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AGENDA

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

Monday, July 28, 2014 4:00 p.m.

Council Chambers

Administration Building, Government Center 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort

Citizens may participate in the public comment periods and public hearings from telecast sites at the Hilton Head Island Branch Library as well as Mary Field School, Daufuskie Island.

- 1. CAUCUS 4:00 P.M.
 - A. Discussion of Consent Agenda
 - B. Discussion is not limited to agenda items
 - C. Executive Session
 - 1. Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed purchase of property
 - 2. Receipt of legal advice for pending or threatened claims
- 2. REGULAR MEETING 5:00 P.M.
- 3. CALL TO ORDER
- 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 5. INVOCATION Vice Chairman Stu Rodman
- 6. PROCLAMATIONS
 - A. 2014 South Carolina State Firefighter of the Year (backup) Chief Bruce Kline, Lady's Island / St. Helena Island Fire District
 - B. Gullah Geechee Nation Appreciation Week (backup)

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C. Aviation Week (backup)

Mr. Claude Dinkins, former Airports Board Chairman

- 7. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Approval of Minutes June 23, 2014 (backup)
 - B. Receipt of County Administrator's Five-Week Progress Report (backup)
 - C. Receipt of Deputy County Administrator's Five-Week Progress Report (backup)







- D. Committee Reports (next meeting)
 - 1. Community Services (July 29 at 2:00 p.m., ECR)
 - a. June 23, 2014 minutes
 - b. May 27, 2014 minutes
 - 2. Executive (August 11 at 2:00 p.m., ECR)
 - 3. Finance (August 18 at 2:00 p.m., BIV #3)
 - a. June 23, 2014 minutes
 - 4. Governmental (July 29 at 3:00 p.m., ECR)
 - a. June 16, 2014 minutes
 - 5. Natural Resources (July 28 at 1:00 p.m., ECR)
 - a. June 2, 2014 minutes
 - 6. Public Facilities (August 18 at 4:00 p.m., BIV #3)
 - a. June 16, 2014 minutes
- E. Appointments to Boards and Commissions (backup)
- 8. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 9. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A QUESTION ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE CONDUCTED NOVEMBER 4, 2014, CONCERNING A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING BEAUFORT COUNTY TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO ACQUIRE LANDS FOR PRESERVATION PURPOSES AND TO PAY CERTAIN COSTS AND DEBT SERVICE RELATED THERETO (backup)
 - 1. Consideration of second reading to occur July 28, 2014
 - 2. Public hearing Monday, August 11, 2014 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort
 - 3. First reading approval occurred June 23, 2014 / Vote 8:0
 - 4. Natural Resources Committee discussion and recommendation to approve occurred June 2, 2014 / Vote 4:3
 - B. TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY CODE, ARTICLE V, SECTION 46-151 THROUGH SECTION 46 163 OF THE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ORDINANCE (backup)
 - 1. Consideration of second reading to occur July 28, 2014
 - 2. Public hearing Monday, August 11, 2014 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort
 - 3. First reading approval occurred June 23, 2014 / Vote 11:0
 - 4. Governmental Committee discussion and recommendation to approve occurred June 16, 2014 / Vote 6:0

- C. AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE UNFIT DWELLINGS AND UNSAFE BUILDINGS WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF BEAUFORT COUNTY, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT THEREOF, AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO (backup)
 - 1. Consideration of second reading to occur July 28, 2014
 - 2. Public hearing Monday, August 11, 2014 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort
 - 3. First reading approval occurred June 23, 2014 / Vote 11:0
 - 4. Public Facilities Committee discussion and recommendation to approve occurred June 16, 2014 / Vote 6:0
- D. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING BEAUFORT COUNTY TO SELL THREE REAL PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED AS: 429 BROAD RIVER BOULEVARD, BEAUFORT, R100 028 00A 0252 0000 1603; IVY LANE, BEAUFORT, R120 008 000 0210 0000; AND LEROY E. BROWN MEDICAL CENTER, 41 BALL PARK ROAD, ST. HELENA ISLAND, R300 016 000 183A 0000 (backup)
 - 1. Consideration of second reading to occur July 28, 2014
 - 2. Public hearing Monday, August 11, 2014 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort
 - 3. First reading, by title only, approval occurred June 23, 2014 / Vote 11:0
 - 4. Community Services Committee discussion and recommendation to approve occurred June 23, 2014 / Vote 6:0
- E. AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX FUND TO THE SANTA ELENA FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 (backup)
 - 1. Consideration of second reading to occur July 28, 2014
 - 2. Public hearing Monday, August 11, 2014 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort
 - 3. First reading, by title only, approval occurred June 23, 2014 / Vote 11:0
 - 4. Finance Committee discussion and recommendation to approve occurred May 27, 2014 / Vote 6:0
- F. AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHEROKEE BEAUFORT, LLC, A SOUTH CAROLINA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, AND THE COUNTY OF BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA PURSUANT TO SECTION 6-31-30 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS AMENDED (ordinance) (development agreement)
 - 1. Consideration of first reading to occur July 28, 2014
 - 2. Natural Resources Committee discussion to occur July 28, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.
- G. A RESOLUTION OF BEAUFORT COUNTY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE 2014 GREENPRINT MAP IDENTIFYING AREAS OF FOCUS FOR FUTURE LAND ACQUISITION AND CONSERVATION RELATED ACTIVITIES (backup)
 - 1. Natural Resources Committee discussion to occur July 28, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

10. PUBLIC HEARING – 6:00 P.M.

- A. AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FROM THE LOCAL (3%) ACCOMMODATIONS TAX FUNDS TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM (backup)
 - 1. Consideration of third and final reading to occur July 28, 2014
 - 2. Second reading approval occurred June 23, 2014 / Vote 11:0
 - 3. First reading approval occurred June 9, 2014 / Vote 11:0
 - 4. Finance Committee discussion and recommendation to approve occurred May 27, 2014 / Vote 6:0

11. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Mr. Gary Kubic, County Administrator
- A. The County Channel / Broadcast Services
- B. South Carolina Association of Counties Outstanding Safety Achievement Award to EMS for Anti-Theft Devices Placed on Ambulances
- 12. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 13. ADJOURNMENT



Beaufort County Council

Recognizes With Gratitude

Bruce Kline

for being named Firefighter of the Year for 2014 by the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association due to exceptional service as the Lady's Island-St. Helena Island Fire District Chief.

Chief Kline is the first two-time winner of this award, which he also won in 1999.

Presented on this 28th day of July, 2014





PROCLAMATION

HEREAS, the Gullah Geechee people are descendants of Africans in America from various ethnic groups of west and central Africa; and

WHEREAS, brought to the New World and forced to work on the plantations of coastal South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, the Gullah Geechee people have retained many aspects of their African heritage due to the geographic barriers of the coastal landscape and the strong sense of place and family of Gullah Geechee community members; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, Congress established the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor, which extends from Wilmington, North Carolina to Saint Augustine, Florida and encompasses more than 12,000 square miles, as a national heritage area; and

WHEREAS, people who identify Gullah or Geechee represent the many ways that Africans in America have retained and fused the traditions of Africa with the cultures they encountered both during and after captivity; and

WHEREAS, a series of activities and events to honor the history and legacy of the Gullah Geechee traditions, such as the Gullah Geechee Nation International Music & Movement FestivalTM, will return to Saint Helena Island to commemorate more than 150 years since the reading of the Emancipation Proclamation and since Harriet Tubman joined Union forces in the Combahee River Raid, which led to celebrations of freedom in Beaufort.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Beaufort County Council hereby declares July 27 through August 2, 2014 as

GULLAH GEECHEE NATION APPRECIATION WEEK

D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman

William L. McBride, Councilman, District 3

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Dated this 28th day of July, 2014



Proclamation





HEREAS, brothers Orville Wright and Wilbur Wright invented the first airplane to achieve powered, sustained, heavier-than-air, controlled human flight; and

WHEREAS, the Wright Flyer was first flown by Orville Wright for a length of 120 feet in 12 seconds, at a speed of 6.8 miles per hour over the ground at Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina in December 1903; and

WHEREAS, President Franklin Roosevelt first established National Aviation Day in 1939 to coincide with the birthday Orville Wright, the first pilot, who was born on August 19, 1871; and

WHEREAS, aviation has revolutionized all aspects of modern world history and impacted all of our lives on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, the aviation industry in South Carolina has blossomed to include commercial carrier, military, and general aviation airports, as well as a thriving aerospace industry; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 1967 local community leader Charles Fraser officially opened the Hilton Head Island Airport and the pilot of the first plane to land was golf legend Arnold Palmer; and

WHEREAS, the Beaufort County Airport was built in the 1950's and taken over by Beaufort County government in 1998 and has become known as Lady's Island Airport and nicknamed Frogmore International Airport; and

WHEREAS, both the Hilton Head Island Airport and the Beaufort County Airport have grown and have had a significant economic impact by providing commercial, military, business and pleasure flights for the residents and visitors of Beaufort County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Beaufort County Council celebrates the development of aviation and hereby declares August 17 through August 23, 2014 as

NATIONAL AVIATION WEEK AND SOUTH CAROLINA AVIATION WEEK

D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman

Dated this 28th day of July, 2014

Official Proceedings County Council of Beaufort County June 23, 2014

The electronic and print media duly notified in accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

CAUCUS

A caucus of the County Council of Beaufort County was held Monday, June 23, 2014 beginning at 4:00 p.m., in the Executive Conference Room of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, South Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman D. Paul Sommerville, Vice Chairman Stu Rodman and Councilmen Cynthia Bensch, Rick Caporale, Gerald Dawson, Brian Flewelling, Steven Fobes, William McBride, Gerald Stewart, Roberts "Tabor" Vaux and Laura Von Harten.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chairman led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Council discussed removing two items from the consent agenda:

Item 9B, an ordinance to adopt the 2014 Beaufort County Community Development Code with procedures to engage in a six-month and one-year evaluation and review.

Item 9D, an ordinance to impose a One Percent Sales and Use Tax, subject to a referendum, to define the specific purpose and designate the projects for which the proceeds may be used, to provide for the maximum time for which such tax may be imposed, and to provide for the maximum amount of General Obligation Bonds to be issued in order to finance the Capital Projects.

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Council go immediately into executive session to receive legal advice relating to pending and potential claims covered by the attorney-client privilege and to discuss negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed purchase of property. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

REGULAR SESSION

The regular meeting of the County Council of Beaufort County was held Monday, June 23, 2014 beginning at 5:00 p.m., in Council Chambers of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, South Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman D. Paul Sommerville, Vice Chairman Stu Rodman and Councilmen Cynthia Bensch, Rick Caporale, Gerald Dawson, Brian Flewelling, Steven Fobes, William McBride, Gerald Stewart, Roberts "Tabor" Vaux and Laura Von Harten.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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INVOCATION

Councilman McBride gave the Invocation.

The Chairman passed the gavel to the Vice Chairman in order to receive the Administrative Consent Agenda.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA

Review of Proceedings of the Regular Meeting held June 9, 2014

This item comes before Council under the Administrative Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Council approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 9, 2014. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

County Administrator's Two-Week Progress Report

This item comes before Council under the Administrative Consent Agenda.

Mr. Gary Kubic, County Administrator, presented his Two-Week Progress Report, which summarized his activities from June 9, 2014 through June 20, 2014.

To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2

Deputy County Administrator's Two-Week Progress Report

This item comes before Council under the Administrative Consent Agenda.

Mr. Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator, presented his Two-Week Progress Report, which summarized his activities from June 9, 2014 through June 20, 2014.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

It was moved by Mr. Caporale, as Finance Committee Chairman (no second required), that Council approve on first reading, by title only, an ordinance to appropriate funds not to exceed \$75,000 from the local (3%) accommodations tax funds to the Santa Elena Foundation. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Governmental Committee

Lady's Island / St. Helena Island Fire District

Mr. Stewart, as Governmental Committee Chairman, nominated Mr. David Townsend, representing Lady's Island, for reappointment to serve as a member of the Lady's Island / St. Helena Island Fire District.

Natural Resources Committee

Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board

Todd Theodore

The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. Mr. Todd Theodore, representing the Town of Hilton Head Island, was appointed to serve as a member of the Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board after garnering the six votes required to appoint.

The Vice Chairman passed the gavel back to the Chairman in order to continue the meeting.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

The Chairman recognized Mr. Ernest Lindblad, President, Windmill Harbour Property Owners Association, who asked County Council to support the issuance of a 1% sales tax referendum and let the voters decide. He feels the U.S. Highway 278 initiative to be beneficial to Windmill Harbour.

Ms. Barbara Duggy, a resident of Windmill Harbour, expressed her concerns with the US Highway 278 Corridor, which includes Jenkins Island, due to the several dangerous areas within it. She spoke against the flyover within the corridor, but in favor of Council moving forward with a 1% sales tax referendum.

Mr. Craig Kodat stated the process of a 1% sales tax referendum is backwards in Beaufort County. The "all or nothing" concept concerns him. He presented to Council the "fat" with the sales tax projects in question.

Ms. Laura Fanelli spoke about the 1% sales tax projects and the School District FY 2015 budget. Tax increases, no matter how small or the justification, are still tax increases. She asked Council to separate projects that fall under state prevue and remove them from consideration. Council should turn down the School District FY 2015 budget proposal with any increase.

Mr. David Tedder, a resident of Lady's Island, eautioned County Council not to vote on any piece of the Community Development Code, especially Planned Unit Developments. He spoke about the changes and concerns within the Code.

Mr. Bill Evans, Chairman, Board of Education, feels the budget process is getting better. The Board of Education did not take action to make any cuts within the proposed budget. In addition, the School District did not overspend during FY 2014. Revenue did not come in as projected.

Ms. Ann Ubelis, a resident of Lady's Island, disagreed with the Board of Education delaying action on cuts and its lack of action to be deliberate. With respect to the 1% sales tax referendum, many of the projects have nothing to do with public safety. It is a dream wish list.

Mr. Jim Bequette, a Lady's Island resident, distributed a handout titled, "Comparison of Expenses – Budgeted vs. Actual for a Seven-Year Period. He spoke about past increases within the County Budget.

Ms. Leigh Woods spoke in regards to a 1% sales tax referendum and feels the selected projects are not an effective way to spend tax dollars.

Ms. Ashley Feaster, Executive Officer, Homebuilders Association, spoke in regards to the proposed Community Development Code. She distributed a memorandum from representatives of the National Association of Home Builders expressing their concerns about the County proposed Community Development Code.

Mr. Mike Garrigan, Past-President, Windmill Harbour Association, stated the approximate 1,000 voters who live in the area of Windmill Harbour, are supportive of this Council sending the 1% sales tax referendum to the voters of Beaufort County. We have to stay ahead of the times. Growth is continuing.

Mr. Robinson York feels the projects brought forth with the 1% sales tax referendum lack vetting by taxpayers. Many of these projects make zero sense. He discourages moving forward with a 1% sales tax referendum.

Ms. Lynn McGee, Vice Chancellor, University of South Carolina Beaufort, spoke about the 1% sales tax referendum. The University of South Carolina Beaufort respects strong-forward looking leaders, who have set up a Commission to identify infrastructure decisions Beaufort County voters need to do now, to serve local citizens now, to position Beaufort County to diversify its economic base, to win their share of the global tourism market, and to attract new residents of all ages in the next decade and beyond. The two USCB projects within the 1% sales tax referendum are a 4,000-seat arena and a wellness/fitness complex.

Ms. Jocelyn Staigar asked Council to send the Community Development Code back to the Natural Resources Committee to revisit the issue of Planned Unit Developments as well as the ten-foot setback.

Mr. Nick Felix, a Hilton Head Island resident, requested Council to reconsider the budget cuts to the Island Recreation Center. The Center serves as a "learn to swim" center and works with infants, adults and other governmental agencies. It is the only public pool on Hilton Head Island.

MATTERS ARISING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Flewelling, that Council approve the purchase of a conservation easement for property in the Burton area on Pine Gove Road in conjunction with the Marine Corps Air Station. The property is 154+/- acres and legally identified as PIN: R100 024 000 0067 0000. The easement will be purchased for a total price of \$795,000 and Marine Corps Air Station will pay fifty (50%) percent of the purchase. The source of funding is from the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Perservation Program. The vote: YEAS – Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. OPPOSED – Mrs. Bensch. The motion passed.

It was moved by Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Flewelling, that Council approve the purchase of a conservation easement for property in Garden's Corner at the intersection of U.S. Highway 21 and U.S. Highway 17. The property is 323 +/- acres and legally identified as PIN: R700 020 000 0001 0000 for a total price of \$895,000. The source of funding is from the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Perservation Program. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. OPPOSED – Mrs. Bensch and Mr. Caporale. The motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM SALARY PAID TO BEAUFORT COUNTY MAGISTRATES BY ELIMINATING PROGRESSIVE STEP PAY INCREASES

Mr. Vaux recused himself, left the room, and was not present for any of the discussion. Mr. Vaux's wife is a County Magistrate.

The Chairman opened a public hearing at 6:06 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on an ordinance to increase the minimum salary paid to Beaufort County Magistrates by eliminating progressive step pay increases. After calling three times for public comment and receiving none, the Chairman declared the hearing closed at 6:07 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Caporale, as Finance Committee Chairman (no second required), that Council approve on third and final reading an ordinance to increase the minimum salary paid to Beaufort County Magistrates by eliminating progressive step pay increases. Further, that effective the first full pay period, occurring after July 1, 2014, all Beaufort County Magistrates currently or subsequently appointed to office by the Beaufort County Legislative Delegation shall be paid 100% of the base salary outlined in *South Carolina Code of Laws*, Section 22-8-40(B)(1)(e) regardless of their educational background or professional experience. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS – Mr. Dawson and Mr. McBride. ABSTAIN – Mr. Vaux recused himself, left the room, and was not present for any of the discussion. Mr. Vaux's wife is a County Magistrate. The motion passed.

Mr. Vaux reentered the room.

FY 2014-2015 COUNTY BUDGET PROPOSAL

The Chairman opened a public hearing at 6:11 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the FY 2014-2015 County budget proposal. After calling three times for public comment and receiving none, the Chairman declared the hearing closed at 6:12 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Caporale, as Finance Committee Chairman (no second required), that Council approve on third and final reading the FY 2014-2015 County budget as follows: County Operations 46.48 mills, Purchase of Real Property Program 4.90 mills, County Debt Service 5.48 mills, Bluffton Fire District 24.02 mills operations and 0.00 mills debt service, Burton Fire District 60.18 mills operations and 5.74 mills debt service, Daufuskie Island Fire District 54.72 mills operations and 2.00 mills debt service, Lady's Island/St. Helena Island Fire District 35.94 mills operations and 2.36 mills debt service, and Sheldon Fire District 35.82 mills operations and 2.20 mills debt service. Further, reduce the Sheriff's budget by \$112,000, retain those funds in the County Administrator's budget, and withhold allocating the \$87,600 until Council has a full understanding of the ramifications. Further, retain the library fines and fees within the general fund as is. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr.

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Fobes, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS – Mr. McBride and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

FY 2014-2015 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET PROPOSAL

The Chairman opened a public hearing at 6:19 p.m. to receive public comment on the FY 2014-2015 County School District budget proposal. After calling once for public comment, the Chairman recognized Mr. Paul Roth, a member of the Board of Education, who stated he ran for office because he felt the Board of Education to be dysfunctional. The Board has made a difference. This is the best Board and the best superintendent the County has ever had. The Board of Education is asking for Council's support.

After calling twice more for public comment and receiving none, the Chairman declared the hearing closed at 6:22 p.m.

Main motion: It was moved by Mr. Caporale, as Finance Committee Chairman (no second required), that Council approve on third and final reading the FY 2014/2015 School District budget as follows: 97.45 mills school operations, 31.71 mills school bond debt service (principal and interest), and \$114,868,815 to be derived from tax collections.

Motion to amend by substitution: It was moved by Mr. Rodman, seconded by Mr. Flewelling, that Council substitute: (i) 101.70 mills school operations, (ii) \$190,400,000 appropriated to fund school operations, and (iii) \$1,025,018 to be derived from fund balance. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Vote on the amended motion, which is now the main motion, and includes the motion to amend by substitution:

Council approve on third and final reading the FY 2014/2015 School District budget as follows: 101.70 mills school operations, 31.71 mills school bond debt service (principal and interest), \$190,400,000 appropriated to fund school operations, \$1,025,018 to be derived from fund balance, and \$114,868,815 to be derived from tax collections. The vote: YEAS—Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Vaux. NAYS—Mr. Flewelling and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2014A, OR SUCH OTHER APPROPRIATE SERIES DESIGNATION, OF BEAUFORT COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT EXCEEDING \$17,100,000; 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 THEREOF

The Chairman opened a public hearing beginning at 6:54 p.m. to receive public comment on an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds or General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2014A, or such other appropriate series designation, of Beaufort County, South Carolina, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$17,100,000. After calling three times for public comment and receiving none, the Chairman declared the hearing closed at 6:55 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Caporale, as Finance Committee Chairman (no second required), that Council approve on third and final reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds or General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2014A, or such other appropriate series designation, of Beaufort County, South Carolina, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$17,100,000, 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. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF TAXABLE OR TAX-EXEMPT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2014B, OR SUCH OTHER APPROPRIATE SERIES DESIGNATION, OF BEAUFORT COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT EXCEEDING \$2,350,000; 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

The Chairman opened a public hearing beginning at 6:56 p.m. to receive public comment on an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds or General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2014B, or such other appropriate series designation, of Beaufort County, South Carolina, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$2,350,000. After calling three times for public comment and receiving none, the Chairman declared the hearing closed at 6:57 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Caporale, as Finance Committee Chairman (no second required), that Council approve on third and final reading an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds or General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2014B, or such other appropriate series designation, of Beaufort County, South Carolina, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$2,350,000, 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. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson,

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Mr. Fobes, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A QUESTION ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE CONDUCTED NOVEMBER 4, 2014, CONCERNING A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING BEAUFORT COUNTY TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO ACQUIRE LANDS FOR LIMITED DEVELOPMENT OR PRESERVATION PURPOSES AND TO PAY CERTAIN COSTS AND DEBT SERVICE RELATED THERETO (RURAL AND CRITICAL LANDS PROGRAM)

At the June 9, 2014 meeting, Council approved a motion to amend by deletion the language "or reasonable and responsible economic development" from the referendum question. Seven members of Council voted in favor of the amendment. However, Council did not take up the main motion, as amended, due to the expiration of the June 9, 2014 session of Council.

Vote on the amended motion, which is now the main motion, and includes the motion to amend by deletion: It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, as Natural Resources Committee Chairman (no second required), that Council approve on first reading, by title only, an ordinance authorizing the placement of a question on the official ballot for the General Election to be conducted November 4, 2014, concerning a proposition authorizing Beaufort County to issue General Obligation Bonds to acquire lands for limited development or preservation purposes and to pay certain costs and debt service related thereto. Further, voting on this motion is with the clear understanding that language from the ordinance of Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Review Board will be properly inserted at second reading. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. OPPOSED - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale and Mr. Dawson. The motion passed.

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FROM THE LOCAL (3%) ACCOMMODATIONS TAX FUNDS TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM

This item comes before Council under the Consent Agenda. Discussion occurred at the May 27, 2014 meeting of the Finance Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Mr. Dawson, that Council approve on second reading an ordinance to appropriate funds not to exceed \$50,000 from the local (3%) accommodations tax funds to the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

A public hearing will be held Monday, July 28, 2014 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort.

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TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY CODE, ARTICLE V, SECTION 46-151 THROUGH SECTION 46 - 163 OF THE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ORDINANCE

This item comes before Council under the Consent Agenda. Discussion occurred at the June 16, 2014 meeting of the Governmental Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Mr. Dawson, that Council approve on first reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Code, Article V, Section 46-151 through Section 46-163 of the Hazardous Materials Ordinance. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

RECYCLABLES COLLECTION AND PROCESSING SERVICES FOR BEAUFORT COUNTY

This item comes before Council under the Consent Agenda. Discussion occurred at the June 16, 2014 meeting of the Public Facilities Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Mr. Dawson, that Council award a contract to Waste Management of South Carolina, Inc. in the amount of \$1,050,000 for recyclables collection and processing services, effective August 1, 2014 for an initial three-year term ending July 31, 2017, with two additional one-year contract renewal options for a potential five-year contract. Funding is from Account 10001340 61167, Solid Waste and Recycling – Recycling Services. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE UNFIT DWELLINGS AND UNSAFE BUILDINGS WITHIN PHE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF BEAUFORT COUNTY, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT THEREOF, AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO

This item comes before Council under the Consent Agenda. Discussion occurred at the June 16, 2014 meeting of the Public Facilities Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Fleweling, seconded by Mr. Dawson, that Council approve on first reading an ordinance to regulate unfit dwellings and unsafe buildings within the unincorporated areas of Beaufort County, to provide for enforcement thereof, and matters related thereto. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

SCDOT QUALITY ASSURANCE OVERSIGHT SERVICES ON S.C. HIGHWAY 170 WIDENING, BOUNDARY STREET STREETSCAPE/TIGER GRANT, AND BLUFFTON PARKWAY PHASE 5A SEGMENT 2 – U.S. HIGHWAY 278 FLYOVER BRIDGES CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,757.31

This item comes before Council under the Consent Agenda. Discussion occurred at the June 16, 2014 meeting of the Public Facilities Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Mr. Dawson, that Council approve the payment of SCDOT quality assurance oversight services on the S.C. Highway 170 Widening, Boundary Street Streetscape/TIGER Grant, and Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Segment 2 – U.S. Highway 278 Flyover Bridges construction projects in the amount of \$34,757.31. The funding source for invoice 416384 is from each project's 1% Sales Tax Road Improvement Program Accounts – 33403-54500 SC Highway 170, 47030011-54503 Boundary Street, and 33401-54500 Bluffton Parkway Phase 5. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

SCDOT QUALITY ASSURANCE QVERSIGHT SERVICES ON S.C. HIGHWAY 170 WIDENING, BOUNDARY STREET STREETSCAPE/TIGER GRANT, AND BLUFFTON PARKWAY PHASE 5A SEGMENT 2 – U.S. HIGHWAY 278 FLYOVER BRIDGES CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,458.55

This item comes before Council under the Consent Agenda. Discussion occurred at the June 16, 2014 meeting of the Public Facilities Committee

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Mr. Dawson, that Council approve the payment of SCDOT quality assurance oversight services on the S.C. Highway 170 Widening, Boundary Street Streetscape/FIGER Grant, and Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Segment 2 – U.S. Highway 278 Flyover Bridges construction projects in the amount of \$82,458.55. The funding source for invoice 416385 is from each project s 1% Sales Tax Road Improvement Program Accounts – 33403-54500 SC Highway 170, 47030011-54503 Boundary Street, and 33401-54500 Bluffton Parkway Phase 5. The vote: YEAS Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTIES AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY ADMINISTRATION TO DISPOSE OF THE PROPERTIES IN A MANNER BENEFICIAL TO THE COUNTY

This item comes before Council under the Consent Agenda. Discussion occurred at the June 23, 2014 meeting of the Community Services Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Mr. Dawson, that Council approve on first reading an ordinance declaring certain county-owned properties as surplus and authorizing County

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Administration to dispose of the properties in a manner beneficial to the County. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

<u>AVIATION FUEL SERVICES FOR LADY'S ISLAND AIRPORT, BEAUFORT</u> <u>COUNTY/ARW</u>

This item comes before Council under the Consent Agenda. Discussion occurred at the June 23, 2014 work session of the Finance and Governmental Committees.

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Mr. Dawson, that Council award a contract to Eastern Aviation Fuels, Inc., New Bern, North Carolina, in the amount of \$1,080,000 (annual cost per year of \$360,000), effective July 1, 2014 for an initial three-year term ending June 30, 2017 with two one-year extension options at the sole discretion of the County for a potential five-year contract. Funding will come from Account 51000011-5800, Lady's Island Airport Operations, Purchases-Fuels/Lubes. The vote: YEAS Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT TALBERT & BRIGHT / WORK AUTHORIZATIONS / HILTON READ ISLAND AIRPORT/HXD APPROVED AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

Without objection from Council, the Chairman removed this item from the agenda.

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2014 BEAUFORT COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CODE WITH PROCEDURES TO ENGAGE IN A SIX MONTH AND ONE YEAR EVALUATION AND REVIEW

It was moved by Mr. Vaux, seconded by Mrs. Bensch, that Council retain Planned Unit Development as a separate section in Division 2.3, Traditional Community Plans. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Fobes and Mr. Vaux. NAYS - Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Von Harten. The motion failed.

It was moved by Mr. Flewelling, seconded by Mr. Vaux, that Council postpone consideration of second reading until the August 11, 2014 meeting of Council. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

MOTION TO EXTEND

It was moved by Ms. Von Harten, seconded by Mr. Flewelling, that Council extend beyond 8:00 p.m. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

AN ORDINANCE TO IMPOSE A ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX, SUBJECT TO A REFERENDUM, WITHIN BEAUFORT COUNTY, PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX ACT, S.C. CODE ANN. 4-10-300, ET SEQ.; TO DEFINE THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES AND DESIGNATE THE PROJECTS FOR WHICH THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX MAY BE USED: TO PROVIDE THE MAXIMUM TIME FOR WHICH SUCH TAX MAY BE IMPOSED; TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO BE ISSUED IN ORDER TO FINANCE THE CAPITAL PROJECTS AUTHORIZED HEREUNDER SUCH BONDS TO BE PAYABLE FROM, AND SECURED BY, THE CAPITAL PROJECT SALES AND USE TAX AUTHORIZED HEREBY AS WELL AS THE FULL FAITH, CREDIT AND TAXING POWER OF BEAUFORT COUNTY; TO PROVIDE THE MAXIMUM COST OF THE PROJECTS OR FACILITIES FUNDED FROM THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX OR BONDS AND THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF NET PROCEEDS TO BE RAISED BY SUCH TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE COST OF SUCH PROJECTS OR FOR THE PAYMENT OF DEBT SERVICE ON ANY BONDS ISSUED TO PAY SUCH COSTS; TO PROVIDE FOR A COUNTYWIDE REFERENDUM AND TO PRESCRIBE THE CONTENTS OF THE BALLOT QUESTION IN SUCH REFERENDUM; TO PROVIDE CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE IMPOSITION OF SUCH TAX AND CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF SUCH TAX REVENUE; TO ESTABLISH THE PRIORITY, AND EXCEPTIONS THERETO, IN WHICH THE NET PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX, IF APPROVED IN A REFERENDUM, ARE TO BE EXPENDED FOR THE PROJECTS AND PURPOSES STATED: TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONDUCT OF SUCH REFERENDUM BY THE BEAUFORT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF SUCH TAX, IF APPROVED; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH TAX; AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO

It was moved by Mr. Stewart, as Governmental Committee Chairman (no second required), that Council approve on first reading an ordinance to impose a One Percent Sales and Use Tax, subject to a referendum, within Beaufort County, pursuant to the Capital Project Sales Tax Act, S.C. Code Ann. 4-10-300, et seq.; to define the specific purposes and designate the projects for which the proceeds of such tax may be used; to provide the maximum time for which such tax may be imposed; to provide for the maximum amount of General Obligation Bonds to be issued in order to finance the capital projects authorized hereunder such bonds to be payable from, and secured by, the Capital Project Sales and Use Tax authorized hereby as well as the full faith, credit and taxing power of Beaufort County; to provide the maximum cost of the projects or facilities funded from the proceeds of such tax or bonds and the maximum amount of net

proceeds to be raised by such tax for the payment of the cost of such projects or for the payment of debt service on any bonds issued to pay such costs; to provide for a countywide referendum and to prescribe the contents of the ballot question in such referendum; to provide conditions precedent to the imposition of such tax and conditions or restrictions on the use of such tax revenue; to establish the priority, and exceptions thereto, in which the net proceeds of such tax, if approved in a referendum, are to be expended for the projects and purposes stated; to provide for the conduct of such referendum by the Beaufort County Board of Elections and Voter Registration, to provide for the administration of such tax, if approved; to provide for the payment of such tax; and to provide for other matters relating thereto. The vote: YEAS – Mr. Dawson, Mr. McBride, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. Rodman and Mr. Sommerville. The motion failed.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The County Channel / Broadcast Services

Mr. Gary Kubic, County Administrator, stated The County Channel has all programs, events and meetings available to watch online, on-demand at www ocgov.net. The County Channel produced a video feature of a "Day in the Life of Parks and Leisure Services Department." The County Channel, in partnership with the Beaufort County School District, has produced a video feature on the play "If you see something, say something." This is an anti-bully themed play, written, produced, and performed by students at Beaufort High School.

The County Channel is gearing up for more coverage of Dixie League sports. This year Oscar Frazier Park will host the Dixie Girls South Carolina State Softball Tournament. The County Channel will provide wall-to-wall coverage of the entire tournament. This helps promote our facilities, and showcases the games for those unable to watch them in person.

Adopt-a-Highway Group of Year Presentation to Kiwanis Club of Beaufort

Mr. Michael Murphy, Chairperson, Keep Beaufort County Board, presented the Kiwanis Club of Beaufort with the "Group of the Year" award provided through Palmetto Pride for their excellent service to our County. The Kiwanis Club, along with more than 100 other groups, picks up litter from our highways as part of the Adopt-A-Highway program sponsored by SCDOT and Palmetto Pride. Mr. Murphy noted statistics of the program's almost 35 years of success in reducing litter from our highways and waterways.

Construction Project Updates

Mr. Scott Grooms, Broadcast Services Manager, narrated a video highlighting the construction status of the S.C. Highway 170 and Bluffton Parkway 5A projects.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no requests to speak during public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Fobes, seconded by Mrs. Bensch, that Council go immediately into executive session to receive legal advice relating to pending and potential claims covered by the attorney-client privilege and to discuss negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed purchase of property. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. OPPOSED – Mr. Flewelling. The motion passed.

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Council adjourned at 8:57 p.m.	
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY
	By:
	D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman
ATTEST	
Suzanne M. Rainey, Clerk to Council	
Ratified:	

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Memorandum

DATE: July 25, 2014

TO: County Council

FROM: Gary Kubic, County Administrator Gary Kubic

SUBJ: County Administrator's Progress Report

The following is a summary of activities that took place June 23, 2014 through July 25, 2014:

June 23, 2014

• Employee orientation

- Staff conference call re: Boundary Street project
- Community Services Committee meeting
- Work session of Finance and Governmental Committees
- Caucus
- County Council meeting

June 24, 2014

- Meeting with Attorney Wes Jones
- Meeting with Councilman Rick Caporale and Chuck Laine re: Animal Shelter
- Meeting with John Reed and staff

June 25, 2014

• Development Agreement Subcommittee (Cherokee Farms) meeting

June 26, 27 & 30, 2014

Personal leave

July 1, 2014

- Staff meeting re: Malphrus Road / Bluffton Parkway intersection estimate
- Meeting with Chief Magistrate Larry McElynn

July 2, 2014

- Conference call with staff re: County financials
- Meeting with Matt McWhorter re: SC Department of Commerce multi-media program
- Staff meeting re: Review video/ photos of Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Flyover project
- Meeting with Pastor Johnny Brown re: Future County development in the Buck Island area

July 3, 2014

• Guest speaker – Kiwanis Club at Golden Corral, Beaufort

July 4, 2014

• Independence Day holiday

July 7, 2014

• No scheduled meetings

July 8, 2014

• Tour of Disabilities and Special Needs Cottage Walk residential facility

July 9, 2014

- Meeting with Deputy County Administrator Bryan Hill
- Meeting with Weston Newton, State Representative; Monica Spells, Compliance Officer: and Scott Grooms, Director of Broadcast Services re: Water Quality documentary

July 10, 2014

- Meeting with Dick Farmer, Chairman of Atax Board, and staff re: Atax application process
- Staff meeting re: Spanish Moss Trail encroachment permit Many M's

July 11, 2014

- Meeting with Deputy County Administrator Bryan Hill
- Staff meeting re: Stormwater MS4 designation

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July 11th (Continued)

- Staff meeting re: New Animal Shelter & Control facility
- Meeting with Dean Moss

July 14, 2014

- Meeting with Aaron Crosby and Brian McCarthy of Daufuskie Island; Tony Criscitiello, Division Director, Planning and Development; Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator; and Josh Gruber, County Attorney re: Economic Development for Daufuskie Island / Town Center
- Meeting with staff and Bluffton Fire District representatives re: Bluffton Fire District unfunded medical benefit program / liability

July 15, 2014

- Conference call with staff re: Magnetometer contract award
- Meeting with staff and Howell Gibson & Hughes representatives
- Meeting with Kim Statler, Director of Lowcountry Economic Alliance; Berl Davis, new CEO of Palmetto Electric; and Josh Gruber, County Attorney re: Projects / Vision for Myrtle Park

July 16, 2014

- Staff meeting re: SC 170 pond
- County Assessor monthly meeting
- Staff meeting re: GSA / Federal Courthouse RFP

July 17, 2014

- Meeting with Ernie Lindblad and Mike Garrigan, of Windmill Harbour, and Councilman Rick Caporale
- County /Town of Bluffton bimonthly meeting with Paul Sommerville, Chairman, County Council; Anthony Barrett, Bluffton Town Manager; Lisa Sulka, Mayor, Town of Bluffton; and Marc Orlando, Deputy Town Manager, Town of Bluffton re: Town / County issues

July 18, 2014

- Meeting with Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator, and Scott Marshall, Director of PALS re: PALS
- Staff meeting re: Developing a Transportation Improvement Plan for Beaufort County

July 21, 2014

- Meeting with County Council Chairman Paul Sommerville
- Follow-up conference call with staff re: Boundary Street project update
- Meeting with Morris Campbell, Director of Community Services; Mitzi Wagner, Director of Disabilities and Special Needs (DSN); and Bill Love, Deputy Director re: Disabilities and Special Needs

July 22, 2014

 County / Town of Hilton Head Island bimonthly meeting with Paul Sommerville, County Council Chairman; Drew Laughlin, Mayor; and Steve Riley, Town Manager re: County / Town issues

July 23, 2014

• Meeting with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) officials in Atlanta, Georgia re: Hilton Head Island Airport issues

July 24, 2014

Personal leave

July 25, 2014

Personal leave



Memorandum

DATE: July 25, 2014

TO: County Council

FROM: Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator

SUBJECT: Deputy County Administrator's Progress Report

The following is a summary of activities that took place June 23, 2014 through July 25, 2014:

June 23, 2014 (Monday):

- Telephone conference with Rob McFee, Engineering & Infrastructure re: Boundary Street Project
- Telephone conference with Gary Kubic, County Administrator and Joshua Gruber, County Attorney
- Community Services Committee
- Joint Meeting of Finance and Governmental Committees
- County Council

June 24, 2014 (Tuesday):

• PLD

June 25, 2014 (Wednesday):

• PLD

June 26, 2014 (Thursday):

• PLD

June 27, 2014 (Friday):

PLD

June 30, 2014 (Monday):

Beaufort Hours A.M.

• Bluffton Hours P.M.

