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Council Action Summary September 2011

September 12, 2011

Approved an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Bluffton for Stormwater Utility Operation.

Approved a one-year extension for an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Beaufort for Stormwater Utility Operation.

Approved a one-year extension for an intergovernmental agreement with the Town of Port Royal for Stormwater Utility Operation.

Approved on second reading an ordinance to amend Part I, Chapter 46, Article III of the Beaufort County Code of Ordinances relating to the Beaufort County Disabilities and Special Needs Board.

Approved on second reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation refunding bonds, Series 2011a, or such other appropriate series designation, of Beaufort County, South Carolina, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$18,250,000; fixing the form and details of the bonds; authorizing the county administrator or his lawfully-authorized designee to determine certain matters relating to the bonds; providing for the payment of the bonds and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto.

Approved on second reading an ordinance to regulate outdoor burning within the unincorporated areas of Beaufort County; to provide for the enforcement thereof, and matters related thereto.

Awarded a contract to J.R. Wilson Construction Company in the amount of \$75,924.53 for the purchase of CR14 crushed granite stone for improvements to Rice Road (Port Royal Island), Stoney Hill Loop (Bluffton), Waters Avenue (Bluffton), and Echo Tango Road (Okatie). The funding source is \$10 motorized vehicle (TAG) funds to Account 3322T-54901.

Adopted a resolution making application to the State Budget and Control Board of South Carolina for approval of the issuance by Beaufort County, South Carolina, of its Hospital Refunding and

Improvement Revenue Bonds (Beaufort Memorial Hospital) Series 2011, in an aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$50,000,000; pursuant to the provisions of Title 44, Chapter 7, Article 11, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended.

Approved on first reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance of not exceeding \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Hospital Refunding and Improvement Revenue Bonds (Beaufort Memorial Hospital) Series 2011; authorizing the execution and delivery of a bond purchase and loan agreement, a refunding escrow deposit agreement in connection therewith; authorizing proper officers to do all things necessary or advisable; and other matters incidental thereto.

Approved on first reading Beaufort County Zoning Map amendment for R300 015 000 0101 0000 [known as St. Helena Station Planned Unit Development (PUD), 13.24 acres off Sea Island Parkway/Highway 21]; from PUD to Rural (R) Zoning District.

Approved on first reading a text amendment to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Article VII, Sec. 106-1845(6) Buffer Disturbance (adds river buffer disturbance standards).

Approved on first reading a ballot referendum to change the form of Beaufort County Government from Council / Administrator to Council / Manager.

Accepted the FY11 FAA Grant Offers in the amount of approximately \$2,842,129 for the Hilton Head Island Airport. The three grant projects follow: (i) Runway 21 Off-Airport Tree Obstruction Removal and Mitigation as well as Air Carrier Apron Joint Material Replacement, grant amount \$1,724,154, the funding source is state matching funds (2.5%) will be requested and the local match (2.5%) will be \$45,373; (ii) Master Plan Reimbursement and to conduct the Environmental Assessment and Benefit Cost Analysis for implementation of Phase I of the Master Plan, the grant amount is \$813,591, funding source is state matching funds (2.5%) will be requested and the local match (2.5%) will be \$21,410 for the EA/BCA portion; and (iii) Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study Reimbursement, grant amount \$304,384. This grant is for reimbursement of previous expenditures.

Approved on first reading an ordinance to amend the FY2011-2012 Beaufort County budget ordinance so as to provide a transfer from the county's general reserve fund in the amount of \$260,880 in matching grant funds for the Beaufort County Rails / Trails Program.

Approved on first reading an ordinance to amend the FY2011-2012 Beaufort County budget ordinance so as to provide a supplemental appropriation from the county's general reserve fund in the amount of \$72,159.83 for the purpose of funding census-Based Beaufort County Magistrate salary increases for the period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

Approved an application for approval of an extension to the five-year partial manufacturing exemption granted to Mister Label, Incorporated, of 34 Bluffton Road, Bluffton, SC 29910, as provided for by South Carolina Code of Laws Section 12-37-220(c).

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading an ordinance redistricting the County Council of Beaufort County.

Approved on third and final reading the Beaufort County Zoning Map Amendment (Master Plan Amendment) for R300-009-000-0050 [known as Oak Island, part of the Dataw Island Planned Unit Development (PUD), 31.7 acres adjacent to Dataw Island] to allow 21 duplex units (42 total dwelling units) rather than the 35 single-family dwelling units originally approved.

