

Jason M. Springs
District #1

Roger M. Poston
District #2

Alphonso Bradley
District #3

Mitchell Kirby
District #4

Kent C. Caudle
District #5

Russell W. Culberson
District #6

Waymon Mumford
District #7

James T. Schofield
District #8

Willard Dorriety, Jr.
District #9

AGENDA
FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COMPLEX
180 N. IRBY STREET
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 803
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2014
9:00 A. M.

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** JAMES T. SCHOFIELD, CHAIRMAN

II. **INVOCATION:** MITCHELL KIRBY, SECRETARY/CHAPLAIN

III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG:**
WAYMON MUMFORD, VICE CHAIRMAN

IV. **WELCOME:** JAMES T. SCHOFIELD, CHAIRMAN

V. **MINUTES:**

A. **MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 7, 2014 WORKSESSION** [1]
Council Is Requested To Approve The Minutes Of The January 7, 2014
Worksession Of County Council.

B. **MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 16, 2014 REGULAR MEETING** [6]
Council Is Requested To Approve The Minutes Of The January 16, 2014
Regular Meeting Of County Council.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

[14]

Council Will Hold Public Hearing On The Following:

ORDINANCE NO. 20-2013/14

An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Economic Development Partnership Ordinance To Provide For An Enlargement Of The Economic Development Partnership Membership And Other Matters Related Thereto.

VII. APPEARANCES:

None Requested Or Included At The Time Of Publication Of The Agenda.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(Items assigned to the Committees in italics. Revisions by Committee Chair requested.)

Administration & Finance

(Chairman Schofield, Councilmen Culberson, Mumford, and Dorriety)

November 2013

Capital Project Sales Tax

Public Services & County Planning

(Councilmen Poston/Chair, Kirby and Caudle)

June 2008

Museum

November 21, 2013

Landings

Justice & Public Safety

(Councilmen Mumford/Chair, Bradley and Jason Springs)

Litter

Education, Recreation, Health & Welfare

(Councilmen Culberson/Chair, Poston and Caudle)

Agriculture, Forestry, Military Affairs & Intergovernmental Relations

(Councilman Bradley/Chair, Dorriety and Jason Springs)

January 17, 2013

City-County Conference Committee

IX. RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

None Presented At The Time Of Publication Of The Agenda.

X. ORDINANCES IN POSITION:

A. THIRD READING

There are no Ordinances for Third Reading.

B. SECOND READING

1. ORDINANCE NO. 19-2013/14

[15]

An Ordinance To Rezone Property On Behalf Of Jeff M. Anderson, Regarding The Estate Of Johnsie W. Moore, Located At W. Main Street, Lake City, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00167, Block 31, Parcel 054; Consisting Of Approximately 2.07 Acres From R-1, Single-Family Residential District To B-1, Limited Business District; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

(Planning Commission approved 6-0)(Council District 1)

2. ORDINANCE NO. 20-2013/14

[23]

An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Economic Development Partnership Ordinance To Provide For An Enlargement Of The Economic Development Partnership Membership And Other Matters Related Thereto.

C. INTRODUCTION

1. ORDINANCE NO. 17-2013/14

[27]

An Ordinance Dissolving Pursuant To Section 4-9-30(5)(E) Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, The Sardis-Timmons ville Rural Fire Protection District, And Dissolving The Johnsonville Rural Fire District, The Howe Springs Fire District, The Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District, The West Florence Rural Fire District, And The Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District, All Incident To The Establishment Of The Florence County Fire Protection District As A Special Tax Fire District Under Article 19 Of Title 4 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, Providing For The Conditions With Respect To Said Dissolution, And Other Matters Related Thereto.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 18-2013/14 [33]

An Ordinance To Create And Establish The Florence County Fire Protection District In Florence County, South Carolina Pursuant To Title 4, Chapter 19 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, To Approve The Annual Levy And Collection Of Ad Valorem Taxes And The Imposition Of Rates And Charges For The Operation And Maintenance Thereof, To Authorize The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds On Behalf Of The District From Time To Time, And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

XI. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

XII. REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

A. ADMINISTRATION

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS [41]

Monthly Financial Reports Were Provided To Council For Fiscal Year 2014 Through December 31, 2013 As An Item For The Record.

B. CLERK OF COURT/PROCUREMENT

SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT/MICROFORM SCANNERS [47]

Approve A Sole Source Procurement Of Three (3) Minolta MS6000 Mk II Digital Film Microform Scanners For The Clerk Of Court's Office From Cavin's Business Solutions Of Fayetteville, NC In The Amount Of \$36,244.

C. PROCUREMENT

1. DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY [53]

Declare Unit #522, A 1997 Ford Crown Vic, VIN#2FALP71W4VX132262 As Surplus Property For Disposal Via GovDeals Or A Manner Most Advantageous To The County.

2. DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY [54]

Declare Various Office Furniture As Surplus Property For Disposal In The Manner Most Advantageous To The County.

D. TIMMONSVILLE RESCUE SQUAD/PROCUREMENT

AWARD BID NO. 16-13/14

[56]

Award Bid No. 16-13/14 For The Purchase Of One (1) Certified A-Frame Carport For The Timmonsville Rescue Squad To Newmart Builders, Inc. Of South Hill, VA In The Amount Of \$17,424.60 (Including Tax) To Be Funded By A South Carolina Department Of Health And Environmental Control Grant-In-Aid Grant. *(4 Bids Received; 3 Bids Compliant)*

XIII. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. INFRASTRUCTURE

1. DOROTHY G. HINES NATURE TRAIL

[61]

Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$20,269 From Council District 3 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Assist The City Of Florence With Asphaltting The Dorothy G. Hines Nature Trail.

2. LAVERNE ARD PARK

[63]

Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$14,000 From Council District 2 Infrastructure Funding Allocation For The Purchase And Erection Of Perimeter Fencing Around The Football Field At Laverne Ard Park.

3. TOWN OF COWARD

[64]

Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$5,000 From Council District 5 Infrastructure Funding Allocation For The Purchase Of A Camera System For Surveillance Of The Town, Park, Ball Field And Both Water Wells For The Town Of Coward.

B. INFRASTRUCTURE/UTILITY

FLORENCE COUNTY MAGISTRATES' OFFICES

[66]

Approve The Expenditure In An Amount Not To Exceed \$5,940 From Council Districts' Infrastructure/Utility Funding Allocations (Approximately \$660 From Each District) To Purchase Bulletproof Vests For Florence County Magistrate Constables To Replace Outdated Vests Currently In Use.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Pursuant to Section 30-4-70 of the South Carolina Code of Laws 1976, as amended.

- Personnel Matter

XV. INACTIVE AGENDA:

RESOLUTION NO. 30-2012/13

At Its Regular Meeting Of September 19, 2013, Council Voted Unanimously To Move This Item To The Inactive Agenda: A Resolution In Support Of The Issuance By The South Carolina Jobs – Economic Development Authority Of Its Economic Development Refunding Revenue Bonds (FMU Student Housing, LLC – Francis Marion University Project) Series 2013 In One Or More Series And In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed \$14,085,000 Pursuant To The Provisions Of Title 41, Chapter 43, Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended.

XVI. ADJOURN:

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Minutes

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Council is requested to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2014 worksession of County Council.

OPTIONS:

1. Approve minutes as presented.
2. Provide additional directive, should revisions be necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:

Copy of proposed Minutes.

**WORKSESSION OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL,
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2014, 7:30 A.M., CONFERENCE ROOM,
ROOM 802, COUNTY COMPLEX, 180 N. IRBY STREET,
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

PRESENT:

James T. Schofield, Chairman
Waymon Mumford, Secretary-Chaplain
Mitchell Kirby, Council Member
Russell W. Culberson, Council Member
Roger M. Poston, Council Member
Kent C. Caudle, Council Member (entered at 7:45 a.m.)
Willard Dorriety, Jr., Council Member
Jason M. Springs, Council Member
K. G. Rusty Smith, Jr., County Administrator
D. Malloy McEachin, County Attorney
Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

ALSO PRESENT:

Suzanne S. King, Administrative Services Director
Kevin V. Yokim, Finance Director
D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney
Samuel K. Brockington, Jr., Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator
Gavin Jackson, Morning News

ABSENT:

Alphonso Bradley, Vice Chairman

A notice of the worksession of the Florence County Council appeared in the January 6, 2014 edition of the MORNING NEWS. Copies of the agenda were faxed and emailed to members of the media and public requesting such documents, posted in the lobby of the County Complex, at the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library and all branch libraries, and on the County's website (www.florenceco.org).

Chairman Schofield called the worksession to order. He stated the first order of business was discussion of fire services and proposed Ordinances No. 17 and 18-2013/14. He stated this was a very important issue and Florence County had some of the most courageous and dedicated individuals he had ever seen. Taking care of that volunteer base was of paramount importance. He said there were three main reasons for 'opening this can of worms': 1) financial accountability; 2) operational accountability; and 3) tax fairness – equitable tax funding county-wide.

Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator Sam Brockington presented a power point presentation on fire services in Florence County and an overview of the impact of the proposed ordinances. Mr. Brockington stated he currently held copies of the proposed ordinances initialed by the seven fire chiefs in Florence County to express their agreement.

He stated budgets had already been drafted for the seven fire departments, with the assistance of Finance Director Kevin Yokim. The study conducted by ESRI pointed out that in Florence County, citizens living in municipalities pay \$82 per person for fire protection but pay \$45 per person in the rural areas. In South Carolina, the average is \$82 and in the nation it is \$131 per person for the provision of fire protection. The County was currently paying approximately \$4 million for the seven fire departments. Millage for fire districts range from 8 mills to 39.5 mills, factoring in the bonds that were due, the average millage rate was just over 20 mills. The proposed new level would be between 20 to 25 mills. In West Florence, 8 mills costs \$32 on a \$100,000 home, but 40 mills in Johnsonville costs that same person \$160. The cost of 25 mills on a \$100,000 home would cost \$100. Citizens would save on average over \$900 in insurance with the proposed improvements/enhancements that would be possible under the proposed ordinances.

Mr. Brockington stated the first thing Council needed to do was to have fiscal control. The second thing was equalize funding – fire protection should cost the taxpayer in Hannah-Salem the same it does in Sardis-Timmonsville. Then the fire departments needed to be funded on a level playing field because a fire truck costs the same amount regardless of location. The plan of action was to create the Florence County Fire Fund, work diligently with County Attorney Malloy McEachin, Attorney Ben Zeigler and Mr. Yokim to discuss all aspects of the plan. This would abolish six (6) districts that fund seven (7) fire departments. Budget would be based on need. A countywide standard operating procedure would be adopted. An organized monthly training plan for all districts would be a must as part of the standard procedures.

In response to a question from Councilman Dorriety, Mr. Brockington responded that South Lynches would eventually need to come under the County Fire Service, however South Lynches was created by the Legislature which made it extremely difficult to move them under the County umbrella at this time, coupled with the fact that South Lynches also served a portion of Williamsburg County. Mr. Zeigler was working with the County and South Lynches to work toward changing that, but it would require a legislative act. Mr. Brockington stated that within five (5) years South Lynches would no longer have the millage necessary to operate and that under Act 388 it could not raise the millage.

Councilman Dorriety stated he would like to see a budget prior to moving forward with this item on the regular meeting Agenda. He stated he felt that if any of the districts currently had any reserves and they had unpaid bonds, any reserves should be used to cover the bond debt. He expressed concern that West Florence Fire District would end up picking up the \$1.3 million difference needed to cover the bond debt for the remaining districts.

Councilman Mumford stated he was hearing them talk about a tax increase and he asked when a millage increase would be before the citizens if that were to happen. Mr. Brockington stated that for it to take effect July 1st, it must be approved with the annual budget but the tax payer would not see it until the tax notices were sent out in October of this year. Councilman Mumford expressed concern regarding a tax increase when, during the process for the Capital Project Sales Tax, Council stated it would not raise tax millage for the projects on the referendum and he was concerned that the citizens would not view this positively. He was of the opinion that the timing was not right to implement a tax increase. Chairman Schofield stated he saw two issues in the tax: 1) equalization of the funding, and 2) increase needed to run and operate the fire departments. It would take approximately 18 mills to operate all seven districts. For the County, that would be considered budget neutral. For some fire districts, there would be a tax decrease but for others there would be a tax increase to balance it out.

Chairman Schofield stated fire departments were operating under a law that was created over 40 years ago. EMS, law enforcement, etc. operated under a more updated plan. EMS was not billing a different rate to respond to a citizen in Johnsonville than it billed for a citizen in West Florence. Fire Departments were typically first responders and were responsible for responding to accidents so when a fire department in Pamplico pulled a victim from a vehicle, it didn't matter where the victim was from, the service was the same. However the funding for each fire department was different, even though the basic service was the same.

Chairman Schofield asked the attorneys for clarification on the district boards. The County appointed a 'Fire District Board' that for each fire district and each non-profit corporation representing the fire districts had a Board. When the County abolishes the fire districts and creates a County Fire District, what happens to those boards? County Attorney Malloy McEachin responded that the non-profit corporation boards would remain. Ben Zeigler responded that the law gave the County a choice. Either run the district as an administrative position, which the County would appoint an administrative officer to oversee fire service, or place a board to oversee the seven districts. The Ordinance before Council proposed that it would be run by an administrative position of the County (currently the Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator), but would function in concert with the two advisory committees, made up of members from each fire district. Department Boards would stay in place, but the District Boards appointed by Council would not.

Councilman Dorriety expressed concern that many subdivisions would opt to annex into the City if the County increases the millage.

Chairman Schofield stated the worksession today was to determine if Council was interested in moving the two ordinances forward on the January meeting Agenda. Chairman Mumford stated there were issues that needed to go before the General Assembly with regard to the provision of fire services before Council takes any further action. He would like to see Council postpone action on this item until next year.

