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AGENDA *Revised*
FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COMPLEX
180 N. IRBY STREET
COUNTY COMPLEX
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 803
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA
THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021
9:00 A. M.

The Council meeting will be accessible via live stream at www.florenceco.org.

I. CALL TO ORDER: WILLARD DORRIETY, JR., CHAIRMAN

II. INVOCATION: WAYMON MUMFORD, SECRETARY/CHAPLAIN

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG:
KENT C. CAUDLE, VICE CHAIRMAN**

IV. WELCOME: WILLARD DORRIETY, JR., CHAIRMAN

V. MINUTES:
MINUTES OF THE MAY 20, 2021 REGULAR MEETING
Council Is Requested To Approve The Minutes Of The May 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Of County Council.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Council Will Hold Public Hearings To Receive Public Input With Regard To The Following:

A. ORDINANCE NO. 26-2020/21

An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee In Lieu Of Tax Agreement And Incentive Agreement By And Between Florence County, South Carolina And A Company Or Companies Known To The County At This Time As “Project Jam” With Respect To Certain Economic Development Property In The County, Whereby Such Property Will Be Subject To Certain Payments In Lieu Of Taxes, Including The Provision Of Certain Special Source Credits; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

B. ORDINANCE NO. 28-2020/21

An Ordinance To Develop A Jointly Owned And Operated Industrial And Business Park In Conjunction With Williamsburg County, Such Industrial And Business Park To Include Property Initially Located In Williamsburg County And Established Pursuant To Sec. 4-1-170 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, To Provide For A Written Agreement With Williamsburg County To Provide For The Expenses Of The Park, The Percentage Of Revenue Application, And The Distribution Of Fees In Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxation; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

C. ORDINANCE NO. 33-2020/21

An Ordinance To Provide For The Lease Of Certain Real Property Located In Johnsonville, South Carolina Designated On The Florence County Tax Assessor’s Records As Parcel Numbers 00441-05-027, 00441-05-018 And 00441-05-051, To The Town Of Johnsonville, And Other Matters Related Thereto.

D. ORDINANCE NO. 34-2020/21

An Ordinance To Convey Approximately 0.328 Acres Of Property On Florence Harlee Boulevard At The Pee Dee Touchstone Energy Commerce Park Identified As Tract “3” On A Plat Prepared By Ervin Engineering Dated May 25, 2018 To 2570 Florence Harlee Boulevard, LLC.

VII. APPEARANCES:

A. JORDAN LEWIS – CENTER FOR HEIRS’ PROPERTY PRESERVATION

Ms. Lewis, Community Liaison for the Pee Dee Region, Requests To Appear Before Council To Speak About The Organization, Its Mission, And Request Opportunities To Serve Florence County.

B. LOUIS ZELLER – BLUE RIDGE ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE LEAGUE

Mr. Zeller Requests The Opportunity To Appear Before Council To Address A Rulemaking Now Before The South Carolina Public Service Commission Which Will Affect Florence County With Regard To The Proposed Dominion Energy South Carolina Riverneck-Kingsburg Pipeline Project.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(Items Assigned To Committees Will Appear In *Italics*.)

Administration & Finance

(Chairman Dorriety, Councilmen Mumford, Poston and Brand)

April 27, 2021 Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

Public Services & County Planning

(Councilman Caudle/Chair, Councilmen Bradley and Springs)

Justice & Public Safety

(Councilman Springs/Chair, Councilmen Poston and Yarborough)

Education, Recreation, Health & Welfare

(Councilman Springs/Chair, Councilmen Bradley and Yarborough)

Agriculture, Forestry, Military Affairs & Intergovernmental Relations

(Councilman Bradley/Chair, Councilmen Brand and Yarborough)

February 20, 2020 City-County Conference Committee

IX. RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

No Resolutions Were Presented For Inclusion At The Time Of Publication Of The Agenda.

X. ORDINANCES IN POSITION:

A. THIRD READING

1. ORDINANCE NO. 11-2019/20 *(Deferral)*

An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of Tax Agreement By And Between A Company Or Companies Known For The Time Being As Project Star (The “Company”), Darlington County And Florence County, South Carolina (The “County”), Whereby The County Will Enter Into A Fee-In-Lieu Of Tax Agreement With The Company And Darlington County, Providing For Payment By The Company Of Certain Fees-In-Lieu Of *Ad Valorem* Taxes, The Allocation Of Fees-In-Lieu Of Taxes Payable Under The Agreement; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 12-2019/20 *(Deferral)*

An Ordinance To Develop A Jointly Owned And Operated Industrial/Business Park In Conjunction With Darlington County, Such Industrial/Business Park To Be Geographically Located In Florence County And Darlington County And Established Pursuant To Sec. 4-1-170 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended; To Provide For A Written Agreement With Darlington County To Provide For The Expenses Of The Park, The Percentage Of Revenue Application, And The Distribution Of Fees In Lieu Of *Ad Valorem* Taxation; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

