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Council Action Summary March 2009

March 16, 2009

Adopted a resolution regarding the annual performance evaluation of Gary Kubic, County Administrator, "It is with great respect that we thank you for your leadership, integrity, skills and results which make Beaufort County Government successful. It is a pleasure to serve on County Council with your support. Among your many results we wish to single out several for special notice: (i) Developing a strong County staff; (ii) Leading by example through difficult times; (iii) Achieving strong and stable financial results including timely financial reports and an improved bond rating; (iv) Assuring an open County government through remote video access and recording of key meetings, thus improving Citizen's level of knowledge and trust in their government; (v) Ensuring that all Citizens are treated fairly and equally; (vi) Improving the level of responsiveness of County government. You have told us that you wish to receive salary treatment no better than that received by your employees. That is commendable, especially given your leadership on behalf of the people of Beaufort County. We reluctantly and respectfully honor your request as we acknowledge and thank you for your outstanding performance."

Held the first of two required public hearings and approved on second reading an ordinance to approve a Development Agreement between Beaufort County and COROC / Hilton Head I, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, pursuant to Section 6-31-30 of the *Code of Laws of South Carolina*, 1976, as amended.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading a text amendment to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Article V, Table 106-1098 (General Use Table): adds residential storage use to Urban Zoning Districts.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading a text amendment to the County Code of Ordinance Chapter 74—Building and Building Regulations, Section 74-64—Adoption of Building Codes, Subparagraph (1) (amends ordinance to adopt the 2006 Edition of the International Residential Code). award a contract to Uniforms by John, Charleston, SC in the annual amount of \$52,328.78, inclusive of tax, for a period of one year with four annual renewals at the discretion of Beaufort County EMS and Beaufort County Council, for the delivery of

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uniforms and associated items for approximately 450 shirts, 183 trousers, 68 jackets, 64 pairs of shoes, 72 ties, and 24 belts as specified for the EMS Department.

Awarded a purchase contract to Low Country Machinery of Savannah, Georgia, in the amount of \$115,030 to purchase a JCB JZ140. This cost reflects a unit price of \$129,730 less a \$15,000 trade in of a 1999 Komatsu PC 128UUI plus \$3000 sales tax. This purchase will be funded by approved FY 2009 appropriations (special capital equipment fund).

Awarded a contract to Martin Landscape in the amount of \$119,018.95 with funding from the Reforestation Trust Fund.

Adopted a resolution supporting the Joint Strike Fighters F-35B at Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort.

Awarded a contract to Green Acres Landscaping in the amount of \$118,792.33 for tree mitigation plant back at the Hilton Head Island Airport. The County's portion of the funding will come from the Airport Enterprise Fund. If there are insufficient funds available, the general fund will advance the funds and will be fully reimbursed by the Airport Enterprise Fund.

Accepted a grant offer in the amount of \$7,764 for the Airport Master Plan Update and Design Services for Obstruction Removal Projects at the Beaufort County Airport on Lady's Island. The County's portion of the funding will come from the Airport Enterprise Fund. If there are insufficient funds available, the general fund will advance the funds and will be fully reimbursed by the Airport Enterprise Fund.

Accepted a grant offer in the amount of \$12,898 for the Environmental Assessment Layout Plan and Design Services for the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Station and Runway 3 Obstruction Removal Projects at Hilton Head Island. The County's portion of the funding will come from the Airport Enterprise Fund. If there are insufficient funds available, the general fund will advance the funds and will be fully reimbursed by the Airport Enterprise Fund.

Accepted a grant offer in the amount of \$21,629.00 which represents their matching 2.5 percent share for the development of a DBE plan, Runway 3 Obstruction Removal and Design Services for the Air Carrier Joint Material Replacement, Air Carrier Terminal Building Improvements, and Runway 21 safety area drainage improvement projects at the Hilton Head Island Airport. The County's portion of the funding will come from the Airport Enterprise Fund. If there are insufficient funds available, the general fund will advance the funds and will be fully reimbursed by the Airport Enterprise Fund.

Approved a flexible pricing policy for fuel sales at the Beaufort County Airport on Lady's Island.

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Approved on second reading an ordinance of the County of Beaufort, South Carolina, to amend the Beaufort County Animal Control Ordinance, Article II, Section 14-29(3), Licensing and Microchip Identification.

Approved on second reading a Beaufort County Zoning Map Amendment / rezoning request for R700-15-85 (4.84 acres at the corner of U.S. 17 and Jenkins Road) from Big Estate Community Preservation (CP) District to Rural (R) District.

Approved on second reading a text amendment to the 2007 Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan, to adopt the Housing Element (Chapter 10) which includes replacing "should" with "shall" in Recommendation 10-8, Inclusionary Zoning.

Approved on second reading an ordinance of the County of Beaufort, South Carolina, to amend Chapter 66, Article II, Division I, Accommodations (2% State) Tax Board, Section 66-29, Powers and Duties; Division II, Accommodations (3% Local) Fees, Section 66-43, Payment of Local (3%) Accommodations Tax; and Section 66-47, Management and Use of Local (3%) Accommodations Tax.

Approved on second reading a southern Beaufort County Zoning Map Amendment for R600-040-003B; 25.05 acres at 1270 Fording Island Road, to be known as Tanger Outlet 1 PUD; from Commercial Regional (CR) to Planned Unit Development (PUD).

Approved on first reading 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, within the corporate limits of the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina; providing for the distribution of Multi-County Industrial/Business Park revenues; and other matters related thereto.

Approved on second reading removing these 15 individuals from the Commercial Fishing Overlay District and at the same time hold the matter, send the matter back to the Land Management Committee jurisdiction, which includes the Planning Staff and Planning Commission to take a look at the Table of Uses in Table H regarding the Fishing Village.

Reappointed Ms. Linda Hoffman to serve as a member on the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Board.

Reappointed Dr. Steven Kessel to serve as a member of the Beaufort Memorial Hospital Board.

Appointed Mr. Edwin Olsen to serve as a member of the Bluffton Township Fire Commission.

Reappointed Ms. Elizabeth Ann Wirz to serve as a member of the Disabilities and Special Needs Board.

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Reappointed Mr. John Cartwright to serve as a member of the Library Board.

Appointed Mr. Donnie Phillips to serve as a member of the Sheldon Township Fire Commission.

Approved the text amendments to the Lowcountry Economic Alliance Bylaws, Section 2.1, Purpose; Section 3.2, Composition; Section 4.0, Staffing; and Article VII, Amendments (to accept Hampton County as a new member).

Reappointed Mrs. Jennifer Kovacs, representing hospitality / lodging garnered, to serve as a member of the Accommodations (2% State) Tax Board.

Appointed Ms. Ilyse Queen, representing hospitality / lodging, to serve as members of the Accommodations Tax (2% State) Board.

Approved the original concept plan of the Wharf Street parking lot and reaffirm its commitment to provide matching funds not to exceed \$125,000 for Phase II of the Oyster Factory Park improvements.

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Adopted a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Hilton Head Island for the purpose of improving roadways, intersections, highways and by-ways in the southern part of Beaufort County. The Town of Hilton Head Island would like to assist Beaufort County in the construction, redesign or improvement of such roadways by making a major contribution in the amount of \$2,500,000 for reconstruction of Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Feasibility Study \$400,000, S.C. 46 Widening (U.S. 278 to Bluffton Village) \$500,000, U.S. 278 Frontage Roads east of Simmonsville Road \$1,100,000, Simmonsville Road Widening (U.S. 278 to Bluffton Pkwy) \$500,000.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading a Southern Beaufort County Zoning Map amendment for R600-040-003B, 25.05 acres at 1270 Fording Island Road, to be known as Tanger Outlet 1 PUD; from Commercial Regional (CR) to Planned Unit Development (PUD).

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Voted to send the issue regarding an ordinance to amend the Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Element (adds Rural Policies and amends Future Land Use Map) back to the Land Management Committee for deliberation for a period not to exceed 90 days.

Held a public hearing on a text amendment to the 2007 Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan, to adopt the Housing Element (Chapter 10) (Affordable Housing).

Held a public hearing on a Beaufort County Zoning Map Amendment to remove the Commercial Fishing Village Overlay District from 15 properties in the Coffin Point area (off a portion of Saltwind and McTeer Drives; a portion of West Cedar Road and Oakland Drive; leaving the base zoning of Rural (R) and Rural Residential (RR) Districts.

Denied a Southern Beaufort County Zoning Map Amendment / Rezoning Request for R600-41-168, 170 and 172; totaling 10.18 acres off Buckingham Plantation Drive in Bluffton; from Urban (U) to Commercial Regional (CR).

Approved on second 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, within the corporate limits of the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina; providing for the distribution of Multi-County Industrial/Business Park revenues; and other matters related thereto.

Approved on first reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan, Energy and Sustainability Element of Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 13 (adds new Element).

Approved on first reading a text amendment to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Appendix I, Division 2 (Lady's Island Expanded Home Business District), Table 2.1 (Permitted Uses): add schools as a Special Use.

Reappointed Mr. Robert Rogers to serve as a member of the Bluffton Fire District Commission.

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Reappointed Mr. Charles Henry to serve as a member of the Daufuskie Island Fire District Commission.

Reappointed Mr. Thomas Beavor to serve as a member of the Daufuskie Island Fire District Commission.

Reappointed Mr. Thomas Dickinson to serve as a member of the Daufuskie Island Fire District Commission.

Appointed Mrs. Valerie Donaldson, representing Council District 8, to serve as a member of the Library Board.

Reappointed Mr. Michael Manesiotis, representing southern Beaufort County, to serve as a member of the Parks and Leisure Services Board.

Reappointed Mr. Wayne Blankenship to serve as a member of the Sheldon Fire District Commission.

Reappointed Mr. Donald Seigler to serve as a member of the Sheldon Fire District Commission.

Reappointed Mr. Jack Reynolds, representing hospitality/lodging, to serve as a member of the Accommodations Tax (2% State) Board.

Reappointed Mr. Edward Further, representing Hilton Head Island Township, to serve as a member of the Tax Equalization Board.

Appointed Mr. Rich Tritschler, representing Beaufort Chamber of Commerce, to serve as a member on the Airports Board.

Appointed Mr. Will Dopp, representing qualifications, to serve as a member on the Airports Board.

Authorized the County Administrator to execute a proposed settlement agreement upon presentation to the adverse party in the litigation.