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## Council Action Summary December 2009

### December 14, 2009

Adopted a resolution urging all individuals, businesses, not-for-profits and governments in Beaufort County to spend at least 10% of their annual budget on goods and services provided by local, independent businesses.

Adopted a resolution to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Bluffton for Water Quality Management.

Ratified action of the County Administrator's letter dated November 24, 2009 and to reaffirm the appropriate notification to the City of Beaufort that under the terms and conditions of the State statute regarding tax increment financing, the County opts out of the tax increment district at this point in time. Under the technical terms and consideration of §31-6-80, the County formally objects to the Redevelopment Plan and inclusion in the TIF District.

Announced receipt of correspondence dated December 4, 2009, from Governor Sanford announcing Beaufort County received a \$1.5 million Community Enrichment Grant from the Community Development Block Grant Program. Funds will be used to construction a library facility to serve the St. Helena Community in Beaufort County.

Awarded a contract to Ward Edwards, Bluffton, South Carolina for Phase I, of the Stormwater BMP Retrofit contract, in the amount of \$136,000. The funding source is the FY 2010 Stormwater Utility budget.

Awarded Contract #41 to REA Contracting LLC, for the construction and paving Cherokee Farm Road, Bessie Lane, Fair Road, John Fripp Circle, Mammy Grant, Nathan Pope, Riley, Scipio, Webb Roads and Median Cuts Parcels C-5A and C-6 on Buckwalter Parkway in the amount of \$1,182,053.30.

Awarded a contract to provide and install solid waste equipment in accordance with the specification of IFB #1450/091232 in the amount of \$148,372.62 to Wastequip of Greenville.

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Funding for the purchase provided through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program.

Awarded a contract award to First Vehicle Services for Fleet Maintenance Services, the top-ranked firm, with the anticipated cost per year of \$1,377,345.00 for a initial contract term of three years six months from January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2013. This Contract, at the mutual discretion of both the County and Contractor, maybe extended for up to two successive additional two year terms provided the terms are mutually agreeable to the parties. The parties shall begin good faith negotiations for the target price for each year at least 120 days prior to the anniversary date of the Contract.

Approved an second reading an ordinance amending the Master Park Agreement governing the Multi-County Industrial/Business Park by and between Beaufort County, South Carolina and Jasper County, South Carolina, in order to expand the boundaries of the park to include all of those properties located in the industrial park known as "Beaufort Commerce Park" located in Beaufort Count, South Carolina.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Article VII, Section 106-1845(2). Bulkheads, Rip-Rap and Erosion Control Devices (adds the requirement of a revegetation plan for any disturbance of the river buffer).

Held a public hearing on a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Local Solicitation Grant for the Emergency Management Department. This is a 100% federally funded grant in the amount of \$76,239. The purpose of the grant is for additional ITS/camera equipment that will ensure interconnectivity to cameras throughout Beaufort County to the Traffic Management Center.

Held a public hearing on a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Local Solicitation Grant for the Emergency Management Department. This is a 100% federally funded grant in the amount of \$24,476. The grant is for the installation of 11 wireless hot spots in various locations throughout Beaufort County. These hotspots will enable all public services agencies to contact the Beaufort County intranet and download up to the minute information. This also supports access to WEBEOC, CAD and enables NCIC inquiries to certified users.

Approved the Bluffton Fire Districts purchase of 5.79 acres from the International Paper Corporation in the amount of \$170,000 to come from the impact fee fund.

Approved the FY 2010 Updates and Five-Year Airports Capital Improvement Program Plans for both the Hilton Head Island Airport and Beaufort County Airport (Lady's Island) for submission to the FAA.

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Forwarded a correspondence from the Beaufort County Airports Board to Hilton Head Island Town Council supporting the proposed Land Management Ordinance (LMO) changes that would facilitate the removal of tree obstruction at the Hilton Head Island Airport.

Approved closing of the Lady's Island Convenience Center and the opening of the Shanklin Convenience Center.

Accepted the donation of development rights on 50 +/- acres of land fronting on the May River, owned by Einar and Carolyn Trosdal, through the Rural and Critical Lands Program. The conservation easement will be held by the Beaufort County Open Land Trust in accordance with the terms of the donation agreement with Conservation Consultant Company.

Purchased through the Rural and Critical Lands Program a one-half undivided interest in four parcels, totaling 4.65 acres of land fronting on Jarvis Creek, on Spanish Wells Road, in the Town of Hilton Head Island for a purchase of \$1,259,500 to be paid by the County with the balance paid by the Town of Hilton Head Island all in accordance with the terms of the agreement with Conservation Consulting Company.