After additional discussion, Chairman Schofield expressed his appreciation to members of Council for participation in the discussion. He stated he was not asking for a decision today, but the discussion was needed to determine Council's desire to move forward and to answer questions regarding the issue. He stated the item would not appear on the January Agenda and additional worksession would be scheduled for further discussions.

Chairman Schofield asked if any members of Council were supportive of the purchase of additional property to expand the National Cemetery, please notify him or staff so the appropriate documentation could be prepared for the January meeting Agenda.

There being no further business to come before Council, Councilman Culberson made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:36 A.M.

**MITCHELL KIRBY
SECRETARY-CHAPLAIN**

**CONNIE Y. HASELDEN
CLERK TO COUNTY COUNCIL**

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Minutes

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Council is requested to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2014 regular meeting of County Council.

OPTIONS:

1. Approve minutes as presented.
2. Provide additional directive, should revisions be necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:

Copy of proposed Minutes.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL,
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014, 9:00 A.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ROOM 803, COUNTY COMPLEX, 180 N. IRBY STREET,
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

PRESENT:

James T. Schofield, Chairman
Waymon Mumford, Vice Chairman
Mitchell Kirby, Secretary-Chaplain
Russell W. Culberson, Council Member
Alphonso Bradley, Council Member
Roger M. Poston, Council Member
Kent C. Caudle, Council Member
Willard Dorriety, Jr., Council Member
Jason M. Springs, Council Member
K. G. Rusty Smith, Jr., County Administrator
D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney
Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

ALSO PRESENT:

Arthur C. Gregg, Jr., Public Works Director
Kevin V. Yokim, Finance Director
Dusty Owens, Emergency Management Director
Jonathan B. Graham, III, Planning Director
Samuel K. Brockington, Jr., Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator
David Alford, Voter Registration/Elections Director
Chief Deputy Glen Kirby
Katherine McCain, Sheriff's Office

A notice of the regular meeting of the Florence County Council appeared in the January 15, 2014 edition of the **MORNING NEWS**. In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, copies of the meeting Agenda and Proposed Additions to the Agenda were provided to members of the media, members of the public requesting copies, posted in the lobby of the County Complex, provided for posting at the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library, all branch libraries, and on the County's website (www.florenceco.org).

Chairman Schofield called the meeting to order. Secretary-Chaplain Mumford provided the invocation and Vice Chairman Bradley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Chairman Schofield welcomed everyone attending the meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2014

Chairman Schofield turned the gavel over to County Attorney Malloy McEachin to preside over the Election of Officers for 2014. Mr. McEachin opened the floor for nominations for Chairman. Councilman Mumford made a motion to re-appoint/re-elect The Honorable James Schofield to serve as Chairman for 2014. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Mr. McEachin opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman for 2014. Councilman Bradley made a motion to elect The Honorable Waymon Mumford to serve as Vice Chairman for 2014. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Mr. McEachin opened the floor for nominations for Secretary-Chaplain for 2014. Councilman Springs made a motion to elect The Honorable Mitchell Kirby as Secretary-Chaplain for 2014. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Mr. McEachin stated there would be a brief recess to reset the dais. Council recessed at 9:04 a.m.

Chairman Schofield reconvened the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

Chairman Schofield stated, "I would like to thank all of you for your support over the last year. We started working for something that all of us truly believe in, and that is investing in the infrastructure of public safety in this County. Thanks to the citizens we were successful in that effort last year. I pledge to you my untiring effort to move this County forward. Our plate is full of projects to do and goals to achieve, which will treat all of our citizens fairly and improve the level of service we provide. With your help, we can communicate with our citizens the challenges (and they are many) and the opportunities (and they are also many) we face. We can answer their questions truthfully and forthright. We can tell them the good and the bad and we can be as efficient as possible spending their tax dollars to provide the services they need and want. We owe the public no less."

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Approve The Minutes Of The December 12, 2013 Regular Meeting Of County Council. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were no Public Hearings required, published or held.

APPEARANCES:

DORIS LOCKHART – SAVANNAH GROVE COMMUNITY

Ms. Lockhart Yielded To Mr. Brown To Appear Before Council To Thank Council And Request That The Road Improvements Just Approved [Through The Capital Project Sales Tax] Be A Priority.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no Committee Reports.

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-2013/14

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 23-2013/14: A Resolution To Adopt A Hazard Mitigation Plan As Required By The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Councilman Culberson made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION:

ORDINANCE NO. 14-2013/14 – THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 14-2013/14: An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map For Property In Florence County Located On E. Smith Street, Timmons ville, More Specifically Shown On Tax Map Number 00033, Block 04, Parcel 234, From Suburban Development To Commercial Growth And Preservation; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Kirby made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Dorriety seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 15-2013/14 – THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 15-2013/14: An Ordinance To Rezone Property Owned By SBM Of Wisconsin, LLC Located At E. Smith Street, Timmons ville, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00033, Block 04, Parcel 234; Consisting Of Approximately 1.56 (+/-) Acres From RU-1, Rural Community District To B-3, General Commercial District; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Kirby made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 16-2013/14 – THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 16-2013/14: An Ordinance To Provide For The Issuance And Sale Of Not Exceeding One Hundred Twenty-Five Million Dollars (\$125,000,000) General Obligation Bonds Of Florence County, South Carolina, To Prescribe The Purposes For Which The Proceeds Shall Be Expended, To Provide For The Payment Thereof, And Other Matters Relating Thereto. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 19-2013/14 – INTRODUCED

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 19-2013/14 and the Chairman Declared the Ordinance Introduced: An Ordinance To Rezone Property On Behalf Of Jeff M. Anderson, Regarding The Estate Of Johnsie W. Moore, Located At W. Main Street, Lake City, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00167, Block 31, Parcel 054; Consisting Of Approximately 2.07 Acres From R-1, Single-Family Residential District To B-1, Limited Business District; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 20-2013/14 – INTRODUCED BY TITLE ONLY

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 20-2013/14 and the Chairman Declared the Ordinance Introduced By Title Only: An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Economic Development Partnership Ordinance To Provide For An Enlargement Of The Economic Development Partnership Membership And Other Matters Related Thereto.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Council Unanimously Approved The Appointment Of Henry M. Swink To Serve On The Economic Development Partnership Board, Representing Council District 5, With Appropriate Expiration Term.

Councilman Caudle stated that he read the recent list of appointments and Council really needed to look at in maybe a worksession. There were several that appointments had been expired for years and if those were defunct they needed to be done away with but some needed to be looked at for the next meeting.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

ADMINISTRATION

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

Monthly Financial Reports Were Provided To Council For Fiscal Year 2014 Through November 30, 2013 As An Item For The Record.

FINANCE

FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013 ANNUAL AUDIT

County Administrator Rusty Smith asked Finance Director Kevin Yokim to present information on the Annual Audit. Prior to presenting the information on the Audit, Mr. Yokim was asked to provide Council with information relative to the County Procurement Card program. Mr. Yokim stated that Council approved the entrance into the Statewide Program back in 2009. The program was set-up so that each cardholder had both daily and monthly limits. There was also a feature that the County had the ability to block certain vendors from using the card. The best coverage was that the program came with liability insurance of up to \$100,000 per cardholder. The insurance requires that employee must be terminated, but it covered the County in the event of misuse. The County had not experienced any misuse in the four years it had been active.

Shareholder Tim Grow with Elliott Davis auditing firm presented an overview of the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013 Audit. He stated that from their perspective, the audit went very well and commended staff for their cooperation and assistance in the completion of the annual audit. The County was in excellent shape as far as fund balance. Chairman Schofield thanked Mr. Yokim and Mr. Grow for the report and stated that Council could either report the item to the Administration & Finance Committee for further review or accept the audit as presented. Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Accept The Audit As Presented. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PROCUREMENT

REVIEW PANEL APPOINTMENT

There being no objections voiced, Chairman Schofield Appointed Himself To Serve On The Review Panel For RFP #17-13/14 Architectural Services For The New Veterans Affairs Building.

PUBLIC WORKS/PROCUREMENT

AWARD BID NO. 15-13/14

Councilman Springs made a motion Council Award Bid No. 15-13/14 For Fencing For The Lake City Manned Convenience Center To Frye Fence Co. Of Raleigh, NC In The Amount Of \$12,560 (Including Tax) From Previously Approved Funds. Councilman Dorriety seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. In response to a question by Councilman Caudle, Mr. Smith responded that three (3) of the thirteen (13) bids were from local vendors and even with the 2% local preference applied, the three bids were higher than the lowest bid.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Declare One (1) Handgun, A Glock 21SF, Serial Number PAU102, As Surplus Property For The Purpose Of Awarding It To The Mother Of Sheriff's Deputy Joseph Antwine, An Officer Who Was Killed In The Line Of Duty On November 29, 2013. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

ROAD SYSTEM MAINTENANCE FEE (RSMF)

BRIARCLIFF DRIVE

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$12,128 From Council District 3 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Drainage improvements At 1433 Briarcliff Drive. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

CHISOLM TRAIL

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$20,125 From Council District 6 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Crushed Asphalt To Re-Asphalt Chisolm Trail. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

HOLLY BROOK CIRCLE

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$59,587.50 From Council District 6 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Crushed Asphalt To Re-Asphalt Holly Brook Circle. Councilman Poston seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

WREATHWOOD LANE

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$3,500 From Council District 6 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Crushed Asphalt To Re-Asphalt Wreathwood Lane. Councilman Poston seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

UTILITY

OAK HEI LANE

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$1,000 From Council District 7 Utility Funding Allocation To Pay For Pothole Patching In Oak Hei Lane. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

INFRASTRUCTURE/UTILITY

NATIONAL CEMETERY (LORETTA HUERTA PROPERTY)

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$19,800 From Council Districts' Infrastructure/Utility Funding Allocations (Approximately \$2,200 From Each District) To Purchase Properties Adjacent To The Florence National Cemetery Identified On The Florence County Tax Assessor's Records As 90104-11-005 And 90104-12-005 Owned By Loretta Huerta To Expand The Cemetery (Council Approved Negotiations For The Purchase Of The Property At Its December 12, 2013 Regular Meeting). Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

NATIONAL CEMETERY (BILL SIMPSON PROPERTY)

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Approve The Negotiations For The Purchase Of The Herein Described Real Property And The Expenditure Of Up To \$65,000 From Council Districts' Infrastructure/Utility Funding Allocations (Approximately \$7,223 From Each District) To Purchase Properties Adjacent To The Florence National Cemetery Identified On The Florence County Tax Assessor's Records As 90104-11-008 And 90104-08-013 Owned By Bill Simpson To Expand The Cemetery. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

There being no further business to come before Council, Councilman Culberson made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:36 A.M.

MITCHELL KIRBY
SECRETARY-CHAPLAIN

CONNIE Y. HASELDEN
CLERK TO COUNTY COUNCIL

DRAFT

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Council will hold public hearing to receive public comment with regard to the following:

ORDINANCE NO. 20-2013/14

An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Economic Development Partnership Ordinance To Provide For An Enlargement Of The Economic Development Partnership Membership And Other Matters Related Thereto.

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance No. 19-2013/14
Second Reading

DEPARTMENT: Planning and Building Inspections *MPG*

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

[An Ordinance To Rezone Property On Behalf Of Jeff M. Anderson, regarding the Estate of Johnsie W. Moore, Located At W. Main Street, Lake City, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00167, Block 31, Parcel 054; Consisting Of Approx. 2.07 Acres From R-1, Single-Family Residential District To B-1, Limited Business District; And Other Matters Related Thereto.]

(Planning Commission approved 6 to 0; Council District 1)

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. The subject property is currently zoned R-1, Single-Family Residential District.
2. Surrounding land uses consist of a mixture of vacant land/cemetery/residential use zoned R-1, Single-Family Residential District.
3. The Comprehensive Plan currently designates the subject property as Suburban Development according to the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map.
4. The zoning designation of B-1, Limited Business District, is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map.

OPTIONS:

1. *(Recommended)* Approve As Presented.
2. Provide An Alternate Directive.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance No. 19-2013/14
2. Staff report for PC#2013-17
3. Location Map
4. Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map
5. Zoning Map
6. Aerial Map

Sponsor(s)	: Planning Commission	I, _____,
Planning Commission Consideration	: December 17, 2013	Council Clerk, certify that
Planning Commission Public Hearing	: December 17, 2013	this Ordinance was
Planning Commission Action	: December 17, 2013 [Approved: 6 to 0]	advertised for Public
First Reading/Introduction	: January 16, 2014	Hearing on _____.
Committee Referral	: N/A	
County Council Public Hearing	: N/A	
Second Reading	: February 20, 2014	
Third Reading	:	
Effective Date	: Immediately	

ORDINANCE NO. 19-2013/14

COUNCIL-ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR FLORENCE COUNTY

[An Ordinance To Rezone Property On Behalf Of Jeff M. Anderson, Regarding the Estate of Johnsie W. Moore, Located At W. Main Street, Lake City, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00167, Block 31, Parcel 054; Consisting Of Approx. 2.07 Acres From R-1, Single-Family Residential District, To B-1, Limited Business District; And Other Matters Related Thereto.]

WHEREAS:

1. The Florence County Council must be satisfied that this Zoning Atlas amendment will not be injurious from a public health, safety and general welfare outlook and the effect of the change will not negatively impact the immediate environs or the County in general; and
2. The amendment procedure established in the Florence County Code, Chapter 30-Zoning Ordinance has been followed by the Florence County Planning Commission at a public hearing on December 17, 2013.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL DULY ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. Property located at W. Main Street, Lake City, bearing Tax Map 00167, Block 31, Parcel 054; is hereby rezoned to B-1, Limited Business District.
2. Provisions in other Florence County ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.
3. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

 Connie Y. Haselden, Council Clerk

 James T. Schofield, Chairman

 Approved as to Form and Content
 D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney

COUNCIL VOTE:
OPPOSED:
ABSENT:

**STAFF REPORT
TO THE
FLORENCE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Tuesday, December 17, 2013
PC#2013-17
ORDINANCE NO: 19-2013/14**

SUBJECT: Rezoning request from R-1, Single-Family Residential District to B-1, Limited Business District

LOCATION: Property is located on West Main Street, Lake City, SC

TAX MAP NUMBER: 00167, Block 31, Parcel 054

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): 1; County Council

OWNER OF RECORD: Estate of Johnsie W. Moore

APPLICANT: Jeff M. Anderson

LAND AREA: 2.07 Acres

WATER /SEWER AVAILABILITY: These services are provided by the City of Lake City.

