



**RICHLAND COUNTY
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Office of the County Administrator

**Council Actions Report
Regular Session Council Meeting
May 17, 2016
6:00PM**

Call to Order: Rush

Invocation: Manning

Pledge of Allegiance: Manning

Approval of Minutes

- a. Regular Session: May 3, 2016:** Approved as published.

Adoption of Agenda: Adopted as amended. The Department of Revenue Update was added to the agenda as an Executive Session item.

Presentation

- a. Lower Richland STEM Program Update:** Meghan Hughes Hickman (Executive Director of EngenuitySC), Cheryl Harris (Chairwoman – Richland One School District Board of Commissioners), Dr. Craig Witherspoon (Superintendent – Richland One School District), a student from Lower Richland High School and a student from Southeast Middle School provided information to Council regarding the impact of EngenuitySC's partnership with Lower Richland High School regarding their Science, Technology Engineering, and Math (STEM) program.

Report of the Attorney for Executive Sessions Items:

- a. Contractual Matters: Solid Waste Services**
- b. Department of Revenue Update**
- c. Developing a Multi-County Park with Fairfield County; Authorizing the execution and delivery of an agreement governing the Multi-County Park; Authorizing the inclusion of certain property located in Richland County in the Multi-County Park; Authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement; and other related matters**

Citizen's Input: No one spoke.



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Report of the County Administrator:

- a. **Recognition of Employees:** Mr. McDonald recognized County staffers Kecia Lara and Mike Smith, along with the Support Services Department.

Kecia Lara – Housing Official, Building Inspections was awarded and recognized as the Building Officials Association of SC's (BOASC) "Member of the Year."

Mike Smith - Deputy Director, Building Inspections, and Past President of the BOASC, received the "Building Official of the Year" award, from the BOASC.

Support Services Department – The North America Fleet Association (NAFA), which recognizes and rewards peak performing fleet operations in North America, awarded Richland County as one of the best fleets in the Nation. Richland County ranks #65 in the top 100 public sector fleets. Richland County is the only jurisdiction in South Carolina to be recognized for this award.

Report of the Clerk of Council:

- a. **REMINDER: Public Works Luncheon, May 18th, 11:30 a.m.:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the upcoming Public Works Luncheon on May 18, 2016 at 11:30am.
- b. **REMINDER: Charters of Freedom Dedication Ceremony, May 26th, 2:00 p.m. (In front of Administration Bldg.):** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the upcoming Charters of Freedom Dedication Ceremony on May 26, 2016 at 2:00pm.
- c. **REMINDER: Upcoming Budget Meetings May 19th - Budget Public Hearing, 6:00 p.m. May 26th - 2nd Reading [Grants Only], 6:00 p.m. June 2nd - 2nd Reading [Non-Grant Items], 6:00 p.m.:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the upcoming Budget Meetings:
- May 19th - Budget Public Hearing, 6:00pm
 - May 24th – Budget Work Session, 4:00pm
 - May 26th - 2nd Reading [Grants Only], 6:00pm
 - June 2nd - 2nd Reading [Non-Grant Items], 6:00pm

Report of the Chair:

- a. **Personnel Matter:** This item was held in Committee.

Open/Close Public Hearings



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- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 2, Administration; Article VII. Boards, Commissions and Committees; Section 2-332. Boards, Commissions and Committees Created; Subsection (L), Richland County Business Service Center Appeals Board; Paragraph (2), Membership; so as to revise the membership requirements of the Business Service Center Appeals Board. No one spoke.**

1. Approval of Consent Items

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 2, Administration; Article VII. Boards, Commissions and Committees; Section 2- 332. Boards, Commissions and Committees Created; Subsection (L), Richland County Business Service Center Appeals Board; Paragraph (2), Membership; so as to revise the membership requirements of the Business Service Center Appeals Board: Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, BUSINESS SERVICE CENTER, ADMINISTRATION****

2. Third Reading Items

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 General Fund Annual Budget to appropriate \$62,751 of General Fund Balance to fund the costs for Board of Voter Registration & Elections Commission associated to conduct the Special Election(s) for the vacated District 10 Seat: Council gave third reading approval to the budget amendment in an amount not to exceed \$62,751. The language of the budget amendment will be updated to reflect that \$33,541 shall be utilized for the primary election, and if needed, \$29,210 shall be utilized for the run-off election. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, ELECTIONS****

3. Second Reading Items

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 General Fund Annual Budget to appropriate \$1,528,000.00 of unassigned fund balance to cover additional operating costs for General Fund departments: Council denied this request. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION, CORONER, DETENTION CENTER****
- b. **Developing a Multi-County Park with Fairfield County; Authorizing the execution and delivery of an agreement governing the Multi-County Park; Authorizing the inclusion of certain property located in Richland County in the Multi-County**



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Park; Authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement; and other related matters: Executive Session item.

- c. **Authorizing the conversion of a 1996 Fee in Lieu of ad valorem taxes arrangement by and between Richland County, South Carolina and Bose Corporation and other matters related thereto:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance.

ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL

4. Report of Economic Development Committee

- a. **A Resolution Authorizing the execution and delivery of a Memorandum of Understanding by and among Richland County, South Carolina, the State of South Carolina, and a company known as Project Giant and other matters related thereto:** Council approved the Resolution. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

- b. **Authorizing the expansion of the boundaries of the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park jointly developed with Fairfield County to include certain real property located in Richland County; the execution and delivery of a Credit Agreement to provide for special source revenue credits to Haven Campus Communities - Columbia, LLC, and other related matters:** Council denied this request. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

5. Report of Rules & Appointments Committee

a. Notification of Appointments

- i. **Township Auditorium Board:** Council voted to appoint Antjuan Orlando Seawright. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

b. Items for Action from Rules and Appointments

- i. **All motions must be posted a minimum of 24 hours before a scheduled Council meeting. Note: When Council made this change it was to eliminate any surprise or intent of secrecy. It eliminated Chairs of committees adding motions to an agenda before the meeting without notice. The change was for all motions not some. [JACKSON]:** This item was held in Committee.



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- ii. **Based on Richland County guideline and grievance procedure I move that after all grievance committee hearings are held within the required timeline that the Administrator update and notify Council at the next available Council meeting. This also include any notices of lawsuits or legal matters. Note: Recently Council was notified of a ruling more than one year later. If there is a timeline for the employee, the chair of the grievance committee and the committee then there must be a timeline to notify Council. [JACKSON and MALINOWSKI]:** This item was held in Committee.

6. Report of the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee

- a. **Atlas Road Widening Project - Norfolk Southern R.R. agreement:** Council approved the agreement with Norfolk Southern R.R. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE**
- b. **Atlas Road Widening Project - CSXT R.R. agreement:** Council approved the agreement with CSXT R.R. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE**
- c. **Bluff Road Widening Project - Tri-Party R.R. agreement:** Council approved the Tri-Party R.R agreement with CSX and SCDOT. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE**
- d. **Three Rivers Greenway Project - IGA with the City of Columbia:** Council approved the agreement with the City of Columbia. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE**
- e. **Pineview Road Widening Project - Executive Summary and Proposed Typical Sections:** Council approved the concept report and typical section for the Pineview Road Widening Project. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE**
- f. **Shop Road Widening Project - Executive Summary and Proposed Typical Sections:** Council approved the concept report and typical section for the Shop Road Widening Project. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE**
- g. **Shop Road Extension Phase I Project - Contract modification with CDM Smith:** Council approved the contract modification with CDM Smith in the amount of



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\$73,577.13 for the Shop Road Extension Phase I Project. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE**

- h. Time sensitive projects due to federal funding- North Main Street Widening Project:** Council approved staff bidding the North Main Street Widening Project as planned to protect the \$10 million in TIGER grant funding. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE**
- i. Mill Creek Mitigation Bank:** This item was received as information. No action was taken.
- j. Resurfacing Projects:** This item was received as information. No action was taken.
- k. TPAC: Roles and Responsibility:** This item was received as information. No action was taken.
- l. Motion by Councilman Jackson - "I move that in order to promote fairness in the Penny Tax program that Richland County approve another On-Call team in an attempt to promote diversity and be true to the referendum.":** This item was received as information. No action was taken.

7. Citizen's Input: One person spoke.

8. Executive Session

- a. Contractual Matters: Solid Waste Services:** Council authorized staff to submit a letter of objection to the SC Department of Health and Environmental Control for the contemplated draft permit(s) which requests a disposal rate increase at the Waste Management Richland County Class 3 landfill at the intersection of Highway Church Road and Screaming Eagle Road for an additional annual tonnage of 150,000 tons on the grounds that this increase exceeds the annual cap of 1,000,000 tons of needed disposal as adopted in the Richland County Solid Waste Management Plan. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, SOLID WASTE, LEGAL**

Council authorized staff to take the following actions:

- 1. Issue a notice to Advanced Disposal for the cancellation of the area 6 contract, effective December 31st, 2016.



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2. Issue a notice to Advanced Disposal that Richland County intends to let the area 3 contract expire on December 31st, 2016
3. Issue a request for proposals for solid waste services for area 3 and area 6 contracts, independently.

ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, SOLID WASTE, LEGAL, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE

- b. **Department of Revenue Update:** Received as information. No action taken.
- c. **Developing a Multi-County Park with Fairfield County; Authorizing the execution and delivery of an agreement governing the Multi-County Park; Authorizing the inclusion of certain property located in Richland County in the Multi-County Park; Authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement; and other related matters:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance with the amendments as discussed in Executive Session. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

9. Motion Period:

- a. **Move Council adopt rental regulations ordinance in Richland County.** [DICKERSON, DIXON, JACKSON, and ROSE]: Council sent this item to the D&S Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL**
- b. **Direct the County Administrator to prepare a comprehensive document suitable for release to the public detailing the impact of SCDOR's action to withhold funds collected from the Transportation Penny [PEARCE]:** Council sent this item to the Administrator's Office. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE, LEGAL, PUBLIC INFORMATION**
- c. **Direct the County Administrator to prepare a comprehensive document suitable for release to the public detailing the financial impact to the citizens of Richland County if the County is required to pay for portions of the Transportation Program from the County's General Fund as demanded by the SCDOR [PEARCE]:** Council sent this item to the Administrator's Office. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, TRANSPORTATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE, LEGAL, PUBLIC INFORMATION**
- d. **Move that council send a resolution to the Legislative delegation that: whenever there is annexation the county continues to receive the Hospitality Tax for the**



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**annexed portion of the county. Property tax remains to the county and so should
Hospitality Tax to sustain organizations and projects developed by the county.**
[JACKSON]: Council approved the Resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

10. Adjournment: Council adjourned at approximately 8:38PM.