<u>July 1, 2014 (Tuesday)</u>:

- Attend HHI Airport Expansion Eminent Domain Meeting
- Attend Malphrus Road / Bluffton Parkway Intersection Meeting
- Telephone Conference with Ben Jones, Thomas & Hutton and Joshua Gruber, County Attorney re: SC 170 Project
- Attend United Way Board Meeting

July 2, 2014 (Wednesday):

- Meet with Eric Larson, Stormwater Director and Joshua Gruber, County Attorney
- Meet with Eric Larson, Stormwater Director
- Conference Call Regarding PALS Financials with Gary Kubic, County Administrator and Alan Eisenman, Finance
- Attend Home Consortium Compliance Meeting with Chris Bickley, LCOG, Morris Campbell, Community Services Director, Charles Atkinson, Building Codes Director, and Monica Spells, Compliance Officer
- Meet with Morris Campbell, Community Services Director and Mitzi Wagner, DSN Director re: DSN Housing Opportunities

July 3, 2014 (Thursday)--Bluffton:

• Bluffton Hours

July 4, 2014 (Friday):

CLOSED

July 7, 2014 (Monday):

- Meet with Alicia Holland, CFO
- Meet with Joshua Gruber, County Attorney

July 8, 2014 (Tuesday)--Bluffton:

Bluffton Hours

July 9, 2014 (Wednesday)--Bluffton:

- Bluffton Hours
- Meet with Gary Kubic, County Administrator
- Meet with Gary Kubic, County Administrator, Eric Larson, Stormwater Dirctor, Chuck Atkinson, Building Codes, Director and Alicia Holland, CFO

July 10, 2014 (Thursday)--Bluffton:

• Bluffton Hours

July 11, 2014 (Friday):

- Meet with Paul Sommerville, County Council Chairman, and Gary Kubic, County Administrator re: Capital Project Sales Tax
- Meet with Gary Kubic, County Administrator
- Attend MS4 Designation Meeting
- Meet with Jim Minor, Solid Waster Director
- Meet with Gary Kubic, County Administrator, Joshua Gruber and Allison Coppage, County Attorneys, Phil Foot, Public Safety Director, Rob McFee, Engineering & Infrastructure, Colin Kinton, Traffic Control and Tallulah Trice, BCAS re: Development of New Animal Shelter Control Facility
- Attend Opening Ceremony for Dixie Girls Softball Tournament

July 14, 2014 (Monday):

- DA Meeting
- Meet with Jon Rembold, Airports Director
- Meet with Ed Hughes, Assessor
- Attend Meeting re: Economic Development for Daufuskie Island /Town Center with Gary Kubic, County Administrator, Joshua Gruber, County Attorney, Anthony Criscitiello, Planning Director, Aaron Crosby and Brian McCarthy
- Attend Bluffton Fire District Retiree's Discussion with Gary Kubic, County Administrator, Joshua Gruber, County Attorney, Alicia Holland, CFO, and Suzanne Gregory, Employee Services
- Announce for Dixie Girls Softball Tournament

July 15, 2014 (Tuesday)--Bluffton:

- Bluffton Hours
- Meet with Chief Thompson, Bluffton Fire District
- Announce for Dixie Girls Softball Tournament

<u>July 16, 2014 (Wednesday)</u>:

- Meeting re: SC 170 Pond with Gary Kubic, County Administrator, Rob McFee, Engineering & Infrastructure, and Eric Larson, Stormwater Director
- Meet with Ed Hughes re: 2015 Budget
- Meet with Monica Spells, Compliance Officer and Alicia Holland, CFO re: Home Consortium Compliance
- Conference Call re: GSA / Federal Courthouse RFP
- Announce for Dixie Girls Softball Tournament

July 17, 2014 (Thursday)--Bluffton:

- Bluffton Hours
- Meet with Sam Bennett, Eagles Field Representative
- Announce for Dixie Girls Softball Tournament

July 18, 2014 (Friday):

- Attend PALS Monthly Meeting with Gary Kubic, County Administrator and Scott Marshall, PALS Director
- Attend Meeting re: Development of a Transportation Improvement Plan for Beaufort County with Gary Kubic, County Administrator, Rob McFee, Engineering & Infrastructure, Colin Kinton, Traffic Engineering and Tony Criscitiello, Planning
- Meet with Phil Foot, Public Safety Director
- Meet with Alicia Holland, CFO
- Announce for Dixie Girls Softball Tournament

July 21, 2014 (Monday):

- Conference Call with Gary Kubic, County Administrator and Joshua Gruber, County Attorney
- Meet with Alicia Holland, CFO
- Conference Call with Fitch Ratings
- Conference Call re: Boundary Street Project

July 22, 2014 (Tuesday):

- Attend Agenda Review
- Meet with Chief Thompson, Bluffton Fire Department
- Bluffton Hours

July 23, 2014 (Wednesday):

• Attend FAA Conference in Atlanta with Gary Kubic, County Administrator, Joshua Gruber, County Attorney and Jon Rembold, Airports Director

<u>July 24, 2014 (Thursday)</u>:

- Attend Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board Meeting
- Attend Camp Treasure Chest Open House

July 25, 2014 (Friday)--Bluffton:

- Bluffton Hours
- Attend United Way Board Retreat

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

June 23, 2014

The electronic and print media duly notified in accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

The Community Services Committee met Monday, June 23, 2014 beginning at 1:30 p.m., in the Executive Conference Room of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, South Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman William McBride, Vice Chairman Tabor Vaux, and Committee members Rick Caporale, Gerald Dawson, Steve Fobes and Laura Von Harten. Non-committee members Cynthia Bensch, Brian Flewelling, Paul Sommerville and Jerry Stewart present. (Paul Sommerville, as County Council Chairman, serves as an *ex-offici*o member of each standing committee of Council and is entitled to vote.)

County staff: Morris Campbell, Division Director-Community Services; Allison Coppage, Assistant County Attorney; Joshua Gruber, County Attorney; Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator; Gary Kubic, County Administrator; Scott Marshall, Parks and Leisure Services Director; Mitzi Wagner, Disabilities and Special Needs Director; and Wlodek Zaryczny, Library Director.

Public: Peggy Martin, Library Board of Trustees, and Robin Townsend, Daufuskie Island.

Media: Joe Croley, Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce, and Zach Murdaugh, *The Beaufort Gazette/The Island Packet*.

Councilman William McBride chaired the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

1. An Ordinance to Declare Certain County-Owned Properties as Surplus and Authorizing County Administration to Dispose of the Properties in a Manner Beneficial to the County

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Discussion: Mr. Morris Campbell, Division Director – Community Services, reviewed this item with the Committee. This is a request to sell the following three properties:

• Disabilities and Special Needs Community Training Home, 429 Broad River Boulevard, Burton

- Disabilities and Special Needs Community Training Home, 1603 Ivy Lane, Beaufort
- Leroy Browne Health Clinic, a 10-acre tract, Ball Park Road, St. Helena Island

Proceeds from the sale of the Broad River and Ivy Lane properties will help purchase replacement units. Proceeds from the sale of Health Clinic will go into the County General Fund.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Caporale, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Committee approve and recommend Council approve on first reading, by title only, an ordinance authorizing the County Administrator to sell three properties: Disabilities and Special Needs Community Training Home, 429 Broad River Boulevard, Burton; Disabilities and Special Needs Community Training Home, 1603 Ivy Lane, Beaufort; and Leroy Browne Health Clinic Ball Park Road, St. Helena Island upon such terms and conditions prudent and in the best interest of the citizens of Beaufort County. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council approve on first reading, by title only, an ordinance authorizing the County Administrator to sell three properties. Disabilities and Special Needs Community Training Home, 429 Broad River Boulevard, Burton; Disabilities and Special Needs Community Training Home, 1603 lvy Lane, Beaufort; and Leroy Browne Health Clinic Ball Park Road, St. Helena Island upon such terms and conditions prudent and in the best interest of the citizens of Beaufort County.

2. Report / Parks and Leisure Services Activities

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/Niewalullaher.php?www.id=2

Discussion: Mr. Scott Marshall, Parks and Leisure Services (PALS) Director, provided the Committee with an overview of PALS Activities. He reviewed the four functional areas of PALS: Athletics, Aquatics, Enrichment Programs, and Special Events.

Athletics — consists of both youth and adult athletics, including activities such as baseball, basketball, soccer, football, cheerleading, softball, tennis, and lacrosse.

Aquatics - includes three indoor year-round pools, and one outdoor pool open only during summer months. Open swim, lap swim, and swim lessons are available at all pools. Aquatics training / programming includes lifeguard training, learn-to-swim classes, Mommy and Me classes, Infant Self Rescue training, collaboration with the School District to teach basic water safety to second and third graders, and water aerobic classes are offered at all three indoor pool locations.

Enrichment Programs - includes After School, Summer Camp, and Seniors.

Special Events - includes a Halloween carnival and haunted house, Dixie Ponytails 2013 World Series, 2013 State Soccer Tournament, and 2014 State Basketball Tournament. Upcoming events include Dixie Softball South Carolina State Tournament, Dixie Boys Baseball Regional Tournament, and Dixie Boys 2015 World Series.

Current challenges and constraints of PALS include:

- Part-time staffing
- Condition of aquatic facilities
- Limited maintenance resources
- Expired formal agreements
- Impact fees
- Competing providers
- Lack of community programming
- Recreational service delivery model

Mr. Marshall also provided the Committee with an overview of recent achievements that included a new website, new Tennis and Lacrosse Programs. Pending initiatives include Tyler Parks and Recreation module, Program evaluation, Wesley Felix Ballpark renovation, Buckwalter Regional Park expansion, Athletic partnerships with Beaufort County School District, Learn-to-Kayak Program, and Strategic Planning. The PALS Board is in the process of putting together a Strategic Plan. Eventually, it will yield great results.

PALS needs a standardized program-service provider agreement and revised fee schedule. PALS will be coming back before the Committee requesting approval of a standardized agreement. The County fee schedule is different from that of the Island Recreation Center and School District. This inconsistency causes conflict. The current fee schedule has been in place since 2012. It needs review. The aquatics fee schedule needs review due to inconsistencies. There needs to be a review of an adequate late pick-up fee for summer camp and after school programs.

Committee members viewed a video titled "A Day in the Life of PALS."

Status: Information purposes only.

3. Presentation / Library of the Future

Status: Due to time constraints, this presentation will occur at the July 28, 2014 Committee meeting.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

May 27, 2014

The electronic and print media duly notified in accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

The Community Services Committee met Tuesday, May 27, 2014 beginning at 1:00 p.m., in the Large Meeting Room of the Bluffton Branch Library, 120 Palmetto Way, Bluffton, South Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman William McBride, Vice Chairman Tabor Vaux, and Committee members Rick Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Steve Fobes and Laura Von Harten. Non-committee members Cynthia Bensch, Brian Flewelling, Stewart Rodman, Paul Sommerville and Jerry Stewart present. (Paul Sommerville, as County Council Chairman, serves as an *ex-officio* member of each standing committee of Council and is entitled to vote.)

County staff: Morris Campbell, Division Director-Community Services; Allison Coppage, Assistant County Attorney; Joshua Gruber, County Attorney; Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator; Alicia Holland, Chief Financial Officer; Gary Kubic, County Administrator; Shannon Loper, Parks and Leisure Services Deputy Director; Scott Marshall, Parks and Leisure Services Director; and Monica Spells, Compliance Officer.

Public: Leah Arnold, Hilton Head Island Recreation Association Program Director; Bubba Gillis, President, Hilton Head Island Recreation Association; and Frank Soule, Executive Director, Hilton Head Island Recreation Association.

Media: Joe Croley, Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce.

Councilman William McBride chaired the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration / Daufuskie Island Ferry Transportation Services for Beaufort County and Beaufort County School District

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view.id=2

Discussion: Mr. Morris Campbell, Division Director – Community Services, reviewed this item with the Committee. Beaufort County issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) from qualified vendors capable of providing ferry services for Daufuskie Island residents and Beaufort County School District students. The intent of the RFP is to select the most qualified, responsive and

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responsible vendor whose schedule of service, support, and price are in the best interest of Beaufort County and Beaufort County School District. The scope of services requires the selected vendor(s) to provide a complete, efficient ferry service, including the necessary labor, supervision, equipment, licenses, and insurance.

On March 19, 2014, Beaufort County received two responses to the RFP from the following vendors: J & W of Greenwood, South Carolina and Haig Point. The evaluation committee reviewed both responses. After review and consideration of the RFP evaluation criteria scoring, the evaluation committee recommended Haig Point to provide ferry services for the Beaufort County School District students, Beaufort County Fire, EMS, and staff. The evaluation committee recommended J & W of Greenwood to provide ferry services for Daufuskie Island residents and property owners.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Vaux, seconded by Mr. Fobes, that Committee approve and recommend Council award contracts to: (i) J & W of Greenwood in the amount of \$241,200 to provide ferry services for Daufuskie Island residents and property owners and (ii) Haig Point in the amount of \$145,000 to provide ferry services for the Beaufort County School District students, Beaufort County Fire, EMS, and staff. Both contracts will be for an initial two-year term beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2016 with three, one-year contract renewal options for a potential five-year contracts. Funding will come from Account 25460011-55540, Daufuskie Ferry Transportation. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Caporale, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. ABSENT - Mr. Dawson. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council award contracts to: (i) J & W of Greenwood in the amount of \$241,200 to provide ferry services for Daufuskie Island residents and property owners and (ii) Haig Point in the amount of \$145,000 to provide ferry services for the Beaufort County School District students, Beaufort County Fire, EMS, and staff. Both contracts will be for an initial two-year term beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2016 with three, one-year contract renewal options for a potential five-year contracts. Funding will come from Account 25460011-55540, Daufuskie Ferry Transportation.

2. Consideration of Reappointments and Appointments

• Foster Care Review Board

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicu.com/V/wPublisher.php?view_id=2

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Vaux, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Committee approve and recommend Council nominate Joyce Hall to serve as a member of the Foster Care Review Board. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Vaux, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Committee approve and recommend Council reappoint Linda Cecil to serve as a member of the Foster Care Review Board. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council nominate Joyce Hall for appointment and Linda Cecil for reappointment to serve as members of the Foster Care Review Board.

INFORMATION ITEM

3. Consideration / Employee Cost of Living Adjustment

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view id=2

Discussion: Committee Chairman William McBride provided an overview of this item. During the annual planning meeting (retreat) he brought forth the issue of an employee cost of living adjustment (COLA) as a priority, yet it was never discussed. You cannot continue to reduce your workforce and expect employees to take on more responsibilities without recognizing an appropriate cost of living adjustment.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Von Harten, seconded by Mr. Vaux, that Community Services Committee recommend administration move forward with a 1% employee cost of living adjustment (COLA) for FY2014/2015.

Mr. Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator, informed the Committee that the Town of Port Royal is issuing a 1% COLA, the Town of Bluffton has a 3% merit adjustment, the Town of Hilton Head Island a 3% merit adjustment, and he is unsure what the State has approved at this time.

Mr. Kubic noted the proposed budget is balanced and it relies on \$725,000 in reserves with no ad valorem tax increase. The choices available to Council to satisfy any additional expense are the application of additional reserves, consideration of ad valorem taxes, reduction is Departments' allocations, or any combination therein.

<u>The vote: YEAS - Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS - Mr. Caporale. ABSENT - Mr. Dawson. The motion passed.</u>

Status: Administration to consider a 1% employee cost of living adjustment for FY 2014/2015.

4. Presentation / Hilton Head Island Recreation Association

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2

Discussion: Mr. Frank Soule, Executive Director-Hilton Head Island Recreation Association, presented an overview of the Hilton Head Island Recreation Association. He reviewed with the Committee the history of the Association, the relationship the Association has

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with both the Town of Hilton Head Island and Beaufort County. Mr. Soule provided a program overview and the value the Association provides to the community as well as an overview of the participation visits in 2013, which amounted to 261,574, as well as a growth chart from years 2012 and 2013. The budgeted revenues for FY 2014/2015 totaled \$1,908,428. The breakdown of such totals is as follows: \$1,064,150 from Program, Community Events and Fundraising, \$629,278 from the Town of Hilton Head, \$80,000 from PALS Program Support, and \$135,000 from PALS Pool Operation Support. The Association is requesting Council to approve the following amounts for FY 2015: Pool Operation \$135,000 and Program Support \$80,000. This request does not contain an increase over the current year funding.

Status: Information only.

5. Update / Request to Establish a Community / Human Relations Council in Beaufort County

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php.view_id=2

Discussion: Mr. Joshua Gruber, County Attorney, updated the Committee on this item. Some time ago, a group of individuals came forward to the Committee requesting that Council undertake an exercise to form a local Human Relations Council. The South Carolina Code of Regulations states that a local community relations council can be formed one of two ways: (i) through direct action of a local government entity such as a mayor, town council, or county council, or (ii) through the participation of 15 citizens agreeing to be on the commission. Without having many details about the undertakings of this organization, he has two concerns. The first being that this entity will be providing mediation services which he would be concerned with Council endorsing one entity to provide such service. There are a number of entities and agencies providing such services. He cautioned Council in supporting one, in exclusion of the others. In addition, in doing research, he found that one or more of the other Community Relations Council formed around the state, solicit donations. He has concern with Council supporting an agency that is soliciting financing from the public. Since the entity can take action, without the action of Council, he recommends they take that route.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Von Harten, seconded by Mr. Vaux, that Community Services Committee table the motion to establish a Human Relations Council in Beaufort County until the issue is brought back before Committee. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Fobes, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS Mr. Caporale and Mr. McBride. ABSENT - Mr. Dawson. The motion passed.

Status: Committee tabled this item.

6. Update / Beaufort County Department of Disabilities and Special Needs SCDOT Grant for 2014

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Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2

Discussion: Mr. Morris Campbell, Division Director–Community Services, came before the committee with updated information regarding a 2014 SCDOT grant that was awarded to the Beaufort County Department of Disabilities and Special Needs in the amount of \$59,062. The grant will assist with transportation for the Disabilities and Special Needs Program for fiscal year 2013-14. The local matching fund requirement of \$14,766 came from the County.

Status: Information only.



WORK SESSION OF FINANCE AND GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEES

June 23, 2014

The electronic and print media duly notified in accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

A work session of Finance and Governmental Committees met Monday, June 23, 2014 beginning at 2:30 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman Rick Caporale, Vice Chairman Steven Fobes and members Cynthia Bensch, Gerald Dawson, Brian Flewelling, William McBride, Stu Rodman, Paul Sommerville, Jerry Stewart, Roberts "Tabor" Vaux and Laura Von Harten. (Paul Sommerville, as County Council Chairman, serves as an *ex-officio* member of each standing committee of Council and is entitled to vote.)

County staff: Morris Campbell, Division Director-Community Services; Allison Coppage, Assistant County Attorney; Tony Criscitiello, Division Director – Planning and Development; Joshua Gruber, County Attorney; Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator; Gary Kubic, County Administrator; and Jon Rembold, Airports Director.

Public Dr. Andrew Beall, Executive Director, Santa Elena Foundation; Senator Tom Davis; Bill Evans, Chairman, Board of Education; Daryl Ferguson, representative, Santa Elena Project; Jeffrey Moss, School District Superintendent; Marc Orlando, Bluffton Town Deputy Director; Dr. Larry Rowland, Beaufort County Historical Society; Dick Stewart, representative, Santa Elena Project; Roberts Vaux, lawyer; and Phyllis White, School District Chief Operational Services Officer.

Media: Joe Croley, Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce, and Zach Murdaugh, *The Beaufort Gazette/The Island Packet*.

Councilman Caporale chaired the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Continued Discussion of a Resolution of Beaufort County Council Amending the Intergovernmental Agreement Between Beaufort County and the Town of Bluffton Concerning the Collection and Expenditure of Revenues from Municipal Properties Identified in the Beaufort-Jasper Multi-County Industrial Park

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view id=2

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Rodman, seconded by Mr. Fobes, that Finance Committee recommend Council adopt a resolution amending the Intergovernmental Agreement between Beaufort County and the Town of Bluffton concerning the collection and expenditure of revenues from municipal properties identified in the Beaufort-Jasper Multi-County Industrial Park. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council adopt a Resolution amending the Intergovernmental Agreement between Beaufort County and the Town of Bluffton concerning the collection and expenditure of revenues from municipal properties identified in the Beaufort-Jasper Multi-County Industrial Park. (The Bluffton Town Council will take action on this item at its July 15, 2014 meeting.)

- 2. Consideration of Contract Awards
 - Aviation Fuel Services for Lady's Island Airport Beaufort County / ARW

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://bearfort.granicus.com/View/wilsher.php?view.id=2

Discussion: Mr. Jon Rembold, Airports Director, reviewed this item with the Committee. Beaufort County issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) in May 2014 to vendors capable of providing aviation fuel services. The County operates the fixed base operation and sells approximately 44,000 gallons of aviation gasoline and 38,000 gallons of jet fuel per year. The fuel is stored in two 12,000-gallon storage tanks and dispensed from a 1,000 gallon avgas refueler and a 3,000 gallon jet refueler. The current fuel supplier, Eastern Aviation Fuels, Inc., (Eastern") has satisfactorily supplied Shell branded fuels to the Beaufort County Airport at Lady's Island for the past five years and the current contract will expire June 30, 2014. On June 6, 2014, the County received one proposal, which was from Eastern. Their proposal was reviewed by a staff evaluation committee and determined to be fair and reasonable. Eastern will upgrade the avgas refueler to a later model with no increase in lease fees and will provide \$1,500 for uniforms and \$2,000 in fuel farm upgrades. They will also continue to provide maintenance support, training, advertising, and will support the Beaufort County Airport annual event. The estimated annual cost per year is \$360,000 times a three-year initial contract term for

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a total estimated cost of \$1,080,000. Funding will come from Account 51000011-5800, Lady's Island Airport Operations, Purchases-Fuels/Lubes.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Rodman, seconded by Mr. Flewelling, that Finance Committee recommend Council award a contract to Eastern Aviation Fuels, Inc., New Bern, North Carolina, in the amount of \$1,080,000 (\$360,000 annual cost), effective July 1, 2014 for an initial three-year term ending June 30, 2017 with two one-year extension options at the sole discretion of the County for a potential five-year contract. Funding will come from Account 51000011-5800, Lady's Island Airport Operations, Purchases-Fuels/Lubes. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council award a contract to Eastern Aviation Fuels, Inc., New Bern, North Carolina, in the amount of \$1,080,000 (\$360,000 annual cost), effective July 1, 2014 for an initial three-year term ending June 30, 2017 with two one-year extension options at the sole discretion of the County for a potential five-year contract. Funding will come from Account 51000011-5800, Lady's Island Airport Operations, Purchases-Fuels/Lubes.

3. Discussion / Santa Elena Project

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublistex.php?yorv.id=2

Discussion: The economic impact of Santa Elena and the economic influence of heritage tourism in Beaufort County was reviewed by the Committee. The following individuals spoke favorably of this project: Senator Tom Davis, Dr. Larry Rowland, Beaufort County Historical Society, Dick Stewart, Daryl Ferguson and Dr. Andrew Beall.

Mr. Rodman provided the Committee with an overview of near- and long-term phases of the Santa Elena Project.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Rodman, seconded by Mr. Flewelling, that Finance Committee approve and recommend Council approve on first reading, by title only, an ordinance to appropriate funds not to exceed \$75,000 from the local (3%) accommodations tax funds to the Santa Elena Foundation. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council approve on first reading, by title only, an ordinance to appropriate funds not to exceed \$75,000 from the local (3%) accommodations tax funds to the Santa Elena Foundation.

INFORMATION ITEMS

4. Consideration of Contract Award

• Talbert & Bright Master Plan Services Agreement / Work Authorization / HXD

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?viewid=2

Discussion: Mr. Jon Rembold, Airports Director, reviewed the various Talbert and Bright work authorizations with the Committee for approval.

Project Number 2119-1201

This project involves the acquisition of approximately 5.02 acres of property adjacent to Runway 03 at the Hilton Head Island Airport in accordance with the Master Contract as well as relocation assistance in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended. The total contract amount is \$145,924, with \$131,331 coming from FAA grant funding, and a local match of \$14,593.

Project Number 2119-1302

This project involves engineering and planning services for the design and bidding of the contract drawings for the Taxiway A relocation and replacement ramp project at the Hilton Head Island Airport. The total contract amount is \$228,020, with \$205,218 coming from FAA Grant funding, \$11,401 from SCAC Grant funding, and a local match of \$11,401.

Project Number 2119-1303

This project involves engineering and planning services for the design and bidding of the contract drawings for the Taxiway F realignment project at the Hilton Head Island Airport. The total contract amount is \$132,883, with \$119,595 coming from FAA Grant funding, \$6,644 from SCAC Grant funding, and a local match of \$6,644.

Project Number 2119-1305

This project involves the scope of services relating to the preparation of a categorical exclusion for the relocation of Taxiway A and replacement ramp and realignment of Taxiway F. Tasks include project management, state, federal and local agency coordination, categorical exclusion checklist, draft categorical exclusion documentation, advertise and evaluate comments, and final categorical exclusion documentation. The total contract amount is \$65,014, with \$58,513 in FAA Grant funding, \$3,251 in SCAC Grant funding, and a local match of \$3,252.

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Project Number 2119-1307

This project involves the completion of the on-site tree mitigation for the tree removal project on Runway 21 and includes the following tasks: preliminary design, bid phase services, and construction phase services. The total contract amount is \$205,129, with \$194,872 coming from FAA Grant funding, \$5,128 in SCAC Grant funding, and a local match of \$5,129.

Project Number 2119-1006

This project involves engineering and planning services for preparation, design and bidding for the contract drawings for the proposed extension of Runway 03 with a proposed Engineered Materials Arresting System (EMAS) beyond the extended end of Runway 03, and proposed extension of Runway 21, for the Hilton Head Island Airport in accordance with the Master Contract. Services provided will include civil, electrical and geotechnical engineering services required to accomplish Phase 01 – Preliminary Designs, Phase 04 – Engineering Phase Activities, Phase 04 – Final Design, and Phase 05 – Bidding. The total contract amount is \$626,316, with \$563,684 coming from FAA Grant funding, \$31,316 from SCAC Grant funding, and a local match of \$31,316.

Project Number 2119-1404

This project involves the acquisition of approximately 8.06 acres of property adjacent to Runway 21 and Beach City Road at the Hilton Head Island Airport in accordance with the Master Contract, as well as relocation assistance in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended. The total contract amount is \$145,751, with \$131,176 coming from FAA Grant Funding, and a local match of \$14,575.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Rodman, seconded by Mr. Flewelling, that Finance Committee approve Talbert and Bright work authorizations for the following projects: No. 2119-1201, No. 2119-1302, No. 2110-1303, No. 2119-1305, No. 2119-1307, No. 2119-1006, and No. 2119-1404. The total contract amount for all projects is \$1,549,036, with \$1,404,389 from FAA Grant funding, \$57,740 in SCAC Grant funding, and a local match of \$86,907. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride, Mr. Rodman, Mr. Sommerville, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux, and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Status: Committee approved Talbert and Bright work authorizations for the following Projects: No. 2119-1201, No. 2119-1302, No. 2110-1303, No. 2119-1305, No. 2119-1307, No. 2119-1006, and No. 2119-1404. The total contract amount for all projects is \$1,549,036, with \$1,404,389 from FAA Grant funding, \$57,740 in SCAC Grant funding, and a local match of \$86,907.

5. Discussion / School District Budget

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view id=2

Discussion: Mr. Caporale, Committee Chairman, provided an update to the Committee on current items for discussion regarding the School District FY-2015 Budget. He said there have been discussions between the County and School District staffs relative to millage value and a disagreement as to how the rate is calculated.

Mr. Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator, stated the County has provided to the School District the documentation and information used to calculate the mill value. The School District has a problem with how to calculate their number due to the change from 6% to 4% property. It is easier to calculate the County's mill value.

Mrs. Phyllis White, School District Chief Operational Services Officer, provided the Committee with a handout titled, "Beaufort County School District – Millage Value and Rate Calculations" to explain the process used in coming up with a projected mill value for FY-2015. She also reviewed with the Committee previous disadvantages in calculating the mill value for the School District -- the fall assessed value is at the highest value and is not as accurate as the spring assessed value. She uses June numbers.

Status: No action Information only.

GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

June 16, 2014

The electronic and print media duly notified in accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

The Governmental Committee met Monday, June 16, 2014, beginning at 2:00 p.m., in the Executive Conference Room of the Administration Building, Beaufort, South Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman Jerry Stewart, Vice Chairman Laura Von Narten, and Committee members Cynthia Bensch, Rick Caporale, Gerald Dawson and Tabor Vaux present. Non-Committee member William McBride present. Committee member Brian Flewelling absent.

County Staff: Allison Coppage, Assistant County Attorney; Phil Foot, Division Director–Public Safety; Joshua Gruber, County Attorney; Gary Kubic, County Administrator; Louise Murray, Hazardous Materials Coordinator, Emergency Management Department; Joy Nelson, staff liaison, Capital Project Sales Tax Commission; and Deputy Fire Chief Tom Webb, Chairman, Local Emergency Planning Committee.

Public: Reed Armstrong, Beaufort Office, Coastal Conservation League; Scott Dadson, Beaufort City Manager; Mike Garrigan, Past-President, Windmill Harbour Association; Ernie Lindblad, President, Windmill Harbour Association; Pete Nardi, Community Relations Manager, Hilton Head Public Service District; Dr. Jane Upshaw, USC-B Chancellor; and Van Willis, Port Royal Town Manager.

Media: Joe Croley, Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce, and Zach Murdock, *The Island Packet / The Beaufort Gazette*.

Mr. Stewart chaired the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Text Amendments to the Beaufort County Code, Article V, Section 46-151 Through Section 46 – 163 of the Hazardous Materials Ordinance

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view id=2

Discussion: Mrs. Allison Coppage, Assistant County Attorney, presented this item to the Committee. This ordinance would allow text amendments to the Beaufort County Code, Article V. Section 46-151 through Section 46-163 of the Hazardous Materials Ordinance. There have been no amendments to this ordinance in 24 years. The amendments are simple modifications to bring it in line with current practices.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Vaux, seconded by Mrs. Bensch, that Committee approve and recommend that Council approve on first reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Code, Article V, Section 46-151 through Section 46-163 of the Hazardous Materials Ordinance. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. ABSENT - Mr. Flewelling. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council approve on first reading text amendments to the Beaufort County Code, Article V, Section 46-151 through Section 46-163 of the Hazardous Materials Ordinance.

2. An Ordinance Enacted Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §4-37-30 et seq. to Impose a One Percent Capital Project Sales and Use Tax For Not More Than Eight Years, If Approved By Referendum

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.phg/view_id=2

Discussion: Mr. Joshua Gruber, County Attorney, provided the Committee with the Ordinance language staff is requesting Council's decision to move forward. The ordinance would:

- Impose a One Percent Capital Project Sales and Use Tax for no more than eight years
- Authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds not to exceed \$240,000,000
- Describe the transportation-related projects and estimated capital costs of the projects to be funded in whole or in part from the proceeds of the tax
- Order a County-wide referendum on the question of imposing the tax and authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds
- Prescribe to the contents of the ballot question
- Provide for all other things necessary to submit the question to the Electorate.

Mr. Gruber presented the 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax Commission – Final List of Projects:

- Beaufort City Downtown Parking Garage / Waterfront Park Expansion \$19,500,000
- Beaufort City Southside Park \$2,100,000
- Bluffton Parkway Phase 5B Realignment \$28,000,000
- Bluffton Parkway Phase 6 \$3,000,000
- Flashing Yellow Signals and Traffic Signal Battery Backup System \$1,000,000
- Depot Road Sidewalk \$500,000
- Hilton Head Island Ward 1 Sewer Projects \$3.4 million
- Hilton Head Road Resurfacing \$5,000,000
- Mast Arm Upgrades \$2,000,000
- May River Initiatives \$19,000,000

- Parris Island Gateway / Savannah Highway Intersection \$750,000
- Spanish Moss Trail \$9,000,000
- Safe Routes to School Pathways \$17,000,000
- Technical College of the Lowcountry Building Replacement \$6,000,000
- Town of Port Royal Port Property \$17,000,000
- U.S. Highway 21 Business / Woods Memorial Bridge and Ribaut Road Intelligent Transportation Systems \$400,000
- U.S. Highway 278 Initiatives \$24,000,000
- U.S. Highway 278 Traffic Adaptive Signals \$300,000
- University of South Carolina Beaufort Arena \$24,000,000
- University of South Carolina Beaufort Sports Complex -\$16,500,000
- Yemassee Rail Industrial Park \$23,000,000

Discussion followed between Council, County staff, and representatives regarding the projects and the details presented.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Von Harten, seconded by Mr. Caporale, that Committee approve and recommend that Council approve on first reading an ordinance enacted pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §4-37-30 et seq. to impose a One Percent Capital Project Sales and Use Tax for not more than eight years, if approved by referendum; to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds not to exceed \$240,000,000 if approved by referendum, to describe the transportation-related projects and estimated capital costs of the projects to be funded in whole or in part from the proceeds of the tax; to order a county-wide referendum on the question of imposing the tax and authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds; to prescribe the contents of the ballot questions; and provide for all other things necessary to submit the aforesaid questions to the electorate. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS - Mr. Vaux, ABSENT - Mr. Flewelling. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council approve on first reading an ordinance enacted pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §4-37-30 *et seq.* to impose a One Percent Capital Project Sales and Use Tax for not more than eight (8) years, if approved by referendum; to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds not to exceed \$240,000,000 if approved by referendum, to describe the transportation-related projects and estimated capital costs of the projects to be funded in whole or in part from the proceeds of the tax; to order a county-wide referendum on the question of imposing the tax and authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds; to prescribe the contents of the ballot questions; and provide for all other things necessary to submit the aforesaid questions to the electorate.

3. Reappointments and Appointments

• Lady's Island / St. Helena Island Fire District

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view id=2

Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Bensch, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Committee approve and recommend that Council nominate David C. Townsend, representing Lady's Island, for reappointment to serve as a member of the Lady's Island / St. Helena Island Fire District Board. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Von Harten. ABSENT – Mr. Flewelling and Mr. Vaux (temporarily left the room). The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council nominate David C. Townsend, representing Lady's Island, for reappointment to serve as a member of the Lady's Island / St. Helena Island Fire District Board.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

June 2, 2014

The electronic and print media duly notified in accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

The Natural Resources Committee met Monday, June 2, 2014, beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, South Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

Committee Chairman Brian Flewelling, Vice Chairman Cynthia Bensch and members Gerald Dawson, William McBride, Jerry Stewart, Tabor Vaux and Laura Von Harten present. Noncommittee members Rick Caporale, Steven Fobes, Stewart Rodman and Paul Sommerville present. (Paul Sommerville, as County Council Chairman, serves as an *ex-officio* member of each standing committee of Council and is entitled to vote.)

County Staff: Allison Coppage, Assistant County Attorney, Tony Criscitiello, Division Director–Planning and Development; Delores Frazier, Assistant Planning Director; Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator; and Gary Kubic, County Administrator.

Public: Reed Armstrong Coastal Conservation League; Ken Driggers, lawyer, Beaufort County Open Land Trust; Ashley Feaster, Executive Director - Homeburlders Association; Patty Kennedy, Executive Director - Beaufort County Open Land Trust; Jason Mann, Director of Community Plans and Liaison Office, Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort; Bob Semmler, Planning Commission Chairman, Jocelyn Staiger, Governmental Affairs Director, Sun City Association of Realtors; and David Tedder, lawyer.

Media: Joe Croley, Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Flewelling chaired the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration / A Resolution of the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Land Preservation Board Recommending County Council Adopt an Ordinance Authorizing the Placement of a Question on the Official Ballot for the General Election to be Conducted November 4, 2014

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2

Discussion: This resolution is a request from the Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Review Board and would authorize the placement of a question on the ballot for the November 4, 2014 General Election. The referendum question, if approved, would allocate one mill in ad valorem taxes to continue the acquisition of lands for conservation and recreation purposes, as well as allow an amount, not to exceed 20% of the total amounts borrowed, to be allowed for the use of making improvements, outside the scope of general property maintenance, to those lands acquired under the Rural and Critical Lands Program.

Mr. Flewelling suggested changing the text from "for the use of making improvements, outside the scope of general property maintenance" to "for use in making improvements or maintenance, as required."

Mr. Vaux has concern with the language "not to exceed 20%," due to it involving borrowing money.

Main motion: It was moved by Ms. Von Harten, seconded by Mr. Vaux, that Natural Resources Committee recommend Council approve on first reading an ordinance authorizing the placement of a question on the official ballot for the general election to be conducted November 4, 2014.

Motion to amend by deletion: It was moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Committee delete the requirement that all lands have to be put under conservation easement, *i.e.*, to acquire lands for reasonable and responsible limited development purposes. The vote: YEAS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS – Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride and Mr. Vaux. The motion passed.

Motion to amend by addition: It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Committee include the language "for maintenance fees for infrastructure improvements on current properties and future purchases." The vote: YEAS – Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Vaux. The motion failed.

Vote on the main motion, which is now the main motion, and includes the motion to amend by deletion: Council approve on first reading an ordinance authorizing the placement of a question on the official ballot for the general election to be conducted November 4, 2014. Further, to include language to allow for the acquisition of lands for reasonable and responsible limited development purposes. The vote: YEAS – Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS – Mrs. Bensch, Mr. McBride and Mr. Vaux. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council approve on first reading an ordinance authorizing the placement of a question on the official ballot for the general election to be conducted November 4, 2014. Further, to include language to allow for the acquisition of lands for reasonable and responsible limited development purposes.

2. Adoption the 2014 Community Development Code, its Appendices, and its Related Zoning Maps

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2

Discussion: This is a request from the Planning Commission that the Natural Resources Committee recommend Council adopt the 2014 Community Development Code, its appendices, and its related zoning maps. Mr. Tony Criscitiello, Division Director – Planning and Development, reviewed the changes proposed by County staff and the Planning Commission with the Committee.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Natural Resources Committee recommend Council approve on first reading an ordinance to adopt the 2014 Beaufort County Community Development Code with procedures to engage in a six-month and one-year evaluation and review. Further, hold the planned unit development standards (PUDs) in abeyance for nine-months until it is determined whether to retain PUDs as a separate section in Division 2.3, Traditional Community Plans.

Motion to amend by addition: It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Committee recommend Council appropriate \$35,000 from fund balance to engage the services of a professionally qualified team of private sector experts experienced in land development planning to test the applicability of the Community Development Code. The vote: YEAS – Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. NAYS – Mrs. Bensch. The motion passed.

Vote on the amended motion, which is now the main motion, and includes the motion to amend by addition. Council approve on first reading an ordinance to adopt the 2014 Beaufort County Community Development Code with procedures to engage in a six-month and one-year evaluation and review, and hold the planned unit development standards (PUDs) in abeyance for nine-months until it is determined whether or not to retain PUDs as a separate section in Division 2.3, Traditional Community Plans. Further, appropriate \$35,000 from fund balance to engage the services of a professionally qualified team of private sector experts experienced in land development planning to test the applicability of the Community Development Code.

Recommendation: Council approve on first reading an ordinance to adopt the 2014 Beaufort County Community Development Code with procedures to engage in a six-month and one-year evaluation and review, and hold the planned unit development standards (PUDs) in abeyance for nine-months until it is determined whether or not to retain PUDs as a separate section in Division 2.3, Traditional Community Plans. Further, appropriate \$35,000 from fund balance to engage the services of a professionally qualified team of private sector experts experienced in land development planning to test the applicability of the Community Development Code.

3. Reappointments and Appointments

• Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board

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Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Bensch, seconded by Ms. Von Harten, that Natural Resources Committee recommend Council nominate Todd Theodore, representing the Town of Hilton Head Island, to serve as a member of the Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council nominate Todd Theodore, representing the Town of Hilton Head Island, to serve as a member of the Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 4. Reappointments and Appointments
 - Northern Corridor Review Board

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/bewPublishes.hp?view.id-2

Status: No nominations at this time.

- 5. Reappointments and Appointments
 - Southern Corridor Review Board

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beautory.granicus.com/VewPublisher.php?view id=2

Status: No nominations at this time.

- 6. Reappointments and Appointments
 - Stormwater Management Utility Board

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view id=2

Status: No nominations at this time.

7. Executive Session

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Von Harten, seconded by Mr. Vaux, that Natural Resources Committee go immediately into executive session for discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed purchase of property. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Flewelling, Mr. McBride, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Vaux and Ms. Von Harten. The motion passed.



PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE

June 16, 2014

The electronic and print media duly notified in accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act.

The Public Facilities Committee met Monday, June 16, 2014 at 4:00 p.m., in the Executive Conference Room of the Administration Building, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, South Carolina.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman Gerald Dawson, Vice Chairman Steven Fobes and members Rick Caporale, Cynthia Bensch, William McBride and Gerald Stewart present. Brian Flewelling absent. Non-Committee member Laura Von Harten present.

County Staff: Allison Coppage, Assistant County Attorney; David Green, Disabilities and Special Needs Department; Joshua Gruber, County Attorney; Bryan Hill, Deputy County Administrator; Alicia Holland, Chief Financial Officer; Gary Kubic, County Administrator, Scott Marshall, Parks and Leisure Services Director; Rob McFee, Division Director–Engineering and Infrastructure; Jon Rembold, Airports Director; Mark Roseneau, Facilities Management Director; Monica Spells, Compliance Officer; Dave Thomas, Purchasing Director, and Mitzi Wagner, Disabilities and Special Needs Director.

Public: Marvin McKesson, A & B Cleaning Services, and David Tedder, lawyer.

Media: Suzanne Larson, Lowcountry Inside Track, and Zach Murdock, The Island Packet / The Beaufort Gazette.