**ADJACENT WATERWAYS/
BODIES OF WATER:** There does not appear to be any waterway/body of water adjacent to the property.

FLOOD ZONE: The property is not located in a Flood zone.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

1. Existing Land Use and Zoning:
The subject property is currently vacant and zoned R-1, Single-Family Residential District.
2. Proposed Land Use and Zoning:
The proposal is to rezone the subject property to B-1, Limited Business District, for future Commercial Opportunities.
3. Surrounding Land Use and Zoning:
North: Vacant/R-1 Single-Family Residential District /Florence County
South: Residential/Vacant/ R-1 Single-Family Residential District/Florence County
West: Vacant/ R-1 Single-Family Residential District /Florence County
East: Cemetery/R-1 Single-Family Residential District /Florence County

4. Transportation Access and Circulation:
Present access to the property is by way of West Main Street.
5. Traffic Review:
The rezoning of this property from R-1 to B-1 will have a minimal effect on traffic flow for the area.
6. Florence County Comprehensive Plan:
The subject property is currently designated as Suburban Development according to the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan. This designation is compatible with B-1 zoning.
7. Chapter 30-Zoning Ordinance:
The intent of the B-1, Limited Business District: The intent of this district is to accommodate office, institutional, and residential uses in areas whose character is changing, or where such a mix of uses is appropriate. It is designed principally for use along major streets dominated by older houses in transition.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the zoning amendment request based on the request being in compliance with the Land Use Map and Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan.

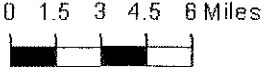
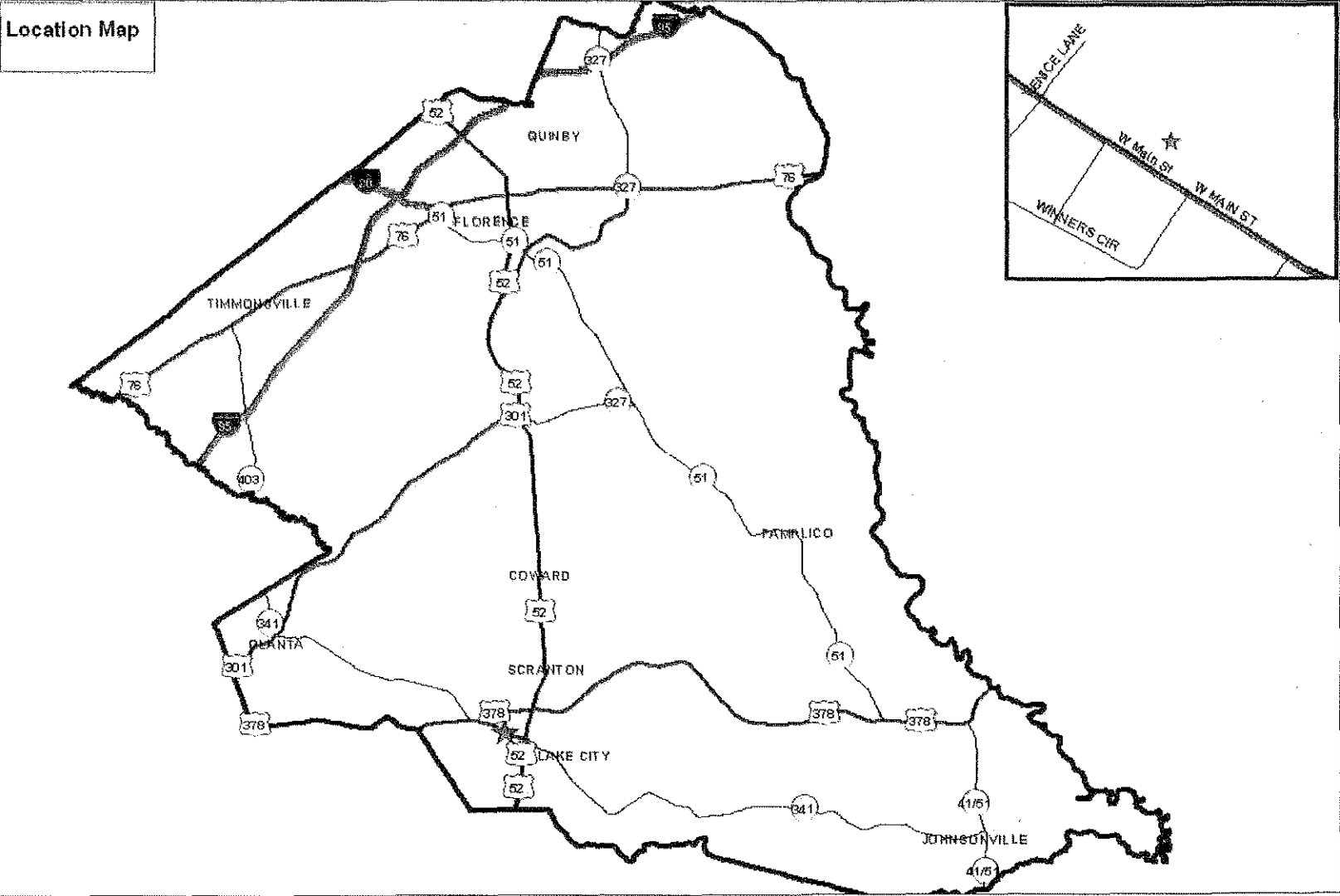
FLORENCE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION-TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2013.

The six Planning Commission members present approved the zoning amendment request unanimously based on the request being in compliance with the Land Use Map and Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan

FLORENCE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Planning Commission members present approved the zoning amendment request to Florence County Council based on request being in compliance with the Land Use Map and Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan.

