



**RICHLAND COUNTY  
GOVERNMENT**  
Office of the County Administrator

**Council Actions Report  
Regular Session Council Meeting  
October 4, 2016  
6:00PM**

**Call to Order:** Rush

**Invocation:** Dickerson

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Dickerson

**Presentation of Proclamation**

- a. **Proclamation Recognizing the month of October 2016 as Cybersecurity Awareness Month:** Ms. Dickerson presented a Proclamation to the County's IT Department staff, recognizing the month of October 2016 as Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

**Approval of Minutes**

- a. **May 17, 2016 - {Deferred at June 7, 2016 Council Meeting}:** Council deferred the approval this item to a future Council meeting.
- b. **Regular Session: September 20, 2016:** Approved as published.
- c. **Special Called Meeting: September 27, 2016:** Approved as published.
- d. **Zoning Public Hearing: September 27, 2016:** Approved as published.

**Adoption of Agenda:** Adopted as amended.

**Report of the Attorney for Executive Sessions Items**

- a. **SC Public Interest Foundation Attorney's Fees**

**Citizen's Input:** Three people spoke

**Report of the County Administrator:**

- a. **Hurricane Matthew Update:** Mr. Seals updated Council on Hurricane Matthew and the County's emergency planning efforts related thereto.

## Report of the Clerk of Council

- a. **Columbia Urban League Dinner Sponsorship Request:** Council approved the sponsorship request in the amount of \$2,000. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE**
- b. **Council Retreat Location Update:** Council selected the Embassy Suites – Charleston, SC as its 2017 Council Retreat location. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION**
- c. **Regional Economic Development Forum, October 13, 2016 - 2:00 - 6:00 p.m., Lexington Municipal Complex:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the upcoming Regional Economic Development forum on October 13, 2016 at the Lexington Municipal Complex from 2pm – 6pm.

## Report of the Chairman

- a. **Community Development:** Mr. Rush informed Council that the County's Community Development Department will be conducting a fair housing assessment based on the updated US Department Housing and Urban Development guidelines. County Council will sponsor a luncheon for all of the stakeholders involved in the assessment.

## Open/Close Public Hearings

- a. **An Ordinance to establish and create a special tax district within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Upper Rockyford Lake Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto:** No one spoke.
- b. **An Ordinance to establish and create a special tax district within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Cary Lake Special Tax District"; Richland County Council to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto:** No one spoke.
- c. **An Ordinance to establish and create a special tax district within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Beaver Dam Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto:** No one spoke.

- d. **An Ordinance to establish and create a special tax district within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Rocky Ford Lake Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto: No one spoke.**
- e. **An Ordinance Approving the execution and delivery of a purchase agreement for certain property located in Carolina Pines Industrial Park; and other matters related hereto: No one spoke.**

### **1. Approval of Consent Items**

- a. **To Establish and Create a Special Tax District within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Cary Lake Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto: Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. The vote to reconsider failed. ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, ELECTIONS**
- b. **To Establish and Create a Special Tax District within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Upper Rockyford Lake Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto: Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. The vote to reconsider failed. ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, ELECTIONS**
- c. **To Establish and Create a Special Tax District within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Rocky Ford Lake Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto: Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. The vote to reconsider failed. ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, ELECTIONS**
- d. **To Establish and Create a Special Tax District within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Beaver Dam Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad**

**valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto:** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, ELECTIONS**

- e. **16-023MA**  
**Debbie Nix**  
**RS-MD to OI (3.17 Acres)**  
**806 Universal Drive**  
**19106-06-01:** Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.  
**ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**
  
- f. **16-024MA**  
**Mark Taylor**  
**RU to GC (14 Acres)**  
**219 Rabon Road**  
**19903-06-01:** Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.  
**ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**
  
- g. **16-025MA**  
**Ashley Chason RU to GC (1.2 Acres)**  
**1640 Dutch Fork Rd.**  
**02412-01-04:** Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.  
**ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**
  
- h. **16-026MA**  
**David Tuttle**  
**M-1/RS-LD to PDD (33.88 Acres)**  
**Roseberry Lane**  
**22807-01-04:** Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.  
**ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**
  
- i. [Removed from Consent] **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; so as to permit duets as a land use type:** Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance amendment as to allow duets by special requirement. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**
  
- j. [Removed from Consent] **Future Management of the Pinewood Lake Property:** Council deferred this item to a future Council meeting. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION, CONSERVATION**
  
- k. **Solid Waste & Recycling Department: Solid Waste Curbside Collection and Transportation Contracts for Service Areas 3 & 6:** Council authorized staff to negotiate the unit costs in each contract for curbside collection services with Capital

