

**RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT**



**Office of the County Administrator**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT OF COUNCIL ACTIONS  
REGULAR SESSION COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2008  
6:00 PM**

**Call to Order:** McEachern

**Invocation:** Dickerson

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Dickerson

**Citizens' Input:** One person spoke regarding the Hickory Ridge neighborhood.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Regular Session: September 9, 2008**

The portion of the minutes regarding the Lower Richland Property Feasibility Study contract award was deferred until the motion period. The remaining minutes were approved as distributed.

**Adoption of Agenda:** The agenda was adopted as distributed.

**Report of the County Attorney for Executive Session Items**

- a. **Solid Waste Contractual Matter**
- b. **Internal Audit**
- c. **Palmetto Utilities**
- d. **Lower Richland Sewer Update**
- e. **Cayce IGA**
- f. **Detention Center Drop Off Policy**

### **Report of the County Administrator**

- a. **Recognition of Dr. Harry Pastides, President of USC:** Dr. Pastides was introduced and welcomed.
- b. **Employee Recognition:** Mr. Pope recognized Janet Claggett, IT Director, for her national CIO Certification.
- c. **Department Recognition: ASGDC Health Accreditation:** Mr. Pope recognized ASGDC employees and health contractor employees for their accreditation.
- d. **Solid Waste Contractual Matter:** Executive Session matter.
- e. **Internal Audit:** Executive Session matter.
- f. **Palmetto Utilities:** Executive Session matter.
- g. **Lower Richland Sewer Update:** Executive Session matter.

### **Report of the Clerk of Council**

- a. **Urban League Annual Gala, Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m., Seawells**
- b. **Joint County-City Meeting Update:** Tentatively scheduled for October 6, 2008 at 8:00am at the Clarion.
- c. **Fall Meeting of the County Council Coalition, Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>  
Classes Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, Hilton Hotel, Columbia**
- d. **Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce Annual Gala & Auction  
Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, Convention Center**

### **Report of the Chairman**

- a. **Innovista TIF:** Mr. McEachern stated that a meeting would be held soon with involved parties.
- b. **Detention Center Drop Off Policy:** Executive Session matter.

**Approval of Consent Items:** The following items were approved: 1.a., 1.b., 1.c., 1.d., 1.e.

**1. Third Reading Items**

- a. 08-09MA**  
**Oliver Mack**  
**RU to RC (2 Acres)**  
**Construction Garage & Office**  
**21300-01-02(p)**  
**6108 Bluff Rd. [CONSENT]:** Council gave third reading approval to the zoning map amendment changing the zoning designation from RU to RC.  
**ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. 08-21MA**  
**Richard Gates**  
**RM-HD/GC to OI (5.11 Acres)**  
**Private School & Church**  
**16910-02-06 & 07**  
**Off Decker Blvd. near Woodfield Pk. [CONSENT]:** Council gave third reading approval to the zoning map amendment changing the zoning designation from RM-HD/GC to OI. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- c. 08-22MA**  
**Village at Sandhills**  
**C-3 to C-1 & C-1 to C-3 (.25 Acres)**  
**Zoning Line Adjustment**  
**22900-02-09(p)**  
**Village at Sandhills Phase 3 [CONSENT]:** Council gave third reading approval to the zoning map amendment changing the zoning designation from C-3 to C-1 & C-1 to C-3. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- d. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; Article VII, General Development, Site and Performance Standards; Section 26-180, Signs; Subsection (D), Signs Exempt from Permit Requirements; Paragraph (4), Political Signs [CONSENT]:** Council gave third reading to the ordinance. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- e. An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 26, Land Development; Article VI, Supplemental Use Standards; Section 26-151, Permitted Uses with Special Requirements; Subsection (C), Standards; Paragraph (74), Warehouses (Self-Storage), so as to delete the requirement of a fence or wall around the perimeter of the development [CONSENT]:** Council gave third reading to the ordinance. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

- f. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 26, Land Development; Article V, Zoning Districts and District Standards; Section 26-141, Table of Permitted Uses with Special Requirements, and Special Exceptions; “Business, Professional and Personal Services” and “Institutional, Educational and Civic Uses” of Table 26-V-2.; and “Recreational Uses” of Table 26-V-2.; and Article VI, Supplemental Use Standards; Section 26-151, Permitted Uses with Special Requirements, and Section 26-152, Special Exceptions; so as to permit certain child day cares (six or less) with special requirements and to remove the special exception requirements for tattoo facilities in the GC General Commercial Districts and to permit certain clubs and lodges as a special exception in the rural zoning districts:** Council gave third reading to the ordinance. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