Location Map

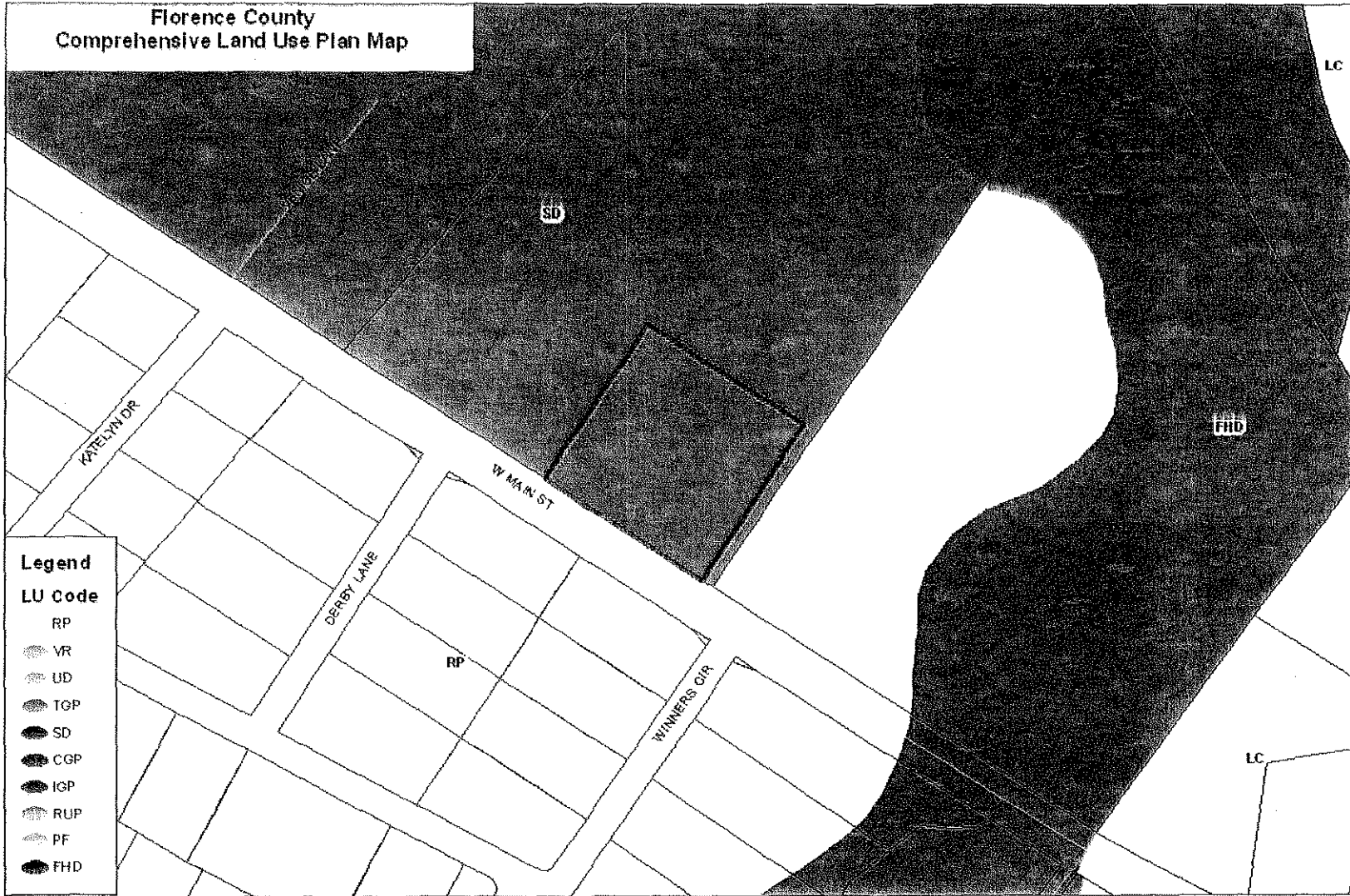


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PC#2013-17

**Florence County
Comprehensive Land Use Plan Map**

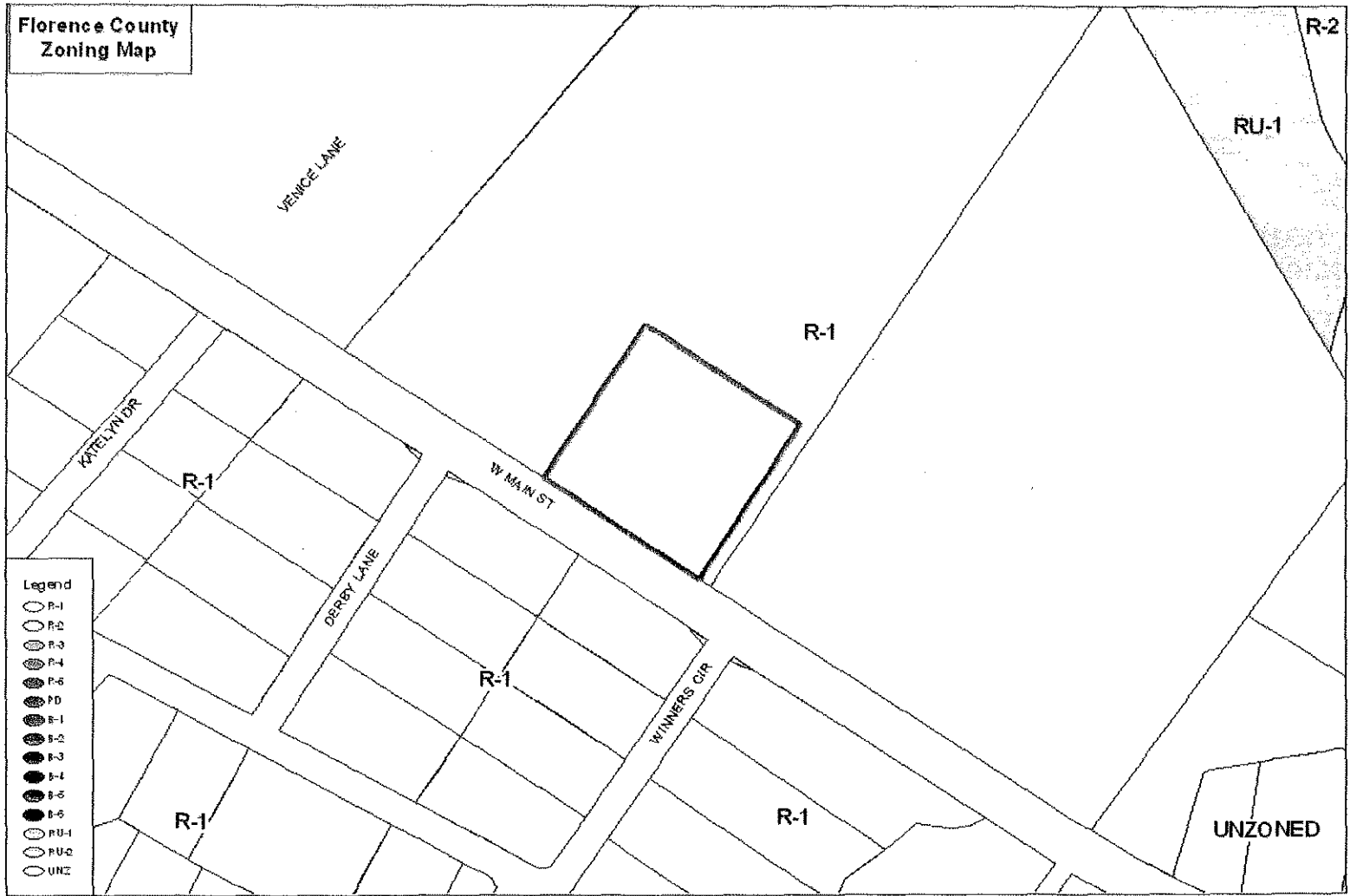


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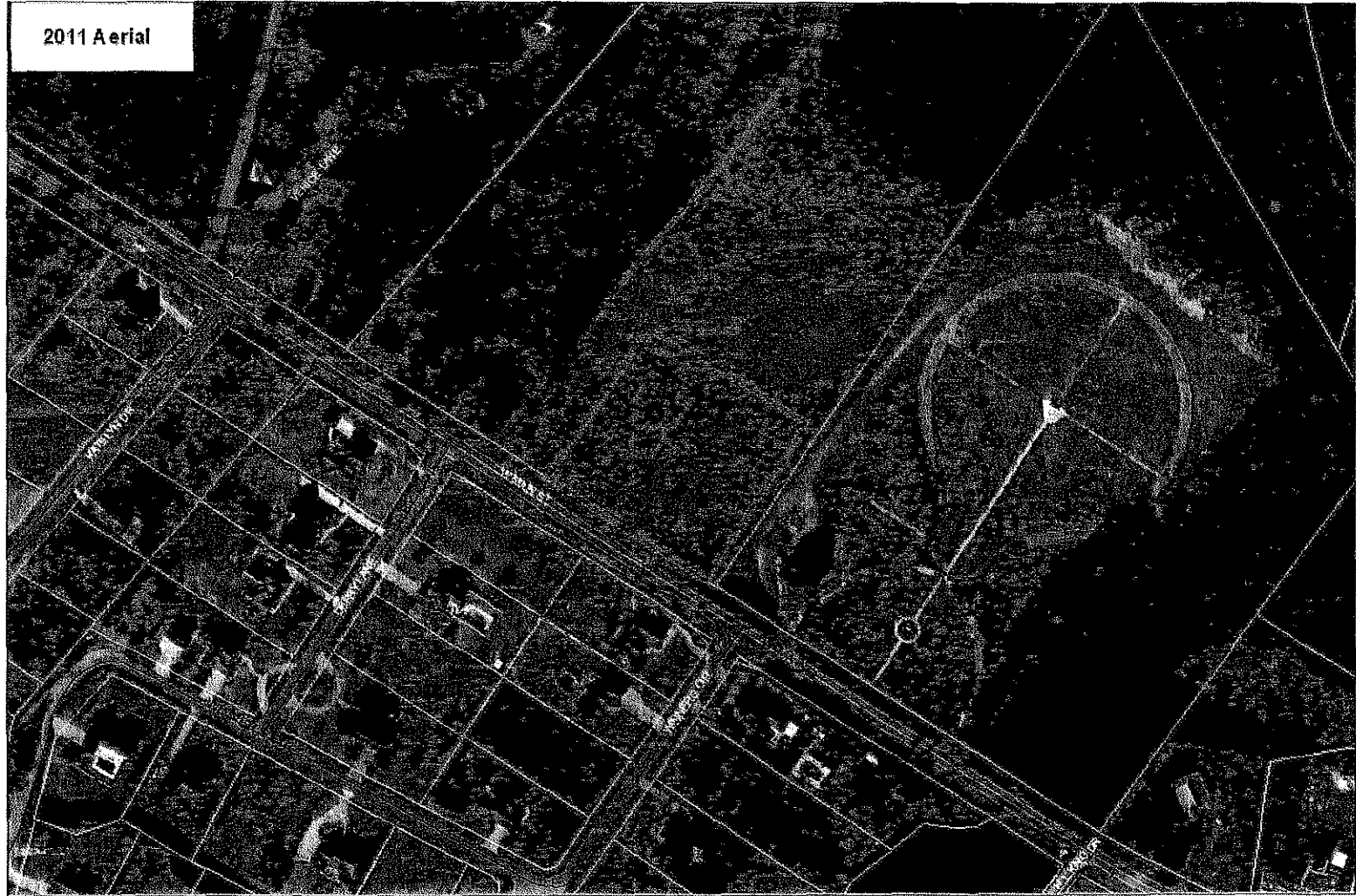


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FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL

February 20 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance No. 20-2013/14 – Second Reading

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Economic Development Partnership Ordinance To Provide For An Enlargement Of The Economic Development Partnership Membership And Other Matters Related Thereto.

OPTIONS:

1. *(Recommended)* Approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 20-2013/14.
2. Provide an alternate directive.

ATTACHMENTS:

Copy Of Proposed Ordinance No. 20-2013/14

Sponsor(s)	: Economic Development	
Introduction	: January 16, 2014	I, _____,
Committee Referral	:	Council Clerk, certify that the
Committee Consideration Date	:	ad for a Public Hearing on this
Committee Recommendation	:	Ordinance ran on: _____.
Public Hearing	: February 20, 2014	
Second Reading	: February 20, 2014	
Third Reading	:	
Effective Date	:	

ORDINANCE NO. 20-2013/14

COUNCIL-ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR FLORENCE COUNTY

[An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Economic Development Partnership Ordinance To Provide For An Enlargement Of The Economic Development Partnership Membership And Other Matters Related Thereto.]

WHEREAS:

1. The Florence County Economic Development Partnership (“Partnership”) was created by Ordinance #10-98/99 of the Florence County Council; and
2. In an effort to create a more comprehensive and unified Partnership, the Partnership has recommended that the membership of the Partnership be revised and enlarged to include representation for certain industry sectors crucial to the ongoing development and growth of existing and new industry in Florence County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of Florence County, the Florence County Council in a meeting duly assembled that:

Section 1. Article IV, Section 55 of Part II of the Code of Ordinances of the County of Florence County, South Carolina is hereby amended as follows:

The Economic Development Partnership shall consist of a total of up to twenty-seven (27) voting members.

1. Nine (9) of the voting members shall be appointed by County Council, with one (1) member representing each county council district.
2. Nine (9) of the voting members shall be appointed by Florence County Progress, Inc. One (1) of the nine (9) appointees from Progress shall be the Chairman of the Board of Progress.
3. Three (3) voting members may be appointed by the Partnership from utility companies serving the County.

4. Two (2) voting members comprised of the CEO of McLeod Health and the CEO of Carolinas Hospital System, or their designee, may be appointed by the Partnership as voting members.
5. The Florence County Council Chairman shall be a voting member. At his/her discretion, the Chairman may appoint another member of County Council to serve in his/her capacity as a voting member. The Chairman may also designate a member of County Council to serve in a non-voting, ex-officio capacity. The County Administrator shall also serve as an ex-officio member.
6. The Mayor of the City of Florence, or his/her designee from the members of City Council, shall be a voting member, so long as the City of Florence contributes to the funding of the Partnership at the minimum level of \$1.50 (one dollar and fifty cents) per capita annually.
7. Other municipalities in Florence County may fund the Partnership at the minimum level of \$.50 (fifty cents) per capita annually. Any and all such participating municipalities shall collectively appoint/elect one (1) representative annually who shall be the duly elected mayor of one of the municipalities so participating, who shall serve as a voting member of the Partnership.
8. The Partnership shall elect a citizen of Florence County to serve a two-year term as Chair of the Partnership. The Chair may be elected to unlimited successive terms of office. The election is with the consent of County Council. The Chair shall be a voting member of the Partnership.
9. The President of the Greater Florence Chamber of Commerce and the Executive Director of the Lake City Chamber of Commerce shall serve on the Partnership Board as ex-officio members with no voting rights. In the event that any other duly recognized and chartered chamber of commerce is formed within Florence County, then and in that event, the senior salaried staff member of such organization shall serve on the Partnership Board as a non-voting, ex-officio member.

Section 2. All provisions in other County Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect any other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

[End of Ordinance – Signature page to follow]

ATTEST:

Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to County Council

SIGNED:

James T. Schofield, Chairman

COUNCIL VOTE:
OPPOSED:
ABSENT:

Approved as to Form and Content
D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney

DRAFT

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance No. 17-2013/14 – Introduction

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

An Ordinance Dissolving Pursuant To Section 4-9-30(5)(E) Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, The Sardis-Timmonsville Rural Fire Protection District, And Dissolving The Johnsonville Rural Fire District, The Howe Springs Fire District, The Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District, The West Florence Rural Fire District, And The Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District, All Incident To The Establishment Of The Florence County Fire Protection District As A Special Tax Fire District Under Article 19 Of Title 4 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, Providing For The Conditions With Respect To Said Dissolution, And Other Matters Related Thereto.

OPTIONS:

1. *(Recommended)* Approve Introduction of Ordinance No. 17-2013/14.
2. Provide an alternate directive.

ATTACHMENTS:

Copy Of Proposed Ordinance No. 17-2013/14

Sponsor(s)	:	Fire/Rescue Services	
First Reading	:		I, _____,
Committee Referral	:		Council Clerk, certify that this
Committee Consideration Date	:		Ordinance was advertised for
Committee Recommendation	:		Public Hearing on _____.
Second Reading	:		
Public Hearing	:		
Third Reading	:		
Effective Date	:		

ORDINANCE NO. 17-2013/14

COUNCIL-ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR FLORENCE COUNTY

(An Ordinance Dissolving Pursuant To Section 4-9-30(5)(E) Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, The Sardis-Timmons ville Rural Fire Protection District, And Dissolving The Johnsonville Rural Fire District, The Howe Springs Fire District, The Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District, The West Florence Rural Fire District, And The Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District, All Incident To The Establishment Of The Florence County Fire Protection District As A Special Tax Fire District Under Article 19 Of Title 4 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, Providing For The Conditions With Respect To Said Dissolution, And Other Matters Related Thereto.)

WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to the authorizations contained in Section 4-9-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (the "Code"), Florence County, South Carolina (the "County"), acting by and through its County Council ("Council"), created the Sardis-Timmons ville Rural Fire Protection District (the "Sardis-Timmons ville District") by Ordinance 18-81/82 enacted on December 10, 1982 (the "Sardis-Timmons ville Ordinance") for the provision of fire service within an unincorporated area of the County designated in the Sardis-Timmons ville Ordinance; and
2. Pursuant to the authorizations contained in Section 4-19-10, *et seq* of the Code, the County, acting by and through Council, created the Howe Springs Fire District (the "Howe Springs District") by Ordinance 11-87/88 enacted on October 1, 1987 and amended by Ordinance 14-94/95 enacted on February 2, 1995 (as amended, the "Howe Springs Ordinance") for the provision of fire service within an unincorporated area of the County designated in the Howe Springs Ordinance; and
3. Pursuant to the authorizations contained in Section 4-19-10, *et seq* of the Code, the County, acting by and through Council, created the Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District (the "Hannah-Salem-Friendfield District") by Ordinance 25-92/93 enacted on May 6, 1993 and amended by Ordinance 18-2001/02 enacted on August 9, 2001 (as amended, the "Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Ordinance") for the provision of fire service within an unincorporated area of the County designated in the Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Ordinance; and
4. Pursuant to the authorizations contained in Section 4-19-10, *et seq* of the Code, the County, acting by and through Council, created the Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District (the "Windy Hill/Olanta District") and the West Florence Rural Fire District (the "West Florence District") by Ordinance 31-2006/07 enacted on April 5, 2007 (the "Windy Hill/Olanta-West Florence Ordinance") for the provision of fire service within two unincorporated areas of the County designated in the Windy Hill/Olanta-West Florence Ordinance; and

5. Pursuant to the authorizations contained in Section 4-19-10, *et seq* of the Code, the County, acting by and through Council, created the Johnsonville Rural Fire District (the "Johnsonville District") by Ordinance 18-2010/11 enacted on May 19, 2011 (the "Johnsonville District Ordinance") for the provision of fire service within an unincorporated area of the County designated in the Johnsonville District Ordinance; and
6. The Sardis-Timmons ville District, the Howe Springs District, the Hannah-Salem-Friendfield District, the West Florence District, the Windy Hill/Olanta District, and the Johnsonville District may be collectively referred to hereafter as the "Existing Fire Districts"; and
7. Council has undertaken a study of the efficiency and effectiveness of the financing of fire protection service through the Existing Districts and has determined that it will be in the best interests of the County and the residents of the Existing Districts to dissolve each of the Existing Districts and create a new, single County Fire Protection District, to be designated the Florence County Fire Protection District, which will encompass all of the areas contained in the Existing Districts as well as additional area contained within the municipal limits of the Town of Pamplico; and
8. Section 4-9-30(5)(e) of the Code provides that a special tax district created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-9-30 of the Code may be dissolved by ordinance of Council after a duly noticed public hearing, and special tax fire districts created under Section 4-19-10 of the Code may be dissolved by Council using the same procedure set forth therein for the creation of such districts; and
9. Council has duly noticed by publications run once a week for three (3) successive weeks in the *Morning News* a public hearing which was held on January __, 2014 concerning the dissolution of the Existing Fire Districts pursuant to Sections 4-9-20(5)(e) and 4-19-20(2) of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL, SOUTH CAROLINA DULY ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1.01

Pursuant to said 4-9-30(5)(e) of the Code and the provisions of Section 4-19-10, *et seq.*, the Existing Districts are dissolved as Special Tax Fire Districts, such dissolutions to become effective upon the creation and establishment of the Florence County Fire Protection District by Ordinance No. 18-2013/14 of Council ("Ordinance No. 17-2013/14") pursuant to Chapter 19 of Title 4 of the Code and following the expiration of the period for filing challenges to the adoption of this Ordinance and Ordinance No. 18-2013/14 pursuant to Section 4-19-20(6) of the Code.

Section 1.02

Any person affected by the action of Council in adopting this Ordinance may, by action de novo instituted in the Court of Common Pleas for Florence County, within twenty (20) days following the last publication of the notice of action taken, but not afterwards, challenge this action of Council. The notice of action taken shall be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks in the *Morning News* following adoption of this Ordinance in substantially the form attached hereto.

Section 1.03

All orders and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed, and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the creation and establishment of the Florence County Fire Protection District by ordinance of Council pursuant to Chapter 19 of Title 4 of the Code.

