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Council Action Summary January 2002

January 14, 2002

Held a minute of silence in remembrance of Corporal Dyke "A.J." Coursen, 35, who died Tuesday, January 8, 2002, while responding to a domestic dispute on Riley Road in Burton.

Held a minute of silence in remembrance of Lance Corporal Dana Tate, Sr., 44, who died Tuesday, January 8, 2002, while responding to a domestic dispute on Riley Road in Burton.

Proclaimed Monday, January 21, 2002, as Martin Luther King, Jr., Day in Beaufort County. Rev. Venus Young accepted the proclamation.

Congratulated the Lipsitz Family in celebrating their 100th anniversary of Lipsitz Department Store. Messrs. Joe Lipsitz, Neil Lipsitz and Adam Lipsitz accepted the proclamation.

Denied a text amendment to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO): Article VII, Section 106-1844, Beach-Dune (corrects OCRM jurisdictional reference line from critical line to baseline and adds additional standards for setbacks and beach walkovers).

Approved match funding of \$66,666.50 for the LRTA Job Access and Reserve Commute Program.

Authorized the County to pay the COBRA payments for the next two years on behalf of the widows of Corporal Duke "A.J." Coursen and Lance Corporal Dana Tate.

Awarded a contract to REA Construction Co., Inc. for the construction and paving of Cusabo Road, Partridge Woods, Mayfair Court, Coosaw Island Drive, Needlerush, Token Lane, Harborview Circle and Harborview Drive in the amount of \$574,961.35 for Contract No. 17, Dirt Road Improvements.

Awarded a contract to Strecansky & Company for construction management of the new Bluffton Library based on a fee of 8% of project cost, or \$280,000, with all other direct costs paid directly by Beaufort County.



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Awarded a contract to Strecansky & Company for construction management of Shults Tract Park - Phase 2 based on a fee of 8% of project cost, or \$200,000, with all other direct costs paid directly by Beaufort County.

Awarded a contract to Strecansky & Company for construction management of Burton Wells Regional Recreation Center based on a fee of 8% of project cost, or \$520,000, with all other direct costs paid directly by Beaufort County.

Awarded a contract to Cullum Constructors, Inc., Charleston, SC, in the amount of \$407,500 to provide HVAC system upgrades.

Awarded a contract to Johnson Controls, Inc., N. Charleston, SC, in the amount of \$220,000 to provide digital direct controls and facility management system upgrades to the Law Enforcement Center and Courthouse.

Awarded a contract to Rick Dykes and Associates, Inc. for a contract in the amount of \$106,512 for data verification and collection of data to include neighborhood identification, land pricing and analysis, appraisals of all classes of commercial taxable property, and to support values of property, and to update cost tables for the Assessor's Office.

Awarded a contract to Plant/Savannah Communications in the amount of \$513,057.30 for a E911 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) equipment package to increase the existing E911 system's capabilities and later applications that would be added to the system for public safety. The funding source is the 911 Trust Fund.

Awarded a contract to Thomas & Hutton Engineering Company for the engineering, mapping and data development services necessary for the stormwater utility rate study and the stormwater county wide master drainage study as required by the Stormwater Utility Ordinance.

Adopted the 2002 meeting calendar that includes holding its March 25, June 10 and September 23 meetings in the large meeting room at the Regional Library on Hilton Head Island. All meetings begin at 4:00 p.m.

Approved the Hawkers' and Peddlers' license fees for 2002 as follows: \$75 for County residents; \$500 for State, but not County residents; and \$1,000 for nonresidents.

Adopted a resolution as it relates to the Robert Smalls Parkway Joint Corridor Plan.

Approved on first reading proposed text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, Appendix I, Lady's Island Community Preservation Plan.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading a list of items and corresponding dollar amounts totaling \$14,000,000 as follows: \$3,333,246 Communications, \$100,000 Solid



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Waste Disposal Study/Landfill Siting, \$525,000 Bluffton Drop-Off Center, \$1,973,747 Burton Wells Phase I, \$93,923 Dale Community Plan-Community Center, \$47,207 Dale Community Plan-Sidewalks Village Center, \$250,000 Greenshell Park, \$250,000 Shanklin Drop-Off Center, \$75,000 Daufuskie Island Picnic/Playground, \$300,000 Daufuskie Island County Property Development, \$100,000 Debris Management Location Purchase, \$200,000 Roads/Drainage Facility Improvement (south), \$600,000 Voter Registration Building, \$2,711,198 Heery Study recommendations, \$765,000 Woods Bridge, \$500,000 Beaufort Waterfront Park, \$500,000 Barker Field Expansion, and \$900,679 Contingency.

Instructed the County Administrator to plan for inclusion an additional \$500,000 for Beaufort Waterfront Park and \$500,000 for southern Beaufort County in the FY 2002-2003 and FY 2003-2004 Capital Improvement Program.