Approved on third reading the Beaufort County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Approved on third reading an ordinance to authorize funds in the amount of \$30,000 to Penn Center for the Development of a Lowcountry Farmers/School District. Further, that Council funding is contingent upon a showing that the remaining balance of these up fit monies can come up with but it not something that should not came back to council. Council ought to set policy that it embraces this project and is willing to commit \$30,000 to protect this segment of our economy in Beaufort County, and ask administration to then be charged with the responsibility of reviewing the plan, from the perspective of whether the funding components necessary to complete the up fit can be garnered sufficient to where this \$30,000 is actually going some good rather than being a partial attempt to try to create this facility for our local farmers.

September 26, 2011

Denied the request for 4% special assessment ratio for the Sharon Saunders Trust Property.

Approved on second reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance of not exceeding \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Hospital Refunding and Improvement Revenue Bonds (Beaufort Memorial Hospital) Series 2011; authorizing the execution and delivery of a bond purchase and loan agreement, a refunding escrow deposit agreement in connection therewith; authorizing proper officers to do all things necessary or advisable; and other matters incidental thereto.

Approved on second reading a Beaufort County Zoning Map amendment for R300 015 000 0101 0000 [known as St. Helena Station Planned Unit Development (PUD), 13.24 acres off Sea Island Parkway/Highway 21]; from PUD to Rural (R) Zoning District.

Approved on second reading a text amendment to the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance (ZDSO), Article VII, Sec. 106-1845(6) Buffer Disturbance (adds river buffer disturbance standards).

Approved the 2011 accommodations tax funding as follows: Beaufort Art Association \$500, Art League of Hilton Head Island \$1,000, Main Street Youth Theatre \$1,500, Penn Center \$10,000, Coastal Discovery \$8,500, Hilton Head Island Symphony \$4,000, Hilton Head Island Concours d'Elegance \$9,000, Community Foundation \$10,000, CAPA/Exchange Club \$1,150, Hilton Head Island Choral Society \$1,200, Historic Beaufort Foundation \$3,200, Arts Council of Beaufort County \$6,150, Beaufort County Black Chamber of Commerce \$25,000, Beaufort County Historical Society \$4,000, Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce \$30,000, Heritage Library \$2,500, Main Street Beaufort \$9,200, Arts Center of Coastal Carolina \$8,000, Historic Bluffton Arts and Seafood \$2,500, Daufuskie Island Foundation \$1,500, Old Village of Port Royal \$3,000, Literacy Volunteers \$2,500, The Sandbox \$2,000, Beaufort County Soil & Water Conservation \$1,500, Mitchelville Preservation \$10,000, Friends of Hunting Island \$7,500, Boys and Girls Club of the Lowcountry \$3,000, Beaufort Regional Chamber \$50,000, Bluffton Historical Society \$10,000, Lowcountry Resort and Visitors Center \$15,000, Beaufort Film Society \$5,000, and Lowcountry Estuarium \$3,600.

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Approved on second reading an ordinance to amend the FY2011-2012 Beaufort County budget ordinance so as to provide a transfer fund from Tourism Infrastructure Section of Local 3% Accommodations Tax Ordinance (2009/15), which has a balance of \$1,155,714 as of June 30, 2011 (unaudited), in the amount of \$260,880 in matching grant funds for the Beaufort County Rails / Trails Program.

Approved on first reading, by title only, an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 2011-25 so as to allow for the renumbering of the eleven separate Beaufort County Council Districts and Beaufort County Board of Education Districts.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading an ordinance to amend Part I, Chapter 46, Article III of the Beaufort County Code of Ordinances relating to the Beaufort County Disabilities and Special Needs Board.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation refunding bonds, Series 2011A, or such other appropriate series designation, of Beaufort County, South Carolina, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$18,250,000; fixing the form and details of the bonds; authorizing the county administrator or his lawfully-authorized designee to determine certain matters relating to the bonds; providing for the payment of the bonds and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading an ordinance to regulate outdoor burning within the unincorporated areas of Beaufort County; to provide for the enforcement thereof, and matters related thereto; and that Section 2, Regulation of Open Burning, shall read as follows: “The open burning of leaves, tree branches, yard trimmings, and other vegetative matter originating on the premises of residential properties located within the unincorporated areas of Beaufort County shall be permitted, provided that any such open burning must be located no less than seventy-five (75) feet from any structure or road. Adequate provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to any area within seventy-five (75) feet of any structure or road.”

Held a public hearing and approved on second reading a ballot referendum to change the form of Beaufort County Government from Council / Administrator to Council / Manager.