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Connie Y. Haselden, Council Clerk

James T. Schofield, Chairman

Approved as to Form and Content
D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney

COUNCIL VOTE:
OPPOSED:
ABSENT:

DRAFT

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN
BY THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE SARDIS-TIMMONSVILLE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, THE JOHNSONVILLE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, THE HOWE SPRINGS FIRE DISTRICT, THE HANNAH-SALEM FRIENDFIELD FIRE DISTRICT, THE WEST FLORENCE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, AND THE WINDY HILL/OLANTA RURAL FIRE DISTRICT IN FLORENCE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4-9-30(5)(E) and 4-19-10 et seq. of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (together, the "Enabling Act"), the Florence County Council ("Council") conducted a public hearing in the County Council Chambers, Florence County, South Carolina, on _____, 201__ at _____ on the question of the dissolution of the Sardis-Timmons-ville Rural Fire Protection District, the Johnsonville Rural Fire District, the Howe Springs Fire District, the Hannah-Salem Friendfield Fire District, the West Florence Rural Fire District, and the Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District (collectively, the "Districts").

Following the aforesaid public hearing, Council did on the ___ day of _____, 2014 give third and final reading to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Dissolving Pursuant To Section 4-9-30(5)(E) Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, The Sardis-Timmons-ville Rural Fire Protection District As A Special Tax Fire District Created Pursuant To Section 4-9-30 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, And Dissolving The Johnsonville Rural Fire District, The Howe Springs Fire District, The Hannah-Salem Friendfield Fire District, The West Florence Rural Fire District, And The Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District, All Incident To The Establishment Of The Florence County Fire Protection District As A Special Tax Fire District Under Article 19 Of Title 4 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, Providing For The Conditions With Respect To Said Dissolution, And Other Matters Related Thereto" (the "Ordinance").

The Ordinance authorizes the dissolution of the Districts which comprised, embraced, and consisted of the area contained within the boundaries of the Sardis-Timmons-ville Rural Fire Protection District, the Howe Springs Fire District, the Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District, the Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District, the West Florence Rural Fire District, and the Johnsonville Rural Fire District.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Enabling Act, the Council shall be authorized to levy ad valorem taxes within the area of the District to the extent necessary to defray the cost of constructing and equipping fire protection facilities within the District and to pay for maintenance and operation of such fire protection system. The Council shall be further authorized to issue general obligation bonds of Florence County, payable from ad valorem taxes levied within the District, for the purpose of providing fire protection therein.

Notice of this Action is being published once a week for two successive weeks in the *Morning News*.

Any person affected by this action of the Florence County Council may, by action de novo instituted in the Court of Common Pleas for Florence County, within twenty (20) days following the last publication of this Notice, but not afterwards, challenge this action of the Florence County Council.

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF FLORENCE

I, the undersigned, Clerk to Florence County Council, South Carolina ("County Council"), **DO HEREBY CERTIFY:**

That the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and verbatim copy of an Ordinance adopted by County Council on _____, 2014. The Ordinance was read at three public meetings of County Council on three separate days, _____, 2014, _____, 2014, and _____, 2014. An interval of at least seven days occurred between each reading of the Ordinance. At each such meeting, a quorum of County Council was present and remained present throughout the meeting.

The meetings held on _____, 2013, _____, 2014, and _____, 2014 were regular meetings of County Council, for which notice had been previously given pursuant to and in conformity with Chapter 4, Title 30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the "Freedom of Information Act").

The original of the Ordinance is duly entered in the permanent records of the County, in my custody as Clerk.

The Ordinance is now of full force and effect, and has not been modified, amended or repealed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand and the Seal of Florence County, South Carolina, this ____ day of _____, 2014.

(SEAL)

Clerk to Florence County Council,
South Carolina

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance No. 18-2013/14 – Introduction

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

An Ordinance To Create And Establish The Florence County Fire Protection District In Florence County, South Carolina Pursuant To Title 4, Chapter 19 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, To Approve The Annual Levy And Collection Of Ad Valorem Taxes And The Imposition Of Rates And Charges For The Operation And Maintenance Thereof, To Authorize The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds On Behalf Of The District From Time To Time. And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

OPTIONS:

1. *(Recommended)* Approve Introduction of Ordinance No. 18-2013/14.
2. Provide an alternate directive.

ATTACHMENTS:

Copy Of Proposed Ordinance No. 18-2013/14

Sponsor(s)	:	Fire/Rescue Services	
First Reading	:		I, _____,
Committee Referral	:		Council Clerk, certify that this
Committee Consideration Date	:		Ordinance was advertised for
Committee Recommendation	:		Public Hearing on _____,
Public Hearing	:		_____, and _____.
Second Reading	:		
Third Reading	:		
Effective Date	:		

ORDINANCE NO. 18-2013/14

COUNCIL-ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR FLORENCE COUNTY

(An Ordinance To Create And Establish The Florence County Fire Protection District In Florence County, South Carolina Pursuant To Title 4, Chapter 19 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, To Approve The Annual Levy And Collection Of Ad Valorem Taxes And The Imposition Of Rates And Charges For The Operation And Maintenance Thereof, To Authorize The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds On Behalf Of The District From Time To Time, And Other Matters Relating Thereto.)

WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 19 of Title 4 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (the "Code"), the Florence County Council (the "Council"), the governing body of Florence County, South Carolina (the "County"), is empowered to establish, operate and maintain a system of fire protection facilities within designated areas of the County in order to provide the residents and property owners who reside and own property located within the designated areas with fire protection services.

2. Certain unincorporated areas of the County have previously been designated and established as special tax fire districts under the provisions of Chapter 9 and Chapter 19 of Title 4, as the case may be, of the Code, which special tax fire districts include the following:
 - (a) The Sardis-Timmons ville Rural Fire Protection District (the "Sardis-Timmons ville District") created by Ordinance 18-81/82 enacted on December 10, 1982 (the "Sardis-Timmons ville Ordinance") for the provision of fire service within an unincorporated area of the County designated in the Sardis-Timmons ville Ordinance; and
 - (b) The Howe Springs Fire District (the "Howe Springs District") created by Ordinance 11-87/88 enacted on October 1, 1987 and amended by Ordinance 14-94/95 enacted on February 2, 1995 (as amended, the "Howe Springs Ordinance") for the provision of fire service within an unincorporated area of the County designated in the Howe Springs Ordinance; and
 - (c) The Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District (the "Hannah-Salem-Friendfield District") created by Ordinance 25-92/93 enacted on May 6, 1993 and amended by Ordinance 18-2001/02 enacted on August 9, 2001 (as amended, the "Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Ordinance") for the provision of fire service within an unincorporated area of the County designated in the Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Ordinance; and
 - (d) The Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District (the "Windy Hill/Olanta District") and the West Florence Rural Fire District (the "West Florence District") created by Ordinance 31-2006/07 enacted on April 5, 2007 (the "Windy Hill/Olanta-

West Florence Ordinance”) for the provision of fire service within two unincorporated areas of the County designated in the Windy Hill/Olanta-West Florence Ordinance; and

- (e) The Johnsonville Rural Fire District (the “Johnsonville District”) created by Ordinance 18-2010/11 enacted on May 19, 2011 (the “Johnsonville District Ordinance”) for the provision of fire service within an unincorporated area of the County designated in the Johnsonville District Ordinance

(together, the special tax fire districts described in (a)-(e) above, the “Prior Districts”).

3. Council has undertaken a study of the efficiency and effectiveness of the financing of fire protection and related rescue service through the Prior Districts and has determined that it will be in the best interests of the County and the residents of the Prior Districts to dissolve each of the Prior Districts and create a new, single County Fire Protection District, to be designated the Florence County Fire Protection District, which will encompass all of the areas contained in the Prior Districts, to include of the area within the municipal limits of Quinby, Olanta, Pamplico, and Johnsonville, which Council hereby finds have, by and through their respective Councils in compliance with South Carolina law, requested and agreed to the inclusion of such area within the District (as hereinafter defined) and the provision of fire and related rescue service by the County in such area, and have agreed not to impose taxes or fees for such services within their respective municipal limits so long as the County provides such services.
4. The dissolution of the Prior Districts has been authorized, effective upon the enactment of this Ordinance, by Council’s Ordinance No. 17-2013/14 entitled “An Ordinance Dissolving Pursuant To Section 4-9-30(5)(E) Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, The Sardis-Timmonsville Rural Fire Protection District As A Special Tax Fire District Created Pursuant To Section 4-9-30 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, And Dissolving The Johnsonville Rural Fire District, The Howe Springs Fire District, The Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District, The West Florence Rural Fire District, And The Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District, All Incident To The Establishment Of The Florence County Fire Protection District As A Special Tax Fire District Under Article 19 Of Title 4 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, Providing For The Conditions With Respect To Said Dissolution, And Other Matters Related Thereto” (“Ordinance No. 17-2013/14”), effective the date hereof and following the expiration of the period for filing challenges to the adoption of this Ordinance and Ordinance No. 17-2013/14 pursuant to Section 4-19-20(6) of the Code.
5. Council has determined to create the Florence County Fire Protection District (the “District”), to approve the continuation of the annual levy and collection of ad valorem taxes for the operation and maintenance of the District, and to authorize the County to issue, from time to time by ordinance subsequent hereto, general obligations bonds of the County to finance capital improvements within and operational costs with respect to the District.
6. The Council specifically finds that the establishment of the District satisfies the requirements and conditions of §§4-19-10 and 4-19-20 of the Code and is now minded, in accordance with the specific authorization of §4-19-10(b) of the Code, to create and establish the District to comprise, embrace, and consist of the aggregate area previously contained within the boundaries of the Prior Districts, such area comprising, embracing and consisting of the entire unincorporated area of the County save and except the area of the South Lynches Fire District and including the areas within the municipal limits of Quinby, Olanta, Pamplico, and Johnsonville. Reference is made to the Council Ordinance 18-81/82, Ordinance 11-87/88 as amended by Ordinance 14-94/95, Ordinance 25-92/93 as amended by Ordinance 18-2001/02, Ordinance 31-2006/07, Ordinance

18-2010/11, and the County Tax Map maintained by the Florence County Tax Assessor for a description of the area comprised by each of the Prior Districts, and a map of the District available on the County website at www.florenceco.org/_____.

7. Each of the Prior Districts is served by a nonprofit volunteer fire department operating as a nonprofit corporation, including the Windy Hill/Olanta District being served by two separate departments with designated areas within the Windy Hill/Olanta District. Council wishes to maintain the provision of fire service by the applicable nonprofit volunteer fire department in each of the Prior Districts upon the same terms, subject to the entry by the County into contracts with each such volunteer fire department for such service (which contracts shall include, without limitation, mechanisms to assure financial transparency and accountability on the part of the volunteer fire department in question), as each such volunteer fire department presently serves the applicable Prior District, notwithstanding the creation of the District as a new tax district with respect to the areas comprised by the Prior Districts.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL DULY ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-19-10, *et seq.*, the District is created and established as a Special Tax Fire District, such creation and establishment to become effective following the expiration of the period for filing challenges to the adoption of this Ordinance pursuant to Section 4-19-20(6) of the Code.
2. Florence County Code, Chapter 12, Article II, Fire Districts, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with language attached hereto and incorporated by reference, such deletion and replacement to become effective upon the effective date of the dissolution of the Prior Districts and the creation of the District as set forth in paragraph (1) above.
3. Any person affected by the action of Council in adopting this Ordinance may, by action de novo instituted in the Court of Common Pleas for Florence County, within twenty (20) days following the last publication of the notice of action taken, but not afterwards, challenge this action of Council. The notice of action taken shall be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks in the *Morning News* following adoption of this Ordinance in substantially the form attached hereto.
4. Provisions in other Florence County Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.
5. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provision or application of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

ATTEST:

Connie Y. Haselden, Council Clerk

Approved as to Form and Content
D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney

SIGNED:

James T. Schofield, Chairman

COUNCIL VOTE:

OPPOSED:

ABSENT:

ARTICLE II. FLORENCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Sec. 12-1. Created; boundaries.

There is hereby created the Florence County Fire Protection District (the "District"), which shall comprise, embrace, and consist of the area contained within the boundaries of the Sardis-Timmons ville Rural Fire Protection District, the Howe Springs Fire District, the Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District, the Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District, the West Florence Rural Fire District, and the Johnsonville Rural Fire District on _____ [date of adoption of Ordinance], such area comprising, embracing and consisting of the entire unincorporated area of the County save and except the area of the South Lynches Fire District and including the areas within the municipal limits of Quinby, Olanta, Pamplico, and Johnsonville. Reference is made to the Council Ordinance 18-81/82, Ordinance 11-87 /88 as amended by Ordinance 14-94/95, Ordinance 25-92/93 as amended by Ordinance 18-2001/02, Ordinance 31-2006/07, Ordinance 18-2010/11, and the County Tax Map maintained by the Florence County Tax Assessor for a description of the area comprised by each of the such Prior District and for the area contained within municipal limits of Quinby, Olanta, Pamplico, and Johnsonville, and a map of the District available on the County website at [www.florenceco.org/_____](http://www.florenceco.org/).

Sec. 12-2. Purpose.

The District is created and established for the purpose and function of providing rural fire protection and rescue services therein. Council is hereby authorized to exercise all powers and to perform all duties necessary to the proper rendering of rural fire protection and rescue services therein.

Sec. 12-3. Administration of District.

The District shall be administered as an administrative division of the County under the direction of the County's Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator or such other official or department as the County may from time to time designate. Such County official charged with the direction of the District shall be advised by those Advisory Committees established by Council Ordinance 05-2013/14 enacted September 19, 2013, which ordinance is incorporated herein by reference.

Sec. 12-4. Contracts with Volunteer Fire Departments.

