## MINUTES OF



# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2012 6:00 p.m.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, persons requesting notification, and was posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chair Kelvin E. Washington, Sr.
Vice Chair L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.
Member Joyce Dickerson
Member Valerie Hutchinson
Member Norman Jackson
Member Damon Jeter

Member Gwendolyn Davis Kennedy

Member Bill Malinowski
Member Paul Livingston
Member Seth Rose

Absent Jim Manning

**OTHERS PRESENT** – Tony McDonald, Sparty Hammett, Roxanne Ancheta, Brad Farrar, Yanisse Adrian-Silva, Sara Salley, Daniel Driggers, John Hixon, David Hoops, James Hayes, Tiaa Rutherford, Stephany Snowden, Paul Brawley, Buddy Atkins, Tracy Hegler, Monique Walters, Michelle Onley

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:06 p.m.

## **INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by the Honorable Joyce Dickerson

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Honorable Joyce Dickerson

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#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Regular Session: September 18, 2012** – Mr. Malinowski stated that the substitute motion regarding "Partnership Type/Level with DOT" on page 8 of the minutes lacked a second. The Clerk's Office is to review the recording and insert the required information.

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve the minutes as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Zoning Public Hearing: September 25, 2012** – Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

## **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to adopt the agenda as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

#### REPORT OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

The following were potential Executive Session Items:

- a. Legal Department Budget Amendment
- b. Potential Purchase of Property
- c. Administrator's Search Update

#### **CITIZENS' INPUT**

Mr. Lee Carroll spoke regarding staffing at the Public Defender's Office.

#### REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Potential Purchase of Property – This item was taken up in Executive Session.

<u>Appointment of Fire Advisory Committee</u> – Mr. McDonald requested that the Chairman make the necessary appointments to this committee.

<u>Curtiss-Wright Hangar</u> – Mr. McDonald stated that he had met with Ed Garrison and that negotiations are ongoing. Updates will be brought back to Council.

<u>Richland 101</u> – Ms. Adrian-Silva gave a brief update regarding Richland 101 and encouraged residents to participate.

<u>Budget Books</u> – Mr. McDonald stated that the budget books were distributed to Council and that it had been placed on the County website.

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#### REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL

<u>McEntire Base Tour, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m.</u> – Ms. Onley stated that the McEntire Base tour has been scheduled for November 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

#### REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

- a. <u>Telecommunications and Technology Steering Committee Appointments</u> Ms. Dickerson appointed the following people to the Telecommunications and Technology Steering Committee: Janet Claggett, Dale Welch, Justin Martin, Brian Q Newman, Kendall Davis or designee, IT-Ology, Councilman Jeter and Councilwoman Dickerson.
- **b.** Administrator's Search Update This item was taken up in Executive Session.

#### **PRESENTATION**

Dr. Ida Spruill, MUSC, "Ethno-Cultural Barriers to Health Literacy/Disease Management in African Americans living in the Upper Piedmont, Blue Ridge, Pee Dee/Sand Hill, Central Midlands/Lower Piedmont, and Coastal Plains of South Carolina" – Dr. Ida Spruill gave a brief presentation regarding an ongoing study that is being conducted by MUSC in Charleston.

## **APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS**

- 12-25MA, Angela Lawrence, RU to RC (2 Acres) 7271 Bluff Rd., 27300-05-19 [SECOND READING]
- 12-26MA, John Blackmon, 3P, LLC, Christopher Robnett, DDS & Pine Spring Inc., HI to GC (1.85 Acres), North Springs Rd. & Brickyard Rd., 22804-04-01/02/12 & 22905-01-78 [SECOND READING]
- 12-27 MA, Barbara Bratcher, Clara Beasley, RU to GC (2.5 Acres), 8505 Garners Ferry Rd., 21800-05-07 [SECOND READING]
- An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, <u>Land Development</u>; Article IV, Amendments and Procedures; Section 26-58, <u>Appeals of Administrative Decisions</u>; Subsection (B), Appeal Submittal; <u>Paragraph (1), Application</u>; so as to correct the section reference for appeals [SECOND READING]
- Amendment to Thomas and Hutton Contract for Floodplain Remapping
- Proclamation Designating October 2012 as Community Planning Month in Richland County

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- Olympia Mills Community Garden
- Option to Purchase—Decker Blvd. Acquisition Project (FEMA Grant)
- Closing a Portion of Fonta Vista Road
- An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, <u>Administration</u>; Article V, County Departments; by adding a new division entitled <u>3A</u>, Tax Assessor; so that a new department will be created, and Amending <u>Chapter 23</u>, Taxation; Article II, Tax Assessor and Article III, Board of Assessment <u>Control</u>; by deleting the language therein [FIRST READING]
- Matching Funds for SCDHEC Grant application in Twenty-Five Mile Creek Watershed
- An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2,
   Administration; Article V, County Departments; by adding a new division entitled
   6A, Conservation; so that a new department will be created [FIRST READING]
- FY13 Local Government Fund

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve the consent items. The vote in favor was unanimous.

