

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL, THURSDAY,
AUGUST 21, 2025, 9:00 A.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 180 NORTH IRBY
STREET, ROOM 803, FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

PRESENT:

C. William Schofield, Chairman
Waymon Mumford, Secretary/Chaplain
Jerry W. Yarborough, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Stoney C. Moore, Council Member
Andrew Rodgers, Jr., Council Member
Willard Dorriety, Jr., Council Member
Kent C. Caudle, Council Member (voted telephonically)
Jason M. Springs, Council Member
Kevin Yokim, County Administrator
D. Malloy McEachin, County Attorney
Hope M. Jones, Clerk to Council

ABSENT:

Dr. Alphonso Bradley, Council Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Jamie Floyd, Tax Assessor
Ashley Davison, Finance Director
Sam Brockington, Fire/Rescue Coordinator
Tenae Reeves, Human Resources Director
Kristy Burch, Emergency Management Director
Nathan Dawsey, Parks & Recreation Director
Shawn Brashear, Planning & Building & Code Enforcement Director
Shannon Munoz, Deputy Administrator of Administration
Mitch Fulmore, Deputy Administrator of Public Safety
Scott Tanner, Deputy Administrator of Operations
Andrew Stout, Museum Director
Carleton Snow, Director of Information Technology
Barrott Dowdy, EMS Director
Reggie Sanders, GIS Director
Steve Allen, Public Works Director
Charlene Conner, Risk Management
Chief Billy Dillon, Fire Chief
Chief Worrell, West Florence Fire Department

A notice of the regular meeting of the Florence County Council appeared in the August 19, 2025, edition of the **MORNING NEWS**. In compliance with the Freedom of Information

Act, copies of the meeting Agenda were provided to members of the media, members of the public requesting copies, posted in the lobby of the County Complex, provided for posting at the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library, all branch libraries, and on the County's website (www.florenceco.org). The Council meeting was made available via live stream at www.florenceco.org. The video is archived on the County website.

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE/WELCOME:

Chairman Schofield called the meeting to order. Secretary/Chaplain Mumford provided the invocation, and Vice-Chairman Yarborough led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER:

A Motion To Reconsider Resolution No. 03-2025/26 Adopted July 17, 2025, Due To Scriveners Error Authorizing Matching Grant Funds For The South Carolina Department Of Transportation- Transportation Alternatives Set Aside Program (TAP) For Intersection Improvements Located On East Main Street And Church Street In Florence County District 1, To Be Funded From CPST III-A District 1 Funds. Councilman Springs made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present

RESOLUTION NO. 3-2025/26

The Clerk published the title of the Resolution. A Resolution Authorizing Matching Grant Funds For The South Carolina Department Of Transportation - Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) For Intersection Improvements Located On East Main Street And Church Street In Florence County District 1, To Be Funded From CPST III-A District 1 Funds. Councilman Springs made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present.

MINUTES OF THE JULY 17, 2025, REGULAR MEETING

Council Is Requested To Approve The Minutes Of The July 17, 2025, Regular Meeting Of The County Council. Vice-Chairman Yarborough made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded, which was approved unanimously by the members present. Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Councilman Springs seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present.

MINUTES OF THE JULY 30, 2025, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

Council Is Requested To Approve The Minutes Of The July 30, 2025, Special Called Meeting Of The County Council. Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Councilman Moore seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were no Public Hearings held at the meeting.

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RESOLUTION NO. 4-2025/27
A Resolution Authorizing The Cessation Of Maintenance On An Abandonment And/Or Closure Of Existing Palmer Road, Located Near Cantonville, S.C.

