stormwater Management to General Fund	124,966
From Stormwater to Utilities System	500,000
From Conservation Commission to General Fund	380,827
From Neighborhood Redevelopment to General Fund	397,475
From Hospitality Tax to General Fund	433,989
From Hospitality Tax to Debt Service	1,966,352
From Accommodations Tax to General Fund	12,591
From Title IV Civil Process to General Fund	5,824
From Road Maintenance to General Fund	355,275
From Solid Waste to General Fund	275,581
From Utilities Systems to General Fund	157,253
From General Fund to ETS	1,613,785
From General Fund to Victim's Assistance	361,400
From General Fund to Public Defender Fund	1,317,650
From General Fund to Airport Fund	100,000
<b>Total Transfers Out</b>	<b>9,320,947</b>
<b>TOTAL USES</b>	<b><u>\$661,543,976</u></b>

**SECTION 2.** Mileage rate paid to County employees shall be the same as the U.S. Federal reimbursement rate per mile for the fiscal period stated above.

**SECTION 3.** All fees previously approved by the County Council, either through budget ordinances or ordinances apart from the budget, will remain in effect unless and until the County Council votes to amend those fees.

**SECTION 4.** At fiscal year end, any funds encumbered for capital purchases shall reflect as a designation of fund balance in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and shall be brought forward in the subsequent fiscal year as budgeted fund balance. This automatic re-budgeting shall not require a supplemental budget ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** Continuation grants and those with no personnel or match requests are considered approved as presented with budget adoption up to available budgeted match dollars. All other grants will require individual Council approval prior to award acceptance.

**SECTION 6.** Commensurate with budget authority, the County Administrator may approve purchases in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or less. Purchases in excess of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) shall be reviewed and approved by the County Council prior to acceptance. The County Administrator is granted authority to transfer up to \$100,000 between all General Fund direct report budgets.

**SECTION 7.** Designated fund balance allocated in prior years for the establishment of an emergency disaster fund, economic development fund and an insurance reserve fund shall remain so designated, but only to the extent of available fund balance as approved by the County Administrator.

**SECTION 8.** All One-percent funds collected through established Multi-County Industrial Park agreements or the funds from the completed sale of any county-owned property in a multi-county park shall be placed in the Richland County Industrial Park Fund and be immediately appropriated for the purpose of continued Economic Development. This appropriation shall not require a supplemental budget ordinance.

**SECTION 9.** Funds allocated but unspent during the fiscal year in capital accounts designated in the County Administrator's Recommended Budget shall be recognized as part of a multi-year capital projects funding and be carried forward and transferred to a capital projects fund for the purpose of providing partial funding for approved major capital projects. The amount to be carried forward shall not exceed the line item appropriated amount without approval from County Council.

**SECTION 10.** Funds awarded to the Sheriff's Department through forfeiture are included as part of this ordinance and Council designates, as the governing body, that the Sheriff shall maintain these funds in accordance with Federal, State and County guidelines. All forfeited funds will be audited along with the General Fund and posted at that time.

**SECTION 11.** This ordinance shall establish a separate internal service fund for County-wide Insurance. This shall include Self Insurance, Worker's Compensation, Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) and Health Insurance. The County will be self-funded against tort claim liability and shall no longer carry an excess liability insurance policy. Funding shall be established through the annual automatic re-budgeting of these County funded accounts. The amount to be carried forward shall not exceed the unspent portion of the current year appropriation and shall be used only for the original intended purpose as identified in the year of appropriation. This shall increase the original appropriated budget and shall not require a separate budget amendment.

**SECTION 12.** Richland County hereby enacts the implementation of an Administrative Service Fee of up to \$15.00 per hour, to be collected by the Sheriff from parties who request special duty services, and which are authorized by the Sheriff for the duration of fiscal year 2011-2012 only. Funds collected by the Sheriff that are derived from the up to \$15.00 per hour administrative fee for special duty services shall be deposited as follows: \$5 into the General Fund to cover administrative costs of operating the plan; \$5 into the General Fund to cover the rank structure increases for the Sheriff's Office (this will be incorporated as a bonus payment and not add to the base salary of the employee); \$5 to deposited into the Victim's Assistance program to cover additional program cost. This revenue will be to offset the cost of the additional use of petrol oil and lubricants, and for the cost of administrative management of special duty assignments. The Sheriff and Finance Director will assess the status of fees collected through the Special Duty Program prior to the end of fiscal year 2012. All excess funds collected for the administrative cost over cost incurred shall reflect as a designation of fund balance and shall be brought forward in the following fiscal year as budgeted fund balance. This automatic re-budgeting shall not require a supplemental budget ordinance. Continuation of the Special Duty Program and associated fees shall be evaluated each year during the budget process.

**SECTION 13.** All funds collected by the Sheriff's Department as a cost reimbursement from employees shall be credited back to the sheriff's budget and allowed to utilize for other operational cost.

**SECTION 14.** Effective June 30, 2011, the mass transit ordinance establishing the mass transit portion of the road maintenance fee is repealed. This repeal shall not affect the Road Maintenance fee, which shall remain \$20 on each motorized vehicle in Richland County. The proceeds from the Road Maintenance fee will go into the County Road Maintenance Fund and be used specifically for the maintenance and improvement of the County road and/or drainage systems.

**SECTION 15.** Recreation Commission appropriation in excess of five mills is made with the following condition; the appropriated fund use must include the continuation of the free after-school programs JUMPs, Fighting Back and Tutorial.

**SECTION 16.** The Elected Official's pay shall be increased at the CPI level of 1.64% according to the Council approved Elected Official Pay Plan.

**SECTION 17.** All Title IV funds collected by the Clerk of Court shall be placed in Special Revenue fund and allocated according to the County budget process.

**SECTION 18.** Effective October 1, 2011, the Public Defender's office shall be incorporated into the County as a Special Revenue Department and shall follow all other County budget processes. The specific requirements are included in a separate Council approved IGA between the County and the Public Defender.

**SECTION 19. Conflicting Ordinances Repealed.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 20. Separability.** If any section, subsection, or clause of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, and clauses shall not be affected thereby.

**SECTION 21. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2011.

RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

BY: Paul Livingston, Chair

First Reading: May 3, 2011  
Public Hearing: May 19, 2011  
Second Reading:  
Third Reading: