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Council Action Summary
December 2008

December 8, 2008

Approved on third and final reading an ordinance to amend the Beaufort County Code of Ordinance, Chapter 6, Airports and Aircraft, Article II, Aviation Board, Section 6-26 – Purpose; Section 6-27 – Membership, Meetings; and Section 6-28, Powers and Duties – A revision of the current Charter for the Aviation Board adopted by ordinance of the County on the 27th day of February 2006; Section III(c), replacing the nomination from the Hilton Head Island Chamber of Commerce with the nomination from the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island (which was in the original version of the Charter Council approved on first reading); and (ii) Section III(f), replacing two-mile radius with four-mile radius.

Approved on second reading a Southern Beaufort County Zoning Map amendment / rezoning request for R600-22-125; 63.12 acres known as St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church and School on US Highway 278 in Bluffton; from Rural (R) to Suburban (S); with the knowledge that the existing full traffic lights will remain and the frontage road process will continue and the existing Planned Unit Development requirements will be implemented as stated in the PUD document.

Approved on second reading text amendments to the Flood Plain Regulations, Section 78-31, Basis for Establishing Areas of Special Flood Hazard; Section 78-38(d)(13), Use of Best Available Data; and Section 78-72, Standards for Streams with Established Base Flood Elevations but without Floodways (adds regulations required for continued participation in the National Flood Insurance Program).

Approved on second reading text amendments to Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Appendix A1. Airport Overlay District / MCAS-Beaufort, Section 5. Use Limitations (clarifies that residential units over commercial shall be counted towards the allowable density within accident potential and noise zones).

Approved on second reading a text amendment to the Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan, Natural Resources Element (Chapter 5) (replaces in-kind the existing Element) and includes the

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clarifications and/or scrivener's errors as outlined in a memorandum dated December 4, 2008 from Planning Director Tony Criscitiello to Beaufort County Council.

Adopted a resolution to distribute South Carolina Parks and Recreation Development (PARD) funds to Beaufort County municipalities and Beaufort County as follows: (i) Beaufort County / Bluffton Center Playground Improvements - \$16,946.81; (ii) City of Beaufort / Southside Parks – Wastewater Way - \$2,585.11; (iii) Town of Hilton Head Island / Island Recreation Center Playground Area Upgrade - \$7,180.85; and (iv) Town of Port Royal / Lenora Street Park Playground Upgrade III - \$2,101.64.

Appropriated FY 2008-2009 accommodations tax (2% state) funds in the amount of \$254,900 as follows: (i) Beaufort Regional Chamber (Tourism Marketing) \$35,000; (ii) Beaufort County Black Chamber of Commerce \$15,000; (iii) Native Island Business/Community Affairs (Hilton Head Gullah Celebration) \$14,500; (iv) Historic Beaufort Foundation \$2,000; (v) Arts Center of Coastal Carolina \$11,000; (vi) Coastal Discovery Museum \$12,000; (vii) Society of Bluffton Artists/Art League of Hilton Head/Beaufort Art Association \$4,000; (viii) Friends of Hunting Island State Park \$15,000; (ix) Hilton Head Concours D'Elegance \$10,000; (x) Lowcountry Resort Island Tourism Commission \$18,000; (xi) Old Village Association \$6,000; (xii) Beaufort Regional Chamber of Commerce (Visitor Center Operations) \$25,000; (xiii) Bluffton Historical Preservation Society \$26,000; (xiv) Keep Beaufort County Beautiful \$1,400; (xv) Hilton Head-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce \$25,000; (xvi) Main Street Beaufort-USA \$15,000; (xvii) Arts Council of Beaufort County \$5,000; (xviii) Daufuskie Island Foundation (Daufuskie Day) \$2,500; (xix) Lowcountry Estuarium \$5,000; (xx) Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra \$2,500; and (xxi) and Penn Center \$5,000.

Approved the allocation of \$350,000 from the County-wide advertising portion of the 3% local accommodations tax funds. The funds are to be distributed as follows: Beaufort Regional Chamber of Commerce \$150,000, Beaufort County Black Chamber of Commerce \$50,000, and Hilton Head Island/Bluffton Chamber of Commerce \$150,000.

Approved the Fiscal Year 2009 and Five-Year Airport Capital Improvement Plans (ACIP).