(a) With respect to the provision of fire service within the District, the County shall contract with each of the volunteer fire departments organized as nonprofit corporations that as of the date of this Ordinance is serving the Prior Districts, respectively, for service within the area of the applicable Prior District (or area within the Prior District as is the case with respect to the Windy Hill/Olanta District) as comprised by the District. Each such contract shall provide for service on terms substantially similar to those in effect between each of the nonprofit volunteer fire departments and the applicable prior District as of the effective date of this Ordinance, subject to the entry by the County into contracts with each such volunteer fire department for such service (which contracts shall include, without limitation, mechanisms to assure financial transparency and accountability on the part of the volunteer fire department in question), and such existing contracts as are deemed applicable and compliant with the terms of this Ordinance by the County Administrator may continue and are hereby ratified. Any substantial change in the terms of such service or the discontinuance of such service must be approved by subsequent ordinance of Council.

(b) The contracts with the nonprofit volunteer fire departments shall provide for the departments to operate as independent contractors providing fire and emergency service for the Florence County Fire Protection District in accordance with the contractual terms.

Sec. 12-5. Annual tax levy for operation and debt service

In order to provide for the operation and debt service of the function of the District, there are hereby authorized annual levies by the Auditor of Florence County and the collection by the Treasurer of Florence County of an ad valorem tax for each fiscal year as the Council may determine for the operation and debt service of the District. The levies within the District for the operation and debt service of the District shall be as prescribed in the County's annual budget.

In addition to or in lieu of the levy of ad valorem taxes, Council may authorize the imposition of appropriate rates and charges within the District for operation and debt service of the District.

Sec. 12-6. Issuance of general obligation bonds.

In order to provide fire protection services and facilities therefor within the District, the County may issue, without election and from time to time, general obligation bonds by the County on behalf of the District, such bonds to be payable from ad valorem taxes collected within the District.

Sec. 12-7 – 12.20. Reserved.

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NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN
BY THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL
CONCERNING THE CREATION AND ESTABLISHMENT
OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4-19-10 et seq. of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (the "Enabling Act"), the Florence County Council ("Council") conducted a public hearing in the County Council Chambers, Florence County, South Carolina, on _____, 2014 at _____ on the question of the creation and reestablishment of the Florence County Fire Protection District (the "District").

Following the aforesaid public hearing, Council did on the __ day of _____, 2014 give third and final reading to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance To Create And Establish The Florence County Fire Protection District In Florence County, South Carolina Pursuant To Title 4, Chapter 19 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, To Approve The Annual Levy And Collection Of Ad Valorem Taxes And The Imposition Of Rates And Charges For The Operation And Maintenance Thereof, To Authorize The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds On Behalf Of The District From Time To Time, And Other Matters Relating Thereto" (the "Ordinance").

The Ordinance authorizes the creation and establishment of the District which shall comprise, embrace, and consist of the area contained within the boundaries of the Sardis-Timmons ville Rural Fire Protection District, the Howe Springs Fire District, the Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District, the Windy Hill/Olanta Rural Fire District, the West Florence Rural Fire District, and the Johnsonville Rural Fire District, such area comprising, embracing and consisting of the entire unincorporated area of the County save and except the area of the South Lynches Fire District and including the areas within the municipal limits of Quinby, Olanta, Pamplico, and Johnsonville. Reference is made to the Council Ordinance 18-81/82, Ordinance 11-87 /88 as amended by Ordinance 14-94/95, Ordinance 25-92/93 as amended by Ordinance 18-2001/02, Ordinance 31-2006/07, Ordinance 18-2010/11, and the County Tax Map maintained by the Florence County Tax Assessor for a description of the area comprised by each of the such Prior District and for the area contained within municipal limits of Quinby, Olanta, Pamplico, and Johnsonville, and a map of the District available on the County website at www.florenceco.org/_____

Pursuant to the provisions of the Enabling Act, the Council shall be authorized to levy ad valorem taxes within the area of the District to the extent necessary to defray the cost of constructing and equipping fire protection facilities within the District and to pay for maintenance and operation of such fire protection system. In addition to or in lieu of the levy of ad valorem taxes, Council may authorize the imposition of appropriate rates and charges within the District for operation and maintenance of the District. The Council shall be further authorized to issue general obligation bonds of Florence County, payable from ad valorem taxes levied within the District, for the purpose of providing fire protection therein.

Notice of this Action is being published once a week for two successive weeks in the *Morning News*.

Any person affected by this action of the Florence County Council may, by action de novo instituted in the Court of Common Pleas for Florence County, within twenty (20) days following the last publication of this Notice, but not afterwards, challenge this action of the Florence County Council.

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF FLORENCE

I, the undersigned, Clerk to Florence County Council, South Carolina ("County Council"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and verbatim copy of an Ordinance adopted by County Council on _____, 2014. The Ordinance was read at three public meetings of County Council on three separate days, _____, 2013, _____, 2014, and _____, 2014. An interval of at least seven days occurred between each reading of the Ordinance. At each such meeting, a quorum of County Council was present and remained present throughout the meeting.

The meetings held on _____, 2013, _____, 2014, and _____, 2014 were regular meetings of County Council, for which notice had been previously given pursuant to and in conformity with Chapter 4, Title 30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the "Freedom of Information Act").

The original of the Ordinance is duly entered in the permanent records of the County, in my custody as Clerk.

The Ordinance is now of full force and effect, and has not been modified, amended or repealed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand and the Seal of Florence County, South Carolina, this ____ day of _____, 2014.

(SEAL)

Clerk to Florence County Council,
South Carolina

First Reading: _____
Second Reading: _____
Public Hearing: _____
Third Reading: _____

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Reports to Council
Monthly Financial Reports

DEPARTMENT: Administration

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Monthly Financial Reports Are Provided To Council For Fiscal Year 2014 Through December 31, 2013 As An Item For The Record.

ATTACHMENTS:

Copies of the monthly financial reports.

**FLORENCE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
GENERAL FUND
REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT FY14
07/01/13 TO 12/31/13**

	BUDGETED REVENUE	YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL REVENUE	REMAINING BALANCE	PCT
REVENUES				
Taxes	36,920,690	31,987,832	4,932,858	13.36%
Licenses & Permits	1,525,350	494,254	1,031,096	67.60%
Fines & Fees	3,229,000	934,908	2,294,092	71.05%
Intergovernmental	5,792,783	1,331,813	4,460,970	77.01%
Sales and Other Functional	5,638,050	2,398,012	3,240,038	57.47%
Miscellaneous	558,250	126,979	431,271	77.25%
Operating Transfers	(1,369,343)	(230,000)	(1,139,343)	83.20%
Use of Fund Balance	-	-	-	
TOTAL	52,294,780	37,043,798	15,250,982	29.16%

**FLORENCE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
GENERAL FUND
REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT FY14
07/01/13 TO 12/31/13**

		YEAR-TO-DATE			
EXPENDITURES		BUDGETED EXPENDITURE	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE	REMAINING BALANCE	PCT
10-411-401	County Council	359,672	153,286	206,386	57.38%
10-411-402	Administrator	632,029	242,110	389,919	61.69%
10-411-403	Clerk of Court	1,848,147	883,132	965,016	52.22%
10-411-404	Solicitor	1,072,306	507,424	564,882	52.68%
10-411-405	Judge of Probate	513,719	242,058	271,661	52.88%
10-411-406	Public Defender	754,589	346,466	408,123	54.09%
10-411-407	Magistrates	2,308,941	1,140,319	1,168,622	50.61%
10-411-409	Legal Services	79,650	197,228	(117,578)	-147.62%
10-411-410	Voter Registration & Elections	577,687	277,888	299,799	51.90%
10-411-411	Finance	767,141	407,127	360,014	46.93%
10-411-412	Human Resources	350,005	177,859	172,146	49.18%
10-411-413	Procurement & Vehicle Maintenance	613,264	410,807	202,457	33.01%
10-411-414	Administrative Services	403,330	204,612	198,718	49.27%
10-411-415	Treasurer	1,237,228	590,338	646,890	52.29%
10-411-416	Auditor	477,730	223,131	254,599	53.29%
10-411-417	Tax Assessor	1,322,574	621,833	700,741	52.98%
10-411-418	Planning and Building	2,101,167	836,221	1,264,946	60.20%
10-411-419	Complex	1,647,001	692,879	954,122	57.93%
10-411-420	Facilities Management	746,654	371,159	375,495	50.29%
10-411-427	Information Technology	1,568,155	1,129,314	438,841	27.98%
10-411-446	Veteran's Affairs	150,489	72,433	78,056	51.87%
10-411-480	Senior Citizen Centers	326,591	67,892	258,699	79.21%
10-411-485	General Direct Assistance	217,996	136,923	81,074	37.19%
10-411-488	Contingency	212,396	7,184	205,212	96.62%
10-411-489	Employee Non-Departmental	399,502	301,344	98,159	24.57%
10-421-421	Sheriff's Office	15,589,977	7,675,980	7,913,997	50.76%
10-421-422	Emergency Management	2,509,458	1,199,297	1,310,161	52.21%
10-421-428	County Fire	112,756	57,755	55,001	48.78%
10-421-481	Rural Fire Departments	15,140	2,266	12,874	85.03%
10-451-423	EMS	5,849,554	2,453,295	3,396,259	58.06%
10-451-424	Rescue Squads	632,498	286,330	346,168	54.73%
10-451-425	Coroner	282,034	134,079	147,955	52.46%
10-451-441	Health Department	80,934	22,281	58,653	72.47%
10-451-442	Environmental Services	740,310	397,505	342,805	46.31%
10-451-485	Health Direct Assistance	14,502	684	13,818	95.28%
10-461-485	Welfare - MIAP & DSS	460,075	289,732	170,343	37.03%
10-471-451	Recreation	1,809,442	906,647	902,795	49.89%
10-471-455	County Library	3,605,622	1,675,753	1,929,869	53.52%
10-481-485	Literacy Council	4,515	1,129	3,386	75.00%
TOTAL		52,394,780	25,343,700	27,051,081	51.63%

Percent of Fiscal Year Remaining = 50.00%

**FLORENCE COUNTY
BUDGET REPORT - OTHER FUNDS
CURRENT PERIOD: 07/01/13 TO 12/31/13**

	BUDGETED EXPENDITURE	YEAR TO DATE CURRENT	REMAINING BALANCE	PCT	BUDGETED REVENUE	YEAR TO DATE CURRENT	REMAINING BALANCE	PCT
45 County Debt Service Fund	3,954,622	303,714	3,650,908	92.32%	3,954,622	3,725,425	229,197	5.80%
112 Economic Development Partnership Fund	439,749	157,111	282,638	64.27%	439,749	53,853	385,896	87.75%
123 Local Accommodations Tax Fund	2,474,087	987,438	1,486,649	60.09%	2,474,087	786,568	1,687,519	68.21%
124 Local Hospitality Tax Fund	1,190,511	319,663	870,848	73.15%	1,190,511	570,097	620,414	52.11%
131 District Utility Allocation Fund	1,007,516	161,046	846,470	84.02%	1,007,516	1,007,516	-	0.00%
132 District Infrastructure Allocation Fund	994,427	297,597	696,830	70.07%	994,427	909,427	85,000	8.55%
151 Law Library Fund	88,586	24,153	64,433	72.74%	88,586	17,648	70,938	80.08%
153 Road System Maintenance Fee Fund	3,791,395	1,932,018	1,859,377	49.04%	3,791,395	1,390,904	2,400,491	63.31%
154 Victim/Witness Assistance Fund	206,327	87,722	118,605	57.48%	206,327	92,367	113,960	55.23%
421 Landfill Fund	4,132,092	1,472,650	2,659,442	64.36%	4,132,092	1,780,582	2,351,510	56.91%
431 E911 System Fund	1,208,939	124,966	1,083,973	89.66%	1,208,939	252,829	956,110	79.09%
TOTALS:	19,488,251	5,868,078	13,620,173	69.89%	19,488,251	10,587,216	8,901,035	45.67%

Percent of Fiscal Year Remaining: 50.00%

331 Capital Project Sales Tax (Florence County Forward road projects) received and interest earned
(See separate attachment for additional details.)

\$ 142,853,031

**Florence County Council
District Allocation Balances
Beginning Balances as of 12/31/2013**

Council District #	Type of Allocation	Beginning Budget FY13	Commitments & Current Year Expenditures	Current Available Balances
1	Infrastructure	109,499.00	52,311.00	57,188.00
	Paving	106,179.00	-	106,179.00
	Utility	291,623.00	100,577.50	191,045.50
	In-Kind	19,800.00	-	19,800.00
2	Infrastructure	58,030.00	21,261.00	36,769.00
	Paving	189,068.00	-	189,068.00
	Utility	38,001.00	6,500.00	31,501.00
	In-Kind	19,800.00	179.00	19,621.00
3	Infrastructure	90,955.00	45,011.00	45,944.00
	Paving	250,159.00	103,296.00	146,863.00
	Utility	96,956.00	6,930.00	90,026.00
	In-Kind	19,800.00	-	19,800.00
4	Infrastructure	260,502.00	59,143.00	201,359.00
	Paving	212,434.00	-	212,434.00
	Utility	67,773.00	26,843.00	40,930.00
	In-Kind	19,800.00	329.00	19,471.00
5	Infrastructure	54,273.00	21,751.00	32,522.00
	Paving	198,019.00	300.00	197,719.00
	Utility	126,452.00	36,873.00	89,579.00
	In-Kind	19,800.00	324.00	19,476.00
6	Infrastructure	284,050.00	17,713.00	266,337.00
	Paving	256,950.00	18,150.00	238,800.00
	Utility	335,839.00	8,000.00	327,839.00
	In-Kind	19,800.00	2,179.00	17,621.00
7	Infrastructure	122,310.00	104,989.00	17,321.00
	Paving	237,631.00	96,420.00	141,211.00
	Utility	237,263.00	58,938.00	178,325.00
	In-Kind	19,800.00	1,039.00	18,761.00
8	Infrastructure	108,517.00	39,504.00	69,013.00
	Paving	68,574.00	49,750.00	18,824.00
	Utility	70,538.00	-	70,538.00
	In-Kind	19,800.00	-	19,800.00
9	Infrastructure	84,880.00	7,311.00	77,569.00
	Paving	103,997.00	67,285.00	36,712.00
	Utility	147,651.00	30,000.00	117,651.00
	In-Kind	19,800.00	-	19,800.00

Infrastructure funds to be used for capital projects or equipment purchases. (See guidelines)

Paving funds to be used for paving or rocking roads. See guidelines in County code.

