

RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT



Office of the County Administrator

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT OF COUNCIL ACTIONS
REGULAR SESSION COUNCIL MEETING
March 18, 2008
6:00 PM**

Call to Order: McEachern

Invocation: Hutchinson

Pledge of Allegiance: Hutchinson

Presentation: Palmetto Health Richland Memorial Hospital Annual Spring Public Report: Ann Pringle-Washington (Board Chair) and John Singerling (Finance Director) presented the annual report.

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda was adopted as published.

Citizens' Input: No one spoke.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Session: March 4, 2008: Approved as published.

Report of the County Administrator

- a. **Report on Pending Claim:** Ms. Scott, Clerk of Court, was unable to attend. This report will be presented at the April 1, 2008 Council meeting. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, CLERK OF COURT, TREASURER**
- b. **Recreation Work Session:** March 25, 2008, 4:00 pm: Mr. Pope reminded Council of next week's work session, during which time Council will discuss legal issues, policy options, governance issues, and bond / construction issues. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- c. **On Premises Signs Report: Geo Price, Zoning Administrator,** reviewed the initial field report, as requested by Council. The report

stated that approximately 38 digital displays are in violation of the Land Development Code. Next steps include further sweeps to get a firm number of violators. After this information is obtained, Council will be informed, and enforcement will follow. Further information will be presented at this month's committee meeting. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, PLANNING / ZONING**

- d. **Recreation / Entertainment Complex Report:** Roxanne Matthews, Assistant to the County Administrator, updated Council on the RFP that staff created for the final design, development, financing, construction, and potential management / operations of the proposed Richland County Recreation / Entertainment Complex. A public-private partnership is highly desired, as is creativity, innovation, flexibility, imagination, and originality. The Recreation / Entertainment Complex ad hoc committee will receive a copy of the RFP for review and comment. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, PROCUREMENT**
- e. **Recognition for Dr. Sonny White, Midlands Technical College:** Dr. White was honored for his support of the CASA program by allowing the Department to annually use the MTC Airport facilities for training.
- f. **Lower Richland Sewer Service (Also Executive Session Item):** Mr. Pope stated that this item would be discussed during Executive Session.
- g. **Potential Land Purchase (Also Executive Session Item):** Mr. Pope stated that this item would be discussed during Executive Session.

Report of the County Attorney for Potential Executive Session Items

- a. **Lower Richland Sewer Service**
- b. **Potential Land Purchase**

Report of the Clerk of Council: There was no report.

Report of the Chairman

- a. **New EPA Standards:** Mr. McEachern requested that Joe Cronin, Research Manager, brief Council on the updated EPA Standards. A representative from DHEC is to be invited to discuss these new standards with Council. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**

Approval of Consent Items: The following consent items were approved: 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b.

1. Third Reading Items

- a. Decker Boulevard Redevelopment Overlay Zone: An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; Article V, Zoning Districts and District Standards; Section 26-83, Establishment of Zoning Districts; Subsection (d) Overlay Districts; So As to Provide for a “CRD Corridor Redevelopment Overlay District” [CONSENT]:** Council gave third reading to the ordinance. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. 08-02MA; David Gantt; NC to RU (1 acre); Landscape and Horticultural Service; 15200-01-09 (p) & 15200-01-12 (p); Blythewood Road [CONSENT]:** Council gave third reading approval to the zoning map amendment changing the zoning designation from NC to RU. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

2. Second Reading Items

- a. An Ordinance Authorizing Deed to the City of Columbia for Certain Water Lines to Serve the Palmetto Heart Medical Office Building at the Palmetto Richland Hospital Campus; Richland County TMS #11503-01-04 (p) [CONSENT]:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. An Ordinance Authorizing Deed to the City of Columbia for Certain Sewer Lines to Serve the Palmetto Heart Medical Office Building at the Palmetto Richland Hospital Campus; Richland County TMS #11503-01-04 (p) [CONSENT]:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

3. Approval of Resolution

- a. A Resolution to Appoint and Commission Paul F. Alcantar as a Code Enforcement Officer for the Proper Security, General Welfare, and Convenience of Richland County:** Council approved the resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, PUBLIC WORKS**

- 4. Citizens’ Input:** Two citizens spoke. One spoke regarding safety improvements at Hickory Ridge and Bay Water Avenue, and the other spoke regarding the safety of the Sheriff’s tank and machine gun. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**

5. Executive Session

- a. **Lower Richland Sewer Service:** Received as information.
- b. **Potential Land Purchase:** Received as information.

6. Motion Period

- a. **Hobart Road Connection:** Dickerson requested a financial assessment to connect Hobart Road / Longcreek. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- b. **Broad River Road Corridor:** Dickerson requested staff review the Broad River Road Corridor enhancement recommendations proposed by the Central Midlands COG. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- c. **Holly Ridge Road:** Dickerson requested staff perform a financial assessment to install turning lanes at Holly Ridge Road. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, PLANNING**
- d. **Recreation Commission Facilities:** Dickerson requested staff pursue with the Recreation Commission lower fees to rent Commission facilities for neighborhood uses. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- e. **Drainage:** Dickerson requested staff review drainage concerns caused by yard debris. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- f. **Fair Housing Resolution:** McEachern requested a resolution regarding April as Fair Housing Month. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- g. **Reconsider Rule 1.7 c 16 “Motion Period”:** Jackson forwarded to the Rules and Appointments Committee the review of Rule 1.7 c 16, along with the concerns raised regarding Robert’s Rules of Order and substitute motions. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL**
- h. **Detention Center Commission:** Jackson forwarded to A&F the creation of a Detention Center Commission. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, DETENTION CENTER**
- i. **Landfill Host Fees:** Jackson forwarded to A&F the issue of host fees being allocated to communities for economic development. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**

7. Adjournment: Council adjourned at 7:50 pm.