Mr. Dawson chaired the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration of Contract Awards / Recyclables Collection and Processing Services for Beaufort County

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2

Discussion: Mr. Jim Minor, Solid Waste and Recycling Director, reviewed this item with the Committee. Beaufort County issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) in April 2014 to vendors capable of providing recyclable collection and processing services. Beaufort County's current contract with Waste Management of South Carolina, Inc. expires June 31, 2014. The contract provides transportation service for recyclable materials collected from County convenience centers to the Waste Management processing facility at the current rate of \$123.81 per pull. Recyclable materials from the centers and communities in the unincorporated areas are

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processed, baled, marketed, and sold by Waste Management. Waste Management charges \$24 per ton for processing the recyclable material and the County receives a credit of 50% from the sale of recyclables processed. On May 29, 2014, the County received proposals from Republic Services and Waste Management. On June 4, 2014, the staff evaluation committee reviewed and ranked each proposal and Waste Management of South Carolina, Inc. the number one firm. To process the material, they proposed \$137 per pull and \$22 per ton for an estimated \$350,000 cost per year times a three-year initial contract term, for a total estimated cost of \$1,050,000. Funding would come from Account 10001340-61167, Solid Waste and Recycling – Recycling Services.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mr. Fobes, that Public Facilities Committee approve and recommend Council award a contract to Waste Management of South Carolina, Inc. in the amount of \$1,050,000 for recyclables collection and processing services, effective August 1, 2014 for an initial three-year term ending July 31, 2017, with two additional one-year contract renewal options for a potential five-year contract. Funding would come from Account 10001340-61167, Solid Waste and Recycling – Recycling Services. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Caporale, Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride and Mr. Stewart. ABSENT – Mr. Flewelling. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council award a contract to Waste Management of South Carolina, Inc. in the amount of \$1,050,000 for recyclables collection and processing services, effective August 1, 2014 for an initial three-year term ending July 31, 2017 with two additional one-year contract renewal options for a potential five-year contract. Funding would come from Account 10001340-61167, Solid Waste and Recycling - Recycling Services.

2. SCDOT Oversight Services on County Sales Tax Projects

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beautort.granica.com/View ublisher.pkg view id=2

Discussion: Mr. Rob McFee, Division Director – Engineering and Infrastructure, reviewed this item with the Committee In March 2008, Beaufort County executed an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with SCDOT for the County's 2006 Sales Tax Projects. It states in the IGA that SCDOT shall conduct Quality Assurance (QA) oversight services on all construction projects on state-maintained roadways at the discretion of the State Highway Engineer. The IGA also states that SCDOT shall invoice the County for reimbursement for costs incurred as part of the QA oversight activities. Beaufort County reviewed invoices 416384 (\$34,757.31) and 416385 (\$82,458.55) for QA activities on the S.C. Highway 170 Widening Project, Boundary Street Streetscape/TIGER Grant Project, and the Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Segment 2 – U.S. Highway 278 Flyover Bridges construction. Funding for the SCDOT Quality Assurance Services is from each project's 1% Sales Tax Road Improvement Program Accounts – 33403-54500 S.C. Highway 170, 47030011-54503 Boundary Street, and 33401-54500 Bluffton Parkway Phase 5.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Fobes, seconded by Mr. Caporale, that Public Facilities Committee recommend Council approve the payment of SCDOT Quality Assurance Services Invoice 416384 totaling \$34,757.31 and Invoice 416385 totaling \$82,458.55 for activities on the SC Highway 170 Widening Project, Boundary Street Streetscape/TIGER Grant Project and the Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Segment 2 – U.S. Highway 278 Flyover Bridges construction. Funding for the SCDOT Quality Assurance Services is from each project's 1% Sales Tax Road Improvement Program Accounts – 33403-54500 SC 170, 47030011-54503 Boundary Street, and 33401-54500 Bluffton Parkway Phase 5. The vote: YEAS - Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Caporale, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride and Mr. Stewart. ABSENT - Mr. Flewelling. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council approve the payment of SCDOT Quality Assurance Services Invoice 416384 totaling \$34,757.31 and Invoice 416385 totaling \$82,458.55 for activities on SC 170 Widening Project, Boundary Street Streetscape/TIGER Grant Project and the Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A Segment 2 – U.S. Highway 278 Flyover Bridges construction. Funding for the SCDOT Quality Assurance Services is from each project's 1% Sales Tax Road Improvement Program Accounts – 33403-54500 SC Highway 170, 47030011-54503 Boundary Street, and 33401-54500 Bluffton Parkway Phase 5.

3. An Ordinance to Regulate Unfit Dwellings and Unsafe Buildings within the Unincorporated Areas of Beaufort County, to Provide for the Enforcement Thereof, and Matters Related Thereto

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/View/bulisher.php iew id=2

Discussion: This ordinance will allow the regulation of unfit dwellings and unsafe buildings within the unincorporated areas of Beaufort County.

Ms. Von Harten would like to include language within the ordinance to allow historic structures to be exempt of such regulations. Mr. Charles Atkinson, Building Codes Director, stated there are different regulations available for historic buildings to allow a different timeline for repairs of such buildings.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mrs. Bensch, that Public Facilities Committee approve and recommend Council approve on first reading an ordinance to Regulate Unfit Dwellings and Unsafe Buildings within the Unincorporated Areas of Beaufort County, to provide for enforcement thereof, and matters related thereto. The vote: YEAS - Mr. Caporale, Mrs. Bensch, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fobes, Mr. McBride and Mr. Stewart. ABSENT - Mr. Flewelling. The motion passed.

Recommendation: Council approve on first reading an ordinance to Regulate Unfit Dwellings and Unsafe Buildings within the Unincorporated Areas of Beaufort County, to provide for enforcement thereof, and matters related thereto.

INFORMATION ITEM

4. Update / Nuisance Abatement Action (10 Chesterfield Lake Drive)

Notification: To view video of full discussion of this meeting please visit http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?viewid=2

Discussion: Mrs. Allison Coppage, Assistant County Attorney, briefed the Committee on this item. At the April 22, 2014 Public Facilities meeting the Committee directed her to look into a property located at 10 Chesterfield Lake Drive after the County had received several nuisance complaints. There is a problem at the property, including the accumulation of trash and vermin issues. The County issued a citation on April 24, 2014 pursuant to the County's current ordinance. Mrs. Coppage reached out to DHEC to see if they could step in under their health and environmental regulations and abatement statutes. Since DHEC is in the process of reviewing their abatement statutes, they are not inclined to assist with this issue. Thereafter, she went to the Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) for assistance. On June 17, 2014, Mrs. Coppage is going to Magistrate Court to encourage the property owner to take action to bring the property into compliance. The County has no legal authority to get into the home to clean it up. The County has the ability to clean up the yard; but, if the problem is not treated, which is inside of the residence, the issue of infestation will spread throughout the neighborhood.

Status: Informational purposes only.

REAPPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

July 28, 2014

1. Governmental Committee

① Lady's Island / St. Helena Island Fire District

Nominate	Name	Position/Area/Expertise	Reappoint/Appoint	Votes Required
07.28.14	David Townsend	Lady's Island	Reappoint	10 of 11 (3 rd term)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A QUESTION ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE CONDUCTED NOVEMBER 4, 2014, CONCERNING A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING BEAUFORT COUNTY TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO ACQUIRE LANDS FOR PRESERVATION PURPOSES AND TO PAY CERTAIN COSTS AND DEBT SERVICE RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, Beaufort County has experienced a very high rate of growth and the Beaufort County Council recognizes the need to preserve land that has scenic, natural, recreational, rural, and open space character which is deemed essential to the County's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County has created a citizen advisory committee known as the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Board for the purpose of identifying and evaluating potential lands for preservation based upon an official criteria and ranking system established for the County; and

WHEREAS, Policy 8 under the Transportation Programs section of the Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan recognizes the fact that portions of the County's roadway system's long term capacity is constrained and additional roadway infrastructure cannot resolve all of the county's roadway capacity problems; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Board has requested that the County conduct a referendum that if favorably approved by the citizens of Beaufort County, would allocate 1 mill in ad valorem taxes for the express purpose of continuing the acquisition of lands for conservation and recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County Council believes that it is in the best interests of its citizens to conduct a referendum that if favorably approved by the citizens of Beaufort County, would allocate 1 mill in ad valorem taxes for the express purpose of continuing the acquisition of lands for conservation, recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Board has additionally requested that an amount not to exceed 20 percent (20%) of the total amounts borrowed under this referendum be allowed for the use in the making of improvements and general property maintenance, to those lands which have been acquired by the County under previous rural and critical lands programs and all such lands acquired under this current proposed borrowing; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County forecasts that a levy of 1 mill as requested by the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Preservation will raise sufficient revenue to finance the issuance of \$20,000,000 in general obligation bonds; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of Beaufort County Council that at the time of this borrowing, the anticipated repayment shall never exceed more than 1 mill; and

WHEREAS, the purposes of the bond proceeds are to provide for and protect natural areas and open space, to protect water quality from harmful effects of over-development, to preserve land for recreational activities, to preserve farm and forest land, to preserve the rural character of Beaufort County, and to protect other environmentally sensitive areas such as wetlands, marsh lands and headwater areas.

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Beaufort County Council that pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-9-30, *et seq.* of the *Code of Laws of South Carolina*, 1976, as amended, the Beaufort County Council hereby directs the Beaufort County Board of Elections and Registration to print on the official ballot to be used in the General Election to be held on November 4, 2014 the following public question:

OFFICIAL BALLOT, REFERENDUM GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000,000 FOR LAND PRESERVATION TO PROTECT NATURAL LAND, FARMLAND AND WATER QUALITY

NOVEMBER 4, 2014

"Shall Beaufort County, South Carolina issue general obligation bonds, not to exceed \$20,000,000, representing a borrowing that at no time shall exceed 1 mill in debt service repayment, for the purpose of land preservation, by purchasing land, development rights and/or conservation easements in all areas of Beaufort County, in order to protect water quality, natural lands, wildlife areas, farmland, parkland, recreational areas, coastal areas, rivers and wetlands, provided that all expenditures shall be prioritized based upon an official criteria and ranking system established for the County, and subject to an annual independent audit and provide that an amount, not to exceed 20 percent (20%) of the amount borrowed may be spent on improvements and general property maintenance, to those lands which have been acquired by Beaufort County, South Carolina under previous rural and critical lands programs and all such lands acquired under this current proposed borrowing?

If the voter wishes to vote in favor of the question, place a check or cross mark in the square after the words "In favor of the question"; if the voter wishes to vote against the question, place a check or cross mark in the square after the words "Opposed to the question."

YES	In favor of the question	[]
NO	Opposed to the question	[]"

If this question is approved, then Beaufort County will be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20 million. The bond funds will allow Beaufort County to continue to preserve open land as well as making improvements to such lands. Bond funds may be used only for the purposes stated in the ballot question. None of the funds may be used for any other purpose, or for administrative expenses of Beaufort County. However, the County shall be permitted to expend bond funds to engage a qualifying organization(s) in the management of the Beaufort County Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Program. An annual audit will verify that the funds are used as required by law.

Adopted this day of	, 2014.	
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUN	ΤY
	BY: D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
Joshua A. Gruber, County Attorney		
ATTEST:		
Suzanne M. Rainey Clerk to Council		

Third and Final Reading:

Second Reading: Public Hearing:

First Reading: June 23, 2014

TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY CODE, ARTICLE V, SECTION 46-151 THROUGH SECTION 46 – 163 OF THE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Act 283 of 1975, The Home Rule Act, vested Beaufort County Council with the independent authority to control all acts and powers of local governmental authority that are not expressly prohibited by South Carolina law; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 46 – 151 through Section 46 -163 was adopted in 1990 by Beaufort County Council to develop a database of information concerning the location and disposal of hazardous materials in the County; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County Council believes to best provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens it is appropriate to amend Article V, Section 46 – 151 through Section 46 - 163 of the Beaufort County Code and to provide for additional terms to said Article; and

WHEREAS, text that is <u>underscored</u> shall be added text and text lined through shall be deleted text; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY BEAUFORT COUNTY COUNCIL, that Section 46 of the Beaufort County Code is hereby amended and replaced with the following:

Sec. 46-151. Purpose.

- (a) It is the intent of this article to develop a database of information concerning the location and disposal of hazardous materials in the county. This database will be used to protect firefighters and emergency personnel from injury or death occurring from an explosion or fire because of unknown dangerous materials present.
- (b) It is further intended to use this database to protect the natural environment through the monitoring of use and disposal of hazardous materials within the county.
- (c) It is further intended to locate and identify those businesses that should report extremely hazardous substances under SARA, title III, in order to form site plans and ensure compliance.

(Code 1982, § 8-41)

Sec. 46-152. Scope.

(a) This article shall apply to all materials that are highly flammable or that may react to cause fires or explosions or that, by their presence, create or augment a fire or explosion hazard or that, because of the toxicity, flammability, or liability of

explosion, render firefighting, rescue or public safety operations abnormally dangerous or difficult or create a threat to public health or safety. This article shall also apply to flammable or combustible liquids that are chemically unstable and that may spontaneously form explosive compounds or undergo spontaneous reactions of explosive violence or with sufficient evolution of heat to be a fire hazard. Hazardous materials shall include such materials as flammable solids, corrosive liquids, radioactive materials, oxidizing materials, potentially explosive materials, poisonous gases and hazardous materials known or suspected of chronic toxicity, as defined in this article. However, this article shall not include heating fuels, lubricating oils, hydraulic oils, lubricating greases or compressed gases for residential use.

- (b) The storing, handling and dispensing of materials covered by this article shall be pursuant to the requirements of any and all applicable local, state and federal codes.
- (c) This article recognizes that transporters of hazardous materials must comply with all United States Department of Transportation regulations, such hazardous materials regulations governing both interstate and intrastate activities.

(Code 1982, § 8-42)

Sec. 46-153. Applicability of Classes and Divisions; Extremely Hazardous Substances; Registration Categories.

(a) For the purposes of this article, the following divisions, as identified by the United Nations Classification System, shall apply:

Class 1	Explosives	
1.1	Explosives with a mass explosion hazard	
1.2	Explosives with a projection hazard	
1.3	Explosives with a predominantly fire hazard	
1.4	Explosives with no significant blast hazard	
1.5	Very insensitive explosives	
Class 2	Gases	
2.1	Flammable gases (can be ignited very easily)	
2.2	Nonflammable gases	
2.3	Poison gases (any gas of such nature that a small amount of the gas, when mixed with air, is dangerous to life)	

Class 3	Flammable Liquids		
3.1	Flashpoint below minus 18° C (0° F)		
3.2	Flashpoint minus 18° C and above but less than 23° C (73° F)		
3.3	Flashpoint of 23° C and up to 61° C (141° F)		
Class 4	Flammable Solids; Spontaneously Combustible Materials; Materials Dangerous When Wet		
4.1	Flammable solids (a solid substance, other than one classified as an explosive, which is liable to cause fires through friction, through absorption of moisture, through spontaneous chemical changes, or as a result of retained heat from manufacturing or processing)		
4.2	Spontaneously combustible materials		
4.3	Materials that are dangerous when wet		
Class 5	Oxidizers and Organic Peroxides		
5.1	Oxidizers (evolves oxygen either spontaneously or with mild heating)		
5.2	Organic peroxides		
Class 6	Poisonous and Etiologic (Infectious) Materials		
6.1	Poison A: A liquid so toxic that an extremely small amount of the vapor formed by the liquid is dangerous to life		
	Poison B: Less toxic liquids and solids that are hazardous either by contact with the body (skin absorption) or by ingestion		
	Poison C: Liquids or solids that evolve toxic or strongly irritating fumes when heated or when exposed to air		
6.2	Etiological (infectious) materials		
Class 7	Radioactive Materials		
	Any material or combination of materials that spontaneously emits ionizing radiation		
Class 8	Corrosives		
	Any acids, alkaline caustic liquids, and other corrosive liquids which, when in contact with living tissue, will cause severe damage of such tissue by chemical action; in case of leakage will materially damage or destroy other containers of other hazardous commodities by chemical action and cause the release of their contents; or are liable to cause fire when in contact with organic matter or with certain materials		
Class 9	Miscellaneous Hazardous Materials/Other Regulated Materials (ORM) (NEW)		
	Materials that present a hazard during transportation but do not meet other hazard class definitions. (i.e., asbestos, dry ice, polymeric beads. PCBs)		

- (b) Extremely hazardous substances are those substances designated as such by the administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency.
- (c) For the purposes of registration, the following registration categories are hereby established and defined:
 - (1) Category A includes any facility which uses, produces or stores any amount of extremely hazardous substance, as defined by section 304 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (SARA title III), and meets or exceeds the reportable quantities under the extremely hazardous substances list, or under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980 list.
 - (2) Category B includes any facility which produces hazardous chemicals and/or stores hazardous chemicals for wholesale and/or any facility which uses hazardous chemicals, as defined in subsection (a) of this section, and meets or exceeds quantities listed in subsection (f) of this section.
 - (3) Category C includes any facility which handles or stores any hazardous chemical, as defined in subsection (a) of this section, and meets or exceeds quantities listed in section (f) of this section for retail sale to the general public.
- (d) For the purpose of registration, the term hazardous chemicals does not include the following:
 - (1) Any food, food additive, color additive, drug or cosmetic regulated by the Food and Drug Administration.
 - (2) Any substance to the extent it is used for personal, family or household purposes.
 - (3) Any substance to the extent it is used in a medical research laboratory or a hospital or other medical facility under the direct supervision of a technically qualified individual.
 - (4) Any substance to the extent it is used by a food service facility in the preparation of such food for human consumption.
 - (5) Any substance to the extent it is stored and used by the facility for janitorial and housekeeping purposes only.
- (e) This article shall not apply to farmers, provided their storing, handling, and use of hazardous materials is for farming purposes only.
- (f) A registration shall be required for the use, handling, production, and/or storage of any quantity of hazardous chemicals, as defined under subsection (a) of this section, which meets or exceeds the following amounts. NOTE: A registration shall also be required for those facilities which adhere to Category A in subsection (c)(1) of this section:

Classification	Division	Amount
Class 1	1.1	Any
	1.2	Any
	1.3	Any
	1.4	Any
	1.5	Any
Class 2	2.1	100 lbs . 50 lbs.
	2.2	None 50 lbs.
	2.3	Any
Class 3	3.1	55 gals. 25
	3.2	55 gals. 25
	3.3	55 gals. 25
Class 4	4.1	10 lbs.
	4.2	10 lbs.
	4.3	10 lbs.
Class 5	5.1	200 lbs.
	5.2	10 lbs.
Class 6	6.1	Any
	6.2	Any
Class 7		Any
Class 8		55 gals. 25
(NEW) Class 9		Any

(Code 1982, § 8-43)

Sec. 46-154. Enforcement and Administration.

The county emergency preparedness department <u>Emergency Management Division of</u> the Beaufort County Sheriff's Office will be responsible for the administration of this article and maintaining registrations.

(Code 1982, § 8-44) **Cross reference**— Administration, ch. 2.

Sec. 46-155. Official's Right of Entry.

- (a) The appropriate official designated by the county administrator or his authorized representative (i.e., Fire Marshal in the appropriate jurisdiction) may, at all reasonable times, request access to any building, whether completed or under construction, or to any property for the purpose of making an inspection or investigation to enforce any of the sections of this article, and if denied and a belief exists as to probable cause that hazardous materials are present, such official shall obtain a search warrant to allow inspection of the premises.
- (b) If an emergency appears to exist, the county may petition for a court order enjoining the owner or occupant of the premises from conducting business or storing the product in question.
- (c) No person, owner or occupant of any building or premises shall fail, after proper credentials are displayed, to permit entry into any building or onto any property by the appropriate official designated by the county administrator or a duly authorized agent for the purpose of inspections pursuant to this article. Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, sentenced to a fine of \$200.00 \$500 or 30 days in jail for each offense.

(Code 1982, § 8-45)

Sec. 46-156. Sampling Permitted.

Under this article, the appropriate official may verify the contents of any chemical container by taking a sample for analysis if the holder or owner of a chemical container is unable to identify or substantiate the contents through the production of trade-accepted manifests and/or acceptable documentation.

(Code 1982, § 8-46)

Sec. 46-157. Vehicle Inspection.

No material shall be transported in any vehicle which has physical, mechanical or electrical defects that could cause or contribute to fire or explosion or which is

improperly placarded, as provided in the United States Department of Transportation regulation. The appropriate official designated by the county administrator and any county law enforcement officer shall have the authority to inspect a vehicle transporting materials for such defects or violations and shall prohibit a defective vehicle or improperly placarded vehicle from transporting materials on roads and highways within the county.

(Code 1982, § 8-47)

Cross reference— Traffic and vehicles, ch. 70.

Sec. 46-158. Disposal.

Disposal of hazardous materials shall be by methods meeting all requirements of state and federal law. Upon registration of hazardous materials, a list of materials for disposal, method of disposal and location of disposal shall be supplied.

(Code 1982, § 8-48)

Sec. 46-159. Registration and Fees Required.

(a) A fee shall be paid for initial registration pursuant to this article. An annual renewal fee shall be paid by January 1 of each year. Only one registration is required per facility per year. The fee schedule shall be as follows:

Category Initial Registration		Renewal Registration	
A	\$300.00	\$200.00	
В	150.00	100.00	
С	100.00	50.00	

- (b) No registration shall be valid after December 31 of the year in which it was issued.
- (c) Those who have not paid their renewal fee by January 1st shall be subject to a late fee of double their annual renewal fee. (i.e., Category A = \$400, Category B = \$200, Category C = \$100)
- (e) (d) Government agencies are exempted from the fees but are not exempted from compliance.
- (d) (e) Registrations are nontransferable.

(Code 1982, § 8-49)

Sec. 46-160. Disposition of Fees Collected.

- (a) All fees collected pursuant to this article shall be turned in to the county treasurer and credited to the county's general fund.
- (b) The funds generated by this article will be allocated to the Local Emergency Planning Committee as described by the Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (SARA title III). The Committee will use these funds to purchase hazardous materials equipment, to develop a hazardous materials response capability and to conduct training needed for combating all hazardous materials incidents.

(Code 1982, § 8-50)

Sec. 46-161. Notices and Orders.

Whenever the a Fire Marshal in his/her appropriate jurisdiction, or a duly authorized agent designated by the county administrator finds, in any building or upon any premises, dangerous or hazardous conditions or materials, there shall be issued such Notice or and Orders to remove or remedy the conditions as may be necessary for the protection of life and property from fire and smoke or explosion.

(Code 1982, § 8-51)

Sec. 46-162. Violations and Penalties.

- (a) Any person operating or maintaining any occupancy, premises or vehicle subject to this article who fails to rectify any violation of this article on premises under his control or who fails to take immediate action to abate a violation of this article when ordered or notified to do so by the appropriate official designated by the county administrator or his duly authorized representative shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction sentenced to a fine of \$200.00 \$500 or 30 days in jail for each offense.
- (b) Any person failing to register materials or pay the registration or renewal fee covered by this article is in violation of the article and is subject to the penalties and fees as outlined in subsection (a) of this section.

(Code 1982, § 8-52)

Sec. 46-163. Reimbursement of County's Costs.

If a spill or release of any hazardous material, as defined by this article, occurs which would require the county to commit its hazardous material resources, the party responsible for such spill or release shall pay all costs incurred by the county, including all legal fees, in its efforts to mitigate any risks to life, property and/or the environment

caused by such spill or release. The county administrator or his designee shall have the sole authority to commit the county's hazardous material resources.

(Code 1982, § 8-53)

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE	
This Ordinance shall be effective County Council.	e upon approval at third and final reading by Beaufort
DONE, this day of	2014.
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY
	BY: D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Joshua A. Gruber, Staff Attorney	
ATTEST:	
Suzanne M. Rainey, Clerk to Council	
First Reading: June 23, 2014 Second Reading:	
Public Hearing: Third and Final Reading:	
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AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE UNFIT DWELLINGS AND UNSAFE BUILDINGS WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF BEAUFORT COUNTY, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT THEREOF, AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, This ordinance is authorized pursuant to Section 31-15-310 *et seq.* of the *South Carolina Code of Laws* (1976), as amended; and

WHEREAS, there exists within the unincorporated areas of the County dwellings which are unfit for human habitation due to dilapidation; defects increasing the hazards of fire, accidents or other calamities; lack of ventilation, light or sanitary facilities; extreme or structural deterioration so as to render the dwelling unsafe; or other conditions rendering such dwellings unsafe or unsanitary, dangerous, or detrimental to the health, safety or morals or welfare to the citizens of the County; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County Council believes that it is in the best interests of its citizens to amend the County Code to adopt a mechanism to address such conditions;

WHEREAS, Beaufort County Council desires to further amend said Ordinance to clarify certain provisions and to remove provisions relating to the regulation of unfit dwellings and unsafe buildings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY BEAUFORT COUNTY COUNCIL, that the following regulations are hereby adopted:

NOTE: <u>Underlined and bold-face typed</u> portions indicate additions to the County Code. <u>Stricken-portions</u> indicate deletions to the County Code.

ARTICLE IV. UNSAFE BUILDINGS UNFIT DWELLINGS

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Secs. 74-147—74-175. Reserved. Secs. 74-145 – 74-175. Reserved.

Sec. 74-131. Authority.

The provisions of this article are adopted pursuant to the authority conferred by S.C. Code 1976, § 31-15-310 et seq., as amended.

(Code 1982, § 5-61)

Sec. 74-132. Abatement generally. Definitions.

A building or structure that has been abandoned and is unfit for human habitation due to extreme deterioration of its structural members, which renders such members inadequate to support their own dead weight and other applied loads, or those that have sustained severe structural damage as a result of fire and constitute a hazard to safety or health are considered unsafe and shall be abated by repair or demolition.

(Code 1982, § 5-62)

For the purposes of this article:

- (1) "County" shall mean that area comprising the county other than municipalities;
- (2) "Public Officer" shall mean the office or officers who are authorized by ordinances adopted hereunder to exercise the powers prescribed by such ordinance;
- (3) "Owner" shall mean the holder of the title in fee simple and every mortgagee of record
- (4) "Parties of Interest" shall mean all individuals, association, corporation and others who have interests of record in dwelling and any who are in possession thereof; and
- (5) "Dwelling" shall mean any building or structure, or part thereof, used and occupied for human habitation or intended to be so used and includes any outhouses and appurtenances belonging thereto or usually enjoyed therewith.

(Code 1982, § 5-62)

Sec. 74-133. Preliminary investigation. Unfit Dwelling, Generally.

Whenever it appears to the building official, on his own motion, that any dwelling is unfit for human habitation, the building official shall conduct an inspection to determine if the building is unsafe. If this preliminary investigation discloses a basis for such charges, the building official shall issue and cause to be served upon the owner and all parties in interest in such building a complaint stating the charge in that respect.

Whenever the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) finds that there exist in the County, dwellings which are unfit for human habitation due to (a) dilapidation, (b) defects increasing the hazards of fire, accidents or other calamities, (c) lack of ventilation, light or sanitary facilities (d) extreme or structural deterioration so as to render dwelling unsafe or (e) other conditions rendering such dwellings unsafe or unsanitary, dangerous or detrimental to the health, safety or morals or otherwise inimical to the welfare of the residents of the county, the county may exercise its police powers to repair, close or demolish any such dwelling.

Sec. 74-134. Content and delivery of notice. Powers & Duties

The building official shall prepare and issue a notice of unsafe building directed to the owner of record of the building or structure. Complaints, notices or orders issued by the building official pursuant to this article shall be served upon persons either personally or by registered mail, but if the whereabouts of such person is unknown and cannot be ascertained by the building official in the exercise of reasonable diligence and the building official shall make an affidavit to that effect, the serving of such complaint upon or order upon such person may be made by publishing it once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper printed and published in the county or, in the absence of such newspaper, in one printed and published in the municipality and circulating in the county. A copy of such complaint or order shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises affected by the complaint or order and published in a newspaper of general circulation for two consecutive weeks. A copy of such complaint or order shall also be filed with the clerk of court of the county in which the dwelling is located, and such filing of the complaint or order shall have the same force and effect as other lis pendens notices provided by law. The notice shall contain, but not be limited to, the following information:

- (1)

 The street address and legal description of the building, structure or premises.
- A statement indicating the building or structure has been declared unsafe by the building official, and a detailed report documenting the conditions

determined to have rendered the building or structure unsafe under this article.

A statement advising the owner or other interested parties that a hearing will be conducted by the construction board of adjustments and appeals after 30 days but not more than 45 days from receipt of the complaint.

A statement advising that, if the required action as determined by the building official is not commenced within or completed by the time specified, the building will be ordered demolished and posted to prevent further occupancy until the work is completed, and the building official may cause the work to be done and all costs incurred charged against the property or the owner of record.

If the building or structure is to be repaired, the notice shall require that all necessary permits be secured and the work commenced within 60 days and continued to completion within such time as the building official further determines. The notice shall also indicate the degree to which the repairs must comply with the provisions of the Standard Building Code, in accordance with section 101.2.1.

If the building or structure is to be demolished, the notice shall require that all required permits for demolition be secured and that the demolition be completed within such time as determined reasonable by the building official.

A statement advising that any person having any legal interest in the property may answer the notice by the building official to the construction board of adjustments and appeals and that such answer shall be in writing in the form specified and shall be filed with the building official within 30 days from the date of the notice and that failure to answer in that time may constitute a waiver of all rights to an administrative hearing.

(Code 1982, § 5-64)

(7)

The County Administrator or his designated representative(s) may exercise such powers and duties as may be necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this article, including the following powers in addition to others herein granted.

(a) To investigate the dwelling conditions in the County in order to determine which dwellings therein are unfit for human habitation;

- (b) To administer oaths and affirmations, examine witnesses and receive evidence;
- (c) To enter upon premises for the purpose of making examinations, provided such entries be made in such manner as to cause the least possible inconvenience to the persons in possession;
- (d) To appoint and fix the duties of such officers, agents and employees as he deems necessary to carry out the purposes of the ordinance; and
- (e) To delegate any of his functions and powers under this article to such officers and agents as he may choose.

Sec. 74-135. Delivery of notice confirmation. Investigation and Complaint

Proof of service of the notice required in <u>section 74-134</u> shall be by written declaration indicating the date, time and manner in which service was made or properly notarized and signed by the person served by return receipt.

(Code 1982, § 5-65)

- (a) Whenever a complaint or petition is filed with the County Administrator or his designated representative(s), by at least five residents of the County, charging that any dwelling is unfit for human habitation or whenever it appears to the County Administrator or his designated representative(s), on his own motion, that any dwelling is unfit for human habitation, the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) shall, if his preliminary investigation discloses a basis for such charges, issue and cause to be served upon the owner and all parties of interest in such dwelling, a complaint or notice in letter form, stating the charges and that a hearing may be held before County Administrator or his designated representative(s), not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) calendar days after the service of such complaint or letter; that the owner and parties in interest shall be given the right to file an answer to the complaint and to appear in person or otherwise and give testimony at the place and time fixed in the complaint or a mutually agreed upon time as determined by the owner, all parties of interest and the County Administrator or his designated representative(s).
- (b) If, after such notice and hearing, the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) determines that the dwelling under consideration is unfit for human habitation, he shall state in writing his findings of fact in support of such determination and shall issue and cause to be served upon the owner thereof an order.

Sec. 74-136. Standards for compliance. Order to Owner, Service of Notice, Complaint, or Order and Owner's Answer

The following action shall be taken by the building official when ordering the repair or demolition of an unsafe building or structure. The building shall be ordered repaired in accordance with the Standard Building Code or demolished at the option of the owner.

(Code 1982, § 5-66)

- (a) The order shall contain, but not be limited to, the following information:
 - (1) The street address and legal description of the building, structure or premises.
 - (2) A statement indicating the building or structure has been declared unfit by the building official, and a detailed report documenting the conditions determined to have rendered the building or structure unfit under this article.
 - (3) If the building or structure is to be demolished, the notice shall require that all required permits for demolition be secured and that the demolition be completed within such time as determined reasonable by the County Administrator or his designated representative(s).
 - (4) If the building or structure is to be repaired, the notice shall require that all necessary permits be secured and the work commenced within 60 days and continued to completion within such time as the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) further determines.
- (b) Notice, complaints or orders issued under this article shall be delivered to and/or served upon such persons either personally or by certified mail, return receipt requested, but if the whereabouts of such persons is unknown and cannot be ascertained by County Administrator or his designated representative(s) in the exercise of reasonable diligence, the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) shall make an affidavit to that effect and the serving of such complaint or order upon such persons may be made by publishing it once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper printed and published in the county. A copy of such complaint or order shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises affected by the complaint or order. A copy of the complaint or order shall also be filed with the clerk of court of the county in with the dwelling is located and such filing of the complaint or order shall have the same force and effect as other lis pendens notices provided by law.

Sec. 74-137. Owner's answer and response. Necessary Action by Owner

Any person entitled to service in accordance with this article may answer any action of the building official under this article to the construction board of adjustments and appeals. Such answer must be filed in writing with the building official within 30 days from that date of service and must contain at least the following information:

- (1) Identification of the building or structure concerned by street address or legal description.
- (2) A statement identifying the legal interest of each appellant.
- (3)A statement identifying the specific order or complaint section being answered.
- (3) A statement detailing the issues on which the appellant desires to be heard.
- (4) The legal signature of all owners or occupants and their official mailing addresses.

(Code 1982, § 5-67)

- (a) If the repair, alteration or improvement of the dwelling can be made at a reasonable cost in relation to the value of the dwelling ("reasonable cost" being not over fifty (50) percent of the fair market value of the dwelling), the owner shall be required, within the time specified in the order, to repair, alter or improve such dwelling to render it fit for human habitation or to vacate and close the dwelling as a human habitation; or
- (b) If the repair, alteration or improvement of the dwelling cannot not be made at a reasonable cost in relation to the value of the building ("reasonable cost" being not over 50 percent of fair market value), the owner shall be required, within the time specified in the order, to remove or demolish such dwelling.

Sec. 74-138. Hearing. Failure to Comply

- (a) Generally. After receipt of an answer as provided in section 74-137, the construction board of adjustments and appeals shall conduct a hearing at the time and location fixed by the complaint and notice.
- (b)

 Failure to appear. Failure of any person to appear at the hearing set in accordance with this article shall constitute a waiver of his right to an administrative hearing on the notice.

(c)

Scope. The hearing shall offer the owner or occupant the opportunity to be heard on only those specific matters or issues raised by the owner or occupant. The owner or occupant may appear at the hearing in person or through his attorney or other designated representative.

(Code 1982, § 5-68)

- (a) If the owner fails to comply with an order to repair, alter or improve or to vacate and close the dwelling, the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) may cause such dwelling to be repaired or to be vacated and closed. In addition, the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) may cause to be posted on the main entrance of any dwelling so closed, a placard with the following words: "This building is unfit for human habitation; the use or occupation of this building for human habitation is prohibited and unlawful."
- (b) If the owner fails to comply with an order to remove or demolish the dwelling, the County Administrator or his designee may cause such dwelling to be removed or demolished.

Sec. 74-139. Staying of notice under appeal. Appeal.

Any notice issued by the building official under this article shall be held in abeyance during the course of an appeal.

(Code 1982, § 5-69)

Any person affected by an order issued by the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) may, within sixty days after the posting and service of the order, petition the circuit court for an injunction, restraining the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) from carrying out the provisions of the order and the court may, upon such petition, issue a temporary injunction, restraining the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) pending the final disposition of the cause. Hearings shall be held by the court on such petitions within 20 days or as soon thereafter as possible and shall be given preference over other matters on the court's calendar. The court shall hear and determine the issues raised and shall enter such final order or decree as law and justice may require. In all such proceedings, the findings of the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) as to facts, if supported by evidence, shall be conclusive. Costs shall be in the discretion of the court. The remedies herein provided shall be exclusive remedies and no person affected by an order of the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) shall be entitled to recover any damages for action taken pursuant to any order of the County Administrator or his designated

representative(s) or because of compliance by such person with any order of the County Administrator or his designated representative(s).

Sec. 74-140. Procedure for hearing appeals. Extension of Time.

- (a) Rules. Hearings held pursuant to this article shall not be required to be conducted in accordance with the technical rules relating to evidence and testimony prevailing in courts of law or equity. The construction board of adjustments and appeals may grant continuances for good cause.
- (b) Oaths and affirmations. In any proceedings under this article, any member of the board shall have the power to administer oaths and affirmations and to certify official acts.
- (c) Evidence. Oral evidence shall be taken only on oath or affirmation. Hearsay evidence may be used for the purpose of supplementing or explaining any direct evidence. Relevant evidence shall be admitted if it is the type on which responsible persons are accustomed to rely in the conduct of serious affairs, regardless of the existence of any common law or evidence over objection in civil courts.
- (d) Inspections. The board may inspect any building, structure or premises involved in the hearing during the course of the hearing, provided the following are complied with:
 - (1) Notice of such inspection is given to the parties prior to making the inspection;
 - (2) The parties are allowed to be present during the inspection; and
 - (3) The inspector states for the record, upon completion of the inspection, the facts observed and any conclusions drawn therefrom.

The County Administrator or his designated representative(s) may approve one or more extensions of time as he may determine to be reasonable to complete the required repair or demolition pursuant to this article. All requests for extension of time must be in writing.

Sec. 74-141. Decision procedure; board hearing. Recovery of Costs.

When a case is heard before the construction board of adjustments and appeals itself, as provided in this article, any member who did not hear the evidence presented or who has not read the entire record of the proceeding shall not vote or take part in the decision.

(Code 1982, § 5-71)

The amount of the costs of such repairs, alterations or improvements or the removal or demolition by the county shall be a lien against the real property upon which such cost was incurred and shall be collectible in the same manner as county taxes.

Sec. 74-142. Recourse. Power of County to Declare Nuisance

If the owner or occupant is aggrieved by the decision of the construction board of adjustments and appeals made pursuant to this article, nothing in this section shall be construed to deprive him of seeking redress in civil or other applicable court. The appeal must be filed within 60 days from the effective date of the board's final decision.

(Code 1982, § 5-72)

Nothing in this article shall be construed to impair or limit in any way the power of the county to define and declare nuisances and to cause their removal or abatement by summary proceedings, criminal proceedings or otherwise.

Sec. 74-143. Implementation. Sale of Materials of Removed or Demolished Dwelling.

(a)

Failure to respond. A person who, after the order of the building official or the decision of the construction board of adjustments and appeals becomes final under this article, fails or refuses to respond to the direction of such order shall be prosecuted to the extent provided for by law.

(b)

Failure to commence work. Whenever the required repair, vacation or demolition is not commenced within 90 days after the effective date of the board's order, the building structure or premises shall be posted as follows:

UNSAFE BUILDING DO NOT OCCUPY

It shall be punishable by law to occupy this building or remove or deface this notice.

(Specify the applicable law and penalty for violation thereof)

Building Official
County of Beaufort

(c)

Repair or demolition by county. Subsequent to posting the building, the building official may cause the building to be repaired to the extent required to render it safe or, if the notice required demolition, to cause the building or structure to be demolished and all debris removed from the premises. The cost of repair or

demolition shall constitute a lien on the property and shall be collected in a manner provided by law.

(d)

Payment of monies. Any monies received from the sale of a building or from the demolition thereof, over and above the cost incurred, shall be paid to the owner of record or other persons lawfully entitled thereto.

(Code 1982, § 5-73)

If a dwelling is removed or demolished by the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) he shall sell the materials of such dwelling and shall credit the proceeds of such sale against the cost of the removal or demolition and any balance remaining shall be deposited in the circuit court by the County Administrator or his designated representative(s) shall be secured in such manner as may be directed by such court and shall be disbursed by such court to the persons found to be entitled thereto by final order or decree of such court.

Sec. 74-144. Extension of time. Article Provisions are Cumulative.

The building official may approve one or more extensions of time as he may determine to be reasonable to complete the required repair or demolition pursuant to this article. If such requests for extensions of time, in total, exceed 120 days, they must also be approved by the construction board of adjustments and appeals which may act without further public hearing.

Nothing in this article shall be construed to abrogate or impair the powers of the courts or any department of any municipality in the County to enforce any provisions of its charter or its ordinance or regulations, or to prevent or punish violations thereof and the powers conferred by this article shall be in addition and supplemental to the powers conferred by any other law.

Sec. 74-145. Interference.

No person shall obstruct or interfere with the implementation of any action required by the final notice of the building official or the construction board of adjustments and appeals made pursuant to this article. Any person found interfering or obstructing such actions shall be prosecuted to the extent provided for by law.

(Code 1982, § 5-75)

Sec. 74-146. Recovery of cost of repair or demolition.

Whenever a building or structure is repaired or demolished in accordance with this article and the cost of such repair or demolition is borne by the city, county or state, the governmental entity is empowered to use all legal methods to recover such expense from the responsible owner or occupant of such property.