3. ORDINANCE NO. 06-2020/21 *(Deferral)*

An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu-Of-Tax Agreement By And Between A Company Identified As “Project Lightning Bolt” (The “Company”) On Its Own Or Together With One Or More Of Its Subsidiaries, Affiliates, Successors, Assigns, Sponsors, Lessors, And Others, And Florence County, South Carolina (The “County”) To Provide For The Payment Of Certain Fees In Lieu Of Taxes; Authorizing And Ratifying The Assignment Of Benefits Under Certain Existing Fee In Lieu Of Tax Arrangements To The Company; Authorizing Certain Amendments To The Assigned Fee In Lieu Of Tax Arrangements Including The Provision Of Additional Infrastructure Or Special Source Revenue Credits; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

4. **ORDINANCE NO. 25-2020/21**

An Ordinance To Provide For The Issuance And Sale Of Not Exceeding Five Million One Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$5,100,000) General Obligation Bonds In One Or More Series Of Florence County, South Carolina, To Prescribe The Purposes For Which The Proceeds Of Said Bonds Shall Be Expended, To Provide For The Payment Of Said Bonds, And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

5. **ORDINANCE NO. 26-2020/21** *(Public Hearing)*

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6. **ORDINANCE NO. 27-2020/21**

An Ordinance To Ratify FY21 Budget And Grant Council Actions Previously Authorized By Council And Other Matters Related Thereto.

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8. ORDINANCE NO. 01-2021/22

An Ordinance To Provide For The Levy Of Taxes In Florence County For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2021 And Ending June 30, 2022; To Provide For The Appropriation Thereof; To Provide For Revenues For The Payment Thereof; And To Provide For Other Matters Related Thereto.

B. SECOND READING

1. ORDINANCE NO. 30-2020/21

An Ordinance For Text Amendments To The Florence County Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 30, ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE, II. – ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS, DIVISION 1. – GENERALLY, Section 30-28. – Table I: Schedule Of Permitted And Conditional Uses And Off-Street Parking Requirements For Residential Districts.; And, Section 30-29. – Table II: Schedule Of Permitted And Conditional Uses And Off-Street Parking Requirements For Business & Rural Districts; And, ARTICLE III. – CONDITIONAL USE REGULATIONS, Section 30-111. – Development Standards For Unzoned Areas. (6) Certain uses And Industrial Projects.; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

(Planning Commission approved 6 to 0)

2. ORDINANCE NO. 31-2020/21

An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee In Lieu Of Tax Agreement By And Between Florence County, South Carolina And ~~Project Hydrangea-QVC, Inc.~~ Providing For A Payment Of A Fee In Lieu Of Taxes; **Certain Special Source Revenue Credits**; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

3. ORDINANCE NO. 32-2020/21

An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee In Lieu Of Tax And Incentive Agreement By And Between Florence County, South Carolina And Project Proton Providing For A Payment Of Fee In Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

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C. INTRODUCTION

No Ordinances Were Presented For Introduction At The Time Of Publication Of The Agenda.

XI. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

UNIFIED FIRE DISTRICT BOARD

Council Is Asked To Approve The Re-Appointment Of Mr. Jason Thompson To Serve On The Unified Fire District Board Representing The Geographic Area District Of The Johnsonville Fire Department, Inc. With Appropriate Expiration Term.

XII. REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

A. ADMINISTRATION

1. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

Monthly Financial Reports Are Provided To Council For Fiscal Year 2021 Through April 30, 2021 As An Item For The Record.

2. ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Council Is Asked To Approve The Expenditure Of \$160,000 In State Accommodations Tax Funding Allocations To Be Distributed To The Various Recipients As Recommended By The Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee For FY2021/22 With Funding Availability Confirmed By The County Administrator And Finance Director.

3. EAST COAST EROSION HOLDINGS, LLC LEASE AGREEMENT

Council Is Asked To Approve The Execution Of A Lease Agreement Between Florence County And East Coast Erosion Holdings, LLC For Lease Of Property Located In Lake City Commerce Park Designated As TMP# 00167-31-110 In A Monthly Lease Amount Of \$500 For A Period Of Two (2) Years With An Option For Two (2) Additional One (1) Year Terms.

B. ADMINISTRATION/PLANNING

AWARD RFQ NO. 23-20/21

Council Is Asked To Award RFQ No. 23-20/21, Consulting Services-US Hwy. 76 Gateway & SC 327 Corridor To Toole Design Group, LLC Of Silver Spring, MD To Be Funded From CPST III Funds And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute A Contract Pending Successful Negotiations. *(2 Proposals Received)*

C. PARKS & RECREATION/GRANTS

SC DNR GRANT ACCEPTANCE

Council Is Asked To Accept A South Carolina Department Of Natural Resources (SC DNR) Water Recreation Resources Fund Grant In The Amount Of \$216,548.25 To Assist With The Construction Of A Concrete Boat Ramp And Remote Gravel Parking Area Off Wicklow Road On Lynches River.