Waste Services and Allwaste Services Incorporated for service areas 3 & 6, respectively.  
**ACTION: LEGAL, SOLID WASTE, FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION**

## **2. Third Reading Items**

- a. An Ordinance Authorizing the levying of ad valorem property taxes, which, together with the prior year's carryover and other State levies and any additional amount appropriated by the Richland County Council prior to July 1, 2016, will provide sufficient revenues for the operations of Richland County Government during the period from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017:** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. The vote to consider failed. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR**
- b. To Approve the conveyance of approximately One Hundred Ninety Seven Acres of real property owned by Richland County located on Pineview Road to China Jushi USA Corporation (Project Giant); to approve a land conveyance agreement for such property and other matter related thereto; and to authorize county officials to take such actions as necessary to effectuate the purposes of this ordinance:** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. The vote to reconsider failed. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- c. An Ordinance Approving the execution and delivery of a purchase agreement for certain property located in the Carolina Pines Industrial Park; and other matters related hereto:** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

## **3. Second Reading Items**

- a. An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 General Fund Annual Budget to appropriate Thirty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars (\$38,740) to increase funding to the Board of Voter Registration & Elections Department to cover the costs of legal bill(s):** Council action on this item was deferred until after the Executive Session. After coming out of the Executive Session, Council gave second reading approval to the budget amendment. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ELECTIONS, ADMINISTRATION**

## **4. Report of Administration & Finance Committee**

- a. Sheriff Department: Officer Safety Equipment and Service Agreement – Body Worn Cameras:** Council gave first reading approval of a budget amendment at the Sheriff's Department recommended funding amount of \$716,446 which will be adjusted to a lower amount on second reading for this item and will be prorated based on the County's fiscal year. Richland County Government will be the contracting party for the body worn cameras contract. The County will apply to the South Carolina Public Safety

Coordinating Council for reimbursement, including, but not limited to, the initial purchase, maintenance and replacement of body worn cameras and ongoing costs related to the maintenance and storage of the data captured by the body worn cameras. Any alternative sources of funding for this item will be presented to Council for its consideration. **ACTION: FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, SHERIFF, ADMINISTRATION**

**b. Sheriff Department: E-Ticket Equipment and Purchasing:** Council tabled this item.

### **3. Economic Development Committee**

**a. 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:** No action was taken.

### **4. Report of the Rules and Appointments Committee**

#### **a. Notification of Vacancies**

- i. Accommodations Tax – 3:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- ii. Community Relations Council – 3:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- iii. Hospitality Tax – 3:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- iv. Internal Audit Committee – 1:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- v. Business Service Center Appeals Board – 2:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- vi. Board of Assessment Appeals – 1:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- vii. Planning Commission – 1:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- viii. Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority Board (CMRTA) – 1:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

- ix. **Central Midlands Council of Governments (CMCOG) – 1:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- x. **Building Codes Board of Appeal – 1:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- xi. **Riverbanks Park Commission – 1:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- xii. **Airport Commission – 2:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- xiii. **Employee Grievance Committee – 1:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- xiv. **Richland Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees - 3:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

#### **4. Report of Ordinance Review Ad Hoc Committee**

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; so as to change the uses of “Restaurants, Cafeterias” and “Restaurants, Full Service (Dine-In)”;** from permitted to ones with special requirements; and to add a new use of “Restaurants, Limited Service (Dine-In)” with special requirements: Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING**

#### **6. Report of the Decker Ad Hoc Committee**

- a. **An Ordinance Authorizing deed to the City of Columbia for certain water lines to serve the Decker Center; Richland County TMS #16911-03-09:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION**

**Citizen's Input:** One person spoke.

#### **Executive Session**

- a. **SC Public Interest Foundation Attorney's Fees:** Received as information. No action taken.

#### **Motion Period**

- a. **Move that County Administration and County Legal staff develop an Ordinance for Council consideration that prohibits the payment of legal fees and/or financial judgements created by any department and/or agency that does not directly report**

**administratively to Richland County government (e.g., Voter Registration & Elections, Recreation) [PEARCE, ROSE, DIXON, DICKERSON, MYERS, MALINOWSKI]:** Council sent this item to the A&F Committee. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION**

- b. The chairman appoints an Ad Hoc Committee to assess the feasibility of establishing and operating a Civil Rights Museum in Richland County in conjunction with the city of Columbia [LIVINGSTON, RUSH]:** The County Chair will appoint members to an Ad Hoc Committee within the next week.

**Adjournment:** Council adjourned at approximately 8:28pm.