(Code 1982, § 5-76)	
Secs. 74-147—74-175. Reserved.	
DONE, this day of	2014.
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY
	BY: D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Joshua A. Gruber, Staff Attorney	
ATTEST:	
Suzanne M. Rainey, Clerk to Council	
First Reading: June 23, 2014	
Second Reading: Public Hearing:	
Third and Final Reading:	

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING BEAUFORT COUNTY TO SELL THREE REAL PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED AS:

429 Broad River Boulevard, Beaufort, R100 028 00A 0252 0000 1603 Ivy Lane, Beaufort, R120 008 000 0210 0000

Leroy E. Brown Medical Center, 41 Ball Park Road, St. Helena Island; R300 016 000 183A 0000

WHEREAS, Beaufort County is the owner of real properties located at 429 Broad River Boulevard, Beaufort (R100 028 00A 0252 0000); 1603 Ivy Lane, Beaufort (R120 008 000 0210 0000); and the Leroy E. Brown Medical Center, 41 Ball Park Road, St. Helena Island (R300 016 000 183A 0000); and

WHEREAS, the properties at 429 Broad River Boulevard, Beaufort, SC and 1603 Ivy Lane, Beaufort, SC had been used by Disabilities and Special Needs in its consumer resident program; and

WHEREAS, the property known as the Leroy E. Brown Medical Center, 41 Ball Park Road, St. Helena Island, SC, had been used by Beaufort Jasper-Comprehensive Health Services, which vacated the property when it built a new facility at Penn Center; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County has discontinued its use of these properties thereby leaving the properties vacant and unoccupied; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County has determined that it is in the best interests of its citizens to sell the above-described properties upon such terms and conditions as may be most favorable to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it Ordained by Beaufort County Council that the County Administrator is hereby authorized to execute and sell the properties identified as R100 028 00A 0252 0000, R120 008 000 0210 0000 and R300 016 000 183A 0000, by accepting no less than the appraised value of such properties as determined by an independent appraiser or the most recent assessed value appraisal of the Beaufort County Assessor, and/or on such terms and conditions as the County Administrator believes reasonably prudent and in the best interests of the citizens of Beaufort County.

DONE this day of	, 2014.
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY
	By: D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman
Joshua A. Gruber, Staff Attorney	
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Suzanne M. Rainey, Clerk to Council	
First Reading By Title Only: June 23, 2014	

First Reading, By Title Only: June 23, 2014

Second Reading: Public Hearing:

Third and Final Reading:

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX FUND TO THE SANTA ELENA FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000

WHEREAS, Beaufort County is desirous of supporting the Santa Elena Foundation in its efforts to develop, preserve and showcase this important piece of national history through an interpretive center and continued archaeology digs on Parris Island; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County has determined that it is in the best interests of its citizens to provide funding to the Santa Elena Foundation for this purpose from Local Accommodations Tax Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Beaufort County Council that an appropriation in the amount of \$75,000 be made to the Santa Elena Foundation from the Local Accommodations Tax Fund and any previous appropriations of Accommodations Tax Funds to the Santa Elena Foundation are hereby ratified by this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by Beaufort County Council that all prior disbursements of Local Accommodations Tax Funds by Beaufort County are hereby ratified.

DONE this day of	, 2014.
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY
	By: D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Joshua A. Gruber, Staff Attorney	
ATTEST:	
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Second Reading: Public Hearing:

Third and Final Reading:

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHEROKEE BEAUFORT, LLC, A SOUTH CAROLINA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, AND THE COUNTY OF BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA PURSUANT TO SECTION 6-31-30 OF THE *CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA*, 1976, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina has enacted the "South Carolina Local Government Development Agreement Act" as set forth in Section 6-31-10 through 6-31-160 of the *Code of Laws of South Carolina*, 1976, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes local governments, including Beaufort County through its County Council, to enter Development Agreements with developers for the purpose of providing a continuous agreement for development of projects and for the protection and advance payments for the impact upon the citizens of Beaufort County.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration and pursuant to Section 6-31-10, of the *Code of Laws of South Carolina*, 1976, as amended, Beaufort County Council herein adopts this Ordinance, which is necessary to provide the authority to execute a Development Agreement with Cherokee Beaufort, LLC, a South Carolina Limited Liability Company, authorized to conduct business in South Carolina.

Adopted this day of	, 2014.
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY
	By:
	By: D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Joshua A. Gruber, County Attorney	
ATTEST:	
Suzanne M. Rainey, Clerk to Council	
First Reading:	

Second Reading: Public Hearing:

Third and Final Reading:



Walter J. Nester, III

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MEMORANDUM

Via E-mail Only (jgruber@bcgov.net)

TO: Joshua A. Gruber, Esq.

CC: Allison Coppage, Esq. (via e-mail)

Mr. Tony Criscitiello (via e-mail)

FROM: Walter J. Nester, III

DATE: July 2, 2014

RE: Development Agreement for Cherokee Farms

(Revisions to Page 10, version 9) Our File No. 060462.00001

Josh:

Attached, please find a clean copy of Page 10 (version 9) of the above-referenced Development Agreement, which was revised pursuant to the Development Agreement Subcommittee's agreements on June 25th. I have also enclosed a blackline, which shows the recent revisions made, but am not including the entire document as only Page 10 has been revised.

Please let me know if this is acceptable. Upon your approval, I will forward the final version of the Development Agreement, together with all exhibits, to Sue Rainey so that it may be published in time for the July 28th Natural Resources Committee meeting.

Best regards.

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DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR

CHEROKEE FARMS

BEAUFORT COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

______, 2014

BURTON DEVELOPMENT, LLC

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)	
)	DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT
COUNTY OF BEAUFORT)	FOR CHEROKEE FARMS

This Development Agreement (the "Development Agreement" or the "Agreement") is made and entered into this _____ day of ______, 2014 (the "Effective Date"), by and between Cherokee Beaufort, LLC, a South Carolina limited liability company (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cherokee Beaufort"), Burton Development, LLC, a South Carolina limited liability company (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Burton Development" or "Developer"), and the governmental authority of the County of Beaufort, South Carolina ("Beaufort County" or the "County").

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of South Carolina has enacted the South Carolina Local Government Development Agreement Act (the "**Act**") as set forth in Section 6-31-10 through Section 6-31-160 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976), as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Act recognized that "The lack of certainty in the approval of development can result in a waste of economic and land resources, can discourage sound capital improvement planning and financing, can cause the cost of housing and development to escalate, and can discourage commitment to comprehensive planning." (Section 6-31-10(BB)(1) of the Act); and

WHEREAS, the Act also states: "Development Agreements will encourage the vesting of property rights by protecting such rights from the effect of subsequently enacted local legislation or from the effects of changing policies and procedures of local government agencies which may conflict with any term or provision of the Development Agreement or in any way hinder, restrict, or prevent the development of the project. Development Agreements will provide a reasonable certainty as to the lawful requirements that must be met in protecting vested property rights, while maintaining the authority and duty of government to enforce laws and regulations which promote the public safety, health and general welfare of the citizens of our State" (Section 6-31-10 (B)(6)); and

WHEREAS, the Act further authorizes local governments, including counties, to enter into development agreements with developers to accomplish these and other goals as set forth in Section 6-31-10; and

WHEREAS, Cherokee Beaufort owns two (2) adjacent tracts of land, each as more particularly described in Exhibit "A", which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, which together consist of approximately 105 acres, more or less (collectively referred to as the "Property"), and Cherokee Beaufort has entered into a joint venture agreement with Cherokee Investments, which joint venture agreement resulted in the formation of Burton Development to serve as master developer for the Property (hereinafter, "Owner" or "Developer" shall refer collectively to Cherokee Farms, Cherokee Investments, and Burton Development, unless the context requires otherwise). The Owner proposes to sell, develop, or cause to be developed, a mixture of residential, commercial and/or other uses on the Property as more particularly described in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, in February 2004, Cherokee Investments submitted a development agreement to the County in which certain matters, including traffic mitigation and Air Installations Compatible Use Zone ("AICUZ") application to the Property, were initially addressed (the "2004 Draft Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the 2004 Draft Agreement was held in abeyance while certain matters were addressed, including: matters arising from revised impact traffic mitigation studies; the amendment of the

planned unit development adjacent to the south of the Property and known as Habersham (hereinafter "Habersham" or the "Habersham PUD"), which amendment included additional property in the planned unit development while the Property was re-zoned to a Suburban zoning district; discussions with Beaufort County regarding designing the Property in the same manner or in a similar manner as Habersham; discussions and negotiations regarding the need for the submission of a planned unit development rather than re-zoning to a Suburban zoning district; and, various other related matters; and

WHEREAS, to better adhere to the aesthetic quality, connectivity and continuity between the Property and the adjacent Habersham PUD, Cherokee Investments has developed and submitted to the County a Unified Development Plan (the "Unified Development Plan"), attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "B"</u>, for the Habersham PUD and the Property (collectively hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Unified **Development**"), which was approved by the County on October 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the County acknowledges and agrees that in the area of the Property, the character of the land: supports the development proposed by the Unified Development Plan; furthers the objectives of the Beaufort County Comprehensive Land Use Plan; increases the number of available lots; creates affordable housing opportunities for its citizens; improves traffic conditions; and, secures for its citizens a quality, well-planned and well-designed real estate development, while also increasing the County's tax base; and

WHEREAS, the Development of the Property results in the imposition of certain impact fees (collectively, and not intending to be limiting, hereinafter "**Impact Fees**") in accordance with applicable County ordinances and state law; and

WHEREAS, the County finds that the Owner's proposed development of the Property, as described in this Development Agreement and in the Unified Development Plan, is consistent with Beaufort County's Comprehensive Land Use Plan and will further the health, safety, welfare and economic well-being of the County and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Owner has proposed the construction of certain road infrastructure on and off the Property and has agreed to the dedication thereof to the County; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Development of the Property presents the County with an exceptional opportunity to receive public road system improvements; secures quality planning and a well-designed and constructed mixed use real estate development; enhanced protection of the environment; and, a strengthened and revitalized tax base; and,

WHEREAS, this Development Agreement is being made and entered into between the Owner and the County under the terms of the Act for the purpose of providing assurances to the Owner so that the Owner may proceed with Development of the Property according to the terms of this Agreement and as depicted in the Unified Development Plan without encountering future changes in law that may materially affect the Owner's ability to develop the Property according to the terms of this Development Agreement and as depicted in the Unified Development Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms and conditions set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, including the potential economic benefits to both the County and the Owner by entering this Agreement, and to encourage well-planned development by Owner, the receipt and sufficiency of such consideration being hereby acknowledged, the County and Owner hereby agree as follows:

I. <u>INCORPORATION</u>

The above recitals are hereby incorporated into this Agreement, together with the South Carolina General Assembly findings as set forth under Section 6-31-10(6) of the Act.

II. DEFINITIONS

In addition to the terms defined herein, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

"Act" means the South Carolina Local Government Development Agreement Act, as codified in Sections 6-31-10 through 6-31-160 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976), as amended.

"Covenants" means and refers to one (1) or more declaration of covenants and restrictions for all of or portions of the Property to be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds Office for Beaufort County, South Carolina, and all amendments and supplements thereto.

"Density" means the total number of residential dwelling units ("Dwelling Units", as herein defined) or the total area of commercial square feet permissible for a specific parcel of the Property or for the Property as a whole under the terms of this Agreement, as context dictates. No other density requirements shall be applicable to the Property.

"Develop" or "Development" means the definition of development as set forth in the ZDSO (as defined herein).

"Developer" means the Owner, the master developer, Burton Development, LLC, and all successors in title or lessees of the Owner who undertake Development (as defined herein) of the Property or who have transferred Development Rights (also as defined herein).

"Development Agreement Ordinance" means all terms and conditions of this Development Agreement and all attachments hereto, including but not being limited to the Unified Development Plan and all narratives, applications, site development plans, standards, exhibits and applicable ordinances as the same may be hereafter amended by mutual agreement of the County and the Owner. Specifically, it is noted that the adoption of the Development Agreement Ordinance after public hearings shall have the effect of a properly adopted land use ordinance. To the extent that any provision of the Development Agreement Ordinance may be deemed to be a modification of presently existing Beaufort County law, such modification shall be hereby approved, ratified and adopted as binding upon the Property and the parties hereto by the approval of this Development Agreement.

"Development Application" or "Initial Development Application" means an application for the Development of individual portions or phases of the Property, being the concept (if required) or preliminary application (if required) for land development or subdivision referenced in Sections 106-369 and 106-370 of the ZDSO (as defined herein).

"Development Rights" means the Owner's or Developer's right to Develop the Property, or portions thereof, in accordance with the ZDSO (as defined herein), this Development Agreement and the Unified Development Plan.

"DRT" means Beaufort County's Development Review Team or a similar planning review authorized and described in the ZDSO (as defined herein).

"Dwelling Units" means residential dwellings.

"Effective Date" means the date of complete execution of this Agreement after the County's approval of the Development Agreement Ordinance.

"Impact Fees" or "Development Impact Fee" means a payment of money imposed as a condition of approval for Development, as defined in Section 6-1-920(8) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended.

"Habersham Amended PUD" means that certain planned unit development for Habersham, which was approved on December 9, 1996, as amended by that certain amendment thereto, which was approved on March 13, 2006.

"ITE" means Institute of Traffic Engineers.

"Owner" means Cherokee Beaufort, LLC, its successors and/or assigns.

"Owners Association" means an entity or entities formed pursuant to applicable law and/or restrictive land use covenants, which may be responsible for the construction and/or maintenance and/or upgrading of some or all of the infrastructure contemplated in this Development Agreement and the Unified Development Plan, to include, but not be limited to, some or all of the roads, common areas, water, sewer and stormwater management systems proposed to be constructed on or for the benefit of the Property.

"**Property**" means those certain parcels of land depicted on <u>Exhibit "A"</u> of the Development Agreement.

"Term" means the duration of this Agreement as set forth in Article III hereof.

"Unified Development Plan" means the document entitled "Habersham Unified Development Plan" as well as all exhibits and attachments thereto as approved by the DRT on October 30, 2013, and as the same may be modified or amended from time to time in accordance with this Development Agreement and the ZDSO (as defined herein).

"ZDSO" means the Zoning and Development Standards Ordinances (ZDSO) of Beaufort County adopted April 26, 1999, existing as of the Effective Date and attached hereto as Exhibit "H" and made a part hereof. References in the ZDSO to the latest version of County manuals shall mean and refer to the latest version of such manual as of the date of this Agreement, and shall include any and all zoning and development ordinances subsequently adopted or approved by Beaufort County.

III. <u>TERM</u>

The Term of this Development Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and shall terminate five (5) years thereafter; or, if renewed and described herein, at the end of three (3) additional five (5) year periods. During the Term, the provisions of this Development Agreement shall be vested against any future changes to the ZDSO, Beaufort County law or ordinances and changes to any now existing or future airport overlay zoning district, including but not limited to any AICUZ noise zone or overlay district, which would affect the ability of Owner to carry out the Development contemplated in this Development Agreement and in the Unified Development Plan. Further, at the end of the third five (5) year period, the provisions of this Development Agreement shall be vested against any future changes to Beaufort County law or ordinances if Owner shall have achieved Substantial Development. "Substantial Development" shall mean the completion of construction (the receipt of a certificate of occupancy) or construction that is underway (the receipt of applicable building or development permits)

of not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total Development proposed for the Property, as shown and depicted on the Unified Development Plan.

IV. DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY

The Property shall be developed in accordance with this Development Agreement and the Unified Development Plan. Certain provisions of the ZDSO may be interpreted, enhanced, supplemented or modified by this Agreement and the Unified Development Plan in accordance with Article XIV of this Agreement.

V. DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE

The Property shall be developed generally in accordance with the Development Schedule, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" of this Agreement. The Development Schedule is an estimate, and may be modified to acknowledge market conditions, permitting requirements, or other considerations. It is acknowledged that the Property is anticipated to be developed in phases which include the Development of one (1) block of the Property at a time, in order to provide flexibility for the Owner and Developer to meet market demands.

In accordance with the Act, the failure of the Owner and Developer to meet the terms of the Development Schedule shall not, in and of itself, constitute a material breach of this Agreement, and shall be judged by the totality of circumstances, including, but not limited to, the Owner's and Developer's good faith efforts toward compliance with the terms of the Development Schedule and the Owner's and Developer's proof of good cause for modifying the Development Schedule. Further, the acceleration of the Development Schedule shall not constitute a material breach of this Agreement. It is expected that the actual Development of the Property may occur at a different pace, as determined in the sole reasonable discretion of Owner and based upon market conditions, and shall not constitute a default of this Agreement. In the future, the Owner or Developer my submit unilaterally to the County periodic adjustments to the Development Schedule, which shall not be considered an amendment or breach of this Agreement.

VI. DENSITY AND USE

Mixed use, residential and commercial Development of the Property shall be in accordance with the densities and uses as set forth in the approved Unified Development Plan.

VII. ACCESS

The Property shall be accessed by Cherokee Farms Road (S-83), which runs along the southern boundary of the Property, and by Joe Frazier Road (S-40) to the northeast, as approved and depicted in the Unified Development Plan and as described herein. At such time other interconnectivity to the west is completed as contemplated in this Development Agreement, the Property shall have the access as shown in the Unified Development Plan.

VIII. INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES

County and Owner recognize that the majority of the direct costs associated with the Development of the Property shall be borne by the Owner and Developer, and that many necessary services shall be provided by other governmental or quasi-governmental entities, and not by the County. For further clarification, the parties make specific note of and acknowledge the following:

A. Roads/Facilities.

- (i) <u>Private Roads</u>. Roads constructed within the Property may be constructed by the Owner and/or Developer, and shall be maintained by them and/or an Owners Association, or dedicated to other appropriate entities or the County, as provided in Article IX of this Agreement. Except as otherwise provided herein, the County shall not be responsible for the construction or maintenance of any private roads within the Property, unless the County specifically agrees to do so in the future.
- (ii) <u>Public Roads</u>. The Property shall not have restricted access roads and shall be served by direct access to Joe Frazier Road (S-40) and Cherokee Farms Road (S-83) provided, however, that portions of the Property shall be Developed as separate housing and/or parking areas.
- B. Potable Water. Potable water shall be provided to the Property by the Beaufort Jasper Water and Sewer Authority ("BJWSA") on the same basis as is provided to other residents and businesses within the County. Each Owner or Developer shall construct, or cause to be constructed, all necessary water service infrastructure within the Property (or such applicable portion thereof), which shall be maintained by it or the provider of the service. The County shall not be responsible for any construction, treatment, maintenance or costs associated with water service to the Property, except as set forth herein, unless it otherwise agrees. Nothing herein shall be construed as precluding the County or other local governmental entity from providing potable water to its residents in accordance with applicable provisions of law.
- C. <u>Sewage Treatment and Disposal</u>. Sewage treatment and disposal shall be provided by BJWSA on the same basis as is provided to other residents and businesses within the County. Each Owner or Developer shall construct, or cause to be constructed, all necessary sewer-related service infrastructure within the Property (or such applicable portion thereof), which shall be maintained by it or the provider of the service. The County shall not be responsible for any treatment, maintenance or costs associated with sewage treatment within the Property, except as set forth herein, unless it otherwise agrees. Nothing herein shall be construed as precluding the County or other local governmental entity from providing sewer services to its residents in accordance with applicable provisions of law.
- **D.** <u>Stormwater Drainage System</u>. All stormwater runoff and drainage improvements within the Property shall be designed in accordance with the ZDSO and the most current edition available of the Beaufort County Best Management Practices manual, and best efforts shall be made to coordinate such stormwater runoff and drainage systems with the County's master drainage program. All stormwater runoff and drainage system improvements shall be constructed by the Owner or Developer and maintained by the Owner, Developer and/or an Owners Association, except as otherwise contained herein. The County shall not be responsible for any construction or maintenance costs associated with the stormwater runoff and drainage systems solely within the Property, unless proper dedications and easements are granted in accordance with the ZDSO.
- **E.** <u>Solid Waste Collection</u>. The County shall provide solid waste collection to the Property on the same basis as it provides to other residents and businesses within the County. The Owner acknowledges that the County does not currently provide waste disposal on an individual basis for single, multi-family or commercial developments or uses.
- **F.** <u>Utility Easements</u>. The Owner shall furnish necessary easements for water, sewer, gas, electricity, telephone, cable television, and other utilities when the Owner determines that the same are required. Adequate easements for utilities shall be reserved by the Owner in the conveyances of

lots and parcels to be Developed. All utilities (except main electrical distribution lines) shall be installed underground.

- **G.** <u>Police Protection</u>. The County shall provide police protection services to the Property on the same basis as it provides to other residents and businesses within the County. The Owner or a successor Owners Association may elect to provide private security services for all or a portion of the Property.
- **H.** Recycling Services. The County shall provide recycling services to the Property on the same basis as it provides to the residents and businesses within the County. The County shall reserve the right to require that recycling materials generated from the Property comply with those standards promulgated by the County applicable to all residents and businesses within the County.
- **I.** <u>Emergency Medical Services</u>. The County shall provide emergency medical services to the Property on the same basis as it provides to other residents and businesses within the County.
- **J.** <u>Fire Services.</u> The County shall provide fire protection services to the Property on the same basis as it provides to other residents and businesses within the County; such services are currently provided by the Burton Township Fire District.
- **K.** <u>Library Services</u>. The County shall provide library services to the Property on the same basis as it provides to other residents within the County.
- **L.** <u>School Services</u>. The Beaufort County School District shall provide educational and school services to the Property on the same basis as it provides to other residents within the County.
- M. <u>AICUZ Requirements</u>. Approximately 45.5 acres of the Property are located within AICUZ Noise Zone 2A (65-69 DNL), as defined in Appendix A1 of the ZDSO, Airport Overlay District, Section 3 <u>et seq.</u> No portion of the Property is located within any aircraft accident potential zone, as defined therein. In order to minimize the intrusion of noise into the proposed homes, Owner agrees that homes constructed within AICUZ Noise Zone 2A shall include construction measures, which should result in a 25db reduction of noise. Owner shall also notify any prospective purchaser of a property or lot within AICUZ Noise Zone 2A to comply with the notification requirements of Appendix A1, Section 4 of the ZDSO.

IX. <u>FEES, DEDICATIONS, SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, CONVEYANCES,</u> CREDITS AND RELATED AGREEMENTS

The following items are hereby agreed upon by the parties:

A. <u>Impact Fees</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, Impact Fees which shall be payable to Beaufort County to support County infrastructure such as, but not limited to, fire, library, parks and roads, shall not be affected by this Agreement.

B. Dedications.

(i) <u>Permissive</u>. Except as otherwise contained herein, the County shall consider all requests to accept the dedication of any road or road right-of-way within the Property constructed to the standards contained in the Cherokee Farms Conceptual Master Plan approved on October 30, 2013 (the "Cherokee Farms Conceptual Master Plan") or to the specific requirements of the

County contained in this Agreement. The County shall also consider a request to take ownership of any drainage systems by dedication.

(ii) <u>No Implied Dedication</u>. The recording of a final plat or a plan subdividing any portion of the Property shall not constitute an offer to deed or dedicate any or all streets and rights-of-way shown thereon to the County, unless the plat or plan specifically and expressly makes such an offer, which offer is accepted by the County.

C. System Improvements.

(i) <u>Joe Frazier Road</u>. Beaufort County acknowledges the need for future improvements to Joe Frazier Road to accommodate new development and improved pedestrian access; and Impact Fees are the major revenue source for costs incurred by the County for such improvements. As depicted in the Unified Development Plan, the Owner has proposed and completed the design and engineering of a round-a-bout to access the Property directly from Joe Frazier Road. The engineering plans for the round-a-bout, prepared by Davis & Floyd, Inc., are attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "D"</u> (the "Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout"). The Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout also benefits Burton Wells Park by providing an improved entrance, an adjacent fire station, and other nearby residential developments. Owner shall assign to the County the engineering plans and any rights thereto, as well as fee title for any portion of the real property it owns, which portion is reasonably necessary or appropriate for the construction of the Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout shall occur as set forth in Article IX (C) (iv) (a) below.

(ii) <u>Cherokee Farm Road</u>. The Property is also accessed and bounded to the south by Cherokee Farms Road (S-83) as depicted in the Unified Development Plan. Owner shall improve Cherokee Farms Road with the addition of on-street parking, street landscaping and trees, and such improvements shall be constructed in accordance with the standards contained in the Cherokee Farms Conceptual Master Plan. All such improvements (the "Cherokee Farms Road Improvements") shall adhere to applicable road and right-of-way construction standards. To the extent that all or any portion of Cherokee Farms Road is not owned by the County or the State of South Carolina, the same shall be dedicated to and accepted by the County.

(iii) Intersection of Joe Frazier Road and Cherokee Farms Road. The existing intersection at Cherokee Farms Road and Joe Frazier Road (the "Intersection") shall be reconfigured and aligned at a 45-degree angle. The Owner has proposed and completed the design and engineering of improvements to this intersection which engineering and designs were prepared by Davis & Floyd, Inc., and are attached hereto as Exhibit "E" (the "Joe Frazier Road and Cherokee Farms Road Intersection Redesign"). The improvement creates a turning lane that improves traffic flow and also corrects intersection alignment as depicted in the Unified Development Plan. Owner shall assign to the County the engineering plans and any rights thereto, as well as fee title for any portion of the real property it owns, which portion is reasonably necessary or appropriate for the construction of the improvements depicted in the Joe Frazier Road and Cherokee Farms Road Intersection Redesign (the "Intersection Improvement"). Construction of the Intersection Improvement shall occur as set forth in Article IX (C) (iv) (c) below.

(iv) <u>Timing</u>. The System Improvements shall be constructed as described

below:

(a) <u>Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout</u>. The Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout shall be constructed as provided in this Article IX (C) at such time the County deems the round-a-bout necessary and sufficient funds become

available from the Road Impact Fees, which may be used for System Improvements.

- (b) <u>Cherokee Farms Road Improvements</u>. The Cherokee Farms Road Improvements shall be constructed by and at the expense of the Owner and dedicated to the County prior to the expiration of the Term of this Agreement but only if the Development proposed in the Unified Development Plan is commenced.
 - (c) <u>Intersection of Joe Frazier Road and Cherokee Farms Road</u>. This intersection shall be improved upon the earlier of:
 - **A.** A date, which is after the first building permit is issued by the County for Development for all or any portion of the Property, which the County deems necessary and appropriate to commence the Intersection Improvement, and, a traffic analysis or study prepared in accordance with the standards of the ITE recommends the construction of the Intersection Improvement prior to the date sufficient funds become available from the collection of Road Impact Fees which may be used for this System Improvement and no other alternative source of funding is available (i.e. derived from sales tax increases for transportation projects). Then, upon not less than thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Owner, the County may cause the construction of the Intersection Improvement with its own funds, and the Owner shall be responsible for and shall pay not more than the interest expense for the use of such funds for a period of three (3) years or for a total cost of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000.00), whichever is less;
 - **B.** The date, which the County deems necessary and appropriate to commence the Intersection Improvement, when sufficient funds have become available from the collection of Road Impact Fees which may be used for this System Improvement without any cost or liability to the Owner:
 - **C.** The date when the total number of Dwelling Units in the Unified Development Plan exceeds 1,000;
 - **D.** The date of the commencement of the construction of a school by the Developer upon the school site located within the Habersham Unified Development Plan;
 - E. The date of the issuance of the development permit by the DRT permitting the 84-unit multi-family phase of Habersham Amended PUD Tract; or
 - **F.** January 1, 2025.

- D. Credit for System Improvements. The County agrees that the Owner or Developer shall receive a credit for Impact Fees against the cost of and up to the total value of the Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout, the Joe Frazier Road intersection upgrade and the Cherokee Farms Road Improvements (herein collectively the "System Improvements"). The total value of the System Improvements shall equal the cost of the design, engineering, planning and construction, except any construction of any System Improvements undertaken by the County in accordance with this Agreement. In the event the information submitted is deemed by the County to be inaccurate or unreliable, the County may prepare and provide to Owner or Developer alternative design, engineering and planning cost estimates. If the alternative cost estimates are deemed by the Owner to be inaccurate or unreliable, a third party shall be hired at the shared expense of the Owner and the County to develop cost estimates. Upon approval of this Development Agreement, all Impact Fees collected from any residential or commercial uses within any portion of the land subject to the Unified Development Plan shall be deposited into and held in a separate account that has been established by the County to be used to refund the Owner or the County, as the case may be, for the cost of constructing System Improvements when such System Improvements are constructed as described in this Agreement. The Owner or the County shall construct the System Improvements at such time described in Article IX (C) (iv). If constructed by the Owner, Owner shall be reimbursed with the Impact Fees collected. If the Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout is constructed and completed through any means other than described above, all Impact Fees collected and being held by the County may be used to pay for the project or redistributed into the County's Capital Improvements Program. If, for any reason, the County deems any of the System Improvements unwarranted, the Owner shall be relieved of any responsibility as previously set forth in this Development Agreement, and all previously earmarked funds shall be redistributed into the County's Capital Improvements Program.
- **E.** <u>Access</u>. The Owner agrees to cooperate with the appropriate governmental entities in locating and dedicating to the County, or its assigns, sufficient rights-of-way on the Property, in order to construct the access point improvements as depicted in the Unified Development Plan.
- F. Other Charges or Fees. Nothing herein shall be construed as relieving the Owner, its successors and assigns, from payment of any such fees or charges in effect at the time of collection as may be assessed by entities other than the County. Moreover, the Owner, its successors and assigns, shall be subject to the payment of any and all present or future fees enacted by the County that are of County-wide application and that relate to processing applications, development permits, building permits, review of plans, or inspections or other matters, other than Development Impact Fees.
- **G.** Service Districts. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to prevent the establishment by the County of a tax increment or other district on the Property in accordance with applicable provisions of the Code of Law of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.
- **H.** <u>Landscaping</u>. The Owner or Developer shall, at its own expense, install landscaping as generally depicted in the "Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout Landscape Plan" attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "F"</u>. The Owner, its successors and assigns shall be responsible for and shall maintain landscaping of both the Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout and the intersection realignment.

X. PERMITTING PROCEDURES

A. Development Applications for the individual parcels or tracts, or portions or phases thereof, shall be submitted to the DRT for processing under the provisions of this Agreement. It is acknowledged that the Property is anticipated to be developed in multiple phases which includes the Development of one (1) block of the Property at a time, in order to provide the Owner or Developer flexibility to meet market demands. Developer has conducted traffic studies and created a master plan for

the entire Property. Separate traffic studies shall not be required for individual residential phases of Development. Development Rights to the land encompassed by an Initial Development Application or master plan may be transferred to any other portion of the Property, or to another Developer of the Property, provided that such does not increase the proposed ranges of densities and intensities beyond that which would otherwise be allowed under the provisions of this Agreement. Such transfer of Development Rights shall require written notice to the County and written acknowledgment by the DRT, as set forth below, and which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Unified Development Plan, which generally allocates building types, may be modified to accommodate market conditions, subject to the overall density and use maximums set forth in the ZDSO and in this Agreement.

- **B.** The County agrees that the Owner shall have the unlimited right to phase the Development of the Property in accordance with the Development Schedule.
- C. The County agrees to use its best efforts to review in an expeditious manner all reviews contemplated by or required by the ZDSO, including but not limited to land use changes, Development applications, and plats and subdivisions for the Development of the Property. The Owner may submit these items for concurrent review by Beaufort County and other governmental authorities.
- **D.** The County agrees that the Property is approved and fully vested for intensity, commercial density, Impact Fees, uses and height, setbacks, and parking and signage, and shall not have any obligations for onsite or offsite transportation or other facilities or improvements other than as specifically provided in this Agreement, but shall adhere to the Unified Development Plan as modified or amended from time to time. The County shall not impose additional obligations or regulations in connection with the ownership or Development of the Property, except in accordance with the procedures and provisions of Section 6-31-80 (B) of the Act, which Owner shall have the right to challenge.

XI. PROTECTION OF ENVIRONMENT AND QUALITY OF LIFE

Contained herein are those conditions, terms, restrictions or other requirements determined to be necessary by the County for the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens. Specifically, the County considers the protection of the natural environment and nearby waters and the preservation of Beaufort County's character and unique identity to be mandatory goals and to be achieved without compromise. The Owner shares this commitment and therefore agrees to the following:

Stormwater Quality. A primary goal of the County is the protection of the quality of nearby waters. The Owner and Developer shall be required to abide by all provisions of Federal, State and County laws and regulations for the handling of stormwater, including those established by the Department of Health and Environmental Control, the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, and their successors. In order to protect water quality of the rivers, the Owner agrees to prepare a master plan of the stormwater drainage systems, as defined in the ZDSO for all or any portion of the Property, for each Initial Development Application; to construct stormwater drainage systems in accordance with the approved master plan; and, to maintain the stormwater drainage systems ensuring proper operation and function. In order to meet the water quality and anti-degradation goals which are impacted by the amount of impervious surfaces, the Owner, its successors and assigns commit to design stormwater management systems in accordance with the County's current Best Management Practices ("BMP's"). Further, Owner agrees to provide BMP's for pre-treatment, including supplemental open space (in accordance with the most current edition available of the Beaufort County Storm Water Best Management Practices manual, required by engineering design and calculations. In addition to the water quality safeguards committed to above by the Owner, notwithstanding Article IX hereof, the Owner and Developer shall adhere to any and all future ordinances or regulations of the County (or portions thereof) governing detention, filtration, and treatment of stormwater provided those ordinances and regulations apply County-wide and are consistent with sound engineering practices. It is specifically agreed, however, that any such ordinances of the County that directly or indirectly affect the setback, buffer or open space requirements permitted pursuant to the ZDSO and/or this Agreement shall not be applicable to the Owner, the Developer and the Property without the Owner's and Developer's express written consent thereto; provided, however, that open space requirements may be modified as a result of specific implementation requirements for future stormwater management BMP's related to detention and treatment of stormwater that are applicable County-wide and are consistent with sound engineering practices, unless such change in requirements is less than twenty percent (20%) and the appropriate increase in density/intensity is granted by the County to provide for no net loss of density or space.

- **B.** <u>Covenants</u>. The Owner may record restrictive real property covenants that run with the Property that shall govern such matters as architectural control, permitted uses, setbacks, landscaping, trees, exterior lighting, pets and wildlife, maintenance of common areas or open space, and which shall specifically prohibit unsightly activities. The provisions of the covenants for portions of the Property may differ from the covenants applicable to the other portions of the Property.
- **C.** <u>Tree Protection</u>. Except for lands used for silviculture, if any, which shall be controlled by State regulations and Beaufort County's BMP's, Owner, its successors and assigns, including the Developer, shall comply with the provisions of ZDSO appertaining to trees.
- D. Legal Status of Workers. The Owner and the County recognize the importance of having legal workers undertake construction and other work on the Property only. Provided such is lawful, the Owner agrees to supplement current County and State laws by requiring all contractors and subcontractors to sign sworn affidavits stating that: (i) all workers in its employ have been verified as to legal status; and, (ii) that to the best of its knowledge, after reasonable diligence, the contractor and subcontractor has verified such legal status. Additionally, provided such is lawful, construction sites shall be posted with notices providing legal status requirements and providing that verification of status may be demanded on the construction site at any time by the Owner, Developer, secondary Developers and/or the County. Any provision of this Section D may be altered with consent of the County Administrator to reflect evolving legal and policy decisions on this subject without formal amendment hereto.

XII. <u>COMPLIANCE REVIEWS</u>

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 6-31-90 of the Act, the Owner or its designee(s), shall meet with the County or its designee, at least once per year during the Term, to review Development completed in the prior year and the Development anticipated to be commenced or completed in the ensuring year. The Owner or its designee(s) shall be required to provide such information as may reasonably be requested, to include but not be limited to: acreage of the Property sold in the prior year; acreage of the Property under contract; the number of certificates of occupancy issued in the prior year, the number of certificates of occupancy anticipated to be issued in the ensuing year; the Development Rights transferred in the prior year; and, the Development Rights anticipated to be transferred in the ensuing year. The Owner or its designee(s) shall be required to compile this information for its respective Development and that of its Developer.

XIII. ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFERS

A. <u>Notice of Assignment</u>. Owner shall be required to notify Beaufort County, in writing, as and when Development Rights are transferred to any Developer or successor Owner. Such information shall include the identity and address of the acquiring party, a proper contact individual, and the location and number of acres of the Property for which Development Rights are being transferred.

Developers transferring Development Rights to any other party shall be subject to this requirement of notification.

- **B.** Release After Assignment. In the event that the sale or other conveyance of all or a portion of the Property has been deemed to be compliant with this Agreement, the transferring Owner shall be released from any further obligations with respect to the Property being transferred, and the transferree shall, under this Agreement, be considered to be a substitute for the Owner for the Property transferred.
- C. <u>Variances</u>. It is acknowledged that nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed or construed to affect the right of any person to seek a variance from those provisions of the ZDSO that are in accordance with applicable state and local laws in effect at the time of the variance application.

XIV. EFFECT OF FUTURE LAWS AND CHANGES TO THE ZDSO

- A. <u>Vested Rights</u>. Beaufort County acknowledges that the Owner and Developer are relying upon this Agreement, and agrees that Owner and Developer shall have vested rights to undertake Development of all or any portion of the Property, as depicted in the Unified Development Plan and in accordance with the terms and conditions contained herein. Accordingly, Beaufort County agrees that the Owner's and Developer's reliance upon the terms and conditions contained herein shall create vested rights to undertake Development of all or any portion of the Property in accordance with this Development Agreement.
- **Future Laws.** Any amendment or modification to the ZDSO, including any new B. or successor zoning and development standards ordinances adopted by Beaufort County, shall not be applicable to the Property without the Owner's express prior written consent, except as otherwise provided herein, provided that Beaufort County may apply such subsequently adopted laws to the Development if it holds a public hearing and it is determined that the subsequently adopted laws: (a) are not in conflict with laws governing this Agreement and do not prevent the Development contemplated in this Agreement; (b) are essential to public health, safety or welfare, and the subsequently adopted laws expressly state that they apply to the Development of the Property; and, (c) are specifically anticipated and provided for in the Development Agreement; and provided that: (i) Beaufort County demonstrates that substantial changes have occurred to pertinent conditions regarding the Property existing as of the Effective Date; and, if not addressed by Beaufort County, such conditions would pose a serious risk to the health, safety and welfare of its citizens; or (ii) the Development Agreement is based on substantially inaccurate information supplied by Owner. Owner and Beaufort County acknowledge that a portion of the Property is located within AICUZ Noise Zone 2A and that boundaries and restrictions may change for AICUZ noise zones. In the event such changes are proposed, which apply to all or any portion of the Property, the Owner and the County each agree to work together in good faith to alleviate the impact of such changes on the Property. In no event, however, shall the Owner be required to reduce or transfer density as shown in the Unified Development Plan, without the written consent of the Owner. Owner shall, however, continue to provide to purchasers of all or any portion of the Property, proper AICUZ Noise Zone Disclosure Forms as required by current or subsequent laws, and shall be bound by all current and future noise attenuation requirements for construction.
- **C.** Future Laws of General Application. The parties specifically acknowledge that this Agreement shall not prohibit the application of any present standard codes or future codes in compliance with Section 6-31-160 of the Act, or any tax or fee of general application throughout the County. No future development and/or aid to construction, Impact Fees or special assessments shall apply to the Property without the written consent of the Owner.

XV. DEFAULTS

The failure of the Owner, Developer or County to comply with the terms of this Agreement shall constitute a default, entitling the non-defaulting party to pursue such remedies as deemed appropriate, including specific performance and the termination of this Development Agreement in accordance with the Act; provided, however, that no termination of this Development Agreement may be declared by the County without the County providing to the Owner and Developer the notice, hearing and opportunity to cure in accordance with the Act; and provided further that nothing herein shall be deemed or construed to preclude the County or its designee from issuing individual stop work orders or voiding specific permits issued for Development when such Development contravenes the provisions of the ZDSO or this Development Agreement.

A default of the Owner shall not constitute a default by the Developer; and a default by the Developer shall not constitute a default by the Owner; nor shall a default by one Owner or Developer constitute a default of the Owners collectively.

XVI. MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT

This Development Agreement may be modified or amended only by the written agreement of the County and the Owner. No statement, action or agreement hereafter made shall be effective to change, amend, waive, modify, discharge, terminate or effect an abandonment of this Agreement in whole or in part unless such statement, action or agreement is in writing and signed by the party against whom such change, amendment, waiver, modification, discharge, termination or abandonment is sought to be enforced.

If an amendment affects less than all the persons and entities comprising the Owner(s), then only the County and those affected persons or entities shall sign such written amendment. Because this Agreement constitutes the Unified Development Plan for the Property, minor modifications to a site plan or to Development provisions may be made without a public hearing or amendment to the Development Agreement Ordinance. Any requirement of this Agreement requiring consent or approval of one of the parties shall not require amendment of this Agreement unless the text expressly requires amendment. Wherever said consent or approval is required, the same shall not be unreasonably withheld.

The plans for Development of the Property are not intended to be a rigid, nor exact The location of roads, buildings, recreational amenities and other elements may vary at the time of permit applications when more specific designs are available, as long as the maximum densities set forth herein and the general concept of residential/commercial Developments suggested is followed and respected.

XVII. NOTICES

Any notice, demand, request, consent, approval or communication which a signatory party is required to or may give to another signatory party hereunder shall be in writing and shall be delivered or addressed to the other party at the address set forth below or to such other address as such party may from time to time direct by written notice given in the manner herein prescribed. Such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been given or made when communicated by personal delivery or by independent courier service or by facsimile; or, if by mail, on the fifth (5th) business day after the deposit thereof in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, registered or certified, addressed as hereinafter provided.