D. PROCUREMENT/FACILITIES

AWARD BID NO. 27-20/21

Council Is Asked To Award Bid No. 27-20/21, Roof Replacement At The Florence County Public Service Building To Welch's Quality Builders & Roofing Of Turbeville, SC In The Total Amount Of \$299,697.00 To Be Funded From CPST III Funding. *(9 Compliant Bids Received)*

E. PROCUREMENT/FIRE DEPARTMENTS

1. JOHNSONVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Council Is Asked To Authorize The Use Of The Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Contract No. EE08-19 Awarded To Casco Industries, Inc. For The Purchase Of Thirty-Six (36) MSA-G1 4500 PSI Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) And Accessories From Newton's Fire & Safety Equipment Of Graham, NC In The Amount Of \$266,733.00 (Including \$19,758.00 Tax) For The Johnsonville Fire Department From CPST III Funds.

2. OLANTA FIRE DEPARTMENT

Council Is Asked To Authorize The Use Of The Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Contract No. EE08-19 Awarded To Casco Industries, Inc. For The Purchase Of Forty (40) MSA-G1 4500 PSI Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) And Accessories From Newton's Fire & Safety Equipment Of Graham, NC For The Olanta Fire Department In The Amount Of \$309,321.72 (Including \$22,912.72 Tax) From CPST III Funds.

3. SARDIS-TIMMONSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Council Is Asked To Authorize The Use Of The Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Contract No. EE08-19 Awarded To Casco Industries, Inc. For The Purchase Of Ten (10) MSA-G1 4500 PSI Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) And Accessories From Newton’s Fire & Safety Equipment Of Graham, NC In The Amount Of \$75,438.00 (Including \$5,588.00 Tax) For The Sardis-Timmons ville Fire Department From CPST III Funds.

4. WEST FLORENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Council Is Asked To Authorize The Use Of The Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Contract No. EE08-19 Awarded To Casco Industries, Inc. For The Purchase Of Fifty (50) MSA-G1 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) And Accessories From Allsource Enterprises, LLC dba Safe Industries In The Amount Of \$384,355.80 (Including Tax) For The West Florence Fire Department From CPST III Funds.

F. PROCUREMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

REVIEW PANEL APPOINTMENT

The Chairman Is Requested To Appoint A Member Of Council To Serve On The Proposal Review Panel For RFP No. 28-20/21, Design/Build Services – Seawall At Dewitt Bluff Landing.

G. OLANTA FIRE DEPARTMENT/PROCUREMENT

SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Council Is Asked To Authorize The Sole Source Purchase Of A 2021 Ford F-250 From McLaughlin Ford, Sumter, SC To Be Used As A Brush Truck For The Olanta Fire Department In The Amount Of \$40,145 (Including \$500 sales Tax) And Up-Fit Apparatus In The Amount Of \$29,061 For A Total Of \$69,206 To Be Funded From Capital Project Sales Tax III Funds.

XIII. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. ELECTED OFFICIALS

1. MAGISTRATE OFFICE

Council Is Asked To Authorize A Budget Neutral Increase In Salary For An Office Manager (Slot 411-100-029) And A Legal Records Clerk IV (Slot 411-100-021) In The Florence Magistrate Office To Be Funded From FY21 Departmental Budgeted Funds.

2. PROBATE COURT – BUDGET NEUTRAL SALARY INCREASE

Council Is Asked To Authorize A Budget Neutral Pay Increase For A Senior Estate & Probate Clerk (Slot #006) In The Amount Of \$3,388 (Including Benefits) To Be Funded From FY21 Departmental Budgeted Funds.

B. INFRASTRUCTURE

1. ELMER DELARA

Council Is Asked To Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$15,000.00 From Council District 5 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Pay Elmer Delara To Cut Small Trees, Underbrush And Vegetation In Ditch On Canal Drive To Drain Part Of Brandon Wood's Subdivision.

2. N. COUNTRY CLUB ROAD

Council Is Asked To Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$5,350.01 From Council District 1 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Replace 80 Feet Of 36 Inch Pipe In The Ditch That Drains Several County And State Roads Off Of N. Country Club Road.

3. PROSPECT BALLFIELD

Council Is Asked To Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$850.00 From Council District 2 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Replace Wire And Repair The Water System At Prospect Ballfield.

4. CITY OF JOHNSONVILLE – CITY PARK

Council Is Asked To Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$8,000 From Council District 2 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Assist The City Of Johnsonville With The Construction Of Permanent Restroom Facilities At Its City Park.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Pursuant To Section 30-4-70 Of The South Carolina Code Of Laws 1976, As Amended To Discuss:

XV. INACTIVE AGENDA

XVI. ADJOURN: