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Council Action Summary September 2009

Awarded a contract to Brickman Group in the amount of \$53,702 to construct a landscape buffer for Traditions at Old Carolina funded from the Tree Mitigation Fund.

Adopted a resolution approving the Tanger Hilton Head Outlet Center I – Development Agreement Right-of-Way Deed wherein each reference in the Development Agreement to the size of the right-of-way parcel being “2.3 acres” shall be replaced with “2.526 acres” and all provisions of the Development Agreement shall remain in full force and effect as if “2.526 acres” had been referenced as of the date and time the Development Agreement was adopted by ordinance by the Beaufort County Council.

Adopted a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to prepare and submit a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Community Infrastructure Application in the amount of \$500,000 for the St. Helena Penn Center Library Project and to commit funds in the amount of 10% of the grant request to meet the matching commitment of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Awarded a contract to Creative Structures in the amount of \$1,669,415.43 to construct a new Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Station at the Hilton Head Island Airport. The funding source is an FAA Grant (95%), State Grant (2.5% pending), and local County match (2.5%) is \$41,735.38. Funding for this project will come from the Airport Enterprise Fund (AEF). If there are insufficient funds in the AEF, an advance will be made from the General Fund to be repaid once airport funding becomes available.

Awarded a contract to Cleland Site Prep, Inc. in the amount of \$355,335.85 for Runway Safety Area Drainage Improvements at the Hilton Head Island Airport. Funding for this project will come from an FAA Grant (95%), State Grant (2.5% pending), and local County match (2.5%) is \$8,883.38. Funding for this project will come from the Airport Enterprise Fund (AEF). If there are insufficient funds in the AEF, an advance will be made from the General Fund to be repaid once airport funding becomes available.

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Awarded a contract to REA Contracting, LLC in the amount of \$504,214.30 for overlaying the Runway and Taxiway B at the Beaufort County Airport on Lady's Island. Funding for this project will come from an FAA Grant (95%), State Grant (2.5% pending), and local County match (2.5%) is \$12,605.50. Funding for this project will come from the Airport Enterprise Fund (AEF). If there are insufficient funds in the AEF, an advance will be made from the General fund to be repaid once airport funding becomes available.

Awarded a contract to Airfield Western in the amount of \$125,527.65 for refurbishing the Rotating Beacon and Windcone and Installing Runway End Identifier Lights on the south end of the runway at the Beaufort County Airport on Lady's Island. Funding for this project will come from an FAA Grant (95%), State Grant (2.5% pending), and local County match (2.5%) is \$3,160.69. Funding for this project will come from the Airport Enterprise Fund (AEF). If there are insufficient funds in the AEF, an advance will be made from the General Fund to be repaid once airport funding becomes available.

Approved on first reading an ordinance to amend Chapter 66, Article II, Division 2 (Accommodations Fee), of the Code of Ordinances for Beaufort County, Beaufort, South Carolina (corrects inaccuracies, establishes payment plans and review procedures, and reduces or waives penalties based on fact and circumstances of the delinquencies).

Approved on first reading an ordinance to amend Chapter 66, Article V (Hospitality Tax), of the Code of Ordinances for Beaufort County, Beaufort, South Carolina (corrects inaccuracies, establishes payment plans and review procedures, and reduces or waives penalties based on fact and circumstances of the delinquencies).

Approved on first reading an ordinance to amend Chapter 66, Article II, Division 3 (Admissions Fee), of the Code of Ordinances for Beaufort County, Beaufort, South Carolina (corrects inaccuracies, establishes payment plans and review procedures, and reduces or waives penalties based on fact and circumstances of the delinquencies).

Denied a request Beaufort County Zoning Map Amendment / rezoning request for Sheldon R700-11-1, -3, -9 and -10, 29 acres near McPhersonville Road on U.S. Highway 17, from Rural (R) District to Rural Business (RB) District.

Approved on first reading a Beaufort County Zoning Map amendment for eleven Garden's Corner properties along U.S. Highways 17 and 21, from Rural (R) District to Rural Business (RB) District. Further, consideration of inclusion of the twelfth parcel, R700-020-006, would be had between now and third and final reading, predicated upon documentation from SCDOT, that this does not create an unsafe circumstance.

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Approved on first reading a text amendments to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance/ZDSO, Adding Appendix Q. Gardens Corner Traffic Management Plan. Further, consideration of inclusion of the twelfth parcel, R700-020-006, would be had between now and third and final reading, predicated upon documentation from SCDOT, that this does not create an unsafe circumstance.

Approved on second reading text amendments to the Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, Article XIII-Subdivision and land development Standards, Section 106-2829—Fire Safety Standards (adds provisions for improved gate access for emergency vehicles). Further, the development shall have twelve months from the effective date of this amendment to comply with this subsection.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading a Future Land Use Map Amendment for Coosaw and Judge Islands from Rural (R) to Rural Community Preservation.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final 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.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final 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). adopt a resolution approve the County and Fire District millage rates adjusted for the 2009 tax year millage rollback (excludes School District). The millage rates are: (i) County operations 40.21 mills, Purchase of Rural Property Program 2.13 mills, County Debt Service 3.62 mills, (ii) Bluffton Fire District operations 19.67 mills and debt service 0.37 mills, (iii) Burton Fire District operations 55.87 mills and Debt Service 5.53 mills, (iv) Daufuskie Island Fire District Operations 30.11 mills and Debt Service 2.23 mills, (v) Lady's Island/St. Helena Island Fire District Operations 30.39 mills and Debt Service 1.50 mills, and (vi) Daufuskie Island Fire District 32.09 mills and Debt Service 2.14 mills.

Authorized the Sheldon Fire District to purchase a new rescue vehicle.

Approved a request from Habitat for Humanity to accept a dirt road into the County system, which has yet to be named, that will come off Ernest Drive, a County-maintained paved road. Further, direct staff to draft a text amendment to the Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, which would allow such waivers and road acceptance for affordable housing projects in the future.

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Awarded a contract to A.B.R. for photocopier lease services, the top ranked firm, with the anticipated cost per year of \$126,711.19 for an initial contract term of three (3) years with two (2) additional one (1) year contract renewal periods all subject to the approval of Beaufort County. This lease is to be paid by using various department accounts (51140 Equipment Rental and 52360 Copies/Supplies).

Awarded a contract to REA Contracting, LLC in the amount of \$131,866.27 for the Fort Fremont Road Improvement Project rock purchase to be funded by Beaufort County Transportation/Tag Fund Revenue, Account 3322T-54698 – Fort Fremont Area Roads.

Approved on second reading an ordinance to amend Chapter 66, Article II, Division 2 (Accommodations Fee), of the Code of Ordinances for Beaufort County, Beaufort, South Carolina (corrects inaccuracies, establishes payment plans and review procedures, and reduces or waives penalties based on fact and circumstances of the delinquencies).

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Approved on second reading a text amendment to the Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 9, Economic Development (replaces in-kind).

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Adopted a resolution approving the School District 2009 tax year millage of 90.26 mills for school operations and 24.43 mills for debt service.

Approved the FY 2009 outside agencies funding in the amount of \$726,000: Palmetto Breeze - \$247,000, Coastal Empire Community Mental Health Services - \$128,000, DHEC - \$67,313, Senior Services - \$ 55,000, CAPA - \$32,000, Beaufort Conservation District - \$21,000, CODA - \$15,000, Hope Haven - \$15,000, Literacy Volunteers - \$10,000, Clemson - \$5,000, Equal Opportunity Commission - \$5,000, and the Alliance - \$125,000.

Appointed Mr. Rudolph Glover to serve as a member of the Sheldon Fire District Commission.