\$225,165. The motion was approved unanimously by the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION:

ORDINANCE NO. 71-2024/25 THIRD READING DEFERRED

An Ordinance Authorizing The Purchase Of Certain Real Property From The City Of Johnsonville, South Carolina, Comprising The City ~~Hall Building~~ Administration Complex Of The City Of Johnsonville, South Carolina, And The Sale Of Such Building To Florence County School District Five, South Carolina Under An Installment Purchase Agreement Between Florence County, South Carolina, And Florence County School District Five, South Carolina, And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 78-2024/25 THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of Documents Relating To The Provision Of County Facilities; Consenting To And Approving The Issuance Of Not Exceeding \$20,000,000 Florence County Public Facilities Corporation Installment Purchase Revenue Bonds (Comprehensive Facilities Improvements) Series 2025 By The Florence County Public Facilities Corporation To Provide Funding To Finance The Costs Of Acquisition, Construction, Renovation And Expansion Of County Facilities; Consenting To And Approving The Execution Of A First Amendment Public Facilities Purchase And Occupancy Agreement Relating Thereto By And Between Florence County, South Carolina And The Florence County Public Facilities Corporation; Consenting To The Form Of A First Supplemental Trust Agreement To Be Entered Into By The Florence County Public Facilities Corporation, And The Trustee For The Bonds; And Together Therewith An Assignment To The Trustee For The Bonds Of Certain Rights To Payment And Other Rights Of Florence County Public Facilities Corporation Under The Facilities Purchase And Occupancy Agreement; And Making Provision For All Other Matters Relating To The Foregoing. Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Vice-Chairman Yarborough seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 80-2024/25- THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation For A Portion Of The Properties Located Off Of W. Main Street, W. Hampton, and N. Lynchburg Highway, Olanta, SC, From Unzoned To B-3 General Commercial District. This Amendment Shall Apply To The Following Properties As They Are Reflected On The Tax Maps As: 00045-03-046, 00045-03-084, 00045-03-103, 00045-03-123, and 04510-03-023; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 6 to 0; Council District 1). Councilman Moore made the motion, and Councilman Springs

seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 81-2024/25- THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation For A Portion Of The Properties Located Off Of E. Hampton Street and Alice Myers Drive, Olanta, SC, From Unzoned To R-1, Single Family Residential District. This Amendment Shall Apply To The Following Properties As They Are Reflected On The Tax Maps As: 00045-03-048, 00045-03-0049, 00045-03-056; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 6 to 0; Council District 1). Councilman Springs made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 82-2024/25- THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation From Unzoned To MR, Mixed Residential, Low Density District For The Property Located Off Of Hyman Circle, Olanta, SC, As Shown On the Tax Maps As: 00045, Block 03, Parcel 092; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 6 to 0; Council District 1). Councilman Moore made the motion, and Councilman Springs seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 83-2024/25- THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation From Unzoned To MMF, Mixed Multi-Family District For The Property Located Off Of Augusta Street, Olanta, SC, As Shown On The Tax Maps As: 00045, Block 03, Parcel 013; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 6 to 0; Council District 1). Councilman Springs made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 84-2024/25- THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation For A Portion Of The Properties Located Off Of Coates Farm Road And South Jones Road, Olanta, SC, From Unzoned To RU-1, Rural Community District. This Amendment Shall Apply To The Following Properties As They Are Reflected On The Tax Maps As: 00045-03-045 And 04610-03-012; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 6 to 0; Council District 1). Councilman Springs made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 85-2024/25- THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance For Text Amendments To The Florence County Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 30, ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE III. – CONDITIONAL USE REGULATIONS, Sec. 30-99. Temporary Uses. (Planning Commission Approved 6 to 0). Councilman Moore made the motion, and Vice-Chairman Yarborough seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 86-2024/25- THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance For Text Amendments To The Florence County Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 30, ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE I. – ESTABLISHMENT, PURPOSE, RULES FOR THE INTERPRETATION OF ZONING DISTRICTS, AND ZONING ANNEXED PROPERTY, Sec. 30-9. UNZONED AREAS. (Planning Commission Approved 6 to 0). Councilman Moore made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 87-2024/25- THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance Authorizing The Enlargement Of The Joint County Industrial Park Between Florence County, South Carolina And Williamsburg County, South Carolina, To Include Property Located In Williamsburg County; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Vice-Chairman Yarborough made the motion, and Councilman Springs seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2025/26- SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation For A Portion Of The Property Of Tax Map Number 00238, Block 01, Parcel 010 From Unzoned To R-3A, Single Family Residential District; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 7 to 0; Council District 6). Councilman Moore made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that this zoning map amendment was requested by Florence County. A portion of the subject property is currently unzoned and vacant. The surrounding properties are currently unzoned. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2025/26- SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation From Unzoned To R-1, Single Family Residential District Consisting Of The