All notices, demands, requests, consents, approvals or communications to the County shall be addressed as follows:

To Beaufort County: Office of Beaufort County Administrator

100 Ribaut Road Room 156

Beaufort, SC 29902

With Copy To: Beaufort County Legal Department

c/o Joshua A. Gruber, Esquire Post Office Drawer 1228 Beaufort, SC 29901-1228

And to Owner: Burton Development, LLC

c/o Cherokee Beaufort, LLC Attn: Mr. Robert Turner

22 Market Street Beaufort, SC 29906

With Copy To: McNair Law Firm, P.A.

Post Office Drawer 3

Hilton Head Island, SC 29938 Attn: Walter J. Nester, III

XVIII. GENERAL

Subsequent Laws. In the event that State or Federal laws or regulations are A. enacted after the execution of this Development Agreement or decisions are issued by a Court of competent jurisdiction which prevent or preclude compliance with the Act or one or more provisions of this Agreement ("New Law" or "New Laws"), the provisions of this Agreement shall be modified or suspended as may be necessary to comply with such New Laws. Immediately after enactment of any such New Law or court decision, those parties designated by the Owner, the Developer and the County shall meet and confer in good faith in order to agree upon such modification or suspension based on the effect such New Law would have on the purposes of intent of this Agreement. During the time that these parties are conferring on such modification or suspension or challenging the New Laws, the County may take reasonable action to comply with such New Laws. Should these parties be unable to agree to a modification or suspension, either may petition a Court of competent jurisdiction for an appropriate modification or suspension of this Agreement. In addition, the Owner, the Developer and the County each shall have the right to challenge the New Laws preventing compliance with the terms of this Agreement. In the event that such challenge is successful, this Agreement shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect.

- **B.** Estoppel Certificate. The Owner, the Developer and the County may, at any time, and from time to time, deliver written notice to the other applicable party requesting such party to certify in writing:
 - (i) that this Agreement is in full force and effect;
- (ii) that this Agreement has not been amended or modified, or if so amended, identify those amendments;
- (iii) whether, to the knowledge of such notifying party, the requesting party is in default or claimed default in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, and, if so, describing the nature and amount, if any, of any such default or claimed default; and

- (iv) whether, to the knowledge of such notifying party, any event has occurred or failed to occur which, with the passage of time or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute a default and, if so, specifying each such event.
- **C.** Entire Agreement. This Agreement sets forth, and incorporates by reference all of the agreements, conditions and understandings among the County, the Owner and the Developer relative to the Property and its Development and there are no promises, agreements, conditions or understandings, oral or written, expressed or implied, among these parties relative to the matters addressed herein other than as set forth or as referred to herein.
- **D.** No Partnership or Joint Venture. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to create a partnership or joint venture between the Owner, the Developer or the County or between the Owner(s), or the Owner and any Developer, or to render such party liable in any manner for the debts or obligations of another party.
- **E.** <u>Exhibits</u>. All exhibits attached hereto and/or referred to in this Agreement are incorporated herein as though set forth in full.
- **F.** <u>Construction</u>. The parties agree that each party and its counsel have reviewed and revised this Agreement and that any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not apply in the interpretation of this Agreement or any amendments or exhibits hereto.
- **G.** <u>Assignment</u>. Other than as defined herein, no other rights, obligations, duties or responsibilities devolved by this Agreement on or to the Owner, Developer or the County shall be assignable to any other person, firm, corporation or entity.
- **H.** Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of South Carolina.
- I. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and such counterparts shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- **J.** Agreement to Cooperate. In the event of any legal action instituted by a third party or other governmental entity or official challenging the validity of any provision of this Agreement, the parties hereby agree to cooperate in defending such action; provided, however, each party shall retain the right to pursue its own independent legal defense.
- **K.** Eminent Domain. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall limit, impair or restrict the County's right and power of eminent domain under the laws of the State of South Carolina.
- **L.** <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. The provisions of this Agreement may be enforced only by the County, the Owner and the Developer (including successors and/or assigns). No other persons shall have any rights hereunder.

XIX. STATEMENT OF REQUIRED PROVISIONS

A. <u>Specific Statements</u>. The Act requires that a development agreement include certain mandatory provisions, pursuant to Section 6-31-60(A). Although certain of these items are addressed elsewhere in this Agreement, the following listing of the required provisions is set forth for

convenient reference. The numbering below corresponds to the numbering utilized under Section 6-31-60(A) for the required items:

- 1. <u>Legal Description of Property and Legal and Equitable Owner</u>. The legal description of the Property is set forth in <u>Exhibit "A"</u>, attached hereto. The current legal Owner of the Property is Cherokee Beaufort, LLC.
- 2. **<u>Duration of Agreement</u>**. The duration of this Agreement shall be five (5) years, with three (3) five (5)-year renewal terms.
- 3. <u>Permitted Uses, Densities, Building Heights and Intensities</u>. A complete listing and description of permitted uses, Dwelling Unit densities, building intensities and heights, as well as other Development related standards, are contained in this Agreement.
- 4. <u>Required Public Facilities</u>. The utility services available to the Property are described generally above regarding electrical service, telephone and solid waste disposal. The mandatory procedures of the ZDSO and this Agreement, and/or the use of Development Impact Fees, fees in lieu, or other funding sources at the County's option shall ensure availability of roads, schools, parks and utilities to serve residents on a timely basis.
- 5. <u>Dedication of Land and Provisions to Protect Environmentally Sensitive Areas</u>. All relevant State and Federal laws shall be fully complied with, in addition to the provisions set forth in this Agreement. Where required by State or Federal law, protective buffers for wetlands shall be created.
- 6. <u>Local Development Permits</u>. The Development is set forth in the Unified Development Plan, and must comply with the ZDSO. Specific permits shall be obtained prior to commencing Development, consistent with the standards set forth in the ZDSO. Building permits shall be obtained under County Ordinances for any vertical construction, and appropriate permits shall be obtained from the State of South Carolina (OCRM) and the Army Corps of Engineers, when applicable, prior to any impact upon salt or freshwater wetlands. It is specifically understood that the failure of this Agreement to address a particular permit, condition, term or restriction shall not relieve the Owner, its successors and assigns, of the necessity of complying with the law governing the permitting requirements, conditions, terms or restrictions.
- 7. <u>Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Development Agreement</u>. The Development permitted and proposed hereunder is consistent with the Beaufort County Comprehensive Land Use Plan and with the County's current land use regulations.
- 8. <u>Terms for Public Health, Safety and Welfare</u>. The Beaufort County Council finds that all issues currently relating to public health, safety and welfare have been adequately considered and appropriately dealt with under the terms of this Agreement, the ZDSO and existing law.
- 9. <u>Historical Structures</u>. No specific terms relating to historical structures shall be pertinent to this Development Agreement. All historic structures and issues shall be addressed through the permitting process of the ZDSO at the time of Development; and no exception from any existing standard shall be hereby granted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereby set their hands and seals, effective the date first above written.

WITNESSES:	OWNER: Cherokee Beaufort, LLC
	By: Its:
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA) COUNTY OF BEAUFORT)	ACKNOWLEDGMENT
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the capacity indicated.	cknowledged the due execution of the foregoing document in
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hav above mentioned.	e hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year last
	Notary Public for South Carolina My Commission Expires:
(Affix Notary Seal)	· ————

WITNESSES:	DEVELOPER: Burton Development, LLC
	By: Its:
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Exhibit A

Property Description



CHEROKEE FARMS

EXISTING CONDITIONS

The following section is intended to supply detailed information on the existing conditions of the Cherokee Farms Project.

A. Current Ownership

Cherokee Beaufort, LLC currently owns the Cherokee Farms Tract. The Owner and the Applicant have entered into a joint venture agreement. Upon approval of a Development Agreement, Cherokee Beaufort, LLC will transfer ownership of the Tract to the joint venture, Burton Development, LLC.

B. Location and Adjacent Property Owners

The 104.85 acre site, referred to as Cherokee Farms, is located on Port Royal Island in the Burton community and is bounded on the north by a number of small, single family subdivisions, on the south by the Habersham PUD, on the east by Joe Frazier Road and the former Bellamy Farms site and on the west by single family residential and undeveloped land.

The predominant use of property north, east and west of the site is single family residential. The most predominant neighbor, on the southern border of the site, is the Habersham PUD. There are several small undeveloped land parcels immediately northwest and southeast of the Cherokee Farms Phase. The largest undeveloped land parcel is the Burlington Plantation PUD, which is west of the site and fronts Cherokee Farms Road.

The precise location of all of the individual property owners is detailed on the Boundary Survey.

C. Current Zoning

The Cherokee Farms Phase is part of Official Land Use Zoning Map 100-27 and is specifically identified as District 100, Map 27, Parcels 13 and 13A. The current zoning classification is Suburban (S).

D. Boundary Survey

A boundary survey is attached and includes the following information:

- 1) Computed Acreage
- 2) Control Points, Dimensions and Coordinate Data
- 3) Existing Roads and Easements
- 4) Adjacent Property Owners
- 5) FEMA Zones



CHEROKEE FARMS

E. Topographical Survey

Beaufort Surveying has completed a topographical survey of the property. There is currently a 9-acre active farm, which will remain in place as part of the development plan. There are no other infrastructure improvements on the property. Elevations vary from over 33 feet above sea level to 12 feet along the isolated freshwater wetlands at the northwest corner of the property. The existing drainage pattern is limited to natural sheet flow that runs to a series of agricultural drainage ditches.

F. Soils

The soils inherent to the Cherokee Farms Phase are Wando, Coosaw, Murad, Seabrook and Tonges.

G. Natural Resources Survey

The last known use of the property was agricultural, and therefore, a large part of Cherokee Farms has been cleared by previous owners. In general, what tree canopy there is on the property is limited to the isolated freshwater wetlands at the northwest corner of the property. Young native over story specimens such as white oak, water oak, southern magnolia and pignut hickory can be found on certain sections of the property. However, the dominant vegetation on the site is an under-story of dense tangle of brambles, vines and shrubs. A more detailed discussion of the forest type occurring on the Cherokee Farms Phase is included in the threatened and endangered species report. Except for the area at the northwest corner of the property, the environmental consultant has also concluded that there are no major stands of trees that would be classified as protected natural areas under the Beaufort County Development Standards. The isolated freshwater wetlands on the property were previously delineated and categorized in 2002 and were previously reviewed by Beaufort County as part of the Suburban rezoning of Cherokee Farms in 2006. The delineation has since been renewed for another 5 years.

H. Delineated Wetlands

An analysis of the freshwater wetlands was previously performed by Soil and Wetlands Consulting and recently updated. The extent of the wetlands has been delineated and is depicted on the wetlands survey. Specifically, there are two freshwater wetlands, .71 acres of jurisdictional wetlands and 4.20 acres of non-jurisdictional wetlands. A letter from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Charleston District, dated December 31, 2002, represents the final determination of wetlands on the property. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management) has also provided a wetlands determination letter. The Applicant does intend to impact and improve the 4.20 acres of non-jurisdictional wetlands and has done a wetlands mitigation plan. The .71 acres of jurisdictional wetlands will be preserved.



CHEROKEE FARMS

I. Threatened and Endangered Species

A Threatened and Endangered Species Report has been completed by Simkins Environmental Consulting. The survey concluded that there is no presence or likely presence of any threatened and endangered species on the Cherokee Farms Phase.

J. Archeological Survey

The Cherokee Farm property has already been evaluated by Beaufort County's Historic Preservationist. The Historic Preservationist issued a letter dated January 5, 2005 stating that no archeological resources will be affected by the development of the property. However, as required, the Applicant will cease work if archaeological or paleontological materials are encountered prior to or during construction.

K. Marine Corps Air Station – AICUZ Zone

A portion of the Cherokee Farms Phase is located in the MCAS Runway 05 approach corridor. Approximately 45.5 acres of the 104.85 acre site is situated within AlCUZ noise zone 2a (65 to 70 DNL). A diagram that approximates the extent of the noise zone is attached. The Liaison Office has previously issued a findings letter as part of the Suburban rezoning of Cherokee Farms in March 2006.

On February 1, 2007, the Applicant, Planning Director and Assistant Planning Director met with the Liaison Officer for the MCAS. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the new zoning standards for the MCAS Overlay District (which were adopted in December 2006), and its potential impact on the Cherokee Farms project. Pursuant to Appendix A1 - Section 5(d) of the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, the new ordinance states that single family residential development within noise zone 2a (DNL 65 to 70) shall not be permitted at a gross density that exceeds two dwelling units per acre. The Master Plan for the Cherokee Farms Phase does meet these standards.

L. FEMA Zones

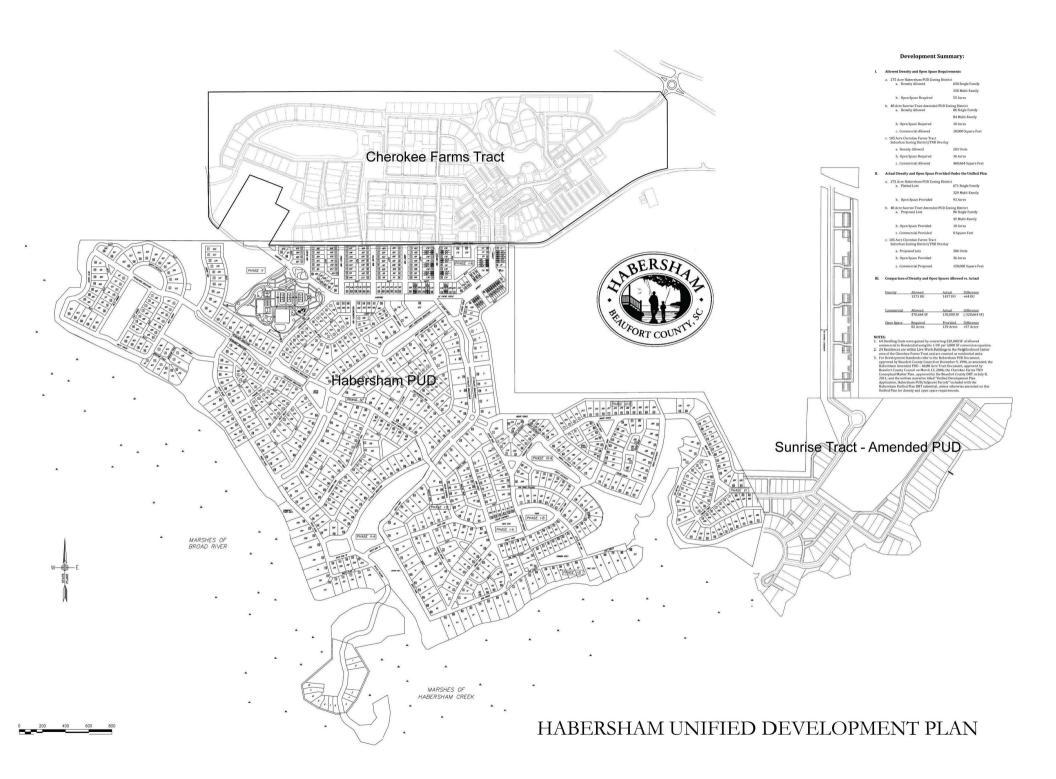
According to the Flood Insurance Rate Map (Community Panel # 450025-0065-D Index Dated September 29, 1986), there are two FEMA zones on the Cherokee Farms Phase. The two zones include Zone C (minimal hazard) and Zone A9 (subject to a 100-year flood event). All habitable structures and other qualifying facilities within Zone A9 must be constructed above an elevation of 13 feet mean sea level.

M. Easements

There are no known easements that affect the Cherokee Farms Project.

Exhibit B

Unified Development Plan (for Habersham PUD and Property)





I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Robert J. "Bob" Turner and **Stephen Davis** are the principals of Cherokee Investments, LLC as well as the town founders of the Habersham neighborhood. As agents of the Rentz family, Messieurs Turner and Davis have worked together for over sixteen years in a variety of roles with other development companies and partnerships in Beaufort County.

Stephen Davis is also a Manager and Development Consultant with the prestigious engineering firm of Davis and Floyd. Stephen has worked along side a number of respected developers throughout South Carolina and thus, has gained valuable insight into the development process. While working on projects in environmentally pristine areas of Beaufort such as Spring Island, Brays Island and Newpoint, Stephen has developed a unique skill set in the areas of storm water management, preservation of water quality and alternative engineering methods.

For a number of years, Bob Turner was the Development Manager for Spring Island and Callawassie Island. In 1992, Mr. Turner struck out on his own as a Managing Partner of the Newpoint community, a new urbanist project, which quickly gained national recognition and honors for its traditional design and architecture. As Newpoint neared completion, Mr. Turner led a partnership that developed in-fill residential and commercial sites for the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina. Today, Mr. Turner is the primary development manager for the Habersham project.

II. PROJECT INTRODUCTION

Cherokee Investments, LLC (hereinafter, referred to as the "Applicant") is pleased to submit this application for a Unified Development Plan that combines several tracts of land with a singular intent. An 104.85 acre tract (hereinafter, referred to as "Cherokee Farms Tract") adjoins the northern edge of the present-day Habersham Tract. An additional 46.88 acre tract lies to the immediate east of the Habersham Tract and is referred to as the Sunrise Tract. A location map of the three tracts is included. Although the Cherokee Farms Tract is not part of the Habersham PUD, the Applicant plans to develop the Cherokee Farms project in such a way that it interconnects and blends seamlessly with the existing design elements and development standards of the Habersham neighborhood. The Applicant is seeking Approval for a Unified Development Plan consisting of the Habersham Tract, Sunrise Tract-Amended PUD, and the Cherokee Farms Tract, which would allow a more cohesive overall residential density and appropriate amount of commercial square footage.

A. History of the Habersham Development

On June 11, 1997, the Beaufort County Council ratified the Applicant's request for a change of zoning for 275.1 acres located along the northern marshes of the Broad River at its confluence with Habersham Creek. However, this "change" represented a significant departure from the suburban cul-de-sac design that was initially approved for the site in 1988. In essence, the old design was supplanted by New Urbanism – which is a traditional village format of walkable, mixed-use, neighborhoods. Since the "change", the Applicant has pursued a development strategy that places a major emphasis on designing and building both a quality private and public realm. The Habersham neighborhood has received numerous design awards (including the Platinum award for "Best Neighborhood in America" from The National Association of Home Builders) as well as plaudits from some of the nation's most influential



magazines and newspapers. In March 2006, Habersham added a second phase to the project by rezoning 46.88 acres located along Habersham Creek to PUD Zoning District (hereinafter, referred to as the "Sunrise Tract").

In March 2006, the current owner of the Cherokee Farms property, Cherokee Beaufort, LLC, rezoned the site from Rural – Transitional Overlay (R-TO) to Suburban (S). The original intent behind this Suburban rezoning request was to allow for development of the property in a manner that would complement and be similar to Habersham. To achieve this, the Owner hired the same new urbanist land planning firm that designed Habersham (Duany Plater-Zyberk & Company), and in July 2002, a land planning charrette was completed for the Cherokee Farms project. The design codes and site plan created by Duany Plater-Zyberk & Company (hereinafter, referred to as "DPZ") were a key component of the Owner's rezoning submission to the Planning Department in October 2003, and the cohesiveness of the Cherokee Farms project to Habersham was referenced by the Planning Staff as a significant feature of the project in Staff memorandums to the Planning Commission and Land Management Committee.

In December 2005, the Applicant became involved in the Cherokee Farms project as a joint venture partner and at this juncture, assumed responsibility for the rezoning as the project moved through Second and Final Readings of County Council. The goal of this joint venture is to allow Habersham and Cherokee Farms to be developed as a seamless community. To accomplish this goal, the applicant is proposing to develop the project using the Traditional Neighborhood Development option, as described in Article XI of the ZDSO, so that special design controls can be implemented to ensure a cohesive connection and character with the neighboring community of Habersham. This allows a residential density of 3 units/acre and an appropriate amount of commercial square footage. Using this allowance, the Cherokee Farms master plan is allowed 203 residential units and 460,664 square feet of commercial space. Since 45.5 acres of Cherokee Farms exists in the AICUZ Noise Zone 2a, only 2 units/acre are allowed in this zone, therefore, the master plan proposes just 91 units in the Noise Zone. Live-work units designated for residences are counted towards this residential density requirement.

B. Project Description and Rationale

Again, the Applicant is petitioning that the Cherokee Farms property, encompassing some 104.85 acres, be included as part of an overall Unified Development Plan that encompasses the Habersham PUD and Amended PUD so that residential densities can be shifted amongst the tracts to create a more cohesive overall density. With the Cherokee Farms conceptual Master Plan activating the Traditional Neighborhood Development option under Suburban (S) zoning, as described in Article XI of the ZDSO, it can have similar site design and development standards as the Habersham PUD and therein, become a seamless part of the overall Habersham community.

One of the most compelling reasons for creating a Unified Development Plan with the Cherokee Farms tract and the two Habersham PUD Tracts is that this represents a tried and cohesive development model, which benefits the region. The Habersham PUD has become a symbol and an exemplar of the principles underlying the New Urbanism that is sweeping the nation. Habersham has provided Beaufort County and the Low Country with an alternative to suburban sprawl. With its growing town center and the addition of a true "commercial node", the Habersham PUD and Cherokee Farms will serve as an urban hub for the surrounding Burton community and the region. The different street sections and assortment of building types afford a varied and authentic environment.



II. EXISTING CONDITIONS

A. Location and Adjacent Property Owners

The Tracts included in the Unified Development Plan are located on Port Royal Island in the Burton community and are bounded on the north by a number of small, single family subdivisions, on the south by the Broad River, on the east by Joe Frazier Road and the former Bellamy Farms site and on the west by single family residential and undeveloped land.

The predominant use of property north, east and west of the site is single family residential. There are several small, undeveloped land parcels immediately northwest and southeast of the Cherokee Farms Tract. The largest undeveloped land parcel is the Burlington Plantation PUD, which is west of the tracts and fronts Cherokee Farms Road. The Beaufort County School System owns approximately 19.51 acres of undeveloped land that is surrounded on three sides by the Sunrise Tract. The School System site is situated at the northern part of the Tract and incorporates a shared access easement with the owner. Beaufort County Schools had originally planned to construct a neighborhood Elementary School on this site; however, the schedule and ultimate reality of the school is unclear at this time.

B. Current Zoning

The Cherokee Farms Tract is part of Official Land Use Zoning Map 100-27 and is specifically identified as District 100, Map 27, Parcels 13 and 13A. The current zoning classification is Suburban (S).

The Habersham Tract is part of Official Land Use Zoning Map 100-27. It is currently zoned PUD and is completely platted.

The Sunrise Tract is part of Official Land Use Zoning Map 100-28 and is specifically identified as District 100, Map 28, Parcel 77. The current zoning is PUD since it the Habersham PUD was amended in 2006 to include the Sunrise Tract.

C. Marine Corps Air Station – AICUZ Zone

A portion of the Cherokee Farms Tract is located in the MCAS Runway 05 approach corridor. Approximately 45.5 acres of the 104.85 acre site is situated within AICUZ noise zone 2a (65 to 70 DNL). The Liaison Office has previously issued a findings letter as part of the Suburban rezoning of Cherokee Farms in March 2006.

On February 1, 2007, the Applicant, Planning Director and Assistant Planning Director met with the Liaison Officer for the MCAS. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the new zoning standards for the MCAS Overlay District (which were adopted in December 2006), and its potential impact on the Cherokee Farms Tract. Pursuant to Appendix A1 - Section 5(d) of the Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance, the new ordinance states that single family residential development within noise zone 2a (DNL 65 to 70) shall not be permitted at a gross density that exceeds two dwelling



units per acre. The Master Plan for the Cherokee Farms Tract with this Unified Development Plan does meet these standards.



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION
BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA 29904-5001

IN REPLY REFER TO:

1754 CP&L January 30, 2004

Beaufort County Planning Department Attention: Mr. Anthony Criscitiello 1000 Ribaut Road Beaufort, S.C. 29902

Dear Mr. Criscitiello,

Subj: CHEROKEE FARMS

The MCAS Beaufort Community Plans and Liaison Office reviewed the proposed development plans for Cherokee Farms for compatibility with the Air Station 2003 AICUZ Plan recommendations. The following are the findings of this review:

- a. Cherokee Farms is adjacent to Habersham Plantation, located in the MCAS Runway 05 approach corridor, and approximately 3.5 miles southwest of the runway threshold. Approximately 30 acres of the 105-acre development is situated within AICUZ Noise Zone 2 (65-69 DNL). The development is beyond any existing or planned aircraft accident potential zones.
- b. The 2003 AICUZ Plan recommendations discourage residential developments in noise zones 65-69 DNL. However, where there is a demonstrated community need for residential housing in noise zones, and the community determines that these uses must be allowed, measures to achieve outdoor to indoor noise level reduction (NLR) of at least 25dB should be incorporated in the construction of the residential or commercial units. Normal permanent construction can be expected to provide a NLR of 20dB. Other proposed uses within the AICUZ Noise Zone 2 such as recreation buildings or community centers should also incorporate the 25dB NLR standard. Mobile Homes are not recommended in Noise Zone 2.
- c. Noise attenuation efforts will not eliminate outdoor noise problems. Potential buyers of homes or properties located in AICUZ Noise Zones should be notified of the existence of low flying military aircraft, and the possibility of late night operations that may be accompanied by noticeable noise levels.

d. The proposed development plans did not include any plans for towers or structures that might exceed recommended height limitations.

If you have any questions, please contact LtCol. P.D. Noonan, Community Plans and Liaison Officer at 843-228-7119 or Bruce Jackson, Deputy Community Plans and Liaison Officer at 843-228-7131.

Sincerely,

P.D. NOONAN By direction

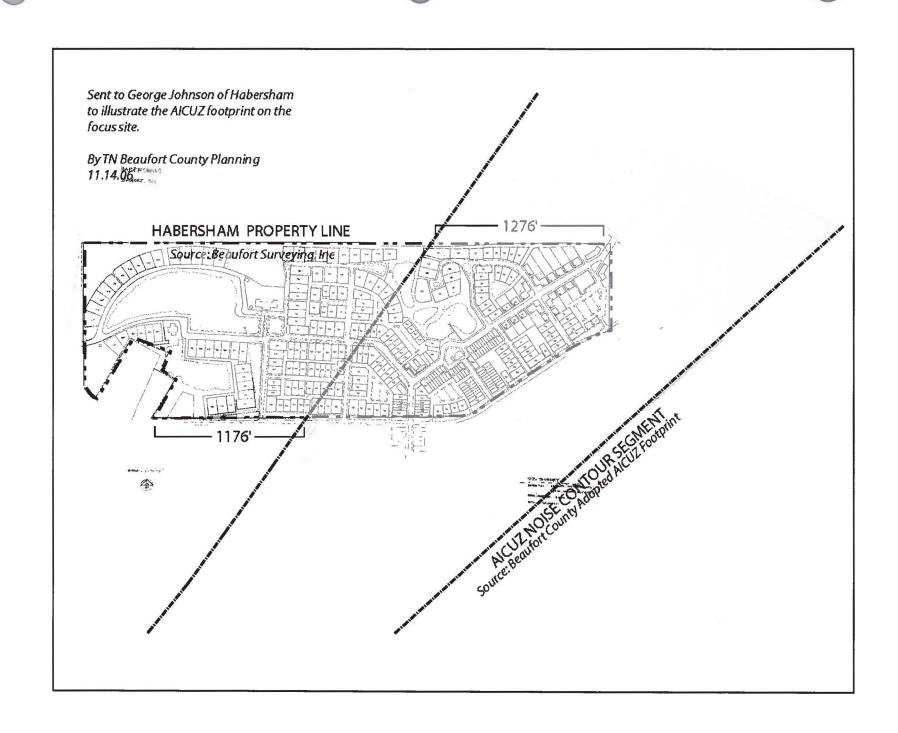


Exhibit C

Development Schedule

Redevelopment of the Property is expected to occur in phases over the Term of the Development Agreement, with the sequence and timing of Development dictated largely by market conditions. The following estimate of expected Development is hereby included, to be updated by the Owner as the same evolves over the Term:

<u>Development</u>	Date of Commencement / Completion
Phase 1	0 - 15 months
Phase 2	16 - 24 months
Phase 3	25 - 36 months
Phases 4 & 5	37 - 48 months
Phases 6 & 8	48 - 60 months

As stated in Article III of the Development Agreement, actual Development may occur more or less rapidly based on market conditions and other factors.

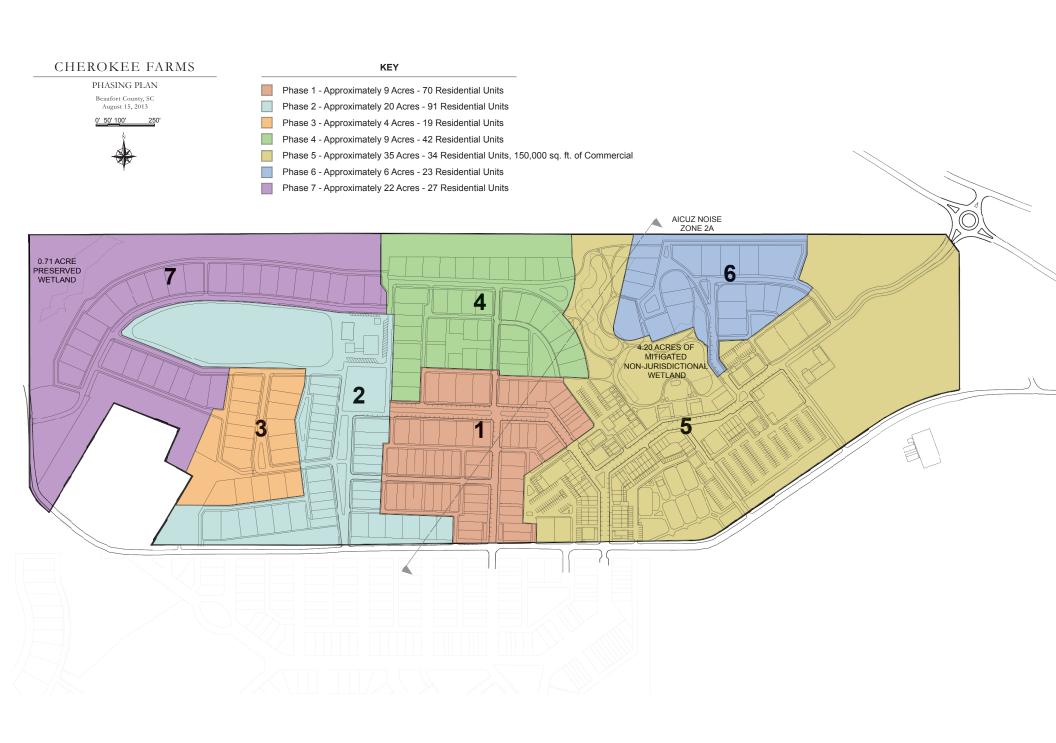


Exhibit D

Plans prepared by Davis & Floyd, Inc. (for Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout)

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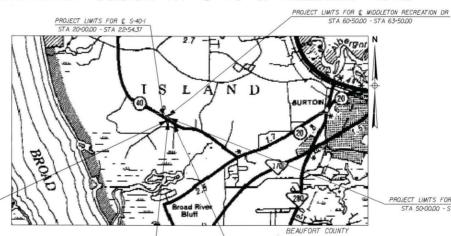
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IMPROVEMENTS FOR BEAUFORT COUNTY

PLAN AND PROFILE OF PROPOSED STATE HIGHWAY

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S-40 (JOE FRAZIER ROAD) ROUNDABOUT DESIGN AT S-40 & NEEDLES ROAD



CONSULTING ENGINEERING PROJECT ENGINEER FOR PERMITTING ONLY FOR CONSTRUCTION 1 OL BOTTO 3-10-10
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240 STONERIDGE DRIVE SUITE 305 COLUMBIA, SC 29210 803-256-4121 DAVIS Engineering Architecture LOYD Environmental Laboratory Services GREENWOOD • CHARLESTON • COLUMBIA SOUTH CAROLINA

PROJECT LIMITS FOR & CONNECTOR STA 50-00,00 - STA 50-70,06

Certification Statement

AASHTO "A Policy on Geometric Design of

Highways and Streets"

These plans were prepared and certified by the Consultants for completeness. No reviews or signatures by the SCDOT are required.

TRAFFIC DATA

LEGEND

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LAYOUT

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NPDES Disturbed

Area = /J7 Acres

Approximate Location of Roadway is: Longitude 80°46′ //"

Latitude 32° 26′ 00"

RAILROAD INVOLVEMENT? YES / (NO)

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SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

ITEM NO.	PAY ITEM	QUANTITY	PAY
1031000	MOBILIZATION	NEC	LS
1050800	CONST. STAKES, LINES & GRADES	1	EA
1061100	QUALITY CONTROL FOR EARTHWORK	1	LS
1061200	QUALITY CONTROL FOR BASES AND SUBBASES		LS
1071000	TRAFFIC CONTROL	1	LS
2012000	CLEARING AND GRUBBING WITHIN ROADWAY	1	LS
2025000	REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF EXISTING ASPHALT PAVEMENT	2000	SY
2031000	UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION	633	CY
2033000	BORROW EXCAVATION	2100	CY
2034000	MUCK EXCAVATION	50	CY
2091300	SELECT MATERIAL FOR LANDSCAPING	210	CY
3050103	GRADED AGGREGATE BASE COURSE - 3"	280	SY
3069900	MAINTENANCE STONE	20	TON
3100320	HOT MIX ASPHALT BASE COURSE - TYPE B	780	TON
4011004	LIQUID ASPHALT BINDER PG64-22	80	TON
4013990	MILL EXISTING ASPHALT PAVEMENT - VARIABLE	100	SY
4020330	HOT MIX ASPHALT INTERMEDIATE COURSE - TYPE C	470	TON
4030340	HOT MIX ASPHALT SURFACE COURSE - TYPE C	350	TON
5011100	PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENT - 8"	280	SY
6020005	PERMANENT CONSTRUCTION SIGNS (GROUND MOUNTED)	144	SF
6040010	4" WHITE SOLID LINE - PVT. EDGE - F.D.PNT	6794	LF
6040015	8" WHITE SOLID LINE (CROSSWALKS) - F.D.PNT	472	LF
6040025	24" WHITE SOLID LINE (STOPBAR) -F.D.PNT	25	LF
6040110	4" YELLOW SOLID LINE-F.D.PNT	8241	LF
6041010	4" WHITE SOLID LINE -PVT. EDGE - TH-90 ML	2020	LF
6041015	8" WHITE SOLID LINE - TH-125 ML	472	LF
6041025	24" WHITE SOLID LINE - TH-125 ML	25	LF
6041074	4" YELLOW SOLID LINE - TH-90 ML	2717	LF
6049505	REMOVAL OF PAVEMENT MARKINGS	1401	LF
6051100	PERMANENT YELLOW PAV. MARK BI-DIR 4X4	80	EA
6092155	TEMPORARY YELLOW PAV. MARK BI-DIR 4X4	56	EA
6271023	12"X18" WHITE TRIANGULAR YIELD BAR (GAPS EXCLUDED)	71	LF
7141162	18" RC PIPE - CL3 - AASHTO M315JNT	300	LF
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7204100	CONCRETE SIDEWALK (4" UNIFORM)	210	S)
7204900	DETECTABLE WARNING SURFACE	105	SF
7206000	CONCRETE MEDIAN	15	S
3041010	RIP-RAP (CLASS A)	32	TC
8048200	GEOTEXTILE/EROSION CONTROL (CLASS 2) TYPE A	40	S
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8103000	TEMPORARY VEGETATION	2.00	MS
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8115505	DRIP IRRIGATION SYSTEM	1	L
B132000	SODDING - CENTIPEDE GRASS	145	S
8152007	SEDIMENT TUBE	150	L
3153000	SILT FENCE	850	L
	REPAIR/REPLACE SILT FENCE	85	
	SILT BASINS	20	C
	REMOVAL OF SILT RETAINED BY SILT FENCE	215	
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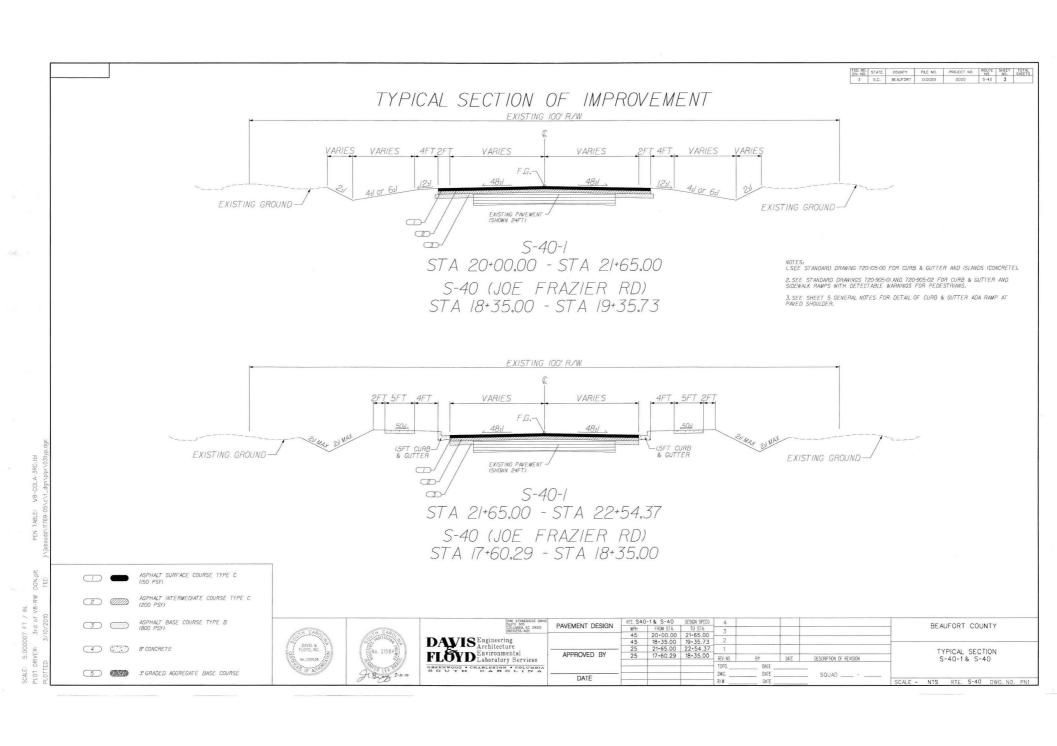
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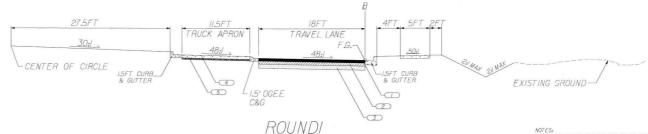
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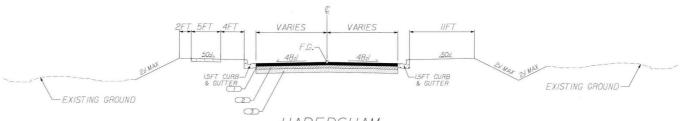
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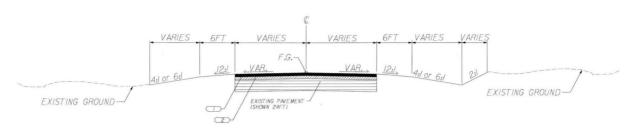
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GENERAL CONSTRUCTION NOTE

NOTE:

BEAUFORT COUNTY AND/OR THEIR CONSULTANT MUST SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZE CHANGES INVOLVING INCREASED COST OF PROJECT OR CHANGES IN ALIGNMENT.

SEE INDIVIDUAL CURVES ON REFERENCE DATA SHEET FOR SUPERELEVATION RATE AND DESIGN SPEED AS APPLICABLE.

