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Council Action Summary August 2009

August 10, 2009

Awarded a construction contract to JS Construction Group, LLC in the amount of \$131,529 for the construction of the Beaufort County Animal Shelter sewer system.

Awarded a contract to Terry R. Lee Contracting Co., Inc. in the amount of \$361,198 to design and build the new Daufuskie Island Citizen Convenience Center.

Approved a change order to Mashburn Construction in the amount of \$599,693 to finalize and construct the proposed basic skate park scope at Buckwalter Regional Park and approved the funding source and amounts to include a 5% contingency.

Awarded a contract to West Electrical Contractors in the amount of \$435,450 for the Buckwalter Regional Park soccer field lighting project. Funding for this project will come from Bluffton Parks and Leisure Services impact fees.

Accepted a FY 2009 FAA AIP Grant Offer in the amount of \$2,474,766 for the Hilton Head Island Airport in order to accomplish the following projects: construction of a new Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Building, reimbursement of legal expenses associated with tress obstruction removal, runway safety area drainage improvements, and design services for additional Runway 03 approach tree obstruction removal. The County's matching share of 2.5% is \$65,126 which has been included as a separate line item in the Airports 2010 proposed operating budget. Repayment of contribution from General Fund will be made by the Airport once funding becomes available.

Accepted a FY 2009 FAA AIP Grant offer in the amount of \$1,012,466 for the Beaufort County Airport at Lady's Island in order to accomplish the following projects: runway mill and overlay rehabilitate airport visual navigational aids, additional tree removal and mitigation expense, and additional funding for the Airport Master Plan Study. The County's 2.5% matching share of 2.5% is \$26,644 which has been included as a separate line item in the Airports 2010 proposed

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operating budget. Repayment of contribution from General Fund will be made by the airport once funding becomes available.

Approved on second reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO): (i) Article I, Section 106-7(1). Exemptions. Clarifies setbacks for single-family homes and places of worship on lots of record. (ii) Article II, Section 106-261(4). Development Review Team. Changes the posting requirement for agendas prior to a DRT meeting from five (5) working days to five (5) calendar days. (iii) Article III, Section 106-368 (B). Application Completeness Review and Recommendations. Changes the staff report filing requirement prior to a scheduled meeting from seven (7) working days to seven (7) calendar days; and changes the time a staff report shall be made available to the applicant prior to a scheduled meeting from five (5) working days to seven (7) calendar days. (iv) Article III, Table 106-432. Time Limits and Extensions. Amends the time limitations and extensions of approvals for special uses and variances. (v) Article VI, Table 106-1526. Open space and density standards. Adds a landscape surface ratio (LSR) for institutional residential in the suburban zoning district.

Approved on second reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, Article II, Subdivision VI, Corridor Review Boards (creates the Town of Bluffton and Beaufort County Joint Corridor Review Board).

Approved on second reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Article V, Section 106-1255 – Public Services (amends Limited/Special Standards for this Use in the Rural District).

Approved on first reading a Future Land Use Map amendment for Coosaw and Judge Islands from Rural (R) to Rural Community Preservation (RCP).

Approved on first reading a Beaufort County Zoning Map amendment for Coosaw and Judge Islands from Rural (R) and Rural Residential (RR) Districts to the newly-formed Coosaw Island Rural (CIR) and Coosaw Island Rural Residential (CIRR) Districts.

Approved on first reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Appendix D--Community Preservation (CP) Areas (adds Interim Standards for newly-formed Coosaw Island CP District).

Approved on third and final reading an ordinance finding that Fripp Island Public Service District may issue not exceeding \$3,000,000 General Obligation Bonds and to provide for the publication of notice of the said finding and authorization.

Voted to proceed with the pass through of the property tax to the leasee (requires the Treasurer to bill the leasee for the taxes on each one of these hangars), and, further, support a 5% increase in

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the hangar rental rates to include a statement of continuing support for the operation of the Airports.

Appointed Mr. Thomas, filling the at-large slot, to serve as a member on the Planning Commission.

Appointed Mr. Cammerata, representing Stormwater District #9, unincorporated Bluffton Township and Daufuskie Island, to serve as a member on the Stormwater Management Utility Board.

Appointed Mr. Bruggeman, representing at-large, to serve as a member on the Stormwater Management Utility Board.

Appointed Mr. Rentz, representing at-large northern Beaufort County, to serve as a member on the Zoning Appeals Board.

Approved a football registration fee increase that will be set in two phases, increase by \$10 a year for two years. The 2009 fall football season fee will be \$65.00 and \$75.00 for fall 2010 for tackle football.

Accepted the Committee's recommendation as outlined in the memorandum dated August 3, 2009, from Mr. Stewart to Chairman Newton that reinforces previously adopted resolutions as well as supporting current legislation H.3253, S.240 and S.735 and opposing H.3272, S.435, S.30.

August 24, 2009

Adopted a resolution consenting to the construction or improvement of sidewalks within Beaufort County.

Awarded a contract for Landscaping Services to The Brickman Group, Ltd. with an anticipated first-year annual contract amount of \$147,837 with a one-year initial term contract and four additional one-year contract renewal periods with annual costs of \$141,000, all subject to the approval of Beaufort County.

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Approved on third and final reading the text amendments to the Local Vendor Preference Ordinance to include a review of the ordinance after the first six months of adoption.

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Approved the County participation in the National Association of Counties (NACo) Prescription Discount Card Program and implementation as soon as possible.

Appointed Mr. James Fargher, serving Stormwater District 8, to serve a member of the Stormwater Management Utility Board.

Appointed Mr. Paul Jorgensen, filling the close proximity to Beaufort County Airport slot, to serve as a member of the Airports Board.

Appointed Mr. Noel Duncan, filling the qualifications slot, to serve as a member of the Airports Board.

Purchased through the Rural and Critical Lands Program a one-half undivided interest in the parcel of land in the City of Beaufort, known as The Green, for a total purchase price of

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\$685,000 to be paid by the County in the amount of \$308,750 with the balance payable by the Beaufort County Open Land Trust and the City of Beaufort, all in accordance with the terms of the assignment of option in favor of the Conservation Consulting Company dated June 24, 2009.

Purchased through the Rural and Critical Lands Program the 2.53 acre parcel of land fronting on the north end of Crystal Land, Lady's Island, for a purchase price of \$450,000 in accordance with the terms of the option in favor of Conservation Consulting Company, dated July 13, 2009.

Purchased through the Rural and Critical Lands Program a 72 +/- acre parcel of land with frontage on SC Highway 170 and Chechessee Road, known as the Burch Tract, for a purchase price of \$1,500,000, provided the landowner makes a gift back to the Rural and Critical Lands Program in the amount of \$50,000 at closing, all in accordance with the terms of the option in favor of Conservation Consulting Company dated June 9, 2009.