Following Properties As They Are Reflected On The Tax Maps As: 02381-01-023, 02381-01-024, 02381-01-025, 02381-01-026, 02381-02-001, 02381-03-016, 02381-03-018, 23806-01-039, 23806-01-040; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 7 to 0; Council District 6). Councilman Moore made the motion, and Councilman Rodgers seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that this zoning map amendment was requested by Florence County. The subject properties are currently unzoned with current uses residential. The surrounding properties are currently unzoned. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 4-2025/26- SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation From Unzoned To R-3A, Single Family Residential District Consisting Of The Following Properties As They Are Reflected On The Tax Maps As: 00238-01-060, 02381-03-019, 02381-03-031, 02381-03-032, 23806-01-001, 23806-01-002, 23806-01-003, 23806-01-004, 23806-01-005, 23806-01-006, 23807-01-001, 23807-01-002, 23807-01-003, 23807-01-004, 23807-01-005, 23807-01-006, 23807-01-007, 23807-01-008, 23807-01-009, 23807-01-010, 23807-01-011, 23807-01-012, 23807-01-013, 23807-01-014, 23807-01-015, 23807-01-016, 23807-01-017, 23807-01-018, 23807-01-019, 23807-01-020, 23807-01-021, 23807-01-022, 23807-01-023, 23807-01-024, 23807-01-029, 23807-01-034; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 7 to 0; Council District 6). Councilman Moore made the motion, and Councilman Springs seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that this zoning map amendment was requested by Florence County. The subject properties are currently unzoned with residential uses. The surrounding properties are currently unzoned. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 5-2025/26- SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation For Property Of Tax Map Number 00077, Block 01, Parcel 002 Located At 3520 Alligator Road, Florence SC, From Unzoned To B-3 General Commercial; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 7 to 0; Council District 4). Councilman Moore made the motion, and Councilman Rodgers seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that this zoning map amendment was requested by Rodney Rogers. The subject property is currently unzoned with current commercial uses. The surrounding properties are currently unzoned. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a “YES” vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 6-2025/26- SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation For Property Of Tax Map Number 00175, Block 01, Parcel 037 Located At East McIver Road, Florence SC, From R-1 Single Family Residential District To R-3A Single

Family Residential District; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 6 to 1; Council District 7). Vice-Chairman Yarborough made the motion, and Councilman Rodgers seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that this zoning map amendment was requested by Thomas Hutton/Walter Warren. The subject property is zoned R-1 and is currently vacant. The surrounding properties are currently zoned RU-1, RU-2, Unzoned, and the City of Florence zoning. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present on the second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 7-2025/26 INTRODUCTION

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation For Property Located Off East Palmetto Street, Florence, SC, As Shown On Florence County Tax Maps As 00276-01-021 From Commercial Mixed Use (CMU) and 00307-01-001 From Unzoned (UZ) To Planned Development District (PD-25-1); And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 5 to 0; Council District 6)

ORDINANCE NO. 8-2025/26 INTRODUCTION

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation From Unzoned For The Following Properties As They Are Reflected On The Tax Maps As: 00238-01-010, 00238-01-024, 00238-01-032, 00238-01-039, 00238-01-042, 00238-01-061, 00238-01-064, 00238-01-069, 00238-01-071, 02371-01-024, 02371-01-025, 02371-01-026, 02371-01-027, 02371-01-029, 02371-01-030, 02371-01-031, 02371-01-032, 02371-01-033, 02371-01-034, 02371-01-036, 02371-01-037, 02371-01-039, 02371-01-040, 02371-01-041, 02371-01-042, 02371-02-001, 02371-02-002, 02371-02-003, 02371-02-005, 02371-02-006, 02371-02-008, 02371-02-009, 02371-02-012, 02371-02-013, 02381-01-005, 02381-01-006, 02381-01-007, 02381-01-009, 02381-01-010, 02381-01-011, 02381-01-012, 02381-01-013, 02381-01-014, 02381-01-015, 02381-01-016, 02381-01-017, 02381-01-018, 02381-01-019, 02381-01-020, 02381-01-021, 02381-01-022, 02381-02-002, 02381-02-003, 02381-02-004, 02381-02-005, 02381-02-006, 02381-02-007, 02381-02-008, 02381-02-009, 02381-02-010, 02381-02-011, 02381-02-012, 02381-02-013, 02381-02-014, 02381-02-015, 02381-02-016, 02381-03-001, 02381-03-002, 02381-03-003, 02381-03-004, 02381-03-005, 02381-03-006, 02381-03-007, 02381-03-008, 02381-03-009, 02381-03-010, 02381-03-011, 02381-03-012, 02381-03-013, 02381-03-014, 02381-03-015, 02381-03-017, 02381-03-020, 02381-03-021, 02381-03-022, 02381-03-023, 02381-03-024, 02381-03-025, 02381-03-026, 02381-03-029, 02381-03-030, 02382-01-001, 02382-01-002, 02382-01-003, 02382-01-004, 02382-01-005, 02382-01-006, 02382-01-007, 02382-01-008, 02382-01-009, 02382-01-010, 02382-01-011; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 4 to 0; Council Districts 6, 7)