THE FOLLOWING QUANTITIES ARE NOT SHOWN ON THE PLANS, BUT ARE INCLUDED IN THE SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED QUANTITIES AND MAY BE ADJUSTED DURING CONSTRUCTION AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

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BORROW EXCAVATION	75 CY WHERE DIRECTED BY ENGINEER
MUCK EXCAVATION	50 CY WHERE DIRECTED BY ENGINEER
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18" RC PIPE - CL3 - AASHTO M3/5JNT	24 LF WHERE DIRECTED BY ENGINEER
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SILT BASINS	20 CY WHERE DIRECTED BY ENGINEER
REMOVAL OF SILT RETAINED BY SILT FENCE	215 LF WHERE DIRECTED BY ENGINEER



MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF BEAUFORT COUNTY IN SOUTH CAROLINA

EROSION CONTROL NOTES:

ALL DISTURBED AREAS SHALL BE SEEDED AFTER GRADING IS COMPLETED OR WITHIN 7 DAYS AFTER WORK STOPS IN AN AREA UNLESS WORK IS TO RESUME IN THAT AREA WITHIN 21 DAYS

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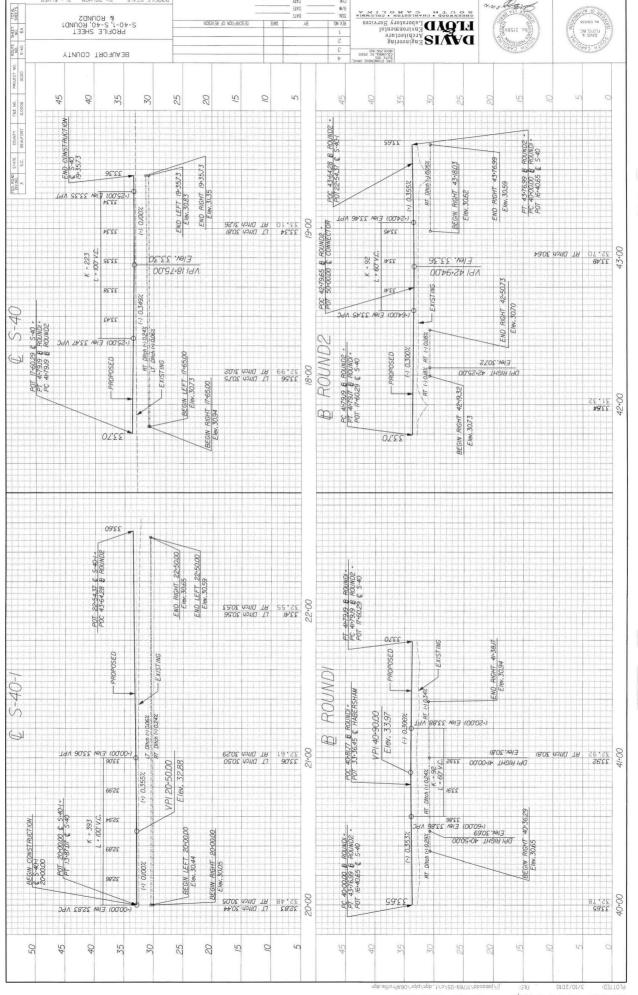


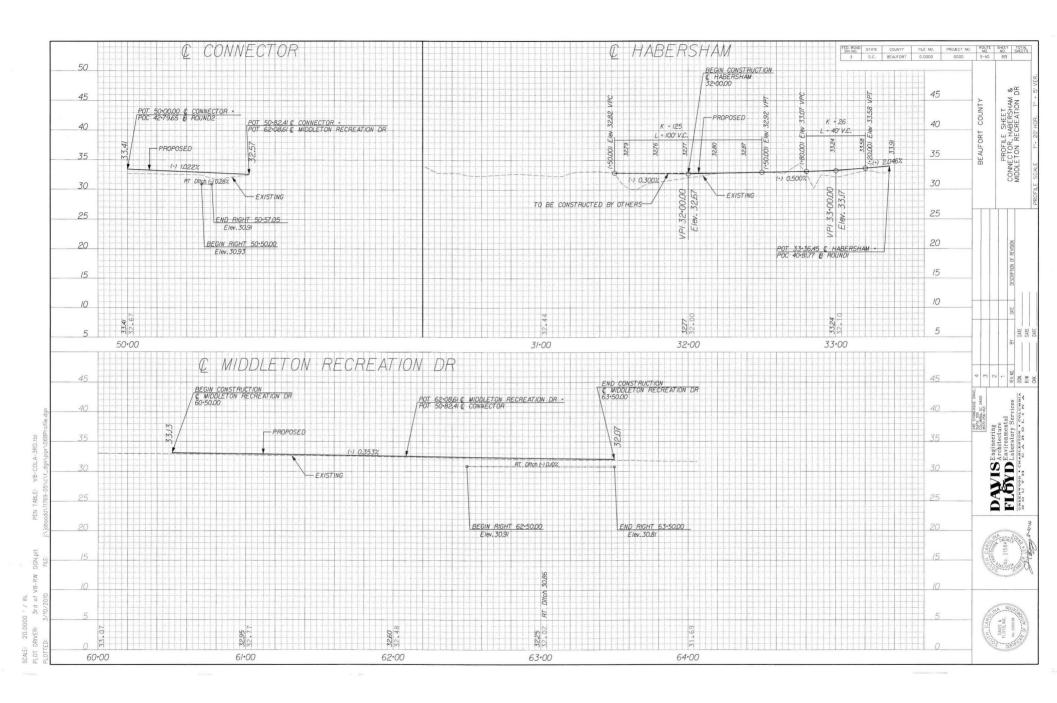




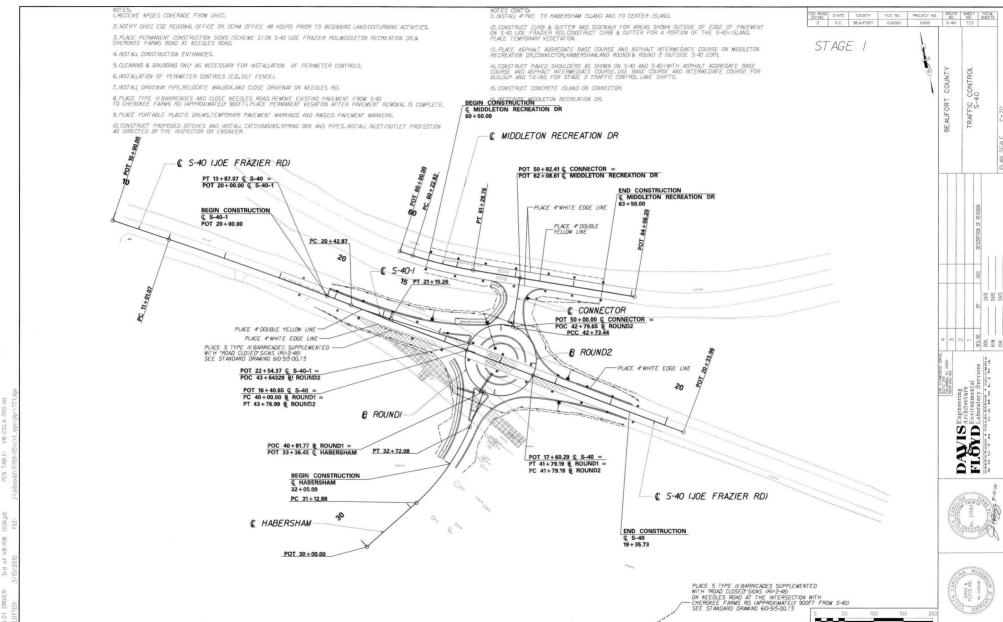


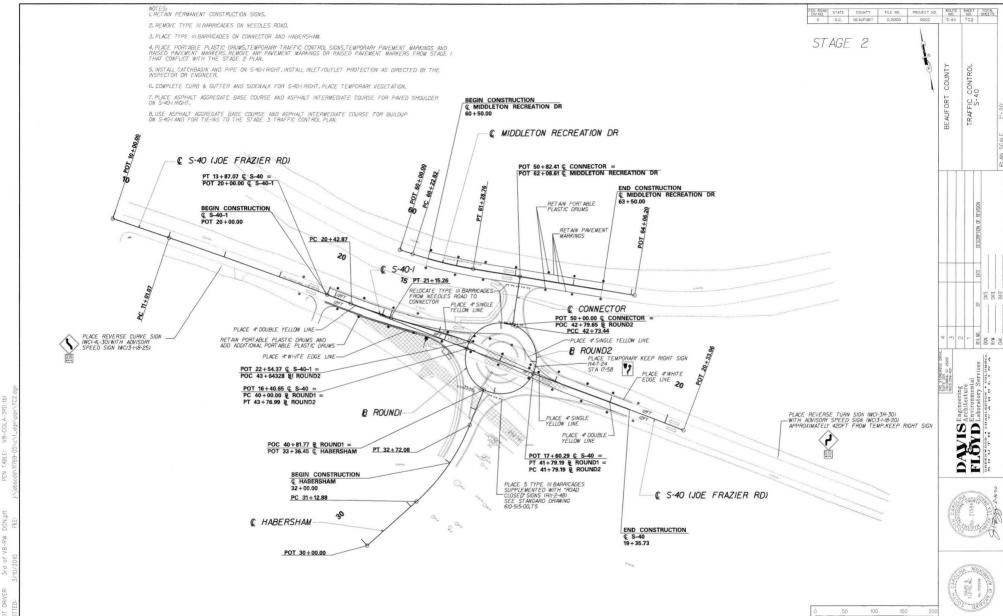
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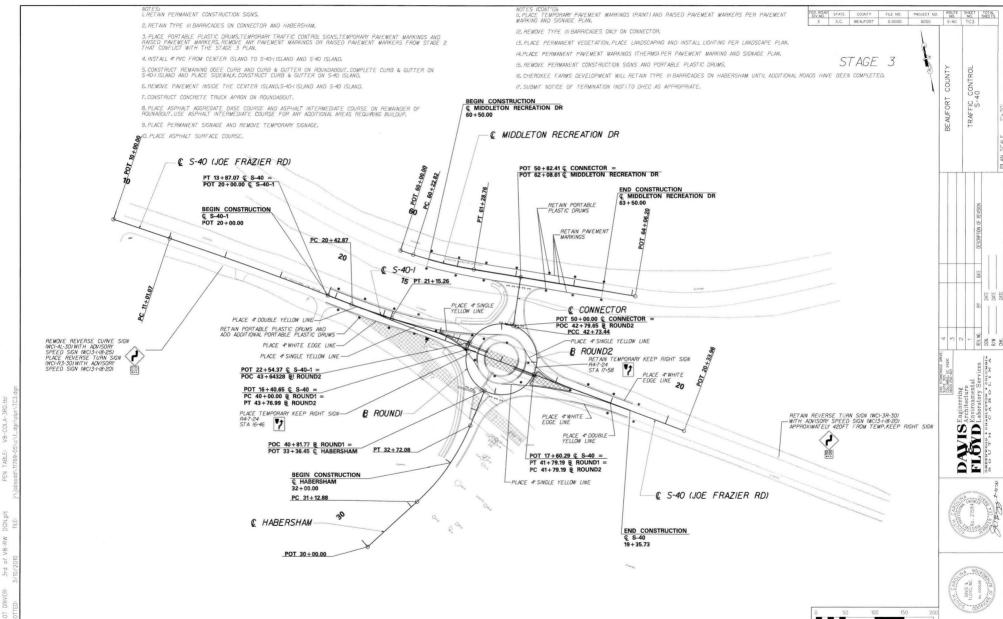




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EROSION CONTROL NOTES

I. IF NECESSARY, SLOPES, WHICH EXCEED EIGHT (8) VERTICAL FEET SHOULD BE STABILIZED WITH SYNTHETIC OR VEGETATIVE MATS, IN ADDITION TO HYDROSEEDING, IT WAY BE NECESSARY TO INSTALL TEMPORARY SLOPE DRAINS DURING CONSTRUCTION. TEMPORARY BERMS MAY BE NEEDED UNTIL THE SLOPE IS BROUGHT TO GRADE.

2. STABILIZATION MEASURES SHALL BE INITIATED AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE IN PORTIONS OF THE SITE WHERE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES HAVE TEMPORARILY OR PERMANENTLY CEASED, BUT IN NO CASE MORE THAN FOURTEEN (14) DAYS AFTER WORK HAS CEASED, EXCEPT AT STATED BELOW.

A WHERE STABILIZATION BY THE 14th DAY IS PRECLUDED BY SNOW COVER OR FROZEN GROUND CONDITIONS STABILIZATION MEASURES MUST BE INITIATED AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE.

B. WHERE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY ON A PORTION OF THE SITE IS TEMPORARILY CEASED, AND EARTH-DISTURBING ACTIVITIES WILL BE RESUMED WITHIN 14 DAYS, TEMPORARY SATBILIZATION MEASURES DO NOT HAVE TO BE INITIATED ON THAT PORTION OF THE SITE.

3. ALL SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL DEVICES SHALL BE INSPECTED EVERY SEVEN (7) DAYS, IF SITE INSPECTIONS IDENTIFY BMPS THAT ARE DAMAGED OR ARE NOT OPERATING EFFECTIVELY, MAINTENANCE MUST BE PERFORMED AS SOON AS PRACTICAL OR AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE AND BEFORE THE NEXT STORM EVENT WHENEVER PRACTICABLE,

OR

ALL SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL DEVICES SHALL BE INSPECTED AT LEAST ONCE EVERY FOURTEEN (14) CALENDAR DAYS AND WITHIN 24 HOURS OF THE END OF A STORM EVENT OF 0.5 INCHES OR GREATER, IF SITE INSPECTIONS DESCRIPTIVE BURBS THAT ARE DAMAGED OR ARE NOT OPERATING EFFECTIVELY, MAINTENANCE WUST BE PERFORMED AS SOON AS PRACTICAL OR AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE AND BEFORE THE NEXT STORM EVENT WHENEVER PRACTICABLE.

4. PROVIDE SILT FENCE AND/OR OTHER CONTROL DEVICES,AS MAY BE REQUIRED,TO CONTROL SOIL EROSION DURING UTILITY CONSTRUCTION. ALL DISTURBED AREAS SHALL BE CLEANED,GRADED,AND STABILIZED WITH GRASSING IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE UTILITY INSTALLATION. FILL,COVER, AND TEMPORARY SEEDING AT THE END OF EACH DAY ARE RECOMMENDED. IF WATER IS ENCOUNTERED WHILE TRENCHING, THE WATER SHOULD BE FILTERED TO REMOVE ANY SEDIMENTS BEFORE BEING PUMPED BACK INTO ANY WATERS OF THE STATE.

5. ALL EROSION CONTROL DEVICES SHALL BE PROPERLY MAINTAINED DURING ALL PHASES OF CONSTRUCTION UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF ALL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES AND ALL DISTURBED AREAS HAVE BEEN STABILIZED.

ADDITIONAL CONTROL DEVICES MAY BE REQUIRED DURING CONSTRUCTION IN ORDER TO CONTROL EROSION AND/OR OFFSITE SEDIMENTATION, ALL TEMPORARY CONTROL DEVICES SHALL BE REMOVED ONCE CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETE AND THE SITE IS STABILIZED.

6.THE CONTRACTOR MUST TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO MINIMZE THE TRACKING OF MUD ONTO PAVED ROADWAY(S) FROM CONSTRUCTION AREAS AND THE GENERATION OF DUST. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL DAILY REMOVE MUD/ SOIL FROM PAVEMENT, AS MAY BE REQUIRED.

7. RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISIONS REQUIRE EROSION CONTROL FEATURES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE AS WELL AS FOR INDIVIDUAL LOT CONSTRUCTION, INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS SHALL FOLLOW THESE PLANS DURING CONSTRUCTION OR OBTAIN APPROVAL OF AN INDIVIDUAL PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH S.C.REG.72-300 et seq. AND SCRIO0000.

8. TEMPORARY DIVERSION BERMS AND/OR DITCHES WILL BE PROVIDED AS NEEDED DURING CONSTRUCTION TO PROTECT WORK AREAS FROM UPSLOPE RUNOFF AND/OR TO DIVERT SEDIMENT-LADEN WATER TO APPROPRIATE TRAPS OR STABLE OUTLETS.

9. ALL WATERS OF THE STATE (WoS), INCLUDING WETLANDS, ARE TO BE FLAGGED OR OTHERWISE CLEARLY MARKED IN THE FIELD, A DOUBLE ROW OF SILT FENCE IS TO BE INSTALLED IN ALL AREAS WHERE A 50-FOOT BUFFER CAN'T BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN THE DISTURBED AREA AND ALL WOS. A 10-FOOT BUFFER SHOULD BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN THE LAST ROW OF SILT FENCE AND ALL WOS.

IO. LITTER.CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS, OILS, FUELS, AND BUILDING PRODUCTS WITH SIGNIFICANT POTENTIAL FOR IMPACT (SUCH AS STOCKPILES OF FRESHLY TREATED LUMBER) AND CONSTRUCTION CHEMICALS THAT COULD BE EXPOSED TO STORM WATER MUST BE PREVENTED FROM BECOMING A POLLUTANT SOURCE IN STORM WATER DISCHARGES.



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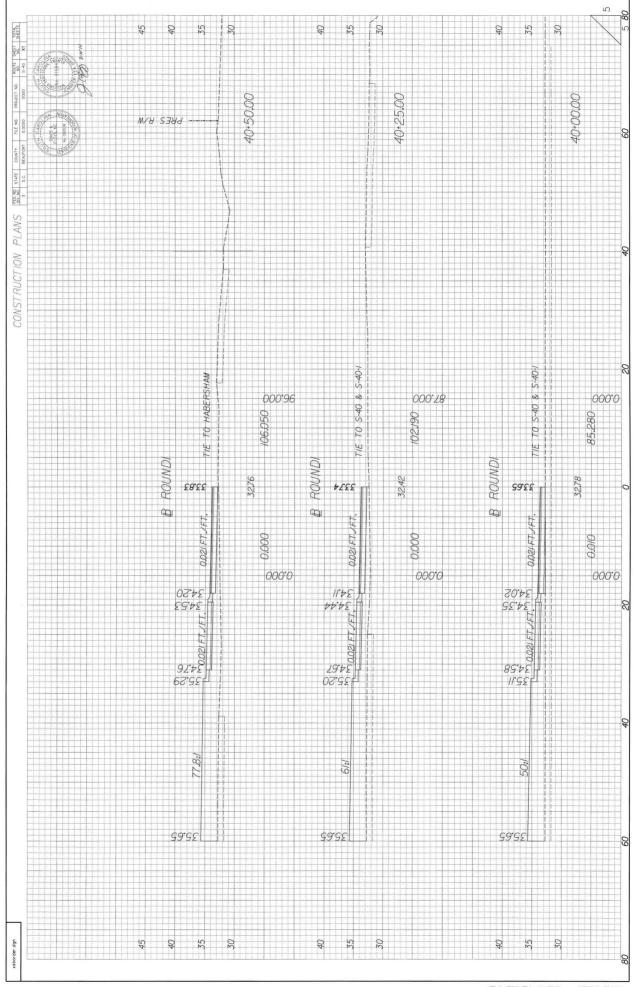
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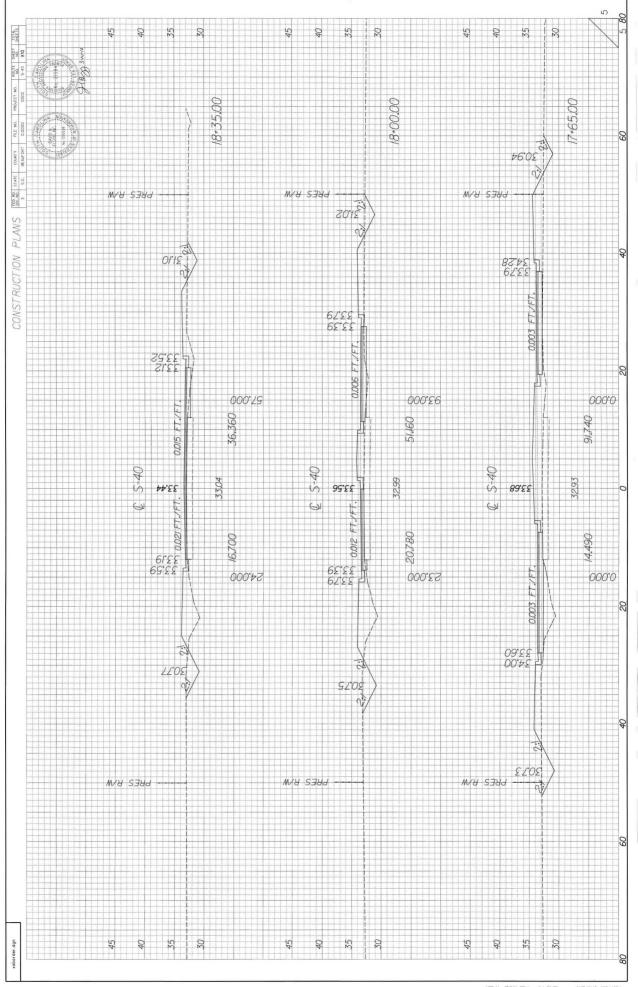
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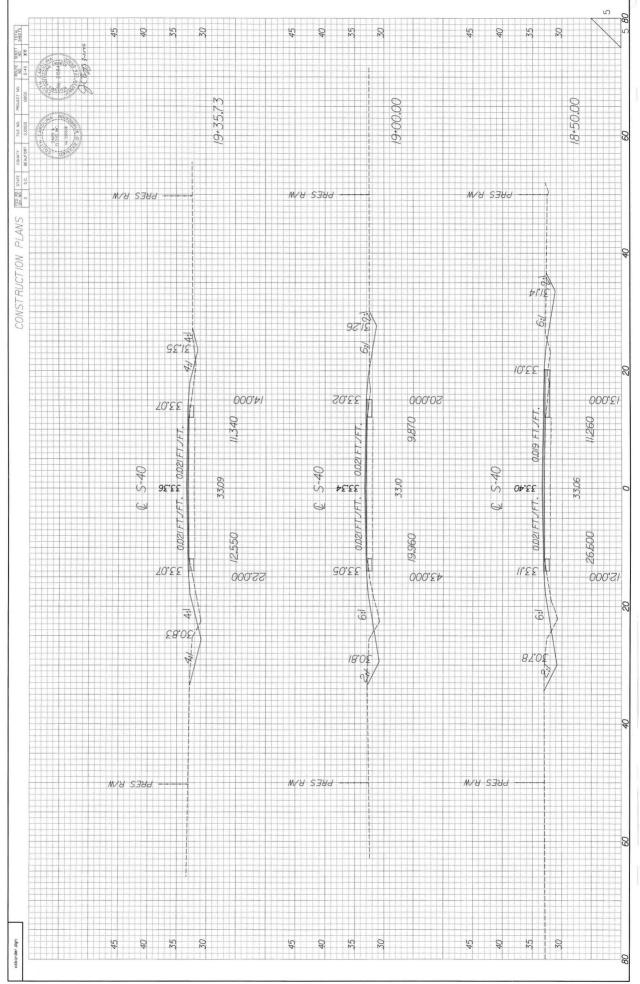


