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COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

April 2014

April 14, 2014

Proclaimed the week of April 14 as "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

Proclaimed April as "Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month" and "Child Abuse Prevention Month."

Appointed Mr. George Marshall to serve as a member of the Disabilities and Special Needs Board.

Appointed Ms. Laura Sturkie, representing Council District 9, to serve as a member of the Library Board.

Appointed Mr. Thomas Mike, representing Council District 5, to serve as a member of the Bluffton Township Fire District Board.

Appointed Mr. Joseph Paolo, representing Council District 7, to serve as a member of the Bluffton Township Fire District Board.

Reappointed Mr. Mike Raymond, representing the Bluffton Town Council, to serve as a member of the Bluffton Township Fire District Board.

Reappointed Mr. Jon Bryant to serve as a member of the Daufuskie Island Fire District Board.

Reappointed Mr. George Jenkins to serve as a member of the Daufuskie Island Fire District Board.

Reappointed Mrs. Barbara Ann Childs to serve as a member of the Lowcountry Regional Transportation Authority.

Appointed Mr. William Ladson, representing Council District 1, to serve as a member of the Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Review Board.

Appointed Mr. Ernest Marchetti, representing Council District 11, to serve as a member of the Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Review Board.

Authorized the County Administrator to renew the contract with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina, in the maximum amount of \$12,331,613, to provide the County Employee Insurance Benefit Program for fiscal year 2015, rather than transferring to CIGNA.

Adopted a resolution agreeing to submit an application to the South Carolina Department of Transportation for a dollar-to-dollar matching grant in the amount of \$75,000 for ferry service to and from Daufuskie Island.

Adopted a resolution endorsing an application and commitment of the 10% local fund (\$60,000 estimate) required for a Community Development Block Grant for construction of a water system in the Stuart Point Community.

Approved a request from the Port Royal Sound Foundation in the amount of \$292,000 to complete exhibits and renovation work at the Maritime Center. The funding source is accommodations (3% local) tax funds – tourism related buildings.

Adopted a resolution conditionally consenting to and agreeing to participate in the Amended Tax Incremental Financing Plan by allowing its incremental tax revenue to be included in the Amended TIF Plan in an amount which shall be the lesser of \$26 million or the costs necessary to establish a University of South Carolina Beaufort campus within the incorporated boundaries of the Town.

Adopted the U.S. Highway 278 landscape plan for Belfair, Tanger and the Ten-Mile J. K. Tiller Plan.

Approved on second reading an ordinance authorizing the County Administrator to execute and sell a .075 acre portion of the property identified as TMP: R510 005 000 010B 0000 and illustrated in “Exhibit A” upon such terms and conditions as specified in “Exhibit B,” Purchase Agreement.

Declined to be named as a Plaintiff in the action of *RETTEW, et al. vs. South Carolina Department of Recreation and Tourism* as such action may not be in the best interest of Beaufort County.

Approved on first reading an ordinance to amend Chapter 18 of Article III (Business and Professional License) of the Beaufort County Code of Ordinances, and providing for the severability and effective date; further, reinstate in Section 18-53 (b), Registration Required, the text

“Applicants may be required to submit copies of state and federal income tax returns reflecting gross income figures.”

Held a public hearing and approved on second reading an ordinance to approve a Development Agreement between Beaufort County and JAZ 278, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company, authorized to conduct business in South Carolina 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, Use Regulations, Section 106-1287, Commercial Retail, Regional (add standards to allow adaptive re-use of light industrial properties). Further, delete “retail” from Section 106-1287(d)(2)(iv).

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading an ordinance to establish a General Fund Fund Balance Policy for Beaufort County. Further, to change “25%” to “30%” throughout the ordinance, with the exception of Section 2-404, paragraph six.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading an ordinance to adopt a Debt Reserve Policy for Beaufort County’s Debt Service Fund.

April 28, 2014

Appointed Mr. Allan Rae, representing active pilot and aircraft owner based at the Beaufort County (Lady's Island)/ARW Airport, to serve as a member of the Airports Board.

Adopted a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to enter into a Gift Agreement with the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry for acquisition of the “sail” sculpture.

Approved a \$58,500 match allocation of the Path Foundation for the protection of all the structure piles on the Albergotti Creek trestle. The funding sources are \$54,529 Rail Trail Fund; and \$3,971 Local (3%) Accommodations Tax (cultural, recreational, or historic facilities).

Approved a \$25,000 contribution to complete the additional 2,100 feet from Broad River Road to Parris Island Gateway of Segment 6 of the Spanish Moss Trail. The funding source is Local (3%) Accommodations Tax (cultural, recreational, or historic facilities).

Approved the Palmetto Electric Cooperative Utility Relocation Agreement at an estimated cost of \$267,150 for the construction of the Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Segment 2. Utility relocation costs for the Bluffton Parkway Phase 5 construction are paid from Sales Tax Project Funds, Account #33401-54500.

Approved Change Orders 1 through 5 to R. R. Dawson Bridge Company in the amount of \$417,779.28 for construction of Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Segment 2 flyover bridges. The funding source is Sales Tax Project Funds, Account 33401-54500.

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Approved Change Orders 1, 3 through 8 and 10 through 17 to Cleland Site Prep, Inc. in the amount of \$1,240,854.27 for construction of S.C. Highway 170 widening.

Approved on second reading an ordinance to amend Chapter 18 of Article III (Business and Professional License) of the Beaufort County Code of Ordinances, and providing for the severability and effective date. Further, amend Section 18-53, Registration Required, to add a new paragraph (j) "Beaufort County shall not grant a business license to any applicant for a use identified in Section 106-1098 of and regulated by Section 106-1281 of Beaufort County's Zoning Development Standards Ordinance if such use shall be located within 500 feet of a residence, church, school or day care center."

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