ORDINANCE NO. 9-2025/26 INTRODUCTION

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation From Unzoned For The Following Properties As They Are Reflected On The

Tax Maps As: 02382-01-012, 02382-01-014, 02382-01-015, 02382-01-016, 02382-01-017, 02382-01-018, 02382-01-019, 02382-01-020, 02382-01-021, 02382-01-022, 02382-01-023, 02382-01-024, 02382-01-025, 02382-01-026, 02382-01-027, 02382-01-028, 02382-01-029, 02382-01-030, 02382-01-031, 02382-01-032, 02382-01-033, 02382-01-034, 02382-01-035, 02382-01-036, 02382-01-037, 02382-01-038, 02382-02-002, 02382-02-003, 02382-02-004, 02382-03-001, 02382-03-002, 02382-03-003, 02382-03-004, 02382-03-005, 02382-03-006, 02382-03-007, 02382-03-009, 02382-03-010, 02382-03-011, 02382-03-012, 02382-03-013, 02383-01-001, 02383-01-002, 02383-01-003, 02383-01-004, 02383-01-005, 02383-01-006, 02383-01-007, 02383-01-008, 02383-01-009, 02383-01-010, 02383-01-011, 02383-01-012, 02383-01-013, 02383-01-014, 02383-01-015, 02383-01-016, 02383-02-001, 02383-02-002, 02383-02-003, 02383-02-004, 02383-02-005, 02383-02-006, 02383-02-007, 02383-02-008, 02383-02-009, 02383-02-010, 02383-02-011, 02383-02-012, 02383-02-013, 02383-02-014, 02383-02-015, 02383-02-016, 02383-03-001, 02383-03-002, 02383-03-003, 02383-03-004, 02383-03-005, 02383-03-006, 02383-03-007, 02383-03-008, 02383-03-009, 02383-03-010, 02383-03-011, 02383-03-012, 02383-03-013, 02383-03-014, 02383-03-015, 02383-03-016, 02383-03-017, 02383-03-018, 02383-03-019, 02383-03-020, 02383-03-021, 02383-03-022, 02383-03-023, 02383-03-024, 02383-03-025, 02383-03-026, 02383-03-027, 02383-03-028, 02383-03-029; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 4 to 0; Council Districts 6, 7)