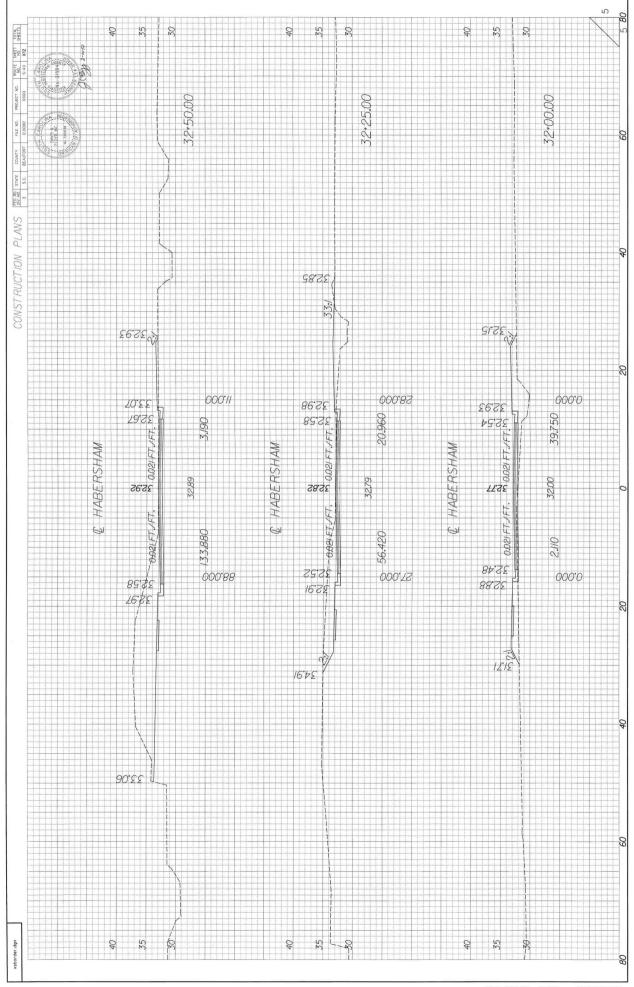


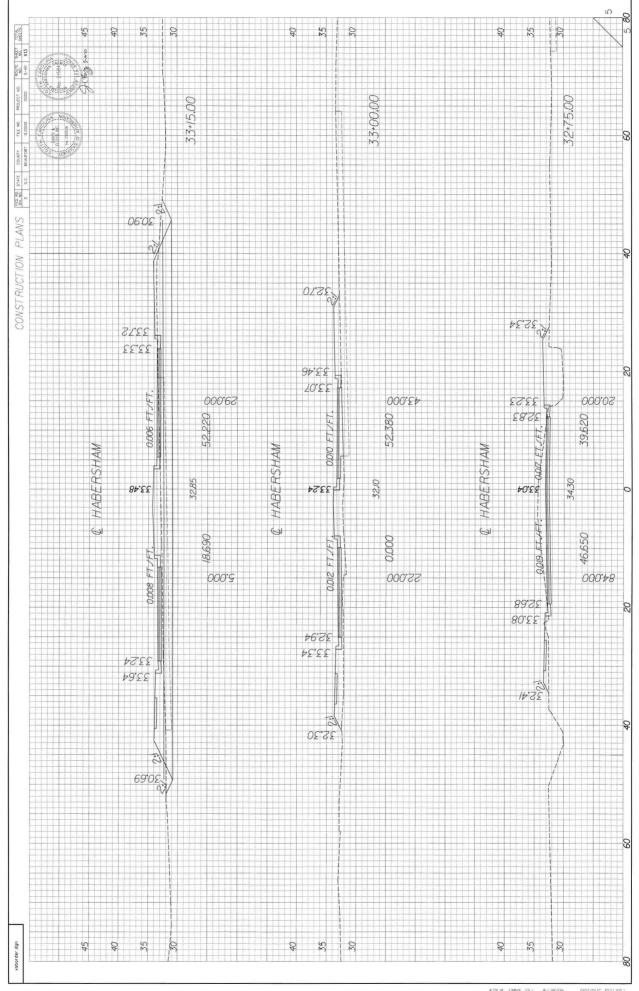


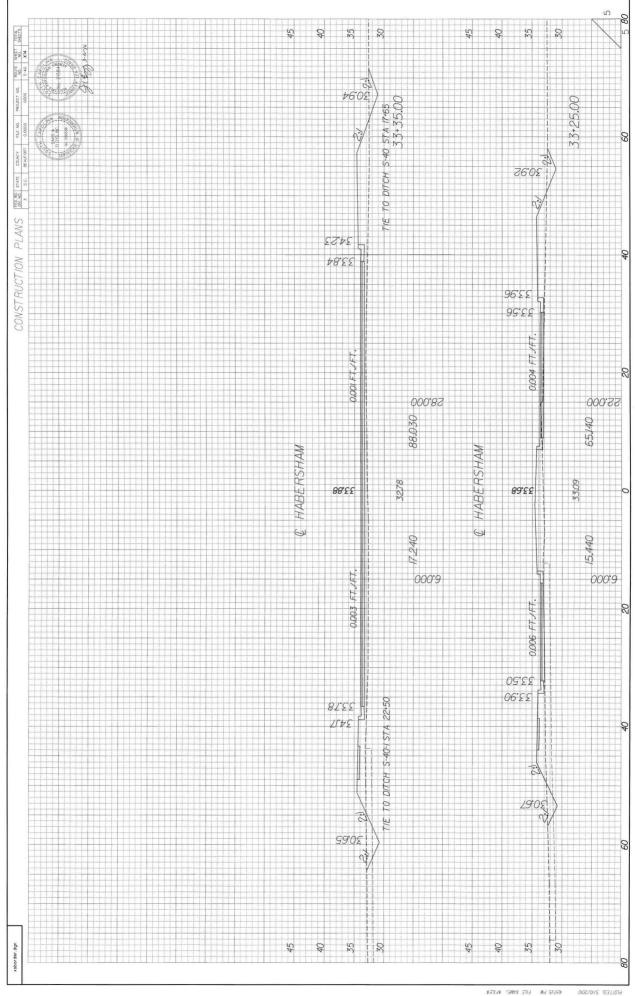


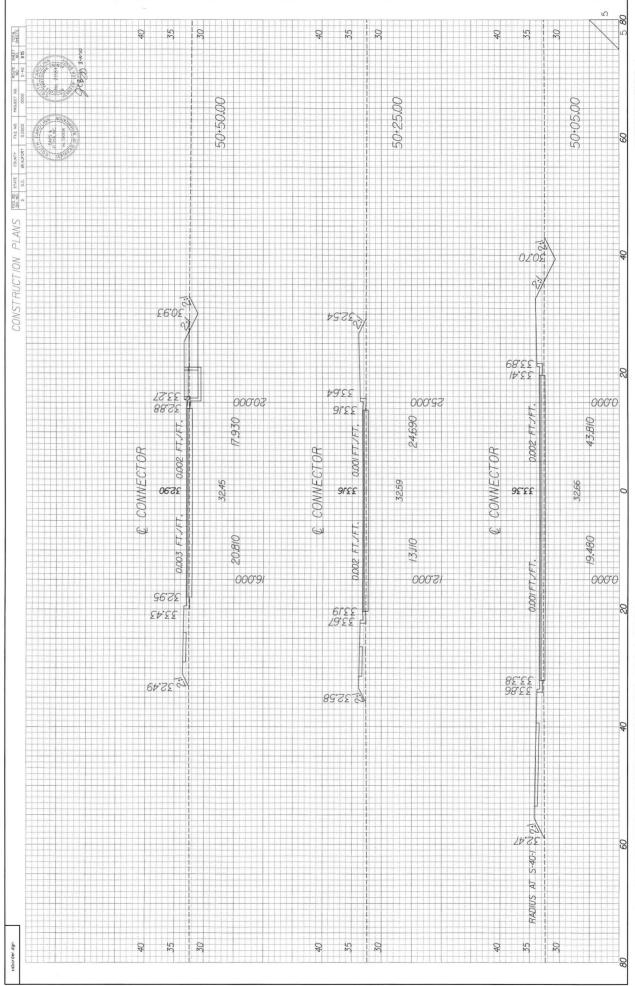


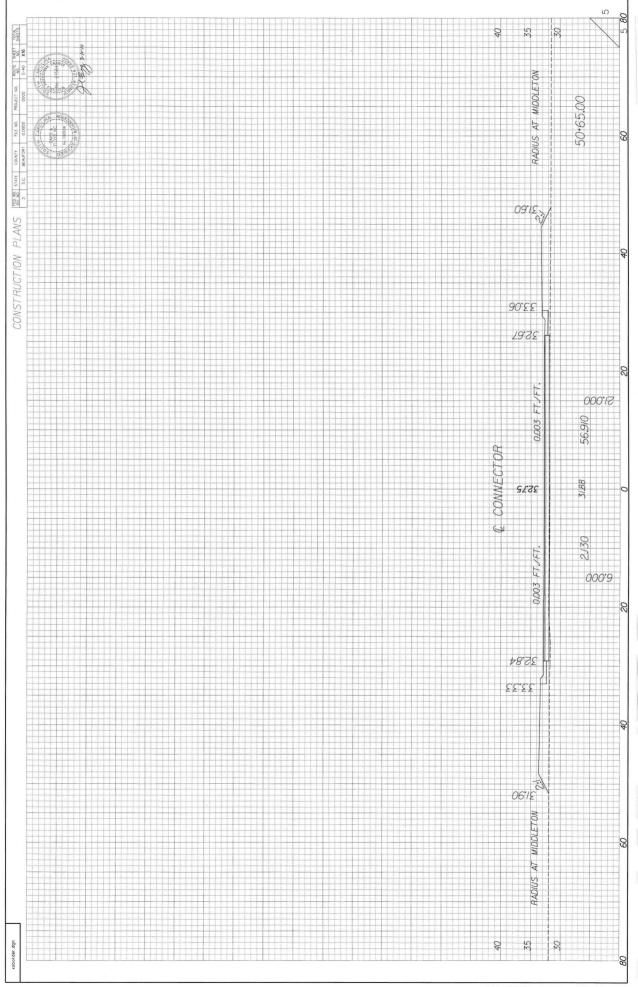


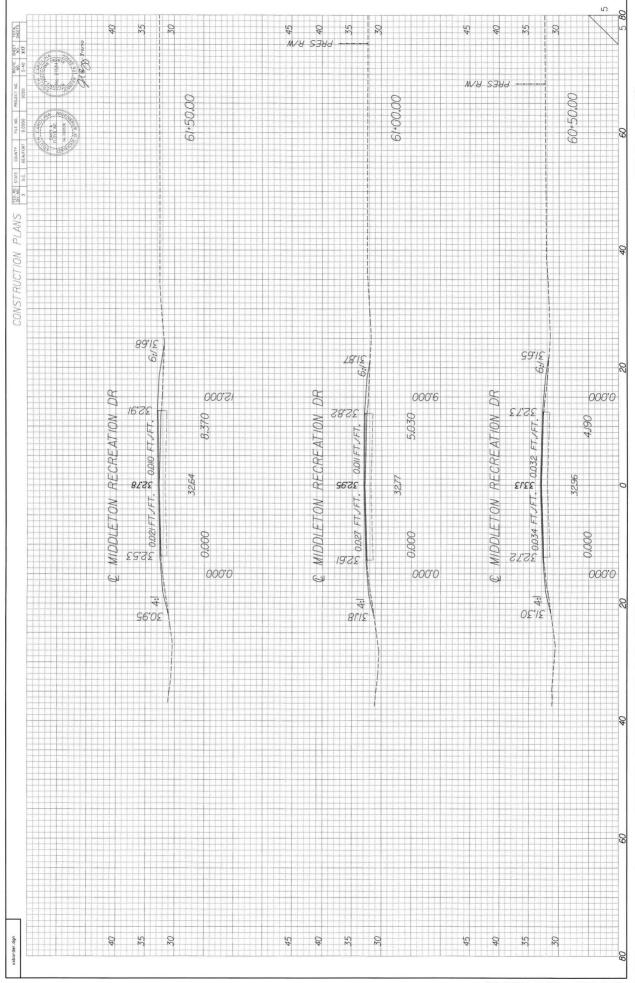


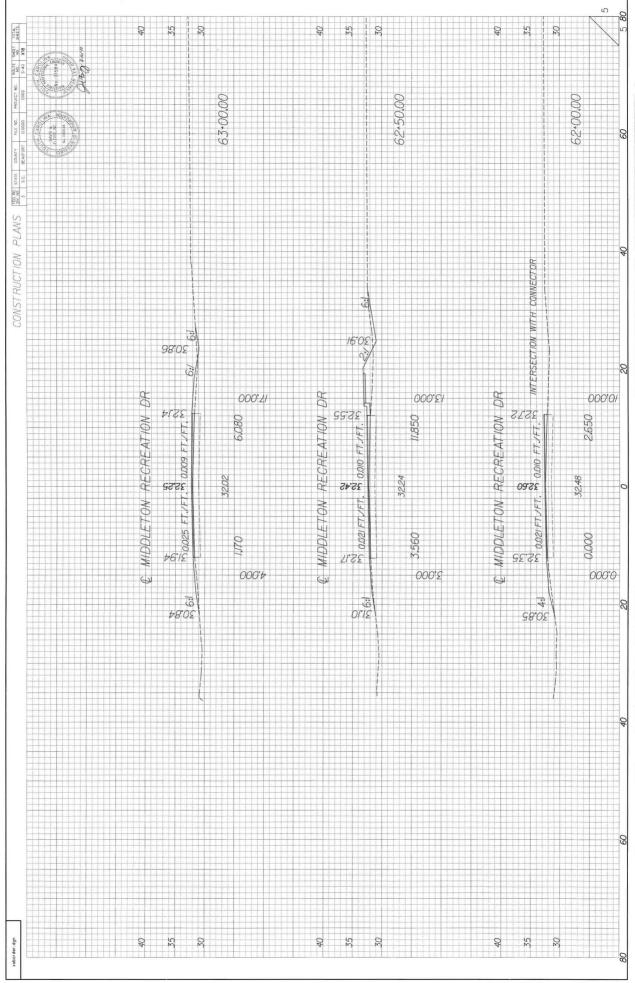


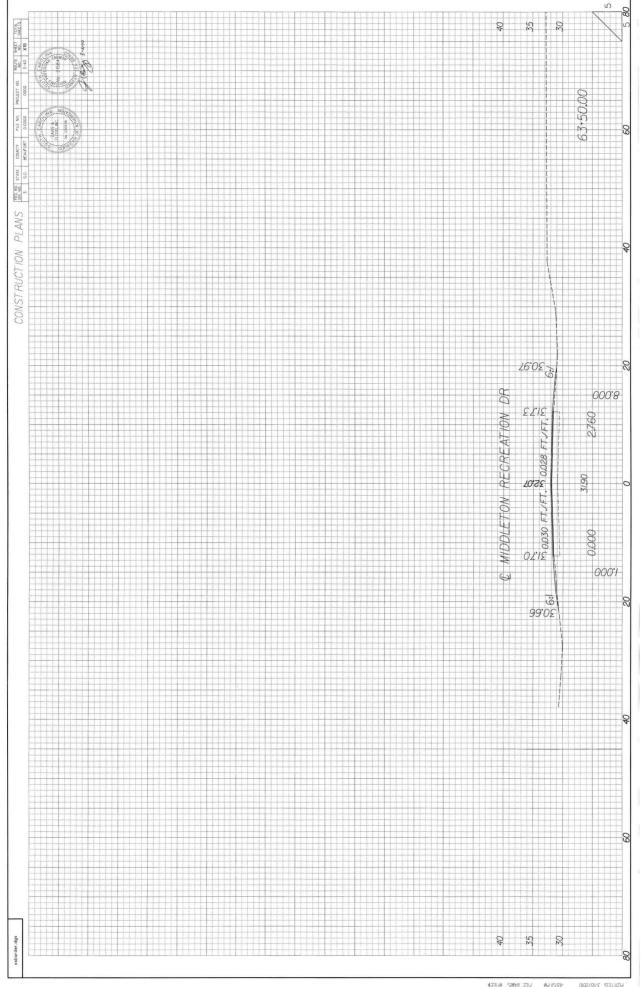


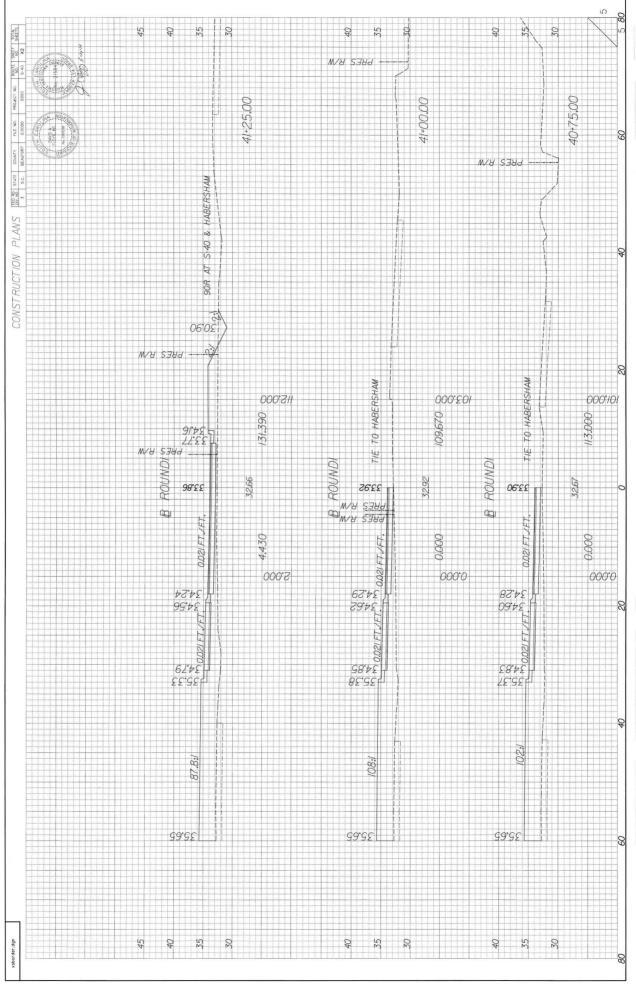


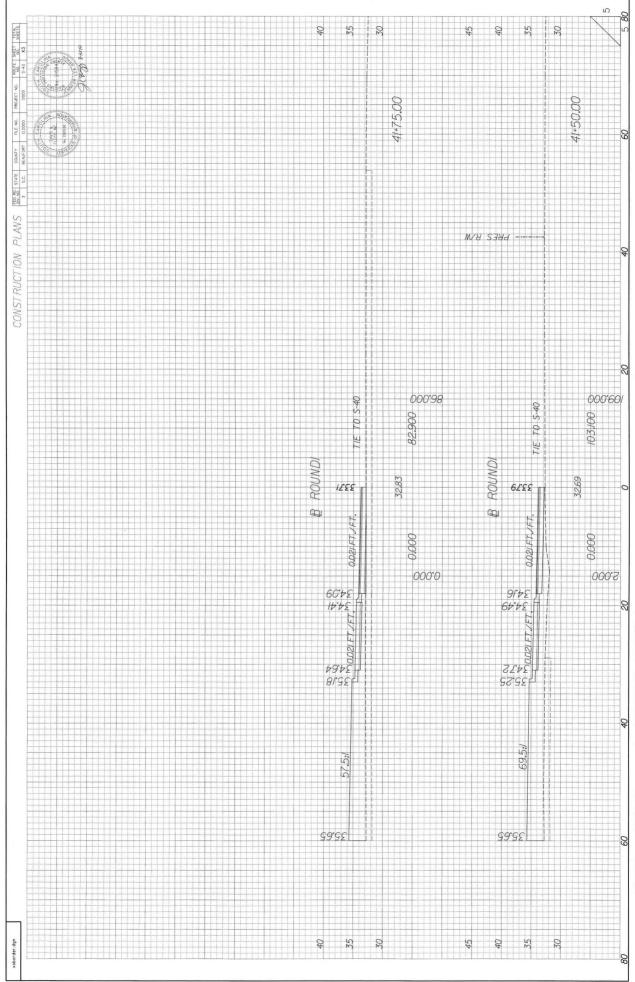


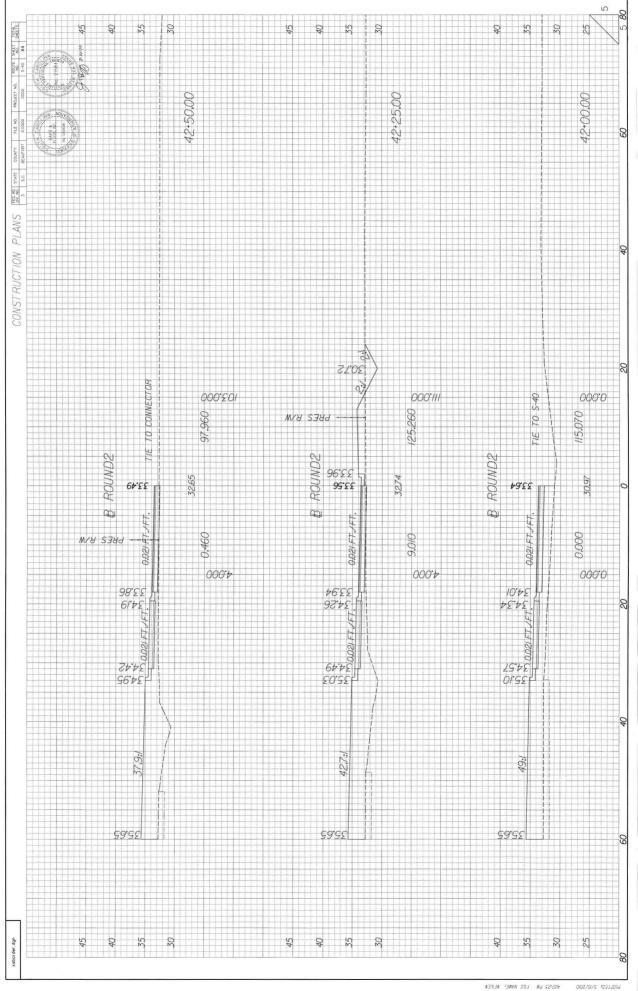


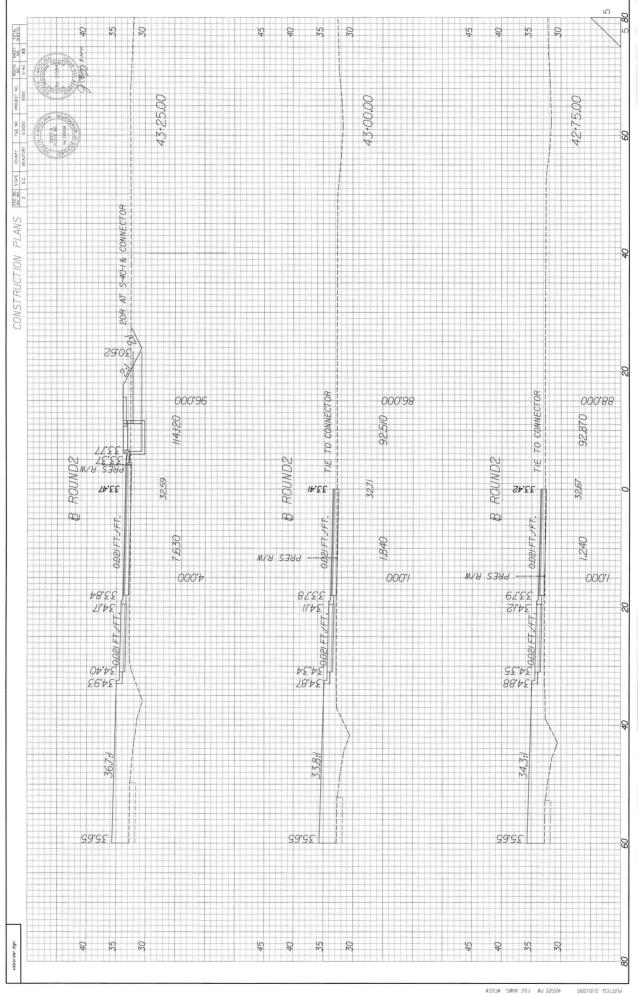


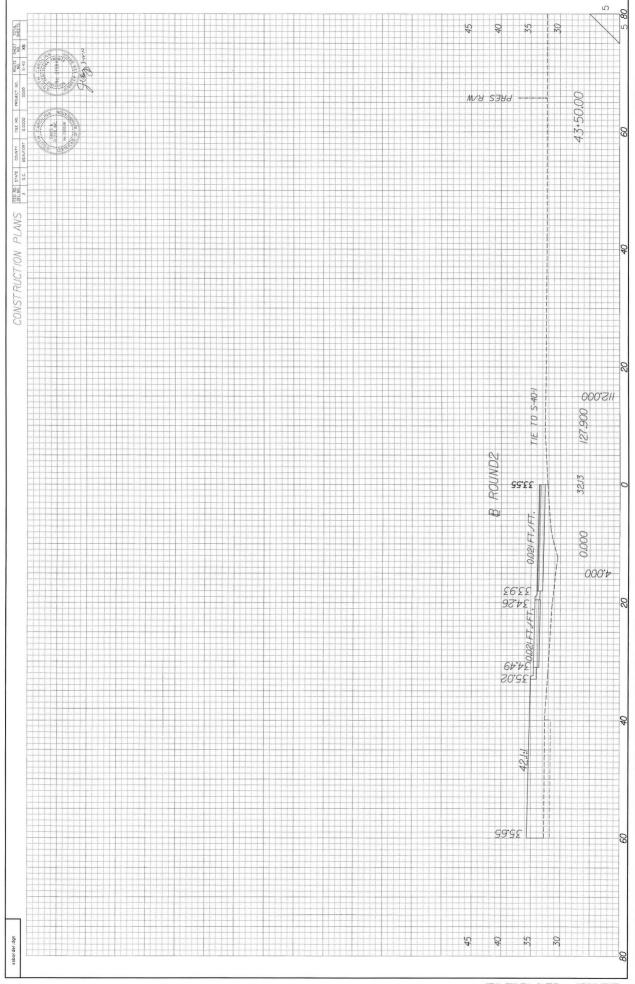


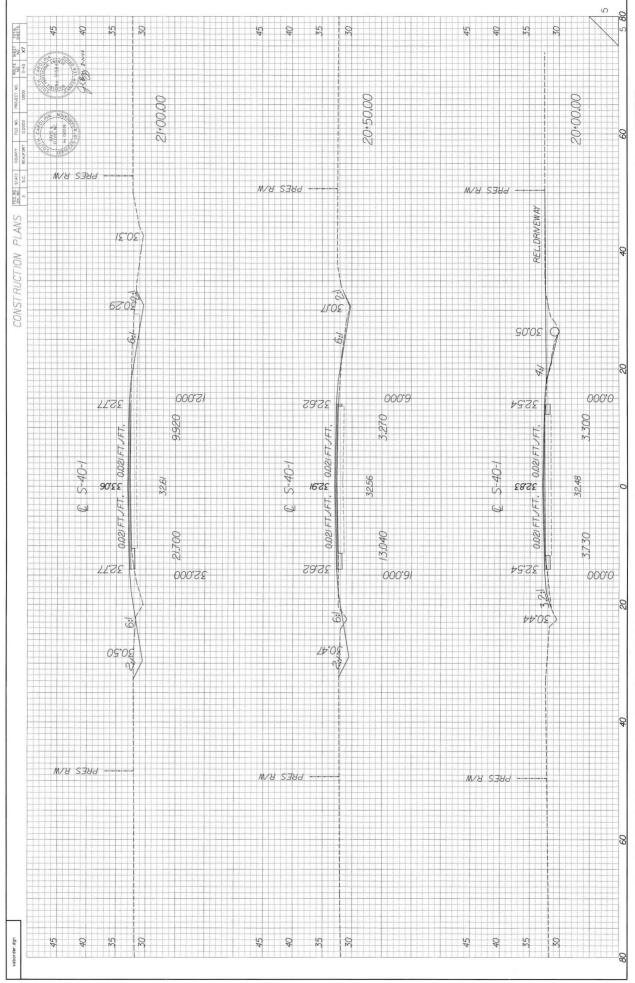


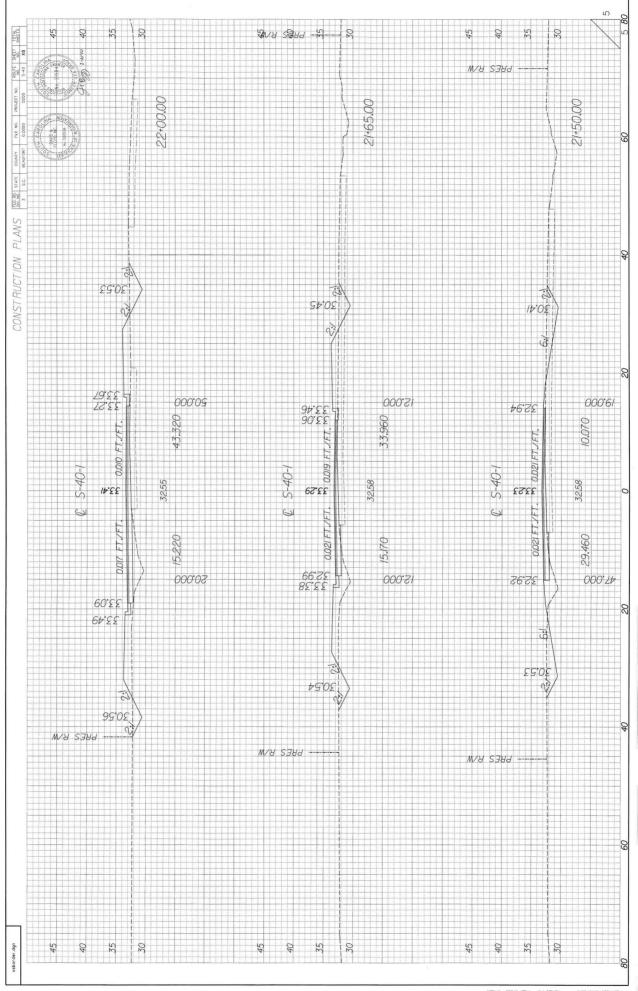












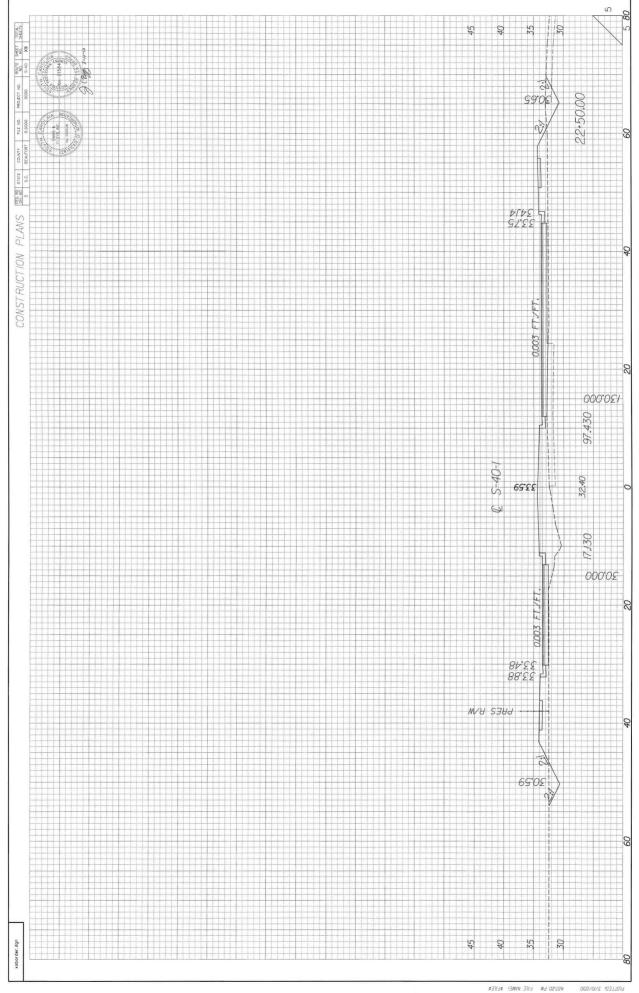
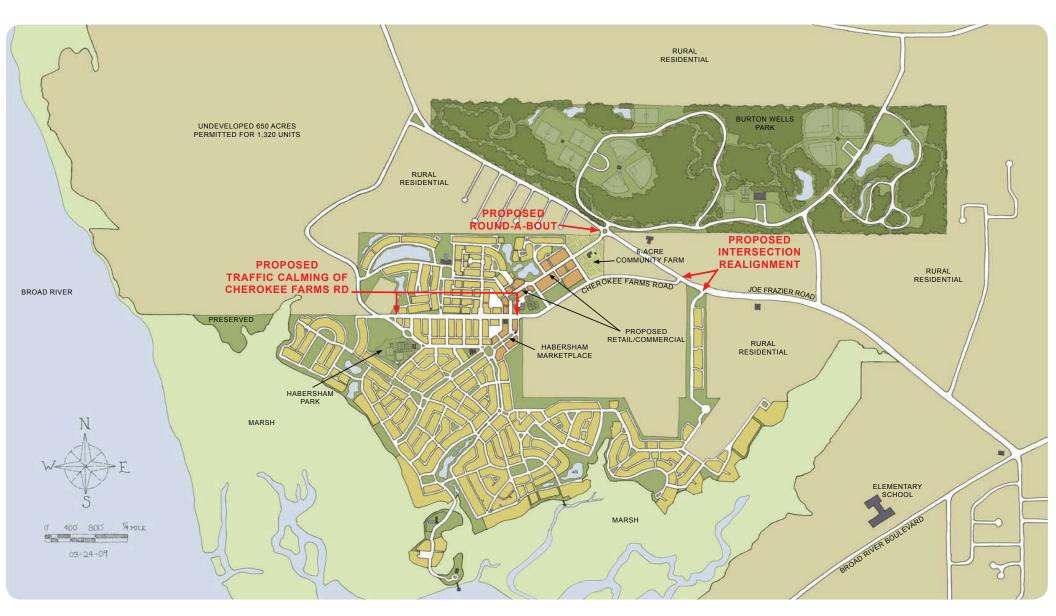


Exhibit E

Cherokee Farms, Needles Road and Joe Frazier Road Improvements, Conceptual Plan



Habersham & Cherokee Farms Regional Context

Exhibit F

Joe Frazier Road Round-a-bout Landscape Plan

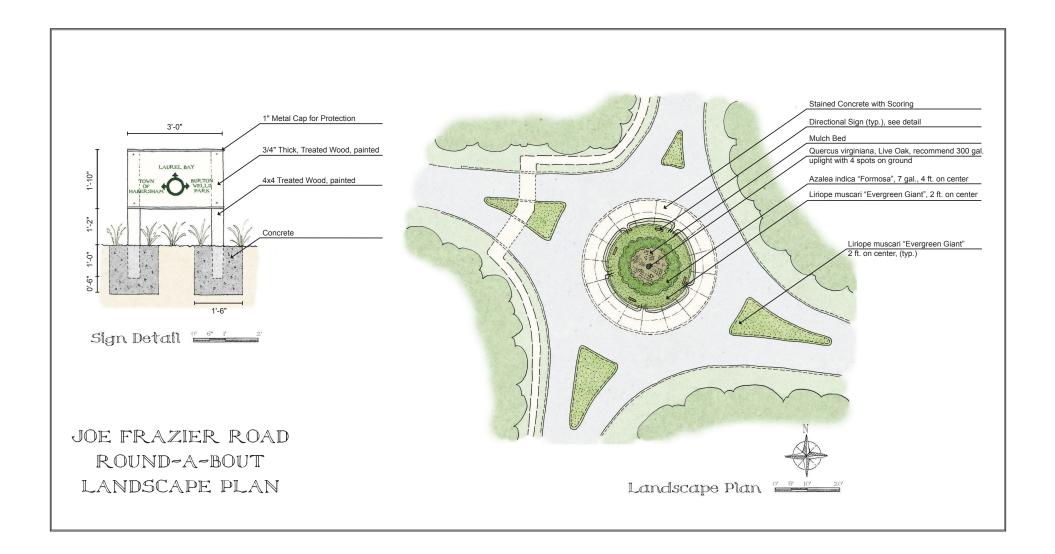


Exhibit G

Beaufort County Zoning and Development Standards Ordinances ("ZDSO")

Resolution No.	

A RESOLUTION OF BEAUFORT COUNTY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE 2014 GREENPRINT MAP IDENTIFYING AREAS OF FOCUS FOR FUTURE LAND ACQUISITION AND CONSERVATION RELATED ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS, Beaufort County has enjoyed significant success in the preservation of historically significant and ecologically sensitive areas throughout the County; and

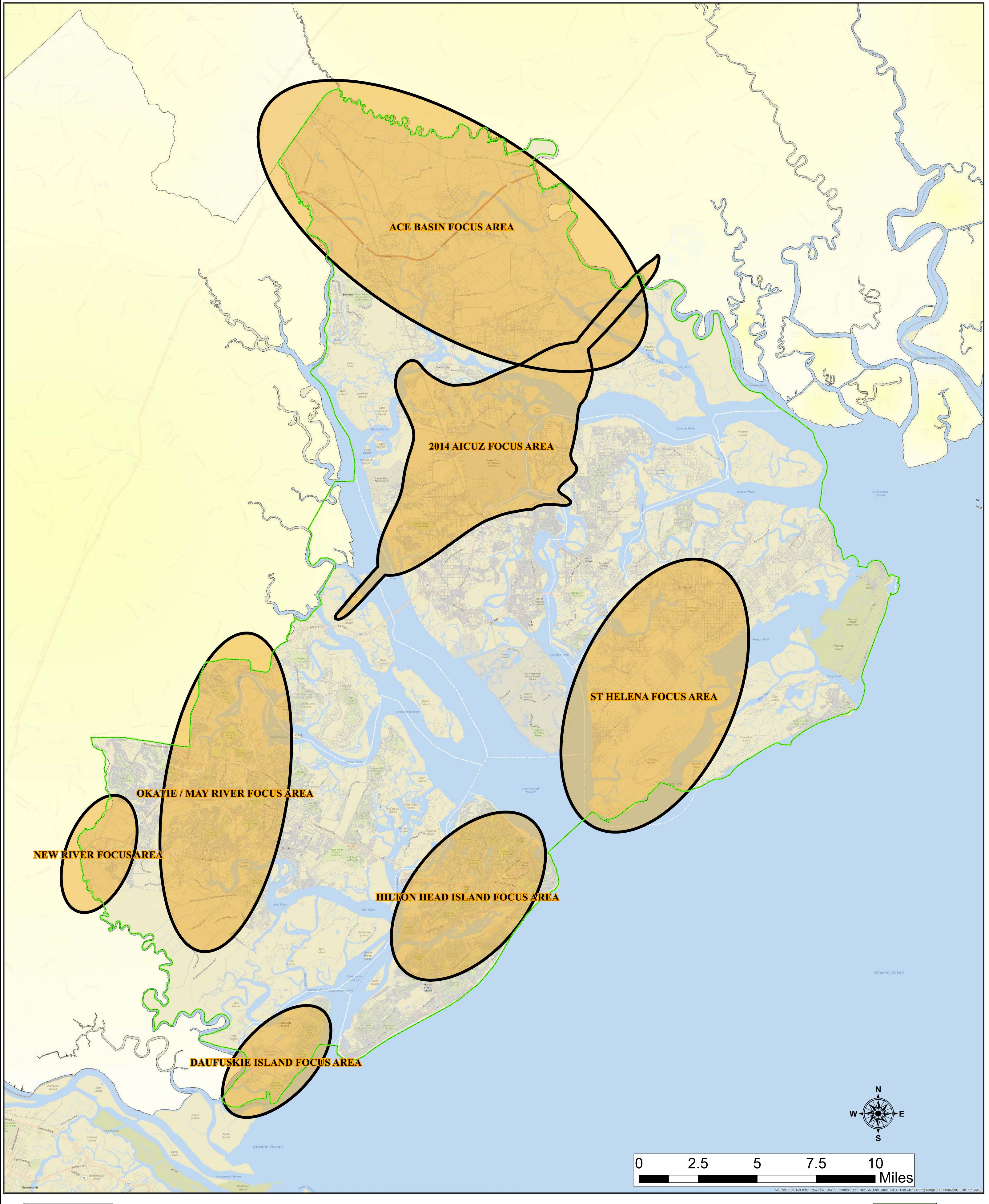
WHEREAS, a significant planning tool that assisted in the acquisition of many of these parcels was the Greenprint Map that was created in 2006; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue success enjoyed by the County, it is necessary to adopt an updated Greenprint Map, which takes into account a baseline of properties that have already been acquired through the County's Rural and Critical Lands Program, or through other conservation-related entities such as the Beaufort County Open Land Trust as well as providing guidance on future areas that are identified for protection or illustrate areas of high priority for conservation; and

WHEREAS, through the collection of public input and empirical data gathered during the creation of the update Greenprint Map, this document will be able to be used as an advisory tool by Beaufort County Council and other interested parties to guide decisions on future land acquisitions and environmental protection policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY BEAUFORT COUNTY COUNCIL, that it hereby adopts the 2014 Greenprint Map, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, for the purposes of being a nonbinding advisory instrument that will be used as a tool for the effective long-range planning and conservation activities of Beaufort County.

DONE this day of July, 2014.	
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	By: D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman
Joshua A. Gruber, Staff Attorney	









E NO.

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FROM THE LOCAL (3%) ACCOMMODATIONS TAX FUNDS TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM

WHEREAS, Hunting Island State Park is located in Beaufort County, South Carolina and is operated by the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism; and

WHEREAS, Hunting Island State Park attracts numerous visitors and patrons to Beaufort County, South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, through Local (3%) Accommodations Taxes Beaufort County desires to support tourism-related activities including, but not limited to, parks, recreational facilities, civic centers, coliseums, aquariums, tourism-related cultural, recreational, or historical facilities, beach access and renourishment, highways, roads, streets and bridges providing access to tourist destinations, advertisements and promotions related to tourism development, water and sewer infrastructure to serve tourism-related demand, police, fire protections, emergency medical services and emergency-preparedness operations directly attendant to the foregoing facilities in order to promote and further encourage tourism in the County; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County recognizes the need for lifeguard services at Hunting Island State Park to further promote tourism – related activities and to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the patrons and visitors; and

WHEREAS, with the assistance of the County's financial contribution the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism shall be responsible for the hiring and implementation of the lifeguards at Hunting Island State Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Beaufort County Council that Beaufort County hereby allocates an amount up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) annually from Local (3%) Accommodations Tax for the purpose of allowing the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism to hire and provide lifeguard services at Hunting Island State Park as appropriate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the patrons.

DONE, this day of July, 2014.	
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY
	BY:
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	

Joshua A. Gruber, County Attorney First Reading: June 9, 2014 Second Reading: June 23, 2014 Public Hearing: Third and Final Reading:

ADD-ONS

The document(s) herein were provided to Council for information and/or discussion after release of the official agenda and backup items.

Topic: Santa Elena Project

Date Submitted: July 28, 2014

Submitted By: Stu Rodman

Venue: County Council Meeting

Preserving Santa Elena deserves more support

The excavation and preservation of the first colonial capital deserves support from state government and the private sector.

mere 2 percent of the site of the Santa Elena settlement, on what is today called Parris Island, has been excavated since the location of the first colonial capital was confirmed in 1979.

Quite likely, a lode of great value -- financially, culturally and historically - is buried beneath the Marine Corps recruit depot that now occupies the island.

The nonprofit Santa Elena Foundation deserves support in its new push to unearth and tell the story of the Spanish town, established four decades before Jamestown. This movement is gaining momentum, and that could mean a big boost for Beaufort County's tourism industry.

But South Carolina has to get its priorities in order and its act together for this effort to take wing. Proper Davis' criticism of Haley's veto preservation of what is uncovered there will be largely dependent upon state government.

In periodic digs between 1979 and 2008, the state Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology at the University of South Carolina has retrieved enough artifacts to fill more than 800 cubic feet, according to a recent Associated Press report. The Marine Corps has allowed the institute to house the artifacts as long as they are properly protected.

However, many items, particularly those dug up decades ago, are state budget, South Carolina begins stored in deteriorating cardboard boxes and plastic or paper bags,

- the institute's Ches-

ter DePratter.

The Marine Corps has stipulated that before archaeological work can resume, the entire collection must be repackaged and recatalogued. Legislators earmarked \$220,000 in the state budget to help do that, easily overriding the veto of Gov. Nikki Haley, who argued private donations should pay the tab.

Make no mistake, the private and charitable sectors will do their

The Santa Elena Foundation intends to raise money to showcase this important piece of national history — an interpretive center and full-time archaeologists are part of its plans. The foundation does not yet have an estimate for all it envisions, but board member Dick Stewart said the first phase will cost \$1 million to \$2 million. Some of that might come through grants or public funding, but private money and volunteer efforts will be substantial.

Further, we agree with Sen. Tom preservation of this under-appreciated piece of cultural heritage is a legitimate government function: At a bare minimum, the state has an obligation to care for artifacts already in its possession.

"These 500-year-old artifacts are sitting in cardboard boxes and bags and rotting away," Davis, a Beaufort Republican, told The Associated Press. "A private foundation can't go forward until the state has its house in order."

With the \$220,000 set aside in the to meet its obligation and help surface an important story too long huried on Parris Island.

Stu Rodman July 28, 2014 **County Council Meeting**



PRESS RELEASE: COUNT OF GÜEMES JOINS SANTA ELENA FOUNDATION BOARD

For Immediate Release

Contact: Andy Beall, 940-367-1694 abeall@Santa-Elena.org

SPANISH COUNT OF GÜEMES JOINS SANTA ELENA FOUNDATION BOARD

July 24, 2014, Beaufort, South Carolina – The Santa Elena Foundation Board of Directors welcomed Álvaro Armada Barcaiztegui to the foundation board.Sr. Armada is a direct descendent of Pedro Menéndez de Avilés, the 16th Century *Adelantado Mayor* of *La Florida* (governor general) and founder of Santa Elena. Sr. Armada is the Count of Güemes and is to be named the IX Count of Revilla-Gigedo and XXA delantado Mayor of La Florida by His Majesty Felipe VI, King of Spain.

Organized by local business leaders, civic leaders, and scholars, the Santa Elena Foundationpromotes the history of European arrival on the North American coast. French construction of Charlesfort on Parris Island by Jean Ribault in 1562 drew a Spanish response. Spanish settlers established the community of Santa Elena in 1569,the first colonial capital in America. The story of European rivals struggling for dominance in North America involved French, Spanish, and English explorers and their interactions with nations of Native American peoples. The Santa Elena Foundation is dedicated to sharing the little known history of this "lost century" through archaeological research, a cultural interpretive center, and a living history museum.

Sr. Armada dedicates his time to the promotion of 500 years of distinguished family history and public service. The Count is curator of a private archive of original documents, one of the most important private collections in Spain. The archive he believes should be the basis for a new museum in the Asturias region of northern Spain dedicated to historic research. Sr. Armada serves a board member for MAPFRE PRAICO Corporation and CEO of Tourist and Cultural Project Development in Madrid. He brings to the Santa Elena Foundation considerable international leadership experience and a personal connection to the history of Spanish colonization in North America.

The Santa Elena Foundation is a non-profit organization based in Beaufort County, South Carolina. The mission of the foundation is to expand the story of European colonization of

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Alonso de Aragon		,			listed	
Alonso de Olmos	wife, daugh., 2 sons, m-in-law	7	wife, daugh., 4 sons	listed (6)		
Alonso de Solis			wife			
Martin Alonso	wife, daugh.	3	wife			
Francisco Alvarez		1			listed	soldier
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Diego Fernandez		-			listed	
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Gonzalo Fernandez						
Graviel Fernandez		-			listed	
Martin Fernandez					listed	

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Pedro Fernadez de San Luca					listed	
Pedro Fernandez de Sevilla					listed	
Fernando de la Fuente					listed	
Fernando de Prado					listed	4.
Juan Gomez Fialo					listed	soldier
Francisco de Cavezas			wife, daugh.		listed	
Francisco de la Cruz, Father Friar					listed	
Francisco de Moya	single	7				
Francisco de Olmos					listed	
Francisco de Quiros					listed	
Galindo	wife	2				
Alonso Garcia	single	1		listed	listed	
Diego Garcia				listed		
Francisco Garcia de la Barrera						listed
Graviel Garcia			single			
Juan Garcia	widower, 2 sons	3		listed		
Juan Garcia de Talavera	single	Ī				
Pedro Garcia	single	1	single			
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Geronimo de Quevedo					listed	
Martin Godinez					listed	1 -2000 - 2000
Francisco Gomez					listed	
Juan Gomez			wife			
Pedro Gomez			wife, daugh., 3 sons	listed		
Andres Gonzales	single	1		listed		
Christoval Gonzalez					listed	soldier, Blacksmith
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Francisco Gonzalez [2]			wife			
Guteria Gonzalez				listed		
Juan Gonzalez			wife, 2 daugh.			
Lorenzo Gonzales	single	1				
Manuel Gonzales					listed	soldier
Pedro Gonzalez			single			
Alonso Gordillo			wife, daugh., 3 sons			
Christobal Gordillo	wife, daugh., 2 sons	5		listed		
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Alonso Guerrero					listed	
Juan Bautista Gutierrez						soldier
Juan Gutierrez de Gamarra					listed	
Juan Gutierrez de Sevilla					listed	

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Guiterre de Miranda					listed	
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Agustin Hernandez					listed	soldier
Blas Hernandez			wife	married soldier		
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Pedro Hernandez			wife			
Hernando de Prado de Solis					listed	soldier
Hernando de Segovia	wife, 2 daugh.	4	wife(1), daugh., 2 sons			
Hernando de Silva		-			listed	soldier
Francisco Hurtado					listed	
Alonso Jimenez					listed	
Francisco Jimenez					listed	
Lucas Jimenez						listed
Bartolome Joben			wife			
Josep de la Rosa [1]	wife	2	wife, daugh., son	listed		
Josepe de la Rosa [2]	single	7				
Juan de Cabra					listed	
Juan de Espinosa					listed	
Juan de Heredia			199,1		listed	
Juan de la Cruz			wife			
Juan de las Angeles, Friar					listed	
Juan de Leon		= 70		A. Solling	listed	
Juan de Llera	2 daugh., 3 sons	6	3 sons			
Juan de Noriega		_				listed
Juan de Salazar					listed	soldier
Juan de Santiago					listed	
Juan de Valdes						listed
Juan de Viloria					listed	
Francisco Juarez						listed
Lope de Buendia					listed	
Alonso Lopez	wife, son	3				
Andre Lopez		-			listed	
Bartolome Lopez					listed	1
Domingo Lopez					listed	
Antonio Luis					listed	soldier
Luis de Peralta					listed	
Alonso Mallo					listed	soldier
Marciel de Leon					listed	soldier
Luis de Cervantes					listed	soldier

Name	1569 Census	1572 Census	1576 Petition	1587 Rations list	1587 Losses
Alonso Marquez				listed	
Alonso Martin	wife, daugh., son	wife, 2 daugh., son	listed, procurador		
Alonso Martin de Abuzonce		wife, 2 daugh.			
Anton Martin		wife			
Diego Martin	wife, son	wife, daugh., son	listed	listed	41-115-00-
Domingos Martin				listed	
Francisco Martin [1]	single	/ single	listed(8)		
Francisco Martin [2]	single	1			
Goncalo Martin	wife, 2 daugh.	(1)	listed, regidores		
Juan Martin		wife			
Juan Martin de Bustos				listed	
Juan Martín de las Mozas				listed	
El Doctor Juan Martinez de la Rosa	wife, 2 daugh., son, nephew, 3 servants	9			
Melchior de Aparicio				listed	
Antonio Mendez				listed	HISTORIA CONTRACTOR
Pedro Menendez	Oliver State of the Control of the C	wife(3)			-/
Sebastian de Merlo	single				V
Miguel de Aguilar	1			listed	
Miguel de Grijalua				listed	
Manuel Minaya				listed	
Pedro Miranda	100			listed	
[Juan Mordazo?]	wife, 4 daugh., 2 sons	Se	listed	nsteu	
Francisco Morgado	0	Ale .		listed	
Francisco Munoz				listed	soldier
Pedro Munoz		****		listed	Jointe
Pedro Nazarro				listed	
Gaspar Nieto				listed	soldier
Juan Nunez de los Rios				listed	listed
Gregorio Ocampo				listed	listed
Martin Ocha[?](2)				nateu	listed [?]
Oliveros		single	listed		iisteu [:]
Juan Fernandez Oliveros		38.5	1000	listed	
Alonso Ortiz	single	/		10,004	
Pedro de Quiros				listed	
Rodrigo Paez				listed	
Diego Perez				listed	
Juan Perez	wife, daugh., 2 sons, bachelor	wife, daugh., 2 sons		listed	
Baltasar Ponce	may are Bong a sonia, addition	[] Initial addition 2 30113	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	listed	
Bernardo Pujadas				listed	
Prudencio de Arrieta				listed	storekeeper
Domingo Quadrado				iisteu	listed

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Juan Ramirez				listed	
Andres Redondo				listed	
Pedro Hernandez Ribadeo		wife, son			
Francisco Rico		A STANDARD OF THE STANDARD OF		listed	() () () () () () () () () ()
Rodrigo de Menea		wife, 2 daugh., son	listed		
Anto Rodriguez		wife, son			
Blas Rodriguez				listed	
Cristoval Rodriguez				listed	
Gaspar Rodriguez	single	wife, daugh., son			
Gonzalo Rodriguez				listed	
Sebastian Rodriguez	wife	wife, 3 daugh., one son	listed	listed	
Francisco Romero				listed	
Bartolome Romuo	wife, 2 daugh., cousin				
Alonso de Rueda		wife, daugh., son			
Diego de Rueda	wife, 2 daugh.				
Diego Ruiz		wife, daugh., 3 sons		listed	
Francisco Ruiz [1]	wife, 2 daugh., 3 sons	wife	listed, settler		
Francisco Ruis [2]			listed, married sold.		
Gaspar Ruiz				listed	
Juan Ruiz de Jaen		(2)10 - 10 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 -		listed	soldier
Juan Ruiz (de Torrelinano)	2002 200 2100 2			listed	
Juan de Salas				listed	
Gaspar Salas				listed	
Alonso Sanchez				listed	
Francisco Sanchez	single 1	wife		listed	soldier
Francisco Sanchez de Rivera	single /				
Goncalo Sanchez	wife, daugh., son, single woman 5	wife, 2 daugh., son	listed, Regidores		
Hernan Sanchez	single /				
Juan Sanchez	***	wife, daugh., 4 sons	listed, soldier		
Martin Sanchez				listed	
Alonso Scudero				listed	soldier
Sebastian de Ceruyeda				listed	
Juan Serrano	wife, 2 daugh., son 5	wife, son	listed		
Tras Sierra					listed
Juan Martin Silvestre	wife 2				
Pedro Studero	wife, 2 daugh., 2 sons				
Francisco Suarez				listed	
Thome de Rocha (Portuguese)				listed	
Torresa		single			
Francisco Torrijos				listed	****
Juan Trengel	single				
Pedro Manuel Tristan	wife, daugh., 3 sons				

Name	1569 Census	1572 Census	1576 Petition	1587 Rations list	1587 Losses
Juan Valazquez				listed	
Juan de Valle				listed	
Vargas		wife	ZIIIVAN IIIVAN SIIA		
Juan Viejo	wife, daugh., son, bachelor	wife, son			
Rodrigo Zabrano	10			listed	

54 households

57

35

3 - Menendez household lists 13 people, not including the Governor, as follows:

Senora Dona Maria, wife of His Lordship

Dona Elvira, niece of his Lordship

Dona Catalina Menendez

Dona Teresa

Dona Maria de Pomar

Antonia de Guevera

Francisca Padilla [?] and one daughter

Luisa Menendez

Ysabel Lopez and one son

Juana Solis and one daughter

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1587 -- List of Santa Elena settlers applying to be compensated for losses, AGI SD 2528 [From Eugene Lyon, source Stetson Collection]--Feb 21, 1590



Topic: Voting Irregularities During June 10 Primary

and June 24 Run-Off

Date Submitted: July 28, 2014

Submitted By: Donna Starkey

Venue: County Council Meeting

July 28, 2014 Statement to County Council by Donna RIDLEY (I use my husband's last name STARKEY socially, though I did not change my legal name when I married)

Ladies and gentlemen of the County Council:

My name is Donna Ridley Starkey and I experienced & witnessed serious voting irregularities during the June 10th primary and June 24th run-off. For the record, I have been a Poll Manager for the past several years, although not for this June election.

On Monday June 9, the day before the election, I voted at the Absentee Precinct at about 11 am.

Aware of voting problems, I decided to 'test' the process. On Tuesday June 10, at 5:45 pm, near the close of the day, I presented myself at my normal voting precinct, Burton 2C, stated my name and presented my valid SC driver's license. The two Poll Managers at the check in desk, Liz Entwhistle and Earnestine, following correct procedure, checked my ID, and their list of eligible voters, and stated 'yes you can vote, here is a pen, please sign here '.

I replied: 'do you think you should check your list again, I'm not sure I'm eligible to vote'. Again, the Poll Managers confirmed I was eligible to vote and requested that I sign in. At that point, I told them I had voted absentee yesterday, and that my name **should** be on the list of those who had **already voted**. Poll Clerk , Zaidie Reeves, then got involved as it became evident something was wrong. Calls to headquarters verified that yes, indeed, I had already voted; however, this had not been recorded on the precinct's EVRL, at the beginning of the voting day, as is required.

Next, I drove to Port Royal, to pick up my husband Don Starkey, Poll Clerk for Port Royal 2. I saw Voting Commissioner Beverly Doerr, arrive at about 6 pm with the name(s) of voters who had voted absentee the previous day in PR 1. This despite the fact that Marie Smalls in Headquarters had emailed my husband, Don Starkey, Poll Clerk for PR 2, the evening before, asking him to tell the Clerk for PR 1 that there were no additional absentee voters to be added to PR 1 'already voted' list.

On the June 24th run-off, I voted at Burton 2C. Remembering me, Poll Manager Liz Entwhistle commented that they [Burton 2C] 'had not had absentee voters added to the list...for years.' This caused me to wonder if my husband's vote or other voters' votes had been recorded.

That evening, my husband, poll clerk for PR2, reported to me that again Beverly Doerr, Commissioner, brought the list of absentee voters, including one voter for PR 1, at about 6 pm, at the close of the runoff day.

These serious violations could have resulted in election fraud, as I could have voted twice in that election, and so could others who had voted absentee the day before. While one time could be a mistake, two times suggests a pattern. We must have reform of the voting procedures, and staff who administer it. I have other comments which can't fit into this 3 minute limit. Thank you.