#### THIRD READING ITEM

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, 2012, will provide sufficient revenues for the operations of Richland County Government during the period from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 – Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to reconsider this item. The motion failed.

#### **SECOND READING ITEMS**

An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; so as to foster more environmentally-sensitive site development in Richland County – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

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#### REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Annual Budgets to appropriate \$972,600 of Solid Waste Enterprise Unassigned Fund Balance for transfer to the Solid Waste Operating Budget for the sole purpose of purchasing roll carts [FIRST READING] – Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

And Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 General Fund Annual Budget to appropriate \$184,496 of General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for Grant Match to Departments for grants approved through the FY13 Budget Process [FIRST READING] — Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to approve this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>Criminal Domestic Violence Court Grant Match Increase</u> – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to approve this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>Hispanic Outreach Grant Match Increase</u> – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to approve this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>Midlands Special Response Team Improvement Grant</u> – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to approve this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

An Ordinance Authorizing the issuance and sale of not to exceed \$9,000,000 Fire Protection Service General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012B, or such other appropriate series designation, of Richland County, South Carolina; fixing the form and details of the bonds; Authorizing the Interim County Administrator to determine certain matters relating to the bonds; providing for the payment of the bonds and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; adopting written procedures related to tax-exempt debt; and other matters relating thereto [FIRST READING] – Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. A discussion took place.

The vote was in favor.

An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances No. 043-01HR Section 24 to increase the rate of copy charges for autopsy reports to \$500 – Mr. Jeter stated that the committee recommended approval of this item. A discussion took place.

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The vote was in favor.

An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 General Fund Annual Budget to appropriate \$75,177.89 of General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for the Legal Department for salary adjustments [FIRST READING] — Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to defer this item until after Executive Session. The vote in favor was unanimous.

## REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A Resolution approving the 2012 Assessment Roll for the Village at Sandhill Improvement District, Richland County, South Carolina – Mr. Livingston stated that the committee recommended approval of this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

#### CITIZEN'S INPUT

No one signed up to speak.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council went into Executive Session at approximately 7:01 p.m. and came out at approximately 7:54 p.m.

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**a.** Legal Department Budget Amendment – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve the Administrator's recommendation.

Mr. Jackson made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve the request.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Rose	Malinowski
Jackson	Hutchinson
Washington	Pearce
Kennedy	Livingston
	Dickerson
	Jeter

The substitute motion failed.

The vote in favor of the motion to approve the Administrator's recommendation was unanimous.

b. Administrator's Search Update – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski to direct the Administrator Search Committee to proceed as directed in Executive Session. The vote in favor was unanimous. Richland County Council Regular Session Tuesday, October 3, 2012 Page Seven

#### MOTION PERIOD

Resolution Adopting October as the "Month of the Parent" in Richland County
[WASHINGTON] – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to adopt the resolution designating October as the "Month of the Parent". The vote in favor was unanimous.

Council members may not have been fully aware of planned changes to the future land use maps for their district at the time of creation. All Council members therefore should compare it with the current land use plan map and determine if it is correct. Any changes should be brought to the attention of staff for corrections and/or adjustments

[MALINOWSKI] – This item was referred to the D&S Committee.

Resolution honoring the life of Ernest Dessausure, Richland County Bailiff at the County Courthouse [ROSE] – Council unanimously adopted the resolution honoring Mr. Ernest Dessausure.

Remove the \$10,000 allocation to SCDOT for the Santee Wateree Transit Authority as it has not improved the intended service and is merely supplementing the funding [JACKSON] – This item was referred to the A&F Committee.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately a	Washington, Sr., Chair
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L. Gregory Pearce, Jr., Vice-Chair	Gwendolyn Davis Kennedy
Joyce Dickerson	Valerie Hutchinson
Norman Jackson	Damon Jeter
Bill Malinowski	Jim Manning

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Paul Livingston	Seth Rose
The minutes were transcribed by Michelle M. Onley	