ORDINANCE NO. 10-2025/26 INTRODUCTION

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Change The Zoning Designation From Unzoned For The Following Properties As They Are Reflected On The Tax Maps As: 02383-03-030, 02383-03-031, 02383-03-032, 02383-03-033, 02384-01-001, 02384-01-002, 02384-01-003, 02384-01-004, 02384-01-005, 02384-01-006, 02384-01-007, 02384-01-008, 02384-01-009, 02384-01-010, 02384-01-011, 02384-01-012, 02384-01-013, 02384-01-014, 02384-01-015, 02384-01-017, 02384-01-018, 02384-01-021, 02384-01-022, 02384-01-023, 02384-01-024, 02384-02-002, 02384-02-003, 02384-02-004, 02384-02-005, 02384-02-006, 02384-02-007, 02384-02-008, 02384-03-001, 02384-03-002, 02384-03-003, 02384-03-004, 02384-04-002, 02384-04-003, 02384-04-004, 02384-04-005, 02384-04-006, 02384-04-007, 02384-04-008, 02384-04-009, 02384-04-010, 02384-04-011, 02384-04-012, 02384-04-013, 02384-04-014, 02384-04-015, 23806-01-007, 23806-01-008, 23806-01-009, 23806-01-010, 23806-01-011, 23806-01-013, 23806-01-014, 23806-01-015, 23806-01-016, 23806-01-017, 23806-01-018, 23806-01-019, 23806-01-020, 23806-01-021, 23806-01-022, 23806-01-023, 23806-01-024, 23806-01-025, 23806-01-026, 23806-01-027, 23806-01-028, 23806-01-029, 23806-01-030, 23806-01-031, 23806-01-032, 23806-01-034, 23806-01-035, 23806-01-036, 23806-01-037, 23806-01-038, 23806-01-041, 23806-01-042, 23806-01-043, 23806-01-044, 23806-01-045, 23806-01-046, 23806-01-047, 23806-01-048, 23806-01-049, 23806-01-050, 23806-01-051, 23806-01-053, 23806-01-054, 23806-01-055, 23806-01-056, 23806-01-057, 23806-01-058, 23806-01-059, 23806-01-060, 23806-01-061, 23806-01-062; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Planning Commission Approved 4 to 0; Council Districts 6, 7)

ORDINANCE NO. 11-2025/26 INTRODUCTION

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance For Text Amendments To The Florence County Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 30, ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE III. – DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR UNZONED AREAS, Sec. 30-111, (10) And (11). (Planning Commission Approved 5 to 0)

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2025/26 INTRODUCTION

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance For Text Amendments To The Florence County Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 28.6 – LAND DEVELOPMENT AND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE. (Planning Commission Approved 5 to 0)

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2025/26 INTRODUCTION

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance To Provide Pursuant To Section 4-10-340(C)(3) Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, For The Expenditure Of Interest Earnings On Funds Derived From The Capital Project Sales Tax Imposed In Florence County Pursuant To Article 3 Of Chapter 10 Of Title 4 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended, And A Referendum Held In Florence County On November 3, 2020, To Specify The Purposes For Which Such Expenditure Will Be Made, And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 14-2025/26 (By Title Only) INTRODUCTION

The Clerk published the title of the Ordinance. An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant To Title 12, Chapter 44 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of An Amended And Restated Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Agreement, By And Between Florence County, South Carolina And A Company Known To the County As Project Rapid, As Sponsor, To Provide For An Amended And Restated Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Incentive; And Other Related Matters.

Chairman Schofield declared the ordinances introduced.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

CITY-COUNTY MEMORIAL STADIUM

Council Is Requested To Approve The Appointment Of Dr. Richard O'Malley To The City-County Memorial Stadium Commission, Representing School District 1 With The Appropriate Expiration Term. Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Councilman Moore seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

Mr. Yokim provided updates on projects.

CPST III:

District 1 – The contract for Miles, Red, Joy, Gracelyn, and Donald roads was approved in February. Construction is underway. Calvin Street was added via change order and Maxie Thomas Road will be added with Council approval via change order. Most rocking projects remain for District 1.

District 2 – All District 2 CPST III projects are complete.

District 3 – Bid 04-24/25 for Brookgreen Neighborhood resurfacing is complete.

District 4 – The Deer Road water line extension was approved at the April council meeting and is under construction. Due to cost savings, the project will serve more residents and complete a loop for greater system integrity.

District 5 – Bid 51-24/25 was approved at the June Council meeting and includes four dirt-to-pave roads: Eagerton, Park, Kerris Lane, and Karisma. The PO will be issued this August.

District 6 – The remaining two roads are being planned for future bid.

District 7 – Dorado, E. Rico, E. Suena, E. Tierra, Heard, N. Ives, Marlow, S. 3rd, S. Fairview, S. Robeson, Charlotte, S. Ballard, McFarland, Oak, Walnut, Clyde, E. Evans, Jarrott, Day, and Divine Streets were included in Bid 40-24/25 and approved in March. Construction has begun. The Oakland Avenue sidewalk project (from Coker St. to E. Old Marion Hwy) is currently being designed. Davis & Floyd is developing construction documents and preliminary drainage design. An initial meeting with SCDOT provided preliminary input.

