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Council Action Summary August 2008

August 11, 2008

Approved on second reading an ordinance authorizing a general obligation bond borrowing of an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.

Approved on second reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, Appendix J (Dale Community Preservation/CP), Division 2 (Dale Mixed Use District), Section 2.7 Additional Development Standards—Placement (exempts commercial daycare centers from size requirement in Dale CP Mixed Use District).

Approved on second reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, Airports and Aircraft, Article II, Division 2, Hilton Head Island Airport, Section 6-101, Prohibited Aircraft (to correct factual information as a result of airport improvement program projects). The text amendment follows: "The following categories of aircraft may not be permitted to use the Hilton Head Island Airport except in emergencies or with the approval of the airports director: any aircraft with a gross weight in excess of "replace ~~38,000~~ with 75,000" pounds dual wheel loading and "replace ~~12,000~~ with 55,000" pounds single wheel loading.

Approved on first reading an ordinance authorizing an amendment to the Master Park Agreement governing the Multi-County Industrial/Business Park by and between Beaufort County, South Carolina and Jasper County, South Carolina, to expand the boundaries of the park to include certain property located in Beaufort County, South Carolina; granting an infrastructure credit; providing for the distribution of Multi-County Industrial/Business Park revenues; and other matters related thereto.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, Article V, Table 106-1098. General Use Table that adds additional text regarding places of worship, promoting community outreach and wellness by establishing "on-site" social programs such as health care, food banks, child care, and the like as accessory uses in auxiliary buildings.

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Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance), Section 106-2103(C)—Multi-Family Developments (exempts affordable multi-family developments up to 70 units from the one-quarter mile spacing requirement for Urban Zoning Districts in Section 106-1187(B)) and, further, deletes the text, “Upon review an approval by the Zoning Board of Appeals” and “as a special use”.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading a proposed Disaster Recovery and Reconstruction Ordinance.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading a text amendment to the Beaufort County Stormwater Utility Ordinance, Article II, Section 99-108, General Funding Policy (an increase of \$5.57 to the current Single Family Unit (SFU) rate to bring it to a revised \$50 rate).

Authorized the County Administrator to acquire all development rights, in partnership with the Town of Hilton Head Island, on the 257.869 acres owned by Alan Ulmer and Hugh Ulmer, parcel R600-040-000-0003-0000, for a total purchase price of \$6 million. The County’s share is \$3 million, plus necessary due diligence, and stewardship fee to the Beaufort County Open Land Trust. The acquisition of development rights are to be protected by a conservation easement restricting the use of the property to agricultural forestry use in perpetuity. This motion is subject to approval of equal participation in the acquisition of development rights by the Town of Hilton Head Island.

Voted to pursue the appropriate appeals relative to Pinckney Point dock permit and Buckingham Landing dock permit and engage Cotton Harness, Esquire, from Charleston, South Carolina, to represent the County’s interest in that regard.

Authorized the filing of an appeal with regard to a recent Zoning Board of Appeals decision relative to a dock at Bull Point and, further, to seek appropriate legal counsel.

August 25, 2008

Renamed the A.B. “Buddy” Lubkin Boat Landing to the “Buddy” and “Zoo” Boat Landing.

Awarded a contract to Hargray Communications, Beaufort, SC in the amount of \$251,450 for fiber leasing services at the Data Recovery Center. The funding is from the 2006 Capital Improvement Program general obligation bonds issuance.

Approved on second reading an ordinance to amend the School District FY 2009 budget appropriating not to exceed \$1,737,974 of anticipated additional revenue for the payoff of outstanding 8% bonded indebtedness.

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Adopted a resolution approving the FY 2008 / 2009 millage rates as follows: School Operations 102.6 School Debt Service 28.0, County Operations 45.5, Purchase of Real Property Program 2.4, County Debt Service 4.0, Bluffton Fire District Operations 22.3, Bluffton Fire District Debt Service 0.4, Burton Fire District Operations 58.1, Burton Fire District Debt Service 5.0, Daufuskie Island Fire District Operations 33.2, Daufuskie Island Fire District Debt Service 2.5, Lady's Island/St. Helena Fire District Operations 32.4, Lady's Island/St. Helena Fire District Debt Service 1.7, Sheldon Fire District Operations 37.5 and Sheldon Fire District Debt Service 2.5.

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Approved a first reading a request for extension of the Greenheath Planned Unit Development (PUD), involving 97.80 acres on Lady's Island.

Approved on first reading text amendments to Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, Article XIII, Section 106-2828(B)(4) Private Water Systems requiring fire flow to be established according to International Fire Code Table B105.1; Section 106-2828(C) Alternative water supply text change code shall be 1142 instead of 1231.

Approved on first reading a text amendment to Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Article V (Use Regulations), Table 106-1426 (Accessory and Miscellaneous Use Standards): to permit freestanding two-car garages on any residential lot with the recommendation that these shall not exceed the height of the structure.

Approved on third and final reading an ordinance authorizing a general obligation bond borrowing of an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.

Voted to restore / add back the \$2,255,000 for the construction of a St. Helena Island Library, that had been previously approved, but then a portion of the money had been redirected to other projects. The net result increases the amount of the general obligation anticipation note borrowing from \$46,500,000 to \$48,755,000.

Approved on second reading an ordinance authorizing a general obligation anticipation note borrowing of an amount not to exceed \$48,755,000.

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(Dale Mixed Use District), Section 2.7 Additional Development Standards—Placement (exempts commercial daycare centers from size requirement in Dale CP Mixed Use District).

Adopted the 2009 – 2010 Legislative Agenda for inclusion in the policy development process of the South Carolina Association of Counties.

Approved the FY 2009 outside agencies funding in the amount of \$726,240: Palmetto Breeze - \$247,000, Coastal Empire Community Mental Health Services - \$130,000, DHEC - \$70,240, Senior Services - \$ 55,000, CAPA - \$32,000, Beaufort Conservation District - \$22,000, CODA - \$15,000, Hope Haven - \$15,000, Literacy Volunteers - \$10,000, Clemson - \$5,000, Equal Opportunity Commission - \$5,000, and Together for Beaufort Initiatives - \$120,000.

Allocated \$500,000 of the \$1.5 million of general fund contingency dollars as follows: (i) Sheriff's Office - four Deputy Officers (ICE program) in the amount of \$228,000, (ii) Solicitor's Office - Career Criminal Team - three lawyers and one victim advocate in the amount of \$100,000, (iii) Clerk of Court – two positions to support increased general sessions proposed by Solicitor in the amount of \$50,000, (iv) Disabilities and Special Needs Department - funding to establish homes in the southern portion of the County in the amount of \$72,000, and (v) Grant match - funding to secure grant writing services and to meet local match requirements for grant applications in the amount of \$50,000.