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ADDENDUM: Additional Comments re Voting Problems requiring attention:

- --at the absentee precinct, I was asked by staff "are you still on Otter Circle" instead of "please confirm your current address". A leading question could allow a fraudulent voter to claim an incorrect address.
- --Several years ago, when I first offered to work as a Poll Manager, Voting Commissioner Beverly Doerr stated "you are working for ME", despite my explanation that it had previously been planned that I would work with my husband, at a polling location supervised by Bill Severns. This led to heated exchanges which discouraged me, as a potential volunteer. Eventually the commissioners worked it out. This 'system' of each Commissioner being territorial about workers is neither professional nor effective. Yet I realize that finding poll workers is hard...so maybe some of the suggestions below would increase the number of available workers, making it less stressful for the Commissioners.
- --at the June 10th primary, the two Poll Clerks at PR 1 & 2 were given 4 'helpers', two of whom were mobility -disabled and could not do most of the tasks Consequently, my husband was on his feet for the entire 14 hour day. A third worker had an inability to control his verbalizing, despite being asked to be more quiet. So 3 of the 4 helpers were unable to actually do most of the tasks they were hired to do, resulting in a heavy burden on the others. If workers are to be engaged, they must be able to do the job. Being 'politically correct' in hiring disabled people is not reasonable if others must do their work for them.
- --the 14 hour day discourages participation by citizens, as many people simply can't physically last. A split day from 6 am until 1:30 pm, and from 12:30 pm until 8 pm, would allow for overlap/transfer, and would encourage sign ups by more people as poll workers.
- --As pointed out above, the list of absentee voters MUST be registered into the EVRL(s) before the polls open. Well into the day is simply too late. The Election Staff has many duties at the last minute; overwork/long hours leads to mistakes. Although I am upset about the mistakes, it is easy to see why they would happen in a stressful week with long hours. Accuracy/integrity of the voting process should be more important than anything else.

A likely solution would be to have absentee voting end on the Friday before the actual Tuesday election, allowing the Headquarters to close out the data on the weekend. It is far more important that voting be ACCURATE, than that voters have one additional day to vote absentee.

I hope this information will be taken seriously, and that changes/recommendations will be implemented quickly.

one Starkey 1099 Otter Circle

Beaufort, SC 29902

Topic: Voters Against Sales Tax

Date Submitted: July 28, 2014

Submitted By: Ann Ubelis

Venue: County Council Meeting



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Beaufort County South Carolina

Ann Ubelis
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Thank you for allowing me to address the council. There are salient points on this issue.

Tabling of the referendum because projects were:

- · Poorly planned or had no plans at all, just vague ideas
- Had estimated budgets or were grossly overestimated
- Had access to alternative public & private funding what was not included in the calculations
- · Many were not needs but wants that needed further exploration
- Those that were needs had supercilious projects lumped in them, corrupting the original purpose
- One was in direct violation of SC & Federal Law and the US Constitution, under Eminent Domain. I refer you to the Depot Road sidewalk and SC Title 28, Chapter 2, where funds MUST be set aside for just compensation in cases of eminent domain.
- Finally, you task them with \$175 M & they returned with a record high of \$221 to \$241 Million, depending on how you run the numbers. Commission members were not given adequate time to detail instruction for vetting the projects. Let us learn from this mistake.

There have been some loud voices on the Pro-Tax side of this debate, however, we will draw you attention to those of use who opposed this tax and will carefully scrutinize future taxes imposed upon the community. At all times we have been respectful and did not raise to the bait when name called, mischaracterized and at times came perilously close to being slandered. We will continue to do so, in order to encourage open conversation and genuine progress in our county.

In the now four weeks our petition has been open on the internet, against the sales tax we garnered 647 signatures as of 3pm today. We understand the petition on the Democratic page was open for just under 4 weeks and closed with only 191 signatures as of Saturday.

Who are these special interests who sought to push this issue forward? As the movie line goes, "Follow the money!"

As stated before, VAST is a non-partisan group. We do not ask the political leanings of those who join us in seeking responsible & transparent governance.

It has come to our attention, that you hold off on considering a transportation sales tax in the referendum's place. If you rush into this new tax on the heels of tabling the referendum, especially going into the November ballot, you will appear as if your sole duty or purpose on this council is to find ways to raise taxes.

A good municipal reserve fund should stand between 10 to 15%, the County Reserve Fund stands at a very robust 30%, with plans to further increase it's funding. Can't we fund one project at a time from the reserve fund, while replenishing it at the same time? Must we pay twice as much, just so you can spend our taxes?

Many of you, I know personally, to be good honest individuals. I ask you do not let the avarice influence of others, be they fellow council members or special interest, to sway your duty to protect and to faithfully serve your constituents. Do not fall for the false argument that you are denying the voters their rights. We voted for you, so you can make exactly this decision, not for mob rule! We are a nation of law, not a nation ruled by the whims of the few over the majority.

A tax of any kind is a burden on the public and not a governing tool to be used lightly and with contempt. Pro-Tax progressives will play linguistic gymnastics and creative math to promote their cause. Don't fall for it.

Beaufort Regional Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Impact Statement: "Tourist pay 30% of that (county) sales tax." (www.beaufortsc.org) That means residents pay 70% of the sales tax, which includes our military, poverty level, middle class, elderly and retirees, many of whom are on fixed incomes or have seen their income decreased with this recession and face uncertain futures.

Since 2003, the Unincorporated Beaufort County has paid a consistently greater amount of the sales tax, than Hilton Head or Bluffton. The unincorporated areas include, St. Helena, Lady's Island, Burton, Sea Brook, Sheldon, Daufuskie Island, Parris Island, Port Royal, Shell Point, Okatie, some the poorest areas and the hardest hit in this economy. See "Gross Retail Sales Tax by City & County" www.ThinkHiltonHeadIsland.org

We ask:

- Any and all projects present for inclusion in any sales tax or other capital improvement tax have the following prior for council or appointed committee consideration:
 - Detailed project plans, from costs of materials, labor, permits, surveys and any other costs for which government funds are used.
 - 2. All projects to be inspected and approved by a project engineer, attorney and environmental, safety or any other expert to certify the soundness of the project
 - Public input and hearings be held in a timely fashion and places far enough in advance to allow
 proper public participation. The two month time frame for the tabled referendum failed to fully
 serve it's purpose.
 - 4. Projects considered must be of a specific category (i.e.- School sidewalks or bridge repair/replacement)
 - 5. Specific caps must be set as to the amount of public revenue to be raised and not to be exceeded. A formula should be used to determine that cap, such as multiplying the county average medium income x 100 to reach the cap restriction. Average Beaufort County medium income = \$50,000 therefore $100 \times 50,000 = 5 Million
 - County Council, when constituting a tax commission to craft a referendum, should dictate
 narrowly defined rules and requirements. If these the revenue cap, rules or requirements are not
 adhered to, then council should table the issue until a new commission is created and instructed.

We, the representatives of V.A.S.T - Voters Against Sales Tax, respectfully submit these ideas and look forward to cordial discussion with council, the public and all interested individuals or groups on the issue of fair taxation.

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CHAPTER 2.

THE EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEDURE ACT

ARTICLE 1.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 28-2-10. Short title.

This chapter may be cited as "The South Carolina Eminent Domain Procedure Act" and any references to the term "act", unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, mean the South Carolina Eminent Domain Procedure Act.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-20. Intent of General Assembly.

This act amends the law of this State relating to procedures for acquisitions of property and to the exercise of the power of eminent domain. It is the intention of the General Assembly that this act is designed to create a uniform procedure for all exercise of eminent domain power in this State. It is not intended by the creation of this act to alter the substantive law of condemnation, and any uncertainty as to construction which might arise must be resolved in a manner consistent with this declaration. In the event of conflict between this act and any other law with respect to any subject governed by this act, this act shall prevail.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-30. Definitions.

As used in this act:

- (1) "Action" means condemnation action.
- (2) "Appraisal" means an opinion as to the value of compensation payable for property, prepared by or under the direction of an individual qualified by knowledge, skill, experience, training, or education to express an opinion as to the value of the compensation. An appraisal includes the assessment of general and specific benefits to the owner as offsets against any damages to the property.
- (3) "Clerk of court" or "clerk" means the clerk of court of common pleas of the county in which the real property sought for acquisition by a condemnor, or the major portion of the property, is located.
 - (4) "Condemn" means to take property under the power of eminent domain.
- (5) "Condemnation action" includes all acts incident to the process of condemning property after the service of a Condemnation Notice.
- (6) "Condemnee" means a person or other entity who has a record interest in or holds actual possession of property that is the subject of a condemnation action.
 - (7) "Condemnor" means a person or other entity empowered to condemn.
- (8) "Court" means a circuit court of this State and includes, when the context requires, any judge of the court.
- (9) "Crops" means any form of vegetation intended to be removed and used or sold for commercial purposes, including without limitation grass, flowers, fruits, vegetables, trees, vines, and nursery stock.
- (10) "Federal agency" means the United States or any agency or instrumentality, corporate, or otherwise of the United States.

- (11) "Improvement" includes any building or structure, and any facility, machinery, or equipment that cannot be removed from the real property on which it is situated without substantial damage to the real property or other substantial economic loss.
- (12) "Landowner" means one or more condemnees having a record fee simple interest in the property condemned or any part thereof, as distinguished from condemnees who possess a lien or other nonownership interest in the property; where there are more than one, the term means the condemnees collectively, unless expressly provided otherwise.
- (13) "Lien" means a security interest in property arising from contract, mortgage, deed of trust, statute, common law, equity, or creditor action.
- (14) "Litigation expenses" means the reasonable fees, charges, disbursements, and expenses necessarily incurred from and after service of the Condemnation Notice, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, appraisal fees, engineering fees, deposition costs, and other expert witness fees necessary for preparation or participation in condemnation actions and the actual cost of transporting the court and jury to view the premises.
 - (15) "Local public entity" means a public entity other than the State.
- (16) "Person" includes a natural individual, partnership, corporation, association, other legal or fiduciary entity, and a public entity.
- (17) "Property", "real property", or "land" means all lands, including improvements and fixtures thereon, lands under water, easements and hereditaments, corporeal or incorporeal, every estate, interest and right, legal or equitable, in lands or water and all rights, interests, privileges, easements, encumbrances, and franchises relating thereto, including terms for years and liens by way of judgment, mortgage, or otherwise.
- (18) "Public body" means this State or any county, city, town, municipal corporation, municipality, authority or other subdivision, agency or body or instrumentality, corporate or otherwise, authorized by law to exercise the power of eminent domain.
- (19) "Public works project" means any work or undertaking which is financed in whole or in part by a federal agency or a public body, or is administered or supervised or regulated by a federal agency or a public body.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-40. Compromise or settlement permitted.

At any time before or after commencement of an action, the parties may agree to and carry out, according to its terms, a compromise or settlement as to any matter, including all or any part of the compensation or other relief.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-50. Compliance with federal requirements permitted.

A condemnor may comply with any federal statute, regulation, or policy prescribing a condition precedent to the availability or payment of federal financial assistance for any program or project for which the condemnor is authorized to exercise the power of eminent domain.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-60. Application of act.

A condemnor may commence an action under this chapter for the acquisition of an interest in any real property necessary for any public purpose. The provisions of this chapter shall constitute the exclusive procedure whereby condemnation may be undertaken in this State.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-70. Appraisal of property; necessity of negotiation; condemnor's right to enter upon land for limited purposes.

- (A) Before initiating a condemnation action, the condemnor shall cause the property to be appraised to determine the amount that would constitute just compensation for its taking and shall make the appraisal available to the landowner.
- (B) The condemnor and landowner shall make reasonable and diligent efforts to negotiate an agreement upon the amount of compensation to be paid. The condemnor shall certify to the court that a negotiated resolution of the conflict was attempted prior to the institution of the condemnation action. A failure of any party to comply with this subsection is not a defense to a condemnation action.
- (C) The condemnor shall have the authority, after reasonable notice to the landowner, to enter upon the real property in which an interest is proposed to be acquired for the purpose of making a survey, determining the location of proposed improvements, or making an appraisal. In the event a landowner refuses to allow entry, the circuit court may issue an ex parte order enforcing this section. A landowner shall have no cause of action for trespass arising out of the exercise of authority pursuant to this section.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-80. Service of process.

Any service required under this chapter may be made by certified mail with return receipt requested or by any other means permitted by law for service of a summons in civil cases. When service is made by certified mail, the date of service must be the date of delivery, refusal, or last attempted delivery as shown on the return receipt.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-90. When condemnor may take possession of property.

A condemnor may take possession of property:

- (1) at any time upon receipt of written consent of the record owner or owners of fee simple title to the property;
 - (2) upon payment to the owner of mutually agreed compensation;
- (3) upon deposit with the clerk of court in the county in which the property to be condemned is situated, the amount stated in the Condemnation Notice as just compensation for the property, the amount having been determined by the condemnor pursuant to Section 28-2-70(a) before initiating the action;
- (4) upon payment to the owner or deposit with the clerk of court of the amount determined by the appraisal panel or awarded by the judgment in the condemnation action.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-100. Acquisition of uneconomic remnant or remaining property.

(A) If the acquisition of only part of a property would leave its owner with an uneconomic remnant, the condemnor may acquire the remnant concurrently by purchase or condemnation.

(B) "Uneconomic remnant", as used in this section, means a remainder following a partial taking of property, of that size, shape, or condition as to be of little value or that gives rise to a substantial risk that the condemnor may be required to pay in compensation for the part taken an amount substantially equivalent to the amount that would be required to be paid if it and the remainder were taken as a whole.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-110. Reimbursement for penalty costs for prepayment of secured debt; payment of taxes on property for year in which taking occurs; payment of interest.

- (A) As soon as practicable after payment of the purchase price or payment of or deposit in court of funds to satisfy the judgment in a condemnation action, whichever is earlier, the condemnor shall pay or reimburse the owner for any penalty costs for prepayment of any debt secured by a preexisting lien, entered into or created in good faith, encumbering the property, except where preempted by federal law. No prepayment penalty may be imposed on any debt secured by a lien on real property which is subject to condemnation if the lien was recorded subsequent to the effective date of this act.
- (B) The condemnor is allowed a credit against the amount owed the landowner for the tax year in which the compensation is paid allocable to a period between the first day of that year and the date of vesting of title in, or the effective date of possession of the property by the condemnor, whichever is earlier. The condemnor shall pay the taxes on the property taken for that year. This applies only when fee simple title to the property is condemned. If the condemnor is the State or any of its agencies or political subdivisions, taxes on the property must be abated by the county treasurer effective upon the date of possession by, or the date of vesting of title in, the condemnor, whichever is earlier.

(C) The condemnor shall pay interest as provided in Section 28-2-420.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-120. Eminent Domain Procedure Act to prevail over Rules of Civil Procedure.

In the event of conflict between this act and the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, this act shall prevail.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

ARTICLE 2.

ACTIONS IN CONDEMNATION

SECTION 28-2-210. Right to institute action; exclusive procedures.

Any condemnor may institute an action under this chapter for the acquisition of an interest in any real property necessary for any public purpose. The provisions of this act constitute the exclusive procedure whereby condemnation may be undertaken in this State.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-220. Election between trial and appraisal panel; condemnation notice; acceptance or rejection of offer tendered in notice.

(A) Prior to commencing a condemnation action, a condemnor must elect to proceed either under Section 28-2-240, in which case the form of Condemnation Notice prescribed by Section 28-2-280(C)(8)

must be used, or under Section 28-2-250, in which case the form of Condemnation Notice prescribed by Section 28-2-280(C)(9) must be used.

- (B) n the Condemnation Notice, the condemnor shall set forth the amount it has determined to be just compensation pursuant to Section 28-2-70(A) which shall constitute a tender of that amount.
- (C) he landowner has thirty days after service of the Condemnation Notice to give the condemnor written notice either that he rejects the amount tendered, or that he accepts the amount tendered and agrees to execute those instruments as may be necessary to convey to the condemnor the property or interest therein described in the Condemnation Notice. A failure to respond to the tender constitutes a rejection.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-230. Filing of condemnation notice; deposit of amount of compensation; filing fees; notice of filing; right to take possession; abandonment of action.

- (A) If the landowner rejects or does not accept the amount tendered as just compensation within the thirty-day period, then the condemnor may file the Condemnation Notice with the clerk of court and deposit with the clerk the amount of just compensation stated in the notice. If the Condemnation Notice is filed with the clerk of court, the clerk shall charge a fee for filing the notice which must be the same as the fee charged for filing a summons and complaint.
- (B) The condemnor then shall serve written notice of the action upon the condemnees and may proceed to take possession of the property or interest in the property described in the Condemnation Notice pursuant to Section 28-2-90. The condemnor may not abandon the condemnation action after taking possession if material alterations have been made in the property, except with consent of the landowner.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1; 1990 Act No. 575, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-240. Election to proceed with condemnation by way of trial after rejection of amount tendered.

- (A) If the condemnor elects to proceed under this section, and the amount tendered in the Condemnation Notice is rejected, the condemnor shall file the Condemnation Notice with the clerk of court, if not already filed, and shall serve upon the landowner and file with the clerk an affidavit stating:
 - (1) that the amount tendered in the Condemnation Notice has been rejected;
- (2) that the condemnor demands a trial not earlier than sixty days after the date of service of the affidavit, which date must be certified on the copy filed with the clerk;
 - (3) whether the condemnor demands a trial by jury or by the court;
 - (4) whether the condemnor demands that the trial be given priority over other cases; and
- (5) the name and known address of each landowner whom the clerk should notify of the call of the case for trial. The affidavit may be executed by the condemnor or by its attorney.
 - (B) After the filing of the affidavit, the case shall proceed as provided in Article 3.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-250. Election to proceed with condemnation by way of appraisal panel after rejection of amount tendered, appointment of panel; time for making appointments; failure to appoint.

(A) If the condemnor elects to proceed under this section and if the amount tendered in the Condemnation Notice is rejected, an appraisal panel must be established which shall determine an amount as just compensation for the property taken, as provided in this section. The condemnor shall bear the

cost of the appraisal panel which must be a fee of not more than one hundred dollars for each member plus the actual expenses, if any, of the panel incurred in performing its duties.

- (B) The appraisal panel shall consist of one member appointed by the condemnor, one member other than a condemnee in that action appointed by the landowner, and one member who must, as a minimum qualification, possess a South Carolina real estate broker's license, appointed by the first two so appointed.
- (C) The condemnor shall appoint one member in the Condemnation Notice. The condemnor's appointee must not be an employee or former employee of the condemnor. The landowner, acting jointly if there are more than one, shall have until the thirtieth day following service of the Condemnation Notice to appoint one member other than a condemnee in that action by written notice served upon the condemnor. Within five days of the appointment of the landowner's member, the two so appointed shall appoint a disinterested third member who as a minimum qualification must hold a South Carolina real estate broker's license. The third member appointed must be the chairman of the appraisal panel and is responsible for convening the panel and reporting its determination to the condemnor. The chairman of the appraisal panel shall receive additional compensation of fifty dollars for services as chairman.
- (D) If the landowner fails to appoint a member within the times provided above, the clerk of court, upon written request by the condemnor, shall appoint the member. If the first two fail to appoint a qualified third member within the times provided above, the clerk of court, upon written request by the condemnor or the landowner, shall appoint the member.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-260. Determination by appraisal panel of just compensation; filing of appraisal panel's report; notice requirements; acceptance of or appeal from determination.

- (A) Within twenty days of the appointment of the third member, the appraisal panel shall determine an amount as just compensation for the property taken and shall report the determination in writing to the condemnor. In making this determination, the appraisal panel shall conduct an informal proceeding and shall consider all relevant evidence and information as may be offered by the condemnor or the landowner.
 - (B) Within ten days of receipt of the appraisal panel's report:
- (1) if the Condemnation Notice has not already been filed with the clerk of court and the amount tendered therein deposited with the clerk, the condemnor shall file the Condemnation Notice and a copy of the appraisal panel's report and deposit the amount determined by the appraisal panel with the clerk; or
- (2) if the Condemnation Notice has already been filed and the amount tendered therein deposited with the clerk of court, the condemnor shall file a copy of the appraisal panel's report with the clerk and, if the amount determined by the panel exceeds the amount already deposited, excluding any interest thereon, shall deposit the amount of the excess with the clerk; and
- (3) the condemnor must serve upon the landowner written notice of the amount determined by the appraisal panel and of the filing of the Condemnation Notice and deposit of the amount determined. The notice shall also state whether the condemnor accepts the determination of the appraisal panel or appeals therefrom and must be in the form prescribed by Section 28-2-290.
- (C) If the notice required by this section states that the condemnor accepts the determination of the appraisal panel, then within thirty days of receipt of the notice, the landowner must elect in writing served upon the condemnor either to accept the amount determined by the appraisal panel or to appeal from the determination. A failure to elect constitutes an acceptance of the amount so determined.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-270. Filing requirements upon acceptance of or appeal from report of appraisal panel; recording of acceptance of report; disposition of funds on deposit with clerk of court; extension of time allowed for making report; failure of panel to make determination.

- (A) If either the condemnor or any landowner appeals from the determination of the appraisal panel, this party shall file a copy of the notice thereof with the clerk of court within the time required for giving the notice to the other party and shall certify on the filed copy the date the notice was served.
- (B) If both condemnor and landowner accept the determination of the appraisal panel, the condemnor shall file with the clerk of court an affidavit that the time for appeal has expired and no notice of appeal has been given by either party. Thereupon, the clerk of court shall note upon a copy of the Condemnation Notice the amount of the determination and the payment thereof by the condemnor and shall cause the copy so annotated to be recorded and indexed in the same manner as is provided by law for recording and indexing of deeds. If there is no register of mesne conveyance, the clerk shall so record and index this copy of the Condemnation Notice.
- (C) If neither the condemnor nor the landowner appeals from the determination of the appraisal panel, and the amount of the determination is less than the amount already deposited by the condemnor, if any, then upon the filing of the affidavit described in the preceding subsection, the clerk of court shall remit to the condemnor the amount of excess deposited funds together with a pro rata portion of the interest earned on the deposited funds.
- (D) The time allowed for the appraisal panel to make and report its determination may be extended by written consent by both condemnor and landowner.
- (E) If the appraisal panel fails to make a determination of just compensation within the time allowed or an extension thereof, if any, the panel chairman shall certify this fact in writing to the condemnor, a copy of which the condemnor shall serve upon the landowner and file with the clerk of court which shall have the same effect as appeal by both the condemnor and the landowner from a determination of the appraisal panel.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-280. Form and content of condemnation notice.

- (A) The Condemnation Notice must contain the information and allegations required in this section and may contain any other information relevant to the action.
- (B) The Condemnation Notice must be captioned: CONDEMNATION NOTICE, TENDER OF PAYMENT, and if applicable, AND NOTICE TO APPOINT APPRAISER.
 - (C) The Condemnation Notice must:
 - (1) designate the condemnor on whose behalf the property is to be taken;
- (2) designate as "landowner" all persons who are record owners of fee simple title and as "other condemnees" all persons who, to condemnor's knowledge, have or claim any record interest in the property to be taken; condemnees whose names are not known, including heirs, infants, persons under disability, and persons who may be in military service, must be made parties by the collective name of "unknown claimants";
- (3) contain an appropriate legal description of the property to be taken or out of which an interest will be taken, and of the interest to be taken;
- (4) allege the basis of the condemnor's right to take the property by eminent domain and maintain the action, including (i) a reference to the condemnor's legal authority to take the property; (ii) a statement of the purpose for which it is to be condemned; (iii) a declaration of whether the action is one under Section 28-2-240 or under Section 28-2-250; and (iv) a statement that the condemnor has complied with Section 28-2-70(A);

- (5) have attached a map, diagram, sketch, or reference to project plans showing, as far as practical, the property to be taken and, if less than all of a whole parcel, the location of the interest taken upon or within the whole parcel;
- (6) specify a location within the county where the property to be taken is situated at which the landowner may inspect the project plans;

(7) contain at least the following notice:

THE CONDEMNOR HAS DETERMINED JUST COMPENSATION FOR THE PROPERTY AND RIGHTS TO BE ACQUIRED HEREUNDER TO BE THE SUM OF (insert the amount determined under Section 28-2-70(A) in words and numbers) AND HEREBY TENDERS PAYMENT THEREOF TO THE LANDOWNER.

Payment of this amount will be made to the landowner if within thirty days of service of this Condemnation Notice, the landowner in writing requests payment, and agrees to execute any instruments necessary to convey to the condemnor the property interests and rights described hereinabove. The request and agreement must be sent by first class certified mail with return receipt requested or delivered in person to the condemnor at (insert the address to which the request should be delivered). If no request and agreement is received by the condemnor within the thirty-day period, the tender is considered rejected.

If the tender is rejected, the condemnor has the right to file this Condemnation Notice with the clerk of court of the county where the property is situated and deposit the tender amount with the clerk. The condemnor shall give the landowner and other condemnees notice that it has done so and may then proceed to take possession of the property interests and exercise the rights described in this Condemnation Notice.

"AN ACTION CHALLENGING THE CONDEMNOR'S RIGHT TO ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY AND RIGHTS DESCRIBED HEREIN MUST BE COMMENCED IN A SEPARATE PROCEEDING IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF THE SERVICE OF THIS CONDEMNATION NOTICE, OR THE LANDOWNER WILL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE WAIVED THE CHALLENGE."

(8) if the action is brought under Section 28-2-240, contain at least the following notice:

"THE CONDEMNOR HAS ELECTED NOT TO UTILIZE THE APPRAISAL PANEL PROCEDURE. Therefore, if the tender herein is rejected, the condemnor shall notify the clerk of court and shall demand a trial to determine the amount of just compensation to be paid. A copy of that notice must be served on the landowner. That notice shall state whether the condemnor demands a trial by jury or by the court without a jury. The landowner has the right to demand a trial by jury. The case may not be called for trial before sixty days after the service of that notice, but it may thereafter be given priority for trial over other civil cases. The clerk of court shall give the landowner written notice by mail of the call of the case for trial.

"THEREFORE, IF THE TENDER HEREIN IS REJECTED, THE LANDOWNER IS ADVISED TO OBTAIN LEGAL COUNSEL AT ONCE, IF NOT ALREADY OBTAINED."

(9) if the action is brought under Section 28-2-250, contain at least the following notice:

"If the tender is rejected, the landowner has until the thirtieth day after service of the Condemnation Notice within which to appoint a person who is not a party named in this action to serve as a member of an appraisal panel. Notice of appointment giving the name, address, and telephone number of the person appointed must be delivered to the condemnor at (insert the condemnor's address to which the notice of appointment should be delivered) within this period. If the landowner fails to appoint a member within the time allowed, one will be appointed for the landowner by the clerk of court upon the condemnor's request. The condemnor hereby appoints (insert the name of the member appointed by condemnor), whose address is (insert the member's address) and whose telephone number is (insert the member's telephone number) as a member.

"The two members so appointed must appoint a disinterested third member who holds at least a South Carolina real estate broker's license. If the two fail to appoint a third, the clerk of court shall appoint the third.

"The appraisal panel shall determine an amount to be paid as just compensation for the property interest and rights described hereinabove, within twenty days after appointment of the third member. The appraisal panel shall report its determination to the condemnor which shall notify the landowner of the amount thereof. The landowner has thirty days from receipt of that notice in which to either accept the determination of the appraisal panel or to appeal therefrom."

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-290. Form and content of notice of report of appraisal panel.

- (A) The notice of the determination of the appraisal panel required to be given by the condemnor to the landowner under Sections 28-2-260(B) and (C) must be captioned NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF APPRAISAL PANEL AND (NOTICE OF APPEAL) or (NOTICE TO ELECT).
 - (B) The notice must at least:
 - (1) designate the parties to the action in the same manner as the Condemnation Notice;
- (2) state in words and numbers the amount determined by the appraisal panel to be just compensation;
- (3) contain one of the following statements: "THE CONDEMNOR REJECTS AND APPEALS FROM THE DETERMINATION OF THE APPRAISAL PANEL AND DEMANDS A TRIAL DE NOVO:

(or)

THE CONDEMNOR ACCEPTS THE DETERMINATION OF THE APPRAISAL PANEL. WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE, THE LANDOWNER MUST NOTIFY THE CONDEMNOR IN WRITING, DELIVERED IN PERSON OR BY CERTIFIED MAIL, WITH RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, TO CONDEMNOR AT (insert the condemnor's address) THAT THE LANDOWNER ELECTS EITHER TO ACCEPT THE DETERMINATION OF THE APPRAISAL PANEL OR TO APPEAL THEREFROM AND DEMAND A TRIAL DE NOVO. A NOTICE OF APPEAL MUST ALSO BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF COURT WITH THE DATE OF SERVICE NOTED THEREON.

A FAILURE TO GIVE NOTICE OF ELECTION WITHIN THE THIRTY-DAY PERIOD WILL CONSTITUTE AN ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPRAISAL PANEL'S DETERMINATION AND A WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO APPEAL.

(and in either case)

A trial to determine just compensation will be by jury unless both parties request trial by the court without a jury. The case may not be called for trial before sixty days after the service of the Notice of Appeal but it may thereafter be given priority for trial over other civil cases. The clerk of court shall give the landowner notice by mail of the call of the case for trial.

THEREFORE, IF THE DETERMINATION OF THE APPRAISAL PANEL IS REJECTED, THE LANDOWNER IS ADVISED TO OBTAIN LEGAL COUNSEL AT ONCE, IF NOT ALREADY OBTAINED."

(4) if notice of depositing funds with the clerk has not already been given or possession has not already been taken, contain the following statement:

"The amount of the determination has been deposited with the clerk of court. The condemnor now has the right to take possession of the property interests and exercise the rights described in the Condemnation Notice.";

(5) contain the following statement:

"If the landowner accepts the determination of the appraisal panel, payment of that amount will be made by the clerk of court."

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

ARTICLE 3.

TRIAL OF CONDEMNATION ACTIONS

SECTION 28-2-310. Application of Article 3; demand for nonjury trial; precedence of action; minimum time between notice and trial.

- (A) Upon the filing of the affidavit described in Section 28-2-240(A) or the filing of a Notice of Appeal under Section 28-2-260(B) or (C), the action must be tried as provided in this article.
- (B) If the condemnor and the landowner have demanded trial by the court without a jury, the clerk shall place the action on the nonjury trial roster. Otherwise, the action must be placed on the jury trial roster.
- (C) If either the condemnor or the landowner so demands, the action must be given precedence over other civil cases for trial.
- (D) The case may not, in any event, be called for trial until at least sixty days after the date of service upon the landowner of the Condemnation Notice, in cases brought under Section 28-2-240, or the Notice of Appeal, in cases brought under Section 28-2-250, unless both the condemnee and the landowner agree to a shorter period.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-320. Proceedings on appeal.

The appellant must be the movant on appeal from the determination of the appraisal panel, shall have the burden of proof, and shall have the right to open and close, except that notwithstanding which party is appellant, the condemnor shall first offer one witness to describe the property being taken and the purpose thereof. In the event both the landowner and the condemnor appeal from the determination of the appraisal panel, the landowner is deemed to be the appellant.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-330. Rules of evidence.

Actions under this act are governed by the rules of evidence applicable in civil actions.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-340. Evidence which may be admitted in trials of condemnation actions; inspection of property.

- (A) For the purpose of determining the value of the land sought to be condemned and fixing just compensation in a hearing before a judge or in a trial before a jury, the following evidence (in addition to other evidence which is relevant, material, and competent) is relevant, material, and competent and may be admitted as evidence and considered by the judge or the jury:
- (1) evidence that a building or improvement is unsafe, unsanitary, or a public nuisance or is in a state of disrepair and evidence of the cost to correct the condition, even if no action has been taken by local authorities to remedy the condition;
- (2) evidence that any state public body charged with the duty of abating or requiring the correction of nuisances or like conditions or demolishing unsafe or unsanitary structures issued an order directing the abatement or correction of any conditions existing with respect to the building or improvement or demolition of the building or improvement and of the cost of compliance with an order;

- (3) evidence of the last assessed valuation of the property for purposes of taxation and of any affidavits or tax returns made by the owner in connection with the assessment which state the value of the property and of any income tax returns of the owner showing sums deducted because of obsolescence or depreciation of the property;
- (4) evidence that the property or improvement is being used for illegal purposes or is being so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health, safety, morals, or welfare of the occupants and the extent to which the rentals therefrom are enhanced by reason of the use;
- (5) evidence of the price and other terms upon any sale or the rent reserved and other terms of any lease or tenancy relating to the property or to any similar property in the vicinity when the sale or leasing occurred or the tenancy existed within a reasonable time of the hearing.
- (B) Upon motion of either party, the court shall permit the jury to inspect the property which is the subject of the action, and if the trial is without a jury, the court shall make the inspection.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-350. Increase in value of property by reason of public works project not to be considered.

The award of compensation may not be increased by reason of any increases in the value of the property resulting from the placement of a public works project on it.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-360. Benefits of public works project to landowner to be considered.

In any condemnation action, benefits to be derived from the proposed project including the value of any property or rights relinquished or reverting to the landowner as a part or result thereof, must be taken into consideration in determining the amount of compensation and due allowance made for them.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-370. Just compensation to include only value of property taken, damage to remaining land, and benefits to landowner.

In determining just compensation, only the value of the property to be taken, any diminution in the value of the landowner's remaining property, and any benefits as provided in Section 28-2-360 may be considered.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

ARTICLE 4.

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 28-2-410. Interest on and investment of monies deposited with clerk of court.

All monies deposited pursuant to this act must be held at interest by the clerk of court after thirty days of receipt. The clerk shall invest the monies for the benefit of the parties as their interests are determined.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-420. Interest on amount found to be just compensation; return of excess funds deposited with clerk of court.

- (A) A condemnor shall pay interest at the rate of eight percent a year upon sums found to be just compensation by the appraisal panel or judgment of a court to the condemnee. This interest shall accrue from the date of filing of the Condemnation Notice through the date of verdict or judgment by the court. Interest accruing on funds on deposit with the clerk of court must be offset against the interest computed pursuant to this section. Interest shall not accrue during the twenty-day period commencing upon the date of verdict or order of judgment. If the judgment is not paid within the twenty-day period, interest at the rate provided by law for interest on judgments must be added to the judgment. Thereafter, the entire judgment shall earn interest at the rate provided by law for interest on judgments.
- (B) In the event the court determines that just compensation is due the landowner in an amount less than the funds held by the clerk of court, the clerk of court shall refund to the condemnor the balance of the excess deposit with accrued interest.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-430. Appointment of guardian ad litem.

If an infant, person in military service, or other person under a legal disability has not appeared in the proceedings by his duly authorized legal representative, the court shall appoint an attorney as guardian ad litem to represent those persons' interests.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-440. Date of valuation; risk of loss.

In all condemnation actions, the date of valuation is the date of the filing of the Condemnation Notice. The risk of loss by reason of damage to or destruction of the property subject to condemnation must be borne by the condemnee until the date of possession by, or the date of vesting of title in, the condemnor, whichever is earlier.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-450. Extent of municipality's right of condemnation.

The right of condemnation by a municipality is not limited to the county in which the municipality is located.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-460. Parties to whom just compensation must be made and paid.

Unless the persons served with the Condemnation Notice agree in writing as to whom just compensation must be made and paid, the appraisal panel determination, verdict, or judgment must be made jointly to all the parties and may be paid to the clerk of court. Upon making the payment, the condemnor's obligation to pay interest upon the funds shall terminate. The payment of the funds so awarded must be held by the clerk of court pending the final order of the court of common pleas in an equity proceeding to which all persons served with the Condemnation Notice must be necessary parties. From the order of the court of common pleas there may be an appeal as provided for appeals from the court in equity cases.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-470. Proceedings to challenge condemnor's right to condemn.

An action challenging a condemnor's right to condemn must be commenced in separate proceedings filed in the court of common pleas in the county in which the property or a portion thereof is located. The action must be commenced within thirty days after service of the Condemnation Notice upon the landowner. All proceedings under the Condemnation Notice are automatically stayed until the disposition of the action, if any, unless the landowner and the condemnor consent otherwise. No issues involving the condemnor's right to condemn may be heard in the trial upon the issue of just compensation.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-480. Condemnees' right to portion of funds on deposit with clerk of court after condemnor has taken possession.

Upon written application, in form satisfactory to the clerk of court, by all named condemnees at any time after which the condemnor has taken possession, when the right to take is not contested, the clerk of court shall pay to them the amount applied for up to fifty percent of the funds deposited with the clerk of court by the condemnor in that action.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-490. Waiver of objections and defenses to taking upon withdrawing portion of funds on deposit with clerk of court.

Each condemnee who withdraws money under Section 28-2-480 waives all objections and defenses to the action and to the taking of his property, except for any claim to greater compensation.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-500. Amount deposited with or withdrawn from clerk of court not relevant evidence.

The amount deposited, or withdrawn under Section 28-2-480, is not admissible in evidence and may not be referred to at the trial.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1.

SECTION 28-2-510. Award of costs and litigation expenses; procedures; prevailing landowner defined.

- (A) If, in the action challenging the condemnor's right to take, the court determines that the condemnor has no right to take all or part of any landowner's property, the landowner's reasonable costs and litigation expenses incurred therein must be awarded to the landowner. If the court determines the right to take issue was not raised and litigated in good faith by the landowner, the court must award the condemnor the reasonable costs and litigation expenses incurred therein.
- (B)(1) A landowner who prevails in the trial of a condemnation action, in addition to his compensation for the property, may recover his reasonable litigation expenses by serving on the condemnor and filing with the clerk of court an application therefor within fifteen days after the entry of the judgment. The application shall show that the landowner has prevailed, state the amount sought, and include an itemized statement from an attorney or expert witness representing or appearing at trial in behalf of the landowner

stating the fee charged, the basis therefor, the actual time expended, and all actual expenses for which recovery is sought. If requested by any party or on its own motion, the court shall hear the parties with respect to the matters raised by the application and shall determine the amount of litigation expenses to be awarded, which must be set forth in a written order to be filed with the clerk of court which becomes part of the judgment. The court, in its discretion, may reduce the amount to be awarded pursuant to this section, or deny an award, to the extent that the landowner, during the course of the action, engaged in conduct which unduly and unreasonably protracted the final resolution of the action or to the extent the court finds that the position of the condemnor was substantially justified or that special circumstances make an award unjust.

(2) For the purpose of this section, "prevails" means that the compensation awarded (other than by settlement) for the property, exclusive of interest, is at least as close to the highest valuation of the property that is attested to at trial on behalf of the landowner as it is to the highest valuation of the property that is attested to at trial on behalf of the condemnor.

(C) If the condemnor abandons or withdraws the condemnation action in the manner authorized by this chapter, the condemnee is entitled to reasonable attorney fees, litigation expenses, and costs as determined by the court.

HISTORY: 1987 Act No. 173, Section 1; 1990 Act No. 575, Section 2.

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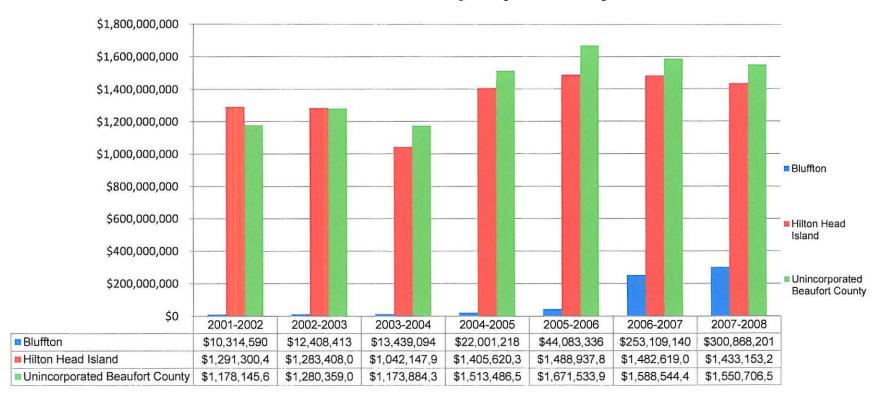
Through the national economic downtum, tourism has remained one of the pillars of our local expectations in the City of Beaufort were the same as last year. The hotels have lowered their rat number of tourists increased. Restaurant tax collections were actually slightly up from the previous shopkeepers tell us visitors are not spending as much, but the county, which tracks all sales tax is municipalities, reports that sales tax collections are up from last year. Tourists pay about 30 perception of which is dedicated to paying for local education and infrastructure needs.

General tourism stats produced before the recession report that for every 100 tourism jobs in Be additional 26 jobs are created. National statistics show that tourism generates revenues in a loc property tax per household by about \$800 a year. Another way of saying that, according to S Recreation and Tourism is that for every dollar in public funds spent on tourism, an additional \$2. revenues. In 2007, the estimated number of tourists to Northern Beaufort County was 550,000 v impact of about \$538 million.

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Gross Retail Sales Tax by City & County



	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008
Beaufort County total	\$3,001.375.251	\$3,096,979,858	\$2,687,461,173	\$3,555,090,040	\$3,887,259,912	\$4.058.389.971	\$4,004,958,326
Statewide total	\$95,728,380,867	\$97.019.598.675	\$88,179,240,639	\$120,030,078,683	\$133.080.553.283	\$141,064,153,331	\$146.328.024.474