District 8 – Projects are being scheduled for future delivery. The contract was issued for Briggs, Scriven, and Indian roads. Construction is approximately 98% complete.

District 9 – Bid 56-24/25 was approved by Council in July, and construction is underway for resurfacing the following roads: Bryson Dr., Coventry Ln., Left Bank Dr., Mockingbird Cir., Lakeshore Dr., and Parkland Dr.

According to CPST III Engineer Todd Warren, 223 of 289 Road District projects have been completed, and 40 roads are under construction.

Other CPST III Construction Projects:

CPSTIII Timmons ville: Bid 47-23/24 - resurfacing of Main and Vanda Streets is complete. The remaining projects are being scheduled for future delivery, except Cooper Lane. It appears this is a private drive, so the next step will be to ensure that Timmons ville did not accept ownership so that it is in fact a public road.

CPST III-A:

District 1 – N. Floyd & Hagan were bid in January; the construction is underway and will fully ramp up for these two roads within the next few months.

District 2 – Franklin & Meritt Drive are substantially complete. E. First Avenue was approved via Resolution 48-24/25 in May. It appears that a portion of E. First Ave. has

already been paved by another organization. The remainder of this Ave. will be bid in the near future.

District 4 - Sparks will be packaged with Timmons ville resurfacing projects with CPSTIII advertised in late August.

District 5 – S. Railroad Avenue was added via Resolution in May and will be bid on in the near future. Davis & Floyd is working on and planning for this bid.

District 6 - Demps will be bid with several other roads.

District 7 – Tara Village drainage improvements are being reviewed by engineers. McMillan construction has begun. E. Siesta Drive's scope may be reduced since piping and a portion of paving has occurred. The engineers are clarifying the new scope. E. Shenandoah Lane & parking came in \$14,770 over bids. This amount was requested via Resolution 48-24/25.

District 9 – Bid 56-24/25 as approved in July, and construction has begun on Parkland Dr. **Montclair Way**: USACE approval has been granted. Alliance updated its design to include a traffic signal. The Right-Of-Way documents needed will be obtained by the County.

Municipal projects for Johnsonville, Coward, & Pamplico are currently being reimbursed as invoices are received.

Departments:

Public Works:

- Coordinated with AECOM to create a hydraulic model to study the drainage system in the Colony at Forest Lake subdivision, and to define the project scope for the design of the new Manned Convenience Center site in Johnsonville.
- Coordinated with Davis & Floyd to identify the project scope for cleaning downtown Florence railroad underpasses. (District 7)
- Coordinated with Marlboro Pee Dee Cooperative to finalize a lighting plan for the intersection of TV Road and I-95. (Exit 169 in District 7)

Information Technology:

Our Intrusion Prevention System blocked 147,540 attacks in July.

Parks & Recreation:

- DeWitt's Bluff Landing Seawall (nearing completion). Possible open date is Labor Day weekend.
- We held the first Golden Wedding Luncheon since 2020; there were 54 seniors in attendance. The event has had a great response since.

Museum:

- Cost estimation of the museum expansion to be completed by August 30
- Removal of items from the courtyard to include sculptures, the City Bell, and Pee Dee propellers, will begin shortly. Propellers will be placed at the VA building with three cannons for permanent display.
- Removal of plant materials will begin in the middle of November in the courtyard.

Unified Fire District:

Jeffrey Matthews completed and passed his International Association of Arson Investigators Fire Investigation Technician exam. This makes Jeffrey 1 of 3 Investigators in Florence County who hold this level of certification.

Sheriff's Office:

- Detention Center's average population for the month – 539 Peak: 553
- Detention Center population on July 30, 2025 – 538

AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Council Is Requested To Approve The Letter Of Agreement With Kimley-Horn And Associates, Inc., For A Florence County Feasibility Assessment Of A Water And Sewer Authority And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute A Contract Pending Successful Negotiations. Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Vice-Chairman Yarborough seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., is listed as an approved engineering services firm on the county's on-call engineering list. The cost of the engineering and advisory services for the study is \$105,000. Council approval includes authorization for the County Administrator to negotiate a final cost and to execute all associated documents and contract agreements to proceed, pending County Attorney review and approval. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Council Is Requested To Approve The Memorandum Of Understanding Between Florence County, South Carolina, And Pee Dee Botanical Garden, Inc. Vice-Chairman Yarborough made the motion, and Councilman Springs seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that Florence County and Pee Dee Botanical Garden, Inc., desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding. The County has determined that the entry of this agreement is in the best interest of the citizens of Florence County. Pee Dee Botanical Garden, Inc., has determined that the agreement furthers its mission as a Botanical Garden to be located at 2700 Hoffmeyer Road, Florence, South Carolina. The Memorandum of Understanding becomes effective on the date that representatives of both parties have executed the MOU. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY

Council Is Requested To Approve The Purchase Of A Portion Of Real Property (Two Acres) Identified As Florence County TMS #90159-02-023 And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute The Appropriate Documents Pending Review From The County Attorney. Councilman Rodgers made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that the County desires to purchase a portion of the property identified by Florence County TMS #90159-02-023 (Two acres). The seller, County Auto

Properties, LLC, desires to sell the two acres for \$210,000.00. The property will be used to construct a new fire station for the Windy Hill Fire Department. The funds to purchase the property and construct the station were included in the \$6,000,000 Unified Fire bond recently issued by Florence County. The purchaser's agreement is subject to approval by the Florence County Council. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

CHANGE ORDER/ BID NO. 33-24/25

Council Is Requested To Approve A Change Order For Bid No. 33-24/25 With Chipley Company In The Amount Of \$429,009.20 To Include Maxie Thomas Road For District 1 To Be Funded From CPST III Funds. Councilman Springs made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. Councilman Springs made the motion that the original contract with Chipley Company for District 1 road improvements was approved by Council on February 20, 2025, for \$1,212,985.60. On August 7, 2025, a change order adding Calvin Street at a cost of \$102,052 was added to the contract. This did not require Council approval since it was under 20% of the original contract amount. Therefore, increasing the contract to \$1,315,037.60. The total contract price with both change orders would be \$1,744,047. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

RDA FUNDS CONTRACT

Council Is Requested To Approve A \$200,000 RDA Funds Contract With Santee Electric Cooperative, Inc. For The Lake City Wastewater Plant Project And All Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Moore made the motion, and Councilman Rodgers seconded. Mr. Yokim stated that Florence County, in conjunction with Santee Electric Cooperative, Inc. desires to upgrade the Lake City Wastewater Plant to attract economic development prospects that will bring valuable jobs and capital investment to Florence County. The Florence County Attorney and Economic Development Executive Director have both reviewed the agreement and recommend approval. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

AGRICULTURAL ASSESSMENT EXTENSION

Council Is Requested To Approve An Agricultural Assessment Extension For Tax Year 2024 For Tax Map Parcel #00089-03-026 In The Name Of Number 4 Farms, LLC. Councilman Rodgers made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. Mr. Yokim stated the property transferred from Michael W & Linda M Watson to Number 4 Farms LLC, on January 25, 2023. The property consists of 10.19 acres of timber and one acre cleared for a house. The total acreage is 11.19 acres. An Assessment Notice was mailed to Number 4 Farms LLC at 750 Tall Oaks Court, Myrtle Beach, SC 29588 on September 18, 2024, to notify the owners of the land value classification change. An Agricultural Real Property Special Assessment Application was mailed to 750 Tall Oaks Court, Myrtle

Beach, SC 29588 on March 5, 2024. There was no returned mail for the Assessment Notice or the Agricultural Real Property Special Assessment Application. The application or agricultural use special assessment was not submitted timely manner for consideration for the tax year 2024. According to Section 13 of Ordinance No. 01-2018/19 (the Budget Ordinance), businesses must make an application to Council. After a brief discussion, the motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY

Council Is Requested To Approve The Purchase Of Property Known As 3.07 More Or Less Acres Of Land Designated As County Tax Map Number 00306-01-148 Being A Portion Of Tax Map Number 00306-01-038 In The Amount Of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) Per Acre To Add To The Florence County Industrial Park East To Be Funded From The Florence County East Designated Legislative Fund. Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Vice-Chairman Yarborough seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Council Is Requested To Approve The Declaration Of One (1) 2004 Foam Trailer VIN# 1M9EA16L841104554, One (1) International Chassis VIN# 1HTMKAAN02H507709, Two (2) Rehab/Simulation Trailers VIN#'s 1M9FS451221298008, And 1M9FS451021298010, As Surplus Property To Be Sold By Through The Internet Auction Via Gov Deals With Funds To Be Placed In Fund 37 To Be Utilized By Howe Springs Fire Rescue Department. Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Vice-Chairman Yarborough seconded. Mr. Yokim stated the 2004 Foam Trailer, International Chassis, and two Rehab/Simulation Trailers are obsolete to the Howe Springs Fire Rescue Department. Disposal of these items will not impact ongoing operations. Florence County Code requires County Council approval for the disposal of surplus property. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

BID NO. 04-25/26

Council Is Requested To Award Bid No.04-25/26 For The Purchase Of An A-Frame Carport For The Johnsonville Fire Department To Hardee Construction Of Sumter, SC, In The Amount Of \$66,638.00 (Including Tax) To Be Funded By CPST III-A Funds. Councilman Rodgers made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. Councilman Rodgers made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. Mr. Yokim stated Bid No. 04-25/26 was advertised on the South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO) website on July 18, 2025. The bid opening was held on July 31, 2025. Three bids were received and are compliant. The low bidder is Hardee Construction of Sumter, South Carolina. The

bid is recommended to Hardee Construction by Henry Humphries, Chief of the Johnsonville Fire Department. The bid expires on October 18, 2025. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

BID NO. 07-25/26

Council Is Requested To Award Bid No. 07-25/26, Drainage Replacement For District 9 Road Albermarle Dr. To Chipley Company Inc. Of Florence, SC In The Amount Of \$88,780.00 To Be Funded CPST III-A Funds (*1 Compliant Bid*). Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Councilman Springs seconded. Mr. Yokim stated the bid was advertised in the South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO) Newsletter on July 31, 2025. The bid opening was held on August 14, 2025. One bid was received and was compliant. Chipley Company, Inc. is the only responsible responsive bidder. Steve Allen, Public Works Director, recommends awarding the bid to Chipley Company, Inc. The bid expires on November 14, 2025. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

OTHER BUSINESS:

LIONS PARK & INDEPENDENCE FARM

Council Is Requested To Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$11,000.00 From Council District 1 Infrastructure Funding Allocations To Enhance A Feature At Lions Park And Procure Property Management Services At Independence Farm To Preserve A Rare Plant Species. Councilman Springs made the motion, and Councilman Dorriety seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

WINDSOR FOREST DRIVE

Council Is Requested To Approve The Expenditure Of Not To Exceed \$6,709.00 From Council District 8 Road System Maintenance Fee Funding Allocations For Repaving Windsor Forest Drive. Councilman Dorriety made the motion, and Councilman Moore seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with a "YES" vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

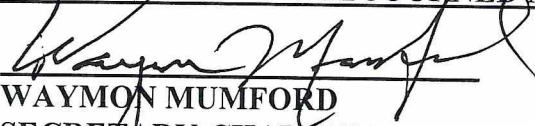
Pursuant To Section 30-4-70 Of The South Carolina Code Of Laws 1976, As Amended, To Discuss A Contractual Matter. Vice-Chairman Yarborough made the motion, and Councilman Moore seconded which was approved unanimously by the all the members present. Councilman Caudle voted telephonically with "YES" vote. Council enter into executive session at 9:59 a.m. Council reconvenes at 10:38 a.m. Councilman Moore made the motion to return to open session, and Vice-Chairman Yarborough seconded, which was

approved unanimously. Chairman Schofield stated no action was taken in executive session.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before Council, the Chair will entertain a motion to adjourn. Councilman Dorriety made the motion to adjourn, and Vice-Chairman Yarborough seconded, which was approved unanimously.

COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:39 A.M.


WAYMON MUMFORD
SECRETARY-CHAPLAIN


HOPE M. JONES
CLERK TO COUNCIL