

# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

# **DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Norman Jackson	Damon Jeter	Julie-Ann Dixon (Chair)	Bill Malinowski	Seth Rose
District 11	District 3	District 9	District 1	District 5

JUNE 23, 2015 5:00 PM

# 2020 Hampton Street

# CALL TO ORDER

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approval of Minutes: May 26, 2015 [PAGES 3-5]

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

### **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

- Creation of a new Chapter entitled "Vector Control" and creation of the Department of Vector Control [PAGES 6-15]
- **3.** SCE&G Utility Easement- Jim Hamilton Blvd [PAGES 16-21]

**4.** Motion to Withhold County Funding From Any Neighborhood/Community/HOA Which Does not Allow Public Attendance and/or Denies Access to Anyone **[PAGES 22-24]** 

#### **ITEMS PENDING ANALYSIS: NO ACTION REQUIRED**

- **5.** Fund and/or seek a partnership with SCE&G to plant indigenous flowers and plants along transmission line corridors in Richland County **[PAGE 25]**
- 6. Comprehensive Youth Program [PAGE 26]

#### ADJOURNMENT



#### **Special Accommodations and Interpreter Services**

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#### <u>Subject</u>

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#### <u>Reviews</u>

# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL SOUTH CAROLINA

# **DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES COMMITTEE**

May 26, 2015 5:00 PM County Council Chambers

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, persons requesting notification, and was posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Dixon called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 PM

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**<u>Regular Session: April 28, 2015</u>** – Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to approve the minutes as amended to accurately reflect Ms. Dixon called the meeting to order.

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to adopt the agenda as published. The vote in favor was unanimous.

#### **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

<u>**Hosting the 2017 Neighborhood USA Conference** – Mr. McDonald stated staff recommends tabling this item since Richland County was not selected to host the conference.</u>

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to table this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>Creation of a new Chapter entitled "Vector Control" and creation of the</u> <u>Department of Vector Control</u> – Mr. McDonald stated, about a year ago, the decision was made to incorporate Vector Control into the Richland County budget when there were changes to the way DHEC was handling its local functions throughout the State. The financial impact was minimal since the County had previously funded Vector Control through a contract with DHEC. The item before the committee is to codify Vector Control as a County department.

Mr. Malinowski stated in reviewing the agenda packet, it was his impression that the Vector Control Department did not exist.



#### **Council Members Present**

Julie-Ann Dixon, Chair District Nine

Bill Malinowski District One

Seth Rose District Five

Norman Jackson District Eleven

#### Others Present:

Tony McDonald Sparty Hammett Warren Harley Monique Walters Brandon Madden **Michelle Onley** Monique McDaniels Larry Smith Tracy Hegler Amelia Linder Rudv Curtis Quinton Epps Nancy Stone-Collum Kecia Lara Geo Price Brad Farrar

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# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL SOUTH CAROLINA

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Mr. Malinowski inquired if the budget passed last year was for Vector Control or another entity and did the County provide full funding for them.

Mr. McDonald stated the County did fully fund Vector Control through the overall State funding for the local Health Department.

Mr. Malinowski requested any documentation between May 2013 and May 2014 provided to Council informing them the County was funding Vector Control.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to defer this item until the June Committee meeting. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Amend Section 6-84d(1). Boarded-up Structures, to remove the permit fee amounts – Mr. McDonald stated approximately a year ago Council approved a policy where the standard fees throughout the County would follow the CPI. This policy would allow gradual increases in fees every year rather than waiting years and having a significant increase in fees.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve the request to amend Section 6-84 to change the language regarding the permit fee, so as to remove the inconsistency in fee amounts. The vote in favor was unanimous.

# **ITEMS PENDING ANALYSIS**

Fund and/or seek a partnership with SCE&G to plant indigenous flowers and plants along transmission line corridors in Richland County – Held in committee.

**<u>Comprehensive Youth Program</u>** – Held in committee.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:17 PM.

The Minutes were transcribed by Michelle M. Onley, Deputy Clerk of Council



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#### <u>Subject</u>

Creation of a new Chapter entitled "Vector Control" and creation of the Department of Vector Control [PAGES 6-15]

#### <u>Reviews</u>



MEMORANDUM

To:	Richland County Council
CC:	Tony McDonald, County Administrator
FROM:	Sparty Hammett, Assistant County Administrator
DATE:	June 18, 2015
RE:	Department of Vector Control

This memo is a follow-up to the D&S Committee's request for historical budget information at May 2015 Committee meeting concerning Vector Control.

Council approved Vector Control as a department during the FY14 budget. The budget was actually reduced below the FY13 contract amount.

Below is the historical budget information related to Vector Control.

	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16 (recommended)
Vector	\$273,907	\$253,011	\$250,207	\$290,831 (additional for
Control				replacement vehicles)

Below is the language pertaining to Vector Control that was on the motion list for FY14 and approved by Council.

96	Administration	Countywide Budget Ordinance	This ordinance authorizes the transfer of responsibilities for Vector Control and staffing to Richland County as of July 1, 2013 in accordance with the IGA between SCDHEC and Richland County.	Passed	
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# Subject: Creation of a new Chapter entitled "Vector Control" and creation of the Department of <u>Vector Control</u>

#### A. Purpose

County Council is requested to approve an ordinance to create a new Chapter 8, entitled "Vector Control" and an ordinance to create the Department of Vector Control.

#### **B.** Background / Discussion

As a part of the FY14 Budget approved by Council, Vector Control became an independently acting county budgeted department. The SC Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) withdrew its support and relinquished control of the department to Richland County in June of 2013.

While Vector Control was under DHEC's administration, the department was responsible for enforcing the State Nuisance Regulation 61-46. In May of 2013, DHEC ceased enforcement of that regulation and submitted that it be repealed. This meant that not only was the Vector Control Department unauthorized to enforce the regulation, but no one at DHEC would enforce the rules to which the county's citizens were accustomed. The citizens still expect the same services as before from the Vector Control Department, but the employees have no official authority to require corrections be made on a property as before. The attached ordinances will put vector Control regulations in Richland County's Code of Ordinances (which will allow the Vector Control employees the authority to require that corrections are made), and it will create the Department of Vector Control under Chapter 2.

# C. Legislative/Chronological History

None.

# **D.** Financial Impact

There is no financial impact associated with this request, as County Council has funded Vector Control for the 2015 fiscal year.

#### E. Alternatives

- 1. Approve the ordinances to create Vector Control regulations and the Department of Vector Control as submitted.
- 2. Approve the ordinances, with amendments, to create Vector Control regulations and the Department of Vector Control as submitted.
- 3. Do not approve the ordinances to create Vector Control regulations and the Department of Vector Control.

#### F. Recommendation

It is recommended Council approve the ordinances to create Vector Control regulations and the Department of Vector Control as submitted.

Recommended by: <u>Tammy Brewer</u> Department: <u>Vector Control</u> Date: January 16, 2015

#### G. Reviews

(Please <u>SIGN</u> your name, ✓ the appropriate box, and support your recommendation before routing. Thank you!)

#### Finance

Reviewed by: Daniel Driggers

✓ Recommend Council approval

Date: 5/7/15 Recommend Council denial

□ Council Discretion (please explain if checked)

Comments regarding recommendation:

# Legal

Reviewed by: Elizabeth McLean

Date: 5/20/15

Recommend Council approval

☑ Council Discretion (please explain if checked)

Comments regarding recommendation: Policy decision left to Council's discretion.

#### Administration

Reviewed by: Sparty Hammett

✓ Recommend Council approval

Date: 5/20/15

Recommend Council denial

**Recommend Council denial** 

□ Council Discretion (please explain if checked)

Comments regarding recommendation:

#### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RICHLAND COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_-15HR

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RICHLAND COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES; SO AS TO CREATE A NEW CHAPTER ENTITLED "CHAPTER 8: VECTOR CONTROL".

Pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution and the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RICHLAND COUNTY:

<u>SECTION I</u>. The Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 8, Reserved; is hereby amended to read as follows:

# **CHAPTER 8: VECTOR CONTROL**

#### Sec. 8-1. Intent and application.

The intent of this chapter is to protect the public health, safety and welfare by preventing or controlling the spread of vector-borne disease through the use of regulations, intervention, enforcement, education, advice and assistance. Where practicable and not likely to cause injury to the public health, in the sole opinion of the Director of Vector Control, the Vector Control Department shall first attempt to use education, intervention, and assistance to encourage voluntary compliance with the provisions of the chapter.

This chapter shall be applicable to all premises in unincorporated Richland County regardless of the use or zoning classification. In instances where a specific property use is regulated by the laws and regulations of the State of South Carolina, the Vector Control Department shall work in conjunction with the proper regulatory authority to remediate any violations of this chapter.

#### Sec. 8-2. Definitions.

*Harborage*. Any area, interior or exterior, where vectors can live, nest, breed or seek any form of shelter.

*Insect.* Any of the numerous small invertebrate animals generally having the body more or less obviously segmented, for the most part belonging to the Class Insecta, comprising six-legged, usually winged forms, as for example, beetles, bugs, bees, flies, mosquitoes, and to other allied classes of arthropods whose members are wingless and usually have more than six legs, as for example, spiders, mites, ticks, centipedes, and wood lice.

*Person*. An individual, partnership, co-partnership, cooperative, association, firm, company, public or private corporation, trust, estate, joint structure company or any other legal entity or its legal representative, agent or assigns.

*Premises.* A parcel of real property, including all buildings and structures located thereon. This term is used interchangeably with "Property."

*Structure*. All parts of a building, whether vacant or occupied, in all stages of construction.

*Vector.* An organism that has the ability to transmit disease, including, but not limited to, mosquitoes, ticks, fleas, rats, etc..

*Waste.* Garbage, household trash, debris, commercial waste, industrial waste, yard waste, sewage, white goods, ashes, rubbish, paper, junk, building materials, glass or plastic bottles, other glass, cans and any other discarded or abandoned material, including solid, liquid, semisolid or contained gaseous matter.

#### Sec. 8-3. Minimum requirements.

The provisions of this chapter shall govern the minimum requirements required to keep premises in a clean and sanitary condition so as not to adversely affect the public health or safety.

#### Sec. 8-4. Sanitation.

All exterior property and premises shall be maintained in a clean, safe, and sanitary condition to the extent necessary to prevent vector breeding and harborage.

#### Sec. 8-5. Accumulation of waste.

No person shall allow the accumulation or discharge of waste on any premises to the extent and in such manner as to create a harborage or breeding ground for rodents or other vectors.

#### Sec. 8-6. Insect and rodent harborage.

(a) All premises, structures, and exterior property shall be kept free from insect and rodent harborage and infestation. All structures in which insects or rodents are found shall be promptly exterminated in such manner as will not be injurious to human health. After pest and rodent elimination, proper precautions shall be taken by the occupant to prevent re-infestation.

(b) The accumulation of water in which mosquito larvae may breed is prohibited.

(c) All premises shall be kept free from the excessive growth of weeds and rank vegetation where mosquitoes harbor.

(d) The maintenance of any barn, stable, chicken yard, manure pile, garbage receptacle, etc., in such manner that flies are in excess of reasonable acceptable levels is prohibited.

(e) No dead animals or parts thereof shall be left on any exterior premises for more than forty-eight (48) hours or thrown upon any street, road, or public place.

#### Sec. 8-7. Swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs.

Privately owned swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition to the extent and in such manner so as to prevent vector breeding and harborage.

#### Sec. 8-8. Duty to abate.

It shall be the duty of any owner, lessee, occupant, agent, or representative of the owner of any property to comply with the requirements of this chapter and take whatever action as may be necessary as often as may be necessary to prevent the breeding and harborage of vectors.

#### Sec. 8-9. Enforcement; Abatement; penalties.

(a) The Vector Control Director, or his/her authorized representative, shall have the authority to investigate threats or potential threats to the public health relating to vectors and potential vector transmitted diseases on any premises in unincorporated Richland County and to require abatement of conditions which violate the provisions of this chapter. As such, the Vector Control Director, or his/her authorized representative, shall have the right of entry upon any premises where entry is necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter. If consent for entry is not given or obtained by an authorized person, a search warrant shall be obtained by the Vector Control Director from a court of competent jurisdiction before entry onto the premises made.

(b) Whenever and wherever a condition shall exist which is determined by the Vector Control Director, or his/her authorized representative, to be a violation of this chapter, notice shall be given to the owner, lessee, occupant, or agent or representative of the owner setting forth the violation, and advising that the violation(s) must be corrected, the time allowed for such correction, and the necessary methods or means to be employed in the correction. It shall be sufficient notification to deliver the notice to the person to whom it is addressed or to deposit a copy of such in the United States mail, properly stamped, certified, and directed to the person to whom the notice is addressed, or to post a copy of the notice upon such premises.

(c) Whenever and wherever a condition shall exist which, in the opinion of the Vector Control Director, or his/her authorized representative, constitutes a public health nuisance, it shall be his/her duty to notify in writing the person or persons, firm or corporation, responsible for its continuance, of the character of the public health nuisance and give the person, persons, firm, or corporation a reasonable length of time to abate it. However, whenever and wherever a nuisance is of a character as to require, in the interest of the public health, immediate abatement or discontinuance, the Vector Control Director may bring a proceeding for immediate action in the magistrate's court for the abatement of such nuisance and the court may upon hearing and for good cause enjoin the continuance of the condition creating the nuisance, irrespective of all other remedies at law.

(d) Any person who fails to abate the public health nuisance after notice shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, issued a Uniform Ordinance Summons, and, upon conviction, shall be subject to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both. Each day's continuing violation shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

SECTION II. Severability. If any section, subsection, or clause of this ordinance shall be deemed to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, and clauses shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION III. Conflicting Ordinances Repealed. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

<u>SECTION IV.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> This ordinance shall be effective from and after , 2015.

# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

BY:\_\_\_\_\_ Torrey Rush, Chair

ATTEST THIS THE DAY

OF , 2015

S. Monique McDaniels Clerk of Council

**RICHLAND COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE** 

Approved As To LEGAL Form Only No Opinion Rendered As To Content

First Reading: Public Hearing: Third Reading:

#### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RICHLAND COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_-15HR

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RICHLAND COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION; ARTICLE V, COUNTY DEPARTMENTS; BY ADDING A NEW DIVISION ENTITLED 1A. VECTOR CONTROL; SO THAT A NEW DEPARTMENT WILL BE CREATED.

Pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution and the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RICHLAND COUNTY:

<u>SECTION I</u>. The Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration; Article V, County Departments; Division 1, Utilities, Sections "2-189 – 2-191. Reserved" is hereby deleted in their entireties.

<u>SECTION II</u>. The Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration; Article V, County Departments; is hereby amended by the creation of a new Division, to read as follows:

#### DIVISION 1A. VECTOR CONTROL

#### Sec. 2-189. Creation; director.

There is hereby created the department of Vector Control and the position of director of Vector Control. The director shall be appointed by and report to the county administrator, and his/her term of office shall be at the pleasure of the county administrator. The director of Vector Control shall be a person with education, training, skills, and/or experience that is satisfactory to the county administrator.

#### Sec. 2-190. Staff; personnel; compensation.

The Director of Vector Control shall have such staff and assistants as are necessary to the operation of the department and the performance of his/her duties. They shall be subject to the county personnel system and their compensation determined accordingly.

#### Sec. 2-191. Responsibilities; powers; duties.

Vector Control, and such employees of the department as are assigned to it, shall be charged with the following duties:

- (a) Management of the mosquito control program, including abatement in accordance with the policies of the program.
- (b) Provide technical advice, education and assistance about vectors to the county's citizens.
- (c) Conduct vector-borne disease surveillance and response.

- (d) Enforce county ordinances related to vector control.
- (e) Commensal rat abatement in accordance with department policies.
- Respond to inquiries, investigate complaints, conduct evaluations to help reduce or (g) eliminate public hazards and nuisance conditions associated with vectors and disease transmission.
- (h) Other programs or functions assigned to the department by the county administrator or county council.

SECTION III. Severability. If any section, subsection, or clause of this ordinance shall be deemed to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, and clauses shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION IV. Conflicting Ordinances Repealed. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION V. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective from and after , 2015.

RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

BY:\_\_\_\_\_ Torrey Rush, Chair

Attest this day of

, 2015.

S. Monique McDaniels Clerk of Council

**RICHLAND COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE** 

Approved As To LEGAL Form Only No Opinion Rendered As To Content

First Reading: Second Reading: Third Reading:

#### Subject

SCE&G Utility Easement- Jim Hamilton Blvd [PAGES 16-21]

#### <u>Reviews</u>

### Subject: SCE&G Utility Easement- Jim Hamilton Blvd

#### A. Purpose

County Council is requested to grant SCE&G a utility easement along the northeast end of Jim Hamilton Blvd as more fully shown as Option 'A' on the Exhibit.

#### **B.** Background / Discussion

SCE&G is in the process of upgrading and converting the electrical system in the Rosewood area to include the Jim Hamilton – LB Owens Airport (CUB) and surrounding neighborhoods. This upgrade will increase the operating voltage, utilize new technology, eliminate two existing substations, and provide a backup feeder for the Airport and surrounding neighborhoods. Once the upgrade project is complete, customers will see a more efficient and reliable system with reduced outages and outage durations.

#### C. Legislative / Chronological History

The original request was presented to the Richland County Airport Commission in their meeting on January 12, 2015. The SCE&G staff representative was asked to provide alternate routes with less impact.

A revised easement request was presented to the Airport Commission during their meeting on March 9, 2015. The Commission passed the following resolution to recommend granting the requested easement:

"That the Richland County Airport Commission recommends to Richland County Council the granting of a utility easement to South Carolina Electric & Gas (SCE&G) Corporation along the NE side of Jim Hamilton Blvd in support of their Rosewood Neighborhood Circuit Upgrade Project on the condition of a favorable outcome of an FAA Airspace Obstruction Study to be initiated by their project staff."

The staff of the City of Columbia, Parks and Recreation Department, Planning Division was also briefed and the project and impacts were explained. No concern or objection was received from the City staff.

# **D.** Financial Impact

There will be no financial impact or costs to Richland County; SCE&G will bear all cost associated with the project.

# E. Alternatives

- 1. Approve the granting of the easement This will provide an economical and low-impact means of upgrading the electrical distribution system to the neighborhood and airport.
- 2. Disapprove the granting of the easement This will require SCE&G to seek alternate routes which will limit the ability to provide backup electric feeders to the neighborhood and the airport property. It will also substantially increase the project costs and are less aesthetically pleasing.

#### F. Recommendation

It is recommended that Council grant the requested utility easement as recommended in the resolution by the Richland County Airport Commission.

Recommended by: <u>Christopher S. Eversmann, PE, AAE</u> Department: <u>Airport</u> Date: June 3, 2015

#### Finance

Reviewed by: <u>Daniel Driggers</u> ✓ Recommend Council approval Comments regarding recommendation:

#### Legal

Reviewed by: Elizabeth McLean

**Recommend Council approval** 

Date: 6/5/15 □ Recommend Council denial

Date: 6/18/15 Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation: Policy decision left to Council's discretion. We understand from Mr. Eversmann that SCE&G intends an above ground power line. It has sometimes been the practice of Council to request the easements be amended to include only those rights necessary for the project (i.e. only under-ground or only above-ground). That decision is a policy decision left to Council. Additionally, the matter of any requested payment for the easement is up to Council.

#### Administration

Reviewed by: <u>Sparty Hammett</u> ✓ Recommend Council approval Comments regarding recommendation:

Date: 6/19/15

INDENTURE, made this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2015 by and between Richland County of the County of Richland and State of South Carolina, hereinafter called "Grantor" (whether singular or phural), and the SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY, a South Carolina corporation, having its principal office in Cayce, South Carolina, hereinafter called "Grantee".

WITNESSETH:

That, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) received from Grantee, Grantor, owning a tract or development known as Jim Hamilton L.B. Owens Airport situate in the County of Richland, State of South Carolina, shown on a certain plat or various plats filed or to be filed in the office of the public records of said County and generally described as follows: Being a tract or lot of land containing 83.40 acres, more or less, and being the same lands conveyed to Grantor by deed of The City of Columbia, dated or recorded 6/28/1962, and filed in the Register of Deeds office for Richland County in Deed Book 330 at Page 131.

# Right of way granted to extend existing line in a northwestern direction along grantors northeastern property boundary as more fully shown on SCE&G drawing D-81392 and any approved revisions thereof.

#### TMS: R13702-09-01A

The Grantor hereby grants and conveys to Grantee, its successors and assigns, the right, privilege and authority, from time to time, to enter upon, construct, extend, inspect, operate, replace, relocate, repair and perpetually maintain upon, over, under, along, across and through any and all property shown on the plat of land referred to above, and upon, over, under, along, across and through any and all streets, alleys, roads or other public ways or places of said development now existing or hereafter laid out, an overhead or underground electric line or lines consisting of any or all of the following: poles, conductors, lightning protective wires, municipal, public or private communication lines, cables, conduits, pad mounted transformers, guys, push braces and other accessory apparatus and equipment deemed by Grantee to be necessary or desirable, together with the right of ingress, egress and access to and from such rights of way, across and upon the lands of Grantor, as may be necessary or convenient for the purposes connected therewith.

Together also with the right, from time to time, to install guy wires upon lots in said development, to overhang lots with conductors, cross arms and service wires with the right (but not the obligation) from time to time to trim, cut or remove trees, underbrush and other obstructions that are within, over, under or through a strip of land ("Easement Space") extending Fifteen (15) feet on each side of any pole lines and Five (3) feet on each side of any underground wires and within, over, under or through a section of land extending Twelve (12) feet from the door side(s) of any pad mounted transformers, elbow cabinets, switchgears or other devices as they are installed; provided, however, any damage to the property of Grantor (other than that caused by trimming, cutting or removing) caused by Grantee in maintaining or repairing said lines, shall be borne by Grantee; provided further, however, that Grantors agree for themselves, their successors and assigns, not to build or allow any structure to be placed on the premises in such a manner that any part thereof will exist within the applicable above specified Easement Space, and in case such structure is built, then Grantor, or such successor and assign as may be in possession and control of the premises at the time, will promptly remove the same upon demand of Grantee herein. Grantor further agrees to maintain minimum ground coverage of thirty six (36) inches and maximum ground coverage of fifty four (54) inches over all underground primary electric lines.

The words "Grantor" and "Grantee" shall include their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, as the case may be.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has caused this indenture to be duly executed the day and year first above written. WITNESS:

#### **Richland County**

1<sup>st</sup> Witness

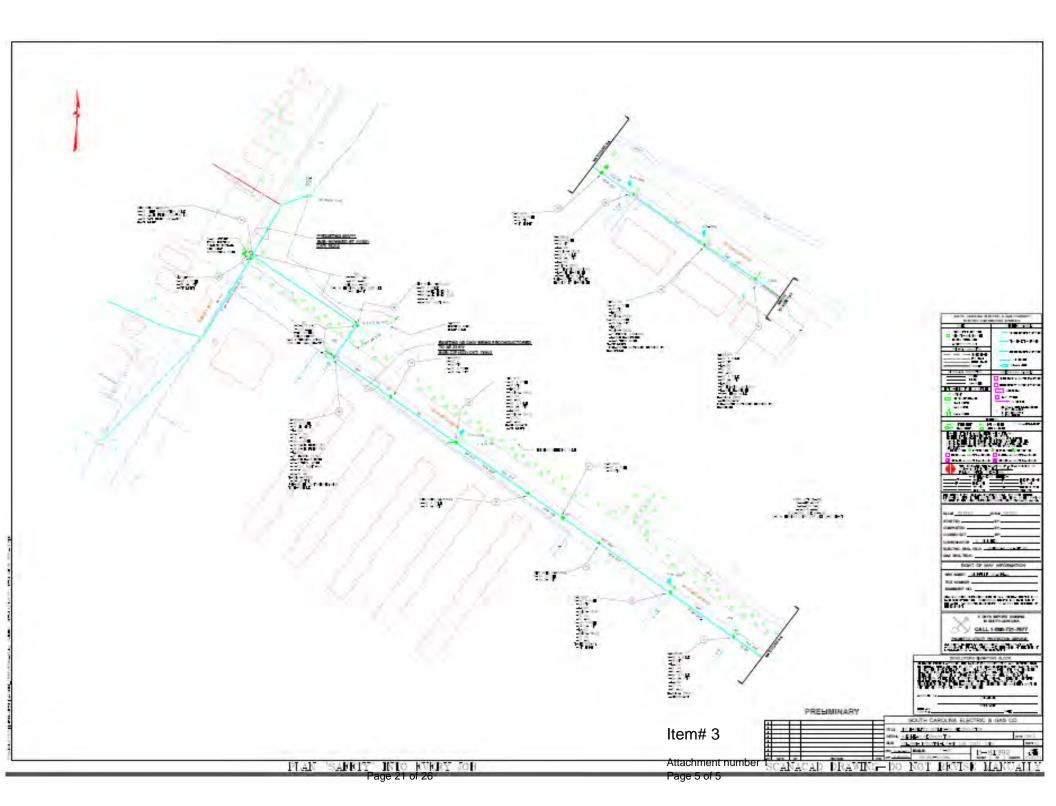
2<sup>nd</sup> Witness

By:\_\_\_

(SEAL)

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#### <u>Subject</u>

Motion to Withhold County Funding From Any Neighborhood/Community/HOA Which Does not Allow Public Attendance and/or Denies Access to Anyone **[PAGES 22-24]** 

#### <u>Reviews</u>

Subject: Motion to Withhold County Funding From Any Neighborhood/Community/HOA Which Does not Allow Public Attendance and/or Denies Access to Anyone

### A. Purpose

County Council is requested to approve adding to the Neighborhood Improvement Guidelines, any Neighborhood/Community/HOA which does not allow public attendance and/or deny access to anyone be considered a private entity and not allowed to receive any form of funding from Richland County, effective July 1, 2015.

#### **B.** Background / Discussion

Annually, the Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP) administers a matching grant program to neighborhood-based organizations to do projects that will make their neighborhoods better places to live, work, play, and shop. These projects may physically improve neighborhoods or help neighborhood organizations become stronger. Public safety, education, and recreational initiatives can also receive grants.

The maximum amount of funding awarded by the Neighborhood Improvement Program is **\$1,500.00** per neighborhood association. Organizations must match funds awarded with contributions of volunteer time, cash, or in-kind donations of professional services that are at least equal to the total amount of funds requested.

In addition to an application and project cost estimates, NIP uses the following guidelines when awarding grants:

- Matching grants can be awarded to any neighborhood-based organization (HOA, POA, or Neighborhood Association located in Richland County) which is open to anyone that lives in the neighborhood regardless of race, creed, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, or physical and mental disability and must actively seek membership from everyone in the neighborhood.
- Organizations must have by-laws and a bank account to qualify.
- Organizations must be able to receive an