Utility funds to be used for water, sewer, stormwater, and any infrastructure fund projects.

In-Kind funds to be used for projects completed by the Public Works Department.

**FLORENCE COUNTY FORWARD
CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX**

As of December 31, 2013

EXPENDITURES	Project Budget	Design or Engineering	Right of Way	Construction	Total Expended	Balance Unexpended	Budget % Expended
Pine Needles Road Widening	\$ 17,676,768.00	\$ 710,297.09	\$ 1,224,997.80	\$ 14,229,979.96	\$ 16,165,274.85	\$ 1,511,493.15	91.45%
US 378 Widening	\$ 138,751,620.00	\$ 5,087,430.33	\$ 6,307,040.05	\$ 330,616.17	\$ 11,725,086.55	\$ 127,026,533.45	8.45%
US 76 Widening	\$ 31,641,621.00	\$ 2,304,962.01	\$ 2,420,528.95	\$ 120,169.77	\$ 4,845,660.73	\$ 26,795,960.27	15.31%
TV Road Widening	\$ 34,519,290.00	\$ 2,244,876.22	\$ 2,603,596.60	\$ 59,704.50	\$ 4,908,177.32	\$ 29,611,112.68	14.22%
SC 51 Widening	\$ 151,533,817.00	\$ 2,888,408.84	\$ 877,906.99	\$ 15,424.24	\$ 3,781,740.07	\$ 147,752,076.93	2.50%
US 301 Bypass Extension	\$ 73,464,146.00	\$ 238,145.95	\$ 127.58	\$ -	\$ 238,273.53	\$ 73,225,872.47	0.32%
	\$ 447,587,262.00	\$ 13,474,120.44	\$ 13,434,197.97	\$ 14,755,894.64	\$ 41,664,213.05	\$ 405,923,048.95	9.31%

REVENUES	Revenue Budget				Received/Earned to Date	Balance To Be Rcvd/Earned	Balance % Rcvd/Earned
Capital Project Sales Tax	\$ 148,000,000.00				\$ 133,035,676.00		
Sales Tax Interest Earnings	\$ -				\$ 9,817,354.83	\$ 14,964,324.00	96.52%
Earned State SIB Fund Match	\$ 250,000,000.00				\$ 250,000,000.00	\$ -	100.00%
	\$ 398,000,000.00				\$ 392,853,030.83	\$ 14,964,324.00	98.71%

NOTE 1: Revenue Received/Earned to Date is as of December 31, 2013, since capital project sales tax is received from the state on a quarterly basis.

NOTE 2: Merchant collection of sales tax will conclude on April 30, 2014, unless total collections, excluding interest, exceed \$148,000,000 prior to that date.

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Reports to Council

DEPARTMENT: Clerk of Court
Procurement Department

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION: Approve A Sole Source Procurement Of Three (3) Minolta MS6000 Mk II Digital Film Microform Scanners For The Clerk of Court's Office From Cavin's Business Solutions of Fayetteville, NC In The Amount Of \$36,244.00.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- 1) Konica-Minolta, Inc., the manufacturer of the Minolta MS6000 Mk II Digital Film Microform Scanners, is the only known manufacturer that provides a screen based micrographics scanner in the U. S. market.
- 2) The screen based micrographics scanner will meet the specialized needs of the Clerk of Court department.
- 3) Cavin's Business Solutions is the only area distributor of this system.
- 4) The price includes an annual maintenance agreement valued at \$3,776.00. The amount has not increased since 2001.

FUNDING FACTORS:

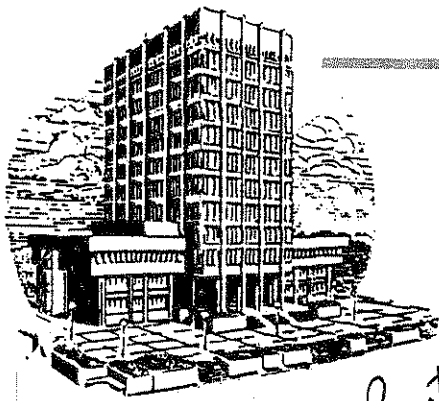
- 1) \$36,244.00 = Total cost to be funded from the approved FY 12-13 budget under line item 320-411-419-000-8600.

OPTIONS:

- 1) (*Recommended*) Approve as presented.
- 2) Provide An Alternate Directive.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Recommendation Letter from the Clerk of Court, Connie Shearin dated February 4, 2014.
- 2) Sole Source Justification form.
- 3) Sole Source letter for screen based micrographics scanner dated 2-3-14 from Konica-Minolta, Inc.
- 4) Letter from Konica-Minolta, Inc. dated 1-31-14 stating that Cavin's Business Solutions is the only area distributor of this system.
- 5) Resolution From The Florence County Bar Association Regarding Equipment Upgrades



CONNIE REEL-SHEARIN

Clerk of Court
City-County Complex
180 N. Irby Street, MSC-E
Florence, SC 29501
843-665-3031

Rusty
TO: K. G. "Rusty" Smith, Jr., Florence County Administrator
FROM: C. Reel-Shearin, Florence County Clerk of Court *CS*
DATE: December 20th, 2013
RE: New Equipment for Real Property Records System

We have had some very preliminary discussions about updating some of the equipment in the RoD Records Room. I believe I told you that I would give you specifics at the time we would do some renovations in that area. However, due to the poor state of several pieces of equipment, I asked our Cavin's sales representative to do an assessment that would tell me what IMMEDIATE needs are. (See attached). Further, as I knew the Florence County Bar would be having its annual meeting on Dec. 19th, I asked that body if they would be willing to give me a resolution in support of my asking for funds to purchase equipment. (See attached.)

Having said all that, I would request that whatever funds are set aside for the Clerk's use in the forthcoming renovation be made available to me now to so that I can immediately improve the dire situation in the Records Room.

I have talked to most of the Bar members that do real estate work, & they consistently agree that these new machines are critical to their ability to perform title searches in a timely & efficient manner.

I appreciate your time & consideration in this matter. If you need any further information, or if you think I need to do anything further to be a better advocate for this request, please don't hesitate to let me know or advise me.

Thanks so much.

SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION

Based upon the following a determination, the proposed procurement action described below is requested pursuant to the authority of the current Florence County Code.

This department, Florence County Clerk of Court, proposes to procure Konica Minolta ms6000 microfilm Scanners + Accessories ^{See Attached}
Quote. from Cavin's Business Solutions

based on the following: (check all that apply)

- Item 1: Sole Source request is for the original manufacturer or provider; there are no regional distributors. (Attach the manufacturers written certification that no regional distributors exist.) Item 4 must also be checked
- Item 2: Sole Source request is for the only area distributor of the original manufacturer or provider. (Attach the manufacturers - not the distributor's -written certification that identifies all regional distributors.) Item 4 must also be checked
- Item 3: The parts/equipment are not interchangeable with similar parts of another manufacturer. (Explain below or in separate memorandum.)
- Item 4: This is the only known item or service that will meet the specialized needs of this department or perform the intended function. (Explain below or in separate memorandum describing basis for standardization request)
- Item 5: The parts/equipment is required for trial basis or testing.
- Item 6: None of the above apply. A detailed explanation and justification for this sole source request is contained below or in the attached memorandum.

See attached letter from Konica Minolta dated 2-3-14.

2/3/14
Date

C. Beel Shearin
Department Head

Date

K.H. Reed
Procurement Dir. or County Administrator



KONICA MINOLTA

February 3, 2014

Mr. Patrick Fletcher
Procurement Director
Florence City-County Complex
Room B-5
180 N. Irby St. MSC-R
Florence, South Carolina 29501

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

Konica Minolta is the distributor of the MS6000MKII in the US. We are only known manufacturer providing a screen based micrographics scanner to the market here in the US. The specifications and physical attributes of the MS6000MKII are unique to this device. We recommend purchasing the MS6000MKII only from authorized Konica Minolta dealers, all of whom have made the investment in training and parts and supply inventories. These dealers are exclusively supported by Konica Minolta for these products.

It is the policy of Konica Minolta to provide sales and service support only to authorized dealers. Only authorized dealers have access to equipment, parts and supplies from Konica Minolta. Further, only authorized dealers receive factory service updates and repair manuals. In addition, authorized Konica Minolta dealers are contractually prohibited from selling Konica Minolta parts and supplies to anyone other than end-users located in their territory.

Therefore, Konica Minolta Business Solutions USA strongly recommends that users of its equipment purchase that equipment and obtain service only from an authorized dealer. We also strongly recommend that only Konica Minolta supplies be used in the products for which they have been specially developed to achieve the best performance.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (201) 236-4222.

Sincerely,
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, USA

H. Scott Berliner
Sales Manager
Document Imaging Systems Division
100 Williams Drive
Ramsey, NJ 07446
Telephone: (201) 236-4222
Fax: (201) 818-5764
E-Mail: sberliner@kmbms.konicaminolta.us

The essentials of imaging



KONICA MINOLTA

January 31, 2014

Mr. Patrick Fletcher
Procurement Director
Florence City-County Complex
Room B-5
180 N. Irby St. MSC-R
Florence, South Carolina 29501

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

This is to certify that at the present time, Cavin's Business Solutions, Inc., headquartered at 724 Hay Street, Fayetteville, NC 28301 is the only authorized Konica Minolta Business Solutions USA Document Imaging Systems dealer for Florence County in the state of South Carolina. Cavin's Business Solutions is the only authorized dealer for sale, installation and service of Konica Minolta micrographics, hybrid and electronic publication systems products. Cavin's Business Solutions is also the only authorized dealer in that area that is supported by Konica Minolta Business Solutions, USA for the purposes of performing warranty maintenance and repairs.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS it of utmost importance that Florence County provide a smoothly functioning and up to date system to its citizens, attorneys and lending institutions for the examination and copying of real estate records and transactions; and

WHEREAS the current system employed by Florence County for such purposes is quite inadequate, and is in a deteriorating condition, due to the lack of funding provided to our Honorable Clerk of Court, Connie Reel-Shearin, and her staff; and

WHEREAS Clerk Reel-Shearin has requested that this association go on record in support of her efforts to secure the budgetary increases which will greatly assist her in meeting the expectations as set forth above :

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Florence County Bar Association strongly endorses the efforts of Clerk of Court Connie Reel-Shearin to secure the necessary funding from the County of Florence to repair, replace, and/or upgrade its real property records system, with the goal of providing the competent and efficient services needed and required by its citizens.

FLORENCE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

BY _____


PRESIDENT


December 19, 2013

Florence, South Carolina

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CONNIE REEL-SHEARIN
C.C.P. & G.S.
FLORENCE COUNTY, SC

VERIFIED: A TRUE COPY

CLERK OF COURT C.P. & G.S.
FLORENCE COUNTY, S.C.

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Report to Council
Declaration of Surplus Property

DEPARTMENT: Procurement Department

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Declare Unit #522, A 1997 Ford Crown Vic, VIN#2FALP71W4VX132262 As Surplus Property For Disposal Via GovDeals Or A Manner Most Advantageous To The County.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. Unit #522, a 1997 Ford Crown Vic has little value or is obsolete to the using department.
2. Disposal will not impact on-going operations.
3. Florence County Code requires County Council approval for disposal of surplus property.
4. Disposal by internet auction is efficient and requires significantly less staff time/coordination than other public offer methods.

FUNDING FACTORS:

\$0=Cost of disposal by internet auction via GovDeals is 7% of highest winning bid paid.

OPTIONS:

1. *(Recommended)* Approve as presented.
2. Provide Alternate Directive.

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Report to Council
Declaration of Surplus Property

DEPARTMENT: Procurement Department

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Declaration Of Various Office Furniture As Surplus Property For Disposal In The Manner Most Advantageous To The County.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. Attached listing of various furniture is recommended to be declared surplus by the using department.
2. The equipment has little value or is obsolete to the using department.
3. Disposal will not impact on-going operations.
4. Florence County Code requires County Council approval for disposal of surplus property.
5. The furniture will be disposed of in the manner most advantageous to the County.

OPTIONS:

1. *(Recommended)* Approve as presented.
2. Provide alternate instructions.

ATTACHMENTS:

List of various furniture.

LIST OF FURNITURE IN COMPLEX FOR SURPLUS:

- 1 COUCH
- 15 METAL DESKS
- 7 RETURNS
- 1 METAL BOOKCASE
- 2 METAL CREDENZAS
- 2 METAL CABINETS
- 2 METAL DRAWERS
- 2 SMALL TABLES WITH WALNUT TOPS
- 2 STEELCASE CHAIRS

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Reports to Council

DEPARTMENT: Timmons ville Rescue Squad
Procurement Department

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION: Request Council To Award Bid No. 16-13/14 For the Purchase Of One (1) Certified A-Frame Carport For the Timmons ville Rescue Squad to Newmart Builders, Inc. of South Hill, VA In The Amount Of \$17,424.60 (Including Tax) To Be Funded By A South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Grant-In-Aid Grant. *(4 Bids Were Received, 3 Bids Were Compliant).*

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- 1) Bid No. 16-13/14 was advertised in both the South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO) newsletter and in the Morning News on Thursday, December 5, 2013.
- 2) The bid opening was held on Thursday, December 19, 2013.
- 3) Four (4) bids were received; three (3) bids were compliant. The low bidder, Coast to Coast Carport of Knoxville, AR, was determined to be non-responsible due to a C+ Better Business Bureau (BBB) rating, 104 complaints against the company filed with the BBB within the last three years, and failure to provide references when requested.
- 4) Therefore, the bid is recommended to be awarded to the next low bidder, Newmart Builders, Inc., South Hill, Va, by the Chief of the Timmons ville Rescue Squad.
- 5) Newmart Builders, Inc., located in South Hill, VA is the manufacturer of the certified A-frame carport. Weatherly Hardware, located in Timmons ville, SC is the local dealer that will be providing the materials for the carport.
- 6) The bid expires March 19, 2014.

