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Council Action Summary

April 2015

**April 13, 2015**

Reappointed Mr. Charles Hammel to serve as a member of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Board.

Appointed Mr. Ray Spellerberg to serve as a member of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Board.

Reappointed Mr. Robert Collar to serve as a member of the Disabilities and Special Needs Board.

Reappointed Ms. Nancy Pinkerton to serve as a member of the Disabilities and Special Needs Board.

Reappointed Ms. Jill Striebinger to serve as a member of the Disabilities and Special Needs Board.

Reappointed Mr. Erac Priester, representing northern Beaufort County, to serve as a member of the Parks and Leisure Services Board.

Reappointed Mr. Arthur Middleton, representing northern Beaufort County, to serve as a member of the Parks and Leisure Services Board.

Adopted a resolution requesting that the Beaufort County Legislative Delegation adopt a resolution to abolish the County Transportation Committee and devolve its powers and duties to Beaufort County Council.

Appointed Mr. Vimal Desai, representing lodging/hospitality, to serve as a member of the Accommodations Tax (2% State) Board.

Reappointed Mr. Dan Ahern, representing proximity to Lady's Island Airport, to serve as a member of the Airports Board.

Appointed Mr. Lawrence Roberts, representing proximity to Lady's Island Airport, to serve as a member of the Airports Board.

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Approved a change order to the Applied Technology & Management, Inc. (ATM) contract by adding Proposal 4-D, developing updated impervious area feature for approximately 5,000 parcels across the County, in the amount of \$79,291 to be paid from the Stormwater Reserve Fund.

Approved on second reading an ordinance to amend Beaufort County Ordinance 2014/14, FY 2014-2015 Beaufort County Budget, by deleting existing appropriation levels so as not to exceed anticipated general revenues (deletes \$1.9 million from the general fund budget).

Approved on second reading an ordinance to appropriate \$150,000 from the 3% Local Accommodations Tax fund to the Santa Elena Foundation (cultural interpretive center and archive acquisition).

Approved on second reading an ordinance authorizing the County Administrator to execute a lease agreement with Diamond Transportation, LLC for the use of the property located at 16 Hunter Road, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina (parking of vehicles).

Approved on second reading an ordinance to appropriate not to exceed \$76,810 from the 3% local accommodations tax fund to the general fund for the Broad River Fishing Pier Rehabilitation Project.

Adopted a resolution endorsing the relocation of the Old Sheldon Church Road electric transmission line as proposed by South Carolina Electric and Gas Company.

Approved on first reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of not to exceed \$12,000,000 general obligation bonds and \$12,000,000 general obligation bond anticipation notes, in one or more series, in one or more years, with appropriate series designations, of Beaufort County, South Carolina; fixing the form and details of the bond and the notes; delegating to the County Administrator certain authority related to the bonds and the notes; providing for the payment of the bonds and the notes and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto (Pepper Hall Plantation).

Adopted a resolution transferring the entirety of the 43.57 acres of property located on the Chechessee River (known more specifically as R600 010 000 001A 0000) to the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Program and authorizing the County Administrator to take such action as is necessary to have 20 acres of the 97.7 acres along S.C. Highway 170 (known more specifically as R600 013 000 0061 0000) subdivided for other general County purposes.

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading an ordinance of the County of Beaufort, South Carolina to amend Section 2-346, *et seq.* of the Beaufort County Code of Laws establishing the salaries for various elected officials, excluding County Council members (to amend Section 2-346, to include Magistrates and Master-in-Equity).

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading an ordinance to appropriate funds not to exceed \$806,727 from the 3% local accommodations tax fund to the County general fund for

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construction of the Spanish Moss Trail – Phase 2 (1.7 miles from Depot Road to Broad River Boulevard).

Held a public hearing and approved on third and final reading a text amendment to the ordinance establishing a road maintenance fee on all vehicles which are domiciled and garaged in Beaufort County and thereby use the roadways and bridges owned and maintained by Beaufort County and the state to increase the fee from \$10.00 to \$16.50 and provide for subsequent increases as appropriate based on the consumer price.

Adopted a resolution directing administration to determine other suitable uses for the 77.875 acres in the Lobeco area (Duncan Farms property), identified as Beaufort County TM # R700 028 000 024A0000 or, in the alternative, it will remain undeveloped.

Adopted a resolution authorizing the Beaufort County Administrator to execute any and all documents to effectuate the transfer and management of such appropriated Lowcountry Economic Alliance funds to Beaufort County Human Services Alliance as well as any credits against any future appropriation amounts.

### **April 27, 2015**

Approved on first reading an ordinance to transfer funds not to exceed \$500,000 from the 2% local hospitality tax fund to the University of South Carolina-Beaufort Center for the Arts Renovations Project (replacement of lighting, sound system, drapery, electrical and seating).

Appointed Mr. Judd Carstens, representing Council District 11, was appointed to serve as a member of the Rural and Critical Lands Board after garnering the six votes required to appoint.

Congratulated Sun City and all its residents on their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration the first week of May 2015.

Adopted a resolution to establish a commission to consider proposals for funding capital projects in Beaufort County, South Carolina, pursuant to Section 4-10-300, *et seq.*, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; to provide for the composition and appointment of such commission; and other matters related thereto.

Approved on first reading the FY 2015-2016 County budget proposal as follows: County Operations 48.77 mills, Purchase of Real Property Program 4.90 mills, County Debt 5.48 mills, Bluffton Fire District 24.02 mills operations and 1.22 mills debt service, Burton Fire District 60.66 mills operations and 5.26 mills debt service, Daufuskie Island Fire District 56.98 mills operations and 2.00 mills debt service, Lady's Island/St. Helena Island Fire District 36.94 mills operations and 2.20 mills debt service, and Sheldon Fire District 36.33 mills operations and 2.20 mills debt service.

Awarded a contract to Carolina International Trucks, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina in the amount of \$119,065 for the purchase of one knuckle boom loader truck and dump body. The source of funding is account #40090011-54213-2014 Bonds, Specialized Capital Equipment-Public Works.

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Adopted a resolution supporting and endorsing the Lowcountry Broadband Plan, committing to cooperate, to the extent within its control and authority, to expedite and facilitate the investments contemplated by the Lowcountry Broadband Plan, and encouraging residents and businesses to take advantage of the technological advancements enabled by the Lowcountry Broadband Plan.

Approved the condemnation of the two remaining right of way parcels on Coker Lane, Dale in order to improve the dirt road in a future dirt road paving contract.

Approved the condemnation of the four remaining right of way parcels on Almond Drive, St. Helena Island in order to improve the dirt road in a future dirt road paving contract.

Approved the condemnation of the remaining parcel on Mary Smalls Road, St. Helena Island in order to improve the dirt road in a future dirt road paving contract.

Postponed consideration of first reading, by title only, of the School District's FY 2015 – 2016 budget proposal to the May 11, 2015 meeting of Council

Postponed consideration of second reading of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$12,000,000 General Obligation Bonds and \$12,000,000 General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes for the purchase of Pepper Hall Plantation to the May 11, 2015 meeting of Council.

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