Authorized the placement of a plaque at the Bluffton Swimming Pool Facility by the Parks and Leisure Services Board honoring Ms. Carolyn Bremer.

Adopted a policy statement that the Community Preservation Plans shall not include any public infrastructure projects unless tied to an independent funding source and such projects will come through the Capital Improvements Projects process.

Approved the Sheldon Housing Rehabilitation Program application of one Sheldon resident.

Authorized the Chairman to send a letter to the appropriate State Legislature Committee and local Legislative Delegation supporting House Bill 4413.

January 25, 2002

Announced that the Beaufort County Detention Center has been awarded its third reaccreditation by the Commission Accreditation for Correction and the American Correctional Association. Mr. Mark Fitzgibbons, Detention Center Director, accepted the award.

Presented a proclamation to Mr. Emory Campbell in recognition and appreciation for his more than 20 years as Executive Director of Penn Center, Inc. Mr. Campbell introduced the new Penn Center Director, Mr. Bernie L. Wright.

Presented a proclamation to Mrs. Pamela Coaxum for her efforts in creating Concerned Citizens for Justice, a grass-root community organization that seeks to improve communication between parents, children, schools and community officials. Mrs. Coaxum received the "Hero of South Carolina 2001 Year of the Child" award from Governor Jim Hodges.

Adopted a resolution requesting that the State Legislature and State of South Carolina honor the memory of Deputies Dyke "A.J." Coursen and Dana Tate by designating the new Broad River Bridge the "Coursen-Tate Crossing.



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Supported a request from the Town of Bluffton to make available unincorporated stormwater utility fees in an amount not to exceed \$90,000 for a baseline assessment study of the May River.

Approved an Agreement for police services between the Town of Hilton Head Island, Beaufort County and the Sheriff's Office in the approximate amount of \$1,820,414.

Adopted a resolution regarding its Action Plan for 2002 as follows: (i) Top - Complete Comprehensive Plan update; Hold referendum for one-cent sales tax in November 2002 for countywide road improvements; Implement County administrative reorganization; Continue support of USC-B/New River/TCL Tax Increment Financing District; (ii) High - Implement performance audit recommendations; Institute water quality monitoring system; Prepare action plan for anticipated Base Realignment and Closure Commission; Explore the concept of a countywide growth capacity analysis; Revise Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance in appropriate areas; Work toward resolving Lowcountry Regional Transportation Authority financial issues; (iii) Moderate - Secure federal and state funding for necessary U.S. Highway 278 improvements; Enact County Traffic Impact Analysis Ordinance; Continue dirt road paving throughout county; Review and update Impact Fee Program and attempt to implement countywide; and (iv) In progress - Continue efforts to address affordable housing problem countywide; Complete countywide comprehensive transportation plan.

Approved on third and final reading text amendments to the Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, Article V, Table 106-1098, General Use Table; Section 106-1217, Home Business, and Section 106-1218, Cottage Industry and, further, add to Section 106-1218 the following language, Paragraph (a)(9), add, ". . . or immediately adjacent thereto" and Paragraph (c), reword, "In the Rural Residential district, only businesses, which meet the definition of a cottage industry as set forth hereinabove, whether licensed or unlicensed and existing at, and continually operating since, the time of initial adoption of the ZDSO (April 26, 1999) shall be permitted, as long as they do not expand or intensify. Such businesses shall be exempt from the setback provisions set forth hereinabove in paragraph a(4)." New cottage industries in the Rural Residential district are not permitted.

Approved on second reading text amendments to the Trash and Litter Control Ordinance, Section III, Control of Loose Materials and Section IX, Penalties.

Approved on second reading proposed text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, Appendix I, Lady's Island Community Preservation Plan.

Approved on first reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan: adding St. Helena Corners Area Community Preservation Plan.



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Approved on first reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, adding Appendix K, St. Helena Corners Area Land Development and Design Standards.

Approved on first reading a rezoning on Port Royal Island and zoning map amendment to the Beaufort County Zoning Map: R100-28-120A; from Suburban/S to Commercial Suburban/CS.

Approved on first reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Appendix D, Community Preservation District, Table 4, Community Preservation Use Table (permits waste disposal facilities as Interim Special Uses in the Daufuskie Island CP District and adds Special Use Standards for these facilities).

Approved on first reading a Zoning Map Change/Correction: Daufuskie Island, R800-27-8, 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E, 8G, 17, 18, 19 and 20, from Planned Unit Development/PUD to Community Preservation/CP.

Held a public hearing for the purpose of receiving information from the public on community needs and priorities for housing, public facilities and economic development

Held a public hearing and approved on second reading text amendments to the Stormwater Management Utility Relief Ordinance (correction of administrative language).