2. **Second Reading Items**

- a. **Millage Agencies Budget Amendment:** Council gave second reading to the revised budget amendment. The revised budget amendment only allows for an increase in Richland County School District Two’s FY 09 budget for a total of \$110,032,400. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, TREASURER, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, BUDGET, FINANCE, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. **Sheriff’s Department Matching Grants Budget Amendment:** Council gave second reading to the budget amendment. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT, BUDGET, FINANCE, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

3. **Report of the Rules and Appointments Committee**

- a. **Motion Period and review of policy for motions held in Committee for more than six months; amendment to the Council Rules:** This item was deferred to the October 7, 2008 Council meeting. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. **Jail Advisory Committee Memorandum:** This item was received as information.
- c. **Ruling for Electronic Participation for absent Council Members:** This item was held in Committee. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- d. Dennis Dabney was appointed to the Airport Commission. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

4. **Report of the Economic Development Committee**
  - a. **Richland Northeast Industrial Park: Purchase of Property, Lot 17, Ordinance Authorizing Deed:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
  - b. **Project Walter: Ordinance Authorizing the Extension of the Investment Period Under Each of the Revised and Restated Fee Agreement:** The ordinance was given first reading approval. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, AUDITOR'S OFFICE, ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, BUDGET, FINANCE**
  - c. **Project Walter: Amendment to Fee Agreement:** The amendment was approved. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, AUDITOR'S OFFICE, ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, BUDGET, FINANCE**
  - d. **Project Walter: Amendment to Fee Agreement:** The amendment was approved. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, AUDITOR'S OFFICE, ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, BUDGET, FINANCE**
5. **Citizens' Input:** No one spoke.
6. **Executive Session**
  - a. **Solid Waste Contractual Matter:** Staff is to review the contract and report the findings to Council. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, PROCUREMENT**
  - b. **Internal Audit:** Received as information.
  - c. **Palmetto Utilities:** Received as information.
  - d. **Lower Richland Sewer Update:** Received as information.
  - e. **Cayce IGA:** Correspondence is to be sent to the Auditor regarding the taxation issue. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL,**
  - f. **Detention Center Drop Off Policy:** Received as information.
7. **Motion Period**
  - a. **Motion to authorize and direct the County Administrator to purchase, on behalf of Richland County, that certain parcel or tract of land**

containing 128.77 acres, more or less, located on Lower Richland Boulevard southeast of its intersection with US 378 (Sumter Highway) and adjacent to other lands of the County, as shown on that certain Boundary Survey, dated December 19, 2007 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for Richland County, December 19, 2007 in Plat Book 1385 at Page 3138, Known as the “Carolina Bay Tract” from Lower Richland Investors, LLC, for a purchase price of Two Million, Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,800,000.00). Funds for this purchase will be derived from non-designated Richland County Hospitality Tax revenues. Closing will occur not later than December 1, 2008 [SCOTT]: The motion failed.

- b. **Coordinate with Planning Department to create a new sign ordinance that will provide for a more effective and efficient elimination of advertising signs placed in right of ways along Richland County roads, as well a private property, if permits have not been issued in accordance with Richland County ordinances:** This item was forwarded to the October D&S Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATOIN, PLANNING, LEGAL**
  - c. **Smoking Ban Ordinance Revisions:** Mr. McEachern requested revisions to the smoking ban ordinance based upon the Supreme Court’s ruling. This item was forwarded to the September A&F Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL**
  - d. **Spending Policies:** Ms. Smith requested a legal review of a court case regarding spending policies. This item was forwarded to the October A&F Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL**
  - e. **Independent opinion of CMRTA:** Mr. Malinowski requested an independent review / opinion of the CMRTA. This item was forwarded to the October A&F Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
  - f. **Minutes re: Lower Richland Property Feasibility Study:** Council approved that portion of the 9-9-08 minutes regarding the contract award to Genesis Consulting Group for the Lower Richland Property Feasibility Study. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, PROCUREMENT, BUDGET, FINANCE**
8. **Adjournment:** Council adjourned at 8:45pm.