FUNDING FACTORS:

- 1) \$13,767.20 = Total amount of the SCDHEC GIA grant. The additional amount of \$3,657.40 has been provided by the Timmons ville Rescue Squad under line item 141-451-951-000-8600.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Award Bid No. 16-13/14 *(Recommended)*.
- 2) Decline Award.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Bid Tabulation Sheet.
- 2) BBB Business Review of Coast to Coast Carports.
- 3) Reference check e-mail dated January 2, 2014-No response from bidder.
- 4) Bid Recommendation Memo from Chief Donald Windham, Chief, Timmons ville Rescue Squad dated February 6, 2014.

Florence County Dept: Timmonsville Rescue Squad		Bid Opening Date: 12/19/2013 Time: 3:00 PM	
Tabulation for Bid No. 16-13/14 A-Frame Carport			
Name of Bidder		Submitted Bid**	
*Coast to Coast Carport, 22525-Interstate 40, Knoxville, AR 72845		\$15,278.27	
Newmart Builders, Inc., 1000 Cycle Lane, South Hill, VA 23970		\$17,424.60	
Steel Building Garages, LLC, 355 Industrial Park Drive, Boone, NC 28607		\$23,599.40	
Carolina Construction, Inc. 107 Church Street, Cheraw, SC 29520		\$23,936.00	

Notes:

*Coast to Coast Carport is a non-responsible bidder.

**Bid includes sales tax

All bids are thoroughly reviewed to ensure that all specifications as required in the bid package has been satisfied. A notification of award will not be issued until it has County Council's approval and until the expiration period for protest has been met.

It is always the intent of Florence County to award the lowest priced responsible/responsive bidder that best meets the specifications as determined by Florence County. A notice of intent letter will be sent to all bidders only in the case of a bid awarded to another vendor other than the lowest priced responsible/responsive bidder as stated on this bid tabulation.



Better Business Bureau®

In Arkansas

BBB BUSINESS REVIEW

What is a BBB Business Review?

THIS BUSINESS IS NOT BBB ACCREDITED

Coast to Coast Carports (Headquarters)

Phone: (479) 885-1258

Fax: (479) 885-6021

View Additional Phone Numbers

22525 Interstate 40, Knoxville, AR 72845-8845

<http://www.getcarports.com>

View Additional Web Addresses



On a scale of A+ to F

Reason for Rating

[BBB Ratings System Overview](#)

BBB Business Reviews may not be reproduced for sales or promotional purposes.

BBB Accreditation

Coast to Coast Carports is not BBB Accredited.

Businesses are under no obligation to seek BBB accreditation, and some businesses are not accredited because they have not sought BBB accreditation.

To be accredited by BBB, a business must apply for accreditation and BBB must determine that the business meets BBB accreditation standards, which include a commitment to make a good faith effort to resolve any consumer complaints. BBB Accredited Businesses must pay a fee for accreditation review/monitoring and for support of BBB services to the public.

Reason for Rating

BBB rating is based on 16 factors. Get the details about the factors considered.

Factors that *lowered* Coast to Coast Carports' rating include:

- 104 complaints filed against business

Factors that *raised* Coast to Coast Carports' rating include:

- Length of time business has been operating.
- Response to 104 complaint(s) filed against business.
- Resolution of complaint(s) filed against business.
- BBB has sufficient background information on this business.

Customer Complaints Summary

[Read complaint details](#)

104 complaints closed with BBB in last 3 years | 35 closed in last 12 months

Complaint Type	Total Closed Complaints
Advertising / Sales Issues	3
Billing / Collection Issues	4
Delivery Issues	39
Guarantee / Warranty Issues	3
Problems with Product / Service	55

Connie Haselden

From: Patrick Fletcher
Sent: Thursday, January 02, 2014 11:12 AM
To: tom@getcarports.com
Subject: BID CLARIFICATION REQUEST-A-FRAME STEEL CARPORT (BID NO. 16-13/14)
Importance: High

Hello Mr. Thomas Johnson,

Thank you for bidding on the **A-FRAME STEEL CARPORT**. Your company is the apparent low bidder.

We are now in the process of evaluation your bids. Please complete the following:

- Complete the eVendor reference check survey that will be e-mailed to you from eVendorSelect (www.evendorecheck.com).

Please submit to Florence County the following:

- A minimum of three (3) verifiable references in South Carolina for certified steel carport installations by your company in the past five (5) years.
- Verification that your bid price includes all of the specification/scope of work that is stated in Addendum No. 1
- Verification that you will be able to obtain a South Carolina building permit to install this carport as stated in Addendum No. 1.

Please reply as soon as possible so that we can complete the bid process on this.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Patrick D. Fletcher, CPPB
Florence County Procurement Director
Florence County Complex
180 N. Irby St. MSC-R, Rm. B-5
Florence, South Carolina 29501
843-665-3019 direct line
843-664-9668 fax

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Timmonsville Rescue Squad



P. O. Box 9 • 401 E. Main Street
Timmonsville, SC 29161
843.646.1611

Date: February 6, 2014

To: Patrick Fletcher
Florence County Procurement Director
180 North Irby Street MSC-R
Florence, SC 29501

From: Donald E. Windham
401 East Main Street
Timmonsville, SC 29161

Re: Approval of Bid

Dear Mr. Fletcher,

I approve for Newmart Builders to be awarded the bid for the building to be placed on our property.

Sincerely,

Donald E. Windham
Chief
Timmonsville Rescue Squad

Florence County Council Meeting
February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Other Business
Infrastructure Project
Council District 3

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$20,269 From Council District 3 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Assist The City Of Florence With Asphaltting The Dorothy G. Hines Nature Trail.

FUNDING SOURCE:

XXX Infrastructure _____ Road System Maintenance _____ Utility

Requested by Councilmember:

Signed: verbally approved – signature pending
Alphonso Bradley

Date:

ATTACHMENTS:

City of Florence Estimate

I, Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to County Council, certify this item was approved by the Florence County Council at the above-referenced meeting, at which a majority of members were present.

Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

CITY OF FLORENCE

Dorothy G. Hines Nature Trail
of Williams Heights Subdivision
800 ft. long X 8' wide

Budget Cost Estimate
02/03/20014

<u>ITEM</u> <u>NO. DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>UNIT</u> <u>PRICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. Sandclay Fill (6" avg. depth --- 800 LF x 12' wide)	1,067	SY	\$6.00	\$6,402
2. Fine Grading (800 LF x 12' wide)	1,067	SY	\$3.50	\$3,735
3. 2" Asphalt surface course (800 LF x 8' wide)	711	SY	\$9.50	<u>\$6,755</u>
Subtotal				\$16,891
10% Engineering				\$1,689
10% Contingency				<u>\$1,689</u>
TOTAL				<u>\$20,269</u>

Florence County Council Meeting
February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Other Business
Infrastructure Project
Council District 2

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$14,000 From Council District 2 Infrastructure Funding Allocation For The Purchase And Erection Of Perimeter Fencing Around The Football Field At Laverne Ard Park.

FUNDING SOURCE:

XXX Infrastructure _____ Road System Maintenance _____ Utility

Requested by Councilmember:

Signed: verbally approved – signature pending
Roger M. Poston

Date:

ATTACHMENTS:

I, Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to County Council, certify this item was approved by the Florence County Council at the above-referenced meeting, at which a majority of members were present.

Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

Florence County Council Meeting
February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Other Business
Infrastructure Project
Council District 5

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$5,000 From Council District 5 Infrastructure Funding Allocation For The Purchase Of A Camera System For Surveillance Of The Town, Park, Ball Field And Both Water Wells For The Town Of Coward.

FUNDING SOURCE:

XXX Infrastructure _____ Road System Maintenance _____ Utility

Requested by Councilmember:

Signed: verbally approved – signature pending
Kent C. Caudle

Date:

ATTACHMENTS:

Request from the Town of Coward

I, Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to County Council, certify this item was approved by the Florence County Council at the above-referenced meeting, at which a majority of members were present.

Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council



TOWN OF COWARD



P.O. BOX 67 / 3720 U.S. HWY 52

COWARD, S.C. 29530

January 13, 2013

Mr. Kent C. Caudle (Florence County Council- District 5)

Re: Camera System

The Town of Coward wants to install a much needed Camera System for our Town, Park, Ball Field and both of our Water Wells. We have had vandalism in these areas. I am asking the County for help in the amount of \$7500.00 to complete this project.

Thanking you in advance for your help with this project.

Sincerely Yours,

Mayor Dianne Thomas

Town Of Coward

townofcoward@yahoo.com

Florence County Council Meeting
February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Other Business
Infrastructure/Utility Project

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Approve The Expenditure In An Amount Not To Exceed \$5,940 From Council Districts' Infrastructure/Utility Funding Allocations (\$660 From Each District) To Purchase Bulletproof Vests For Florence County Magistrate Constables To Replace Outdated Vests Currently In Use.

FUNDING SOURCE:

XXX Infrastructure _____ Road System Maintenance Fee XXX Utility

Requested by Councilmember: Jason M. Springs, District 1

Amount: \$ _____ (I/U) \$ _____ (I/U) \$ _____ (I/U)

Signed: _____
Jason M. Springs Roger M. Poston Alphonso Bradley

Amount: \$ _____ (I/U) \$ _____ (I/U) \$ _____ (I/U)

Signed: _____
Mitchell Kirby Kent C. Caudle Russell W. Culberson

Amount: \$ _____ (I/U) \$ _____ (I/U) \$ _____ (I/U)

Signed: _____
Waymon Mumford James T. Schofield Willard Dorriety, Jr.

Date: _____

ATTACHMENTS:

None

I, Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to County Council, certify this item was approved by the Florence County Council at the above-referenced meeting, at which a majority of members were present.

Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

SANDRA M. GRIMSLEY

MAGISTRATE

345 SOUTH RON McNAIR BOULEVARD
POST OFFICE BOX 39
LAKE CITY, SOUTH CAROLINA 29560
(843) 394-5461

**Councilman Jason Springs
and members of the Florence County Council
201 North Blanding Street
Lake City, SC 29560**

DATE: **January 17, 2014**

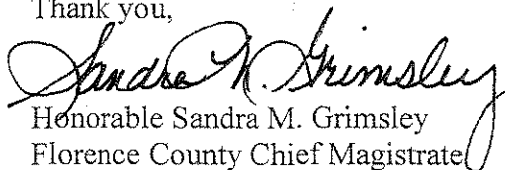
IN RE: **Bulletproof vests**

Dear Councilman Springs and members of the Florence County Council:

This letter is to address the matter of antiquated bulletproof vests currently in use by our Florence County Magistrate Constables. Daily our Constables put not only their health but lives in jeopardy with their continual interaction with the general public serving arrest warrants, bench warrants, and civil papers. I feel it is our civic responsibility to ensure that all the necessary actions are taken to ensure their safety while they perform these duties. Providing up-to-date bulletproof vests would be a vital step toward fulfilling part of that safety.

At this time I would like to request for the Florence County Council to please approve new bulletproof vests for all of the Florence County Magistrate Constables. Any and all consideration the Council would give towards this requisition would be greatly appreciated. The approximate cost of the bulletproof vests will be \$660.00 for each of the nine Constables.

Thank you,


Honorable Sandra M. Grimsley
Florence County Chief Magistrate

PROPOSED ADDITIONS TO THE
FEBRUARY 20, 2014 MEETING AGENDA

<u>DESCRIPTION</u> (Requested by)	<u>DATE REC'D</u>	<u>ITEM</u>
<u>OTHER BUSINESS:</u> Council District 6/RSMF	02/18/14	Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$5,250 From Council District 6 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Crushed Asphalt For Ares Lane.
Council District 6/RSMF	02/18/14	Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$15,000 From Council District 6 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Crushed Asphalt For Edsel Road.
Council District 6/RSMF	02/18/14	Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$3,000 From Council District 6 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Crushed Asphalt For Powell Lane.

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Other Business
Council District #6

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Approval of the expenditure of up to \$3,000.00 from Council District #6 funding allocations to pay for crushed asphalt for Powell Lane.

The cost estimate was prepared by Florence County Public Works.

Funding availability subject to confirmation by Finance Department.

FUNDING SOURCE:

Infrastructure
 Road System Maintenance
 Utility

SIGNED:


Requested by Councilmember: Russell Calbertson

Date: 2-18-14

ATTACHMENTS:

I, Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to County Council, certify this item was approved by the Florence County Council at the above-referenced meeting, at which a majority of members were present.

Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Other Business
Council District #6

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Approval of the expenditure of up to \$5,250.00 from Council District #6 funding allocations to pay for crushed asphalt for Arcs Lane.

The cost estimate was prepared by Florence County Public Works.

Funding availability subject to confirmation by Finance Department.

FUNDING SOURCE:

Infrastructure
 Road System Maintenance
 Utility

SIGNED: 
Requested by Councilmember: Russell Callerson

Date: 2-18-14

ATTACHMENTS:

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Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Other Business
Council District #6

DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Approval of the expenditure of up to \$15,000.00 from Council District #6 funding allocations to pay for crushed asphalt for Edsel Road.


The cost estimate was prepared by Florence County Public Works.

Funding availability subject to confirmation by Finance Department.

FUNDING SOURCE:

Infrastructure
 Road System Maintenance
 Utility

SIGNER:


Requested by Councilmember: Russell Culberson

Date: 2-18-14

ATTACHMENTS:

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Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council