



Richland County Council  
Special Called Meeting  
**MINUTES**  
August 27, 2024 – 6:00 PM  
Council Chambers  
2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Jesica Mackey, Chair; Derrek Pugh, Vice-Chair; Jason Branham, Yvonne McBride, Paul Livingston, Allison Terracio, Don Weaver, Gretchen Barron, Overture Walker, Cheryl English, and Chakisse Newton

OTHERS PRESENT: Michelle Onley, Aric Jensen, Leonardo Brown, Anette Kirylo, Lori Thomas, Stacey Hamm, Susan O’Cain, Kyle Holsclaw, Angela Weathersby, Patrick Wright, Michael Maloney, Ashley Fullerton, John Thompson, Jackie Hancock, Kim Janha, Dante Roberts, Sandra Haynes, Ashiya Myers, Jeff Ruble, Kenny Bowen, and Judy Carter

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairwoman Jesica Mackey called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM.
2. **INVOCATION**—Reverend Emily Mooneyhan, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Concern at Eastminister Presbyterian Church, led the invocation.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Honorable Don Weaver.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - a. Regular Session: July 16, 2024
  - b. Zoning Public Hearing: July 23, 2024

Ms. Newton moved to approve the minutes as distributed for the July 16, 2024, Regular Session meeting and the July 23, 2024, Zoning Public Hearing, seconded by Ms. Terracio.

In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

5. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – The County Attorney Patrick Wright requested the agenda be amended to include Turner v. State of South Carolina under the Report of the Attorney for Executive Session.  
Ms. Barron moved to adopt the agenda as amended, seconded by Ms. English.  
In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton  
The vote in favor was unanimous.
6. **REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION (Pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70)** – County Attorney Patrick Wright noted the following items were eligible for Executive Session:
  - a. Property Inquiry – 1221 Gregg Street, Columbia, SC 29201, TMS #R11406-06-16, TMS #R11406-06-17 [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2) and 30-4-70(a)(5)]
  - b. Property Inquiry – 120 Clemson Road, Columbia, SC 29229, TMS #R25608-01-38 [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2) and 30-4-70(a)(5)]
  - c. Personnel Matter – Grievance Reviews and Recommendations [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(1)]

- d. Discussion and legal advice concerning duties of the County Administrator regarding Richland County Code Sec. 2-79 and Sec. 2-80 [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(1)]
- e. Legal Advice: Clerk of Court/Judicial Center [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2)]
- f. Turner v. State of South Carolina [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2)]

7. **CITIZENS' INPUT**

- a. For Items on the Agenda Not Requiring a Public Hearing – No one signed up to speak.

8. **CITIZENS' INPUT**

- a. Must Pertain to Richland County Matters Not on the Agenda (Items for which a public hearing is required or a public hearing has been scheduled cannot be addressed at this time.)
  - 1. LaToya Gibson, 400 Kingston Trace Road, Columbia, SC 29229 – Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center
  - 2. Craig Edwards, 238 Fernview Drive, Columbia, SC 29229 – Fireworks Ordinance

9. **REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

- a. Updates for Consideration:
  - 1. *General Updates* – Mr. Leonardo Brown, County Administrator, indicated Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center executive staff and himself will be attending the annual jail conference. In addition, he will be attending Leadership South Carolina.
  - 2. *South Carolina Association of Counties 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference Recap: Institute of Government Graduates* – Mr. Brown acknowledged that Councilwoman English and Councilman Weaver graduated from Level I and Chairwoman Mackey, Councilwoman McBride, Councilwoman Terracio, Councilwoman Newton and the Clerk to Council Anette Kirylo graduated from Level II.
  - 3. *Institute of Government Classes:*
    - a. *Current Issues Technology Trends in the Public Sector – Patrick Bresnahan, Ph. D., Geographic Information Officer* – Mr. Brown recognized that Dr. Bresnahan led the “Current Issues: Technology Trends in the Public Sector” Institute of Government class at the SCAC Annual Conference. It was also noted that Dr. Bresnahan serves on NACo.

10. **REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL**

- a. Transportation Penny Town Halls – Ms. Anette Kirylo, Clerk to Council, noted that several town hall meetings have been scheduled to keep the community informed about the upcoming Penny referendum.
  - 1. September 23, 2024: District 10, Bluff Road Park, 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
  - 2. September 26, 2024: Districts 2 & 7, Doko Manor, 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
  - 3. October 21, 2024: District 1, Friarsgate Park, 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

You can visit the County’s website or social media accounts for more information.

11. **REPORT OF THE CHAIR** – No report was given.

12. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS**

- a. Case #24-004MA, John T. Bakhaus, RT to GC (1.16 Acres), 10336 Wilson Blvd., TMS #R14900-03-01 {District 2} [SECOND READING]
- b. Case #24-014MA, Erik Norton, RT to MU1 (2.60 Acres), 1301 Three Dog Road & E/S Dutch Fork Road, TMS #R01507-02-03 & R01507-02-04 {District 1} [SECOND READING]
- c. An Ordinance Authorizing easement to Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. for the installation, operation, and maintenance of DESC facilities at 1403 Jim Hamilton Boulevard, Richland County TMS #13702-01-30(p) [FIRST READING]

Mr. Walker moved to approve the Consent Items, seconded by Ms. Newton.

In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

13. **SECOND READING ITEMS**

- a. Authorizing the expansion of the boundaries of the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park jointly developed with Fairfield County to include certain property located in Richland County; the execution and delivery of a public infrastructure credit agreement to provide for public infrastructure credits to a company identified for the time being as Project Flare; and other related matters – Mr. Pugh moved to approve this item, seconded by Ms. Terracio.

In Favor: Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Barron, Walker, English, and Newton

Opposed: Branham

Recuse: Mackey (due to her parent company representing the applicant)

The vote was in favor.

14. **REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

- a. Community Planning & Development – Conservation – Ganus Conservation Easement Negotiation – This item was taken up in Executive Session.

Mr. Walker moved to direct the County Administrator to proceed with negotiations as discussed in Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Livingston.

In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

15. **OTHER ITEMS**

- a. A Resolution to appoint and commission Kelly Kathleen Wright as a Code Enforcement Officer, for the proper security, general welfare, and convenience of Richland County
- b. FY25- District 5 Hospitality Tax Allocations: (ColaJazz Foundation - \$5,000; Central Midlands Development Corporation - \$3,000)
- c. FY25 – District 6 Hospitality Tax Allocations: (Central Midlands Development Corporation - \$3,000)
- d. FY25 – District 8 Hospitality Tax Allocations (SC UpLift Community Outreach - \$5,000; Richland County Recreation Foundation - \$5,500; Ridgeview High School - \$5,000)
- e. FY25 – District 9 Hospitality Tax Allocations (Cola Rosé Shower - \$5,000; SC UpLift Community Outreach - \$2,500; Richland County Recreation Foundation - \$7,500; Ridgeview High School - \$20,000; Palmetto Place Children & Youth Services - \$2,500; Pink & Green Community Service Foundation - \$6,000)
- f. FY25 – District 11 Hospitality Tax Allocations (Central Midlands Development Corporation - \$3,000)

Ms. Newton moved to approve Items 15(a) – 15(f), seconded by Ms. Barron.

Ms. Terracio explained the “Central Midlands Development Corporation” allocation is for the Richland County Ag & Art Tour.

In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Terracio moved to reconsider Items 15(a) – 15(f), seconded by Ms. Newton.

Opposed: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The motion for reconsideration failed.

16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. McBride moved to go into Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Terracio.

In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

***Council went into Executive Session at approximately 6:21 PM  
and came out at approximately 7:41 PM***

Mr. Livingston moved to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Weaver.

In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Mackey indicated Council entered into Executive Session to receive legal advice for the below listed items. No action was taken in Executive Session.

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In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- b. Property Inquiry – 120 Clemson Road, Columbia, SC 29229, TMS #R25608-01-38 [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2) and 30-4-70(a)(5)] – Mr. Weaver moved to authorize the County Administrator to order an appraisal to determine the value of the property located at 120 Clemson Road, seconded by Ms. Barron.

In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- c. Personnel Matter – Grievance Reviews and Recommendations [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(1)] – No action was taken.
- d. Discussion and legal advice concerning duties of the County Administrator regarding Richland County Code Sec. 2-79 and Sec. 2-80 [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(1)] – No action was taken.
- e. Legal Advice: Clerk of Court/Judicial Center [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2)] – No action was taken.
- f. Turner v. State of South Carolina [Pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws, Sec. 30-4-70(a)(2)] – No action was taken.

17. **MOTION PERIOD** – No motions were submitted.

18. **ADJOURNMENT** – Ms. Newton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Barron.

In Favor: Branham, Pugh, McBride, Livingston, Terracio, Weaver, Barron, Walker, Mackey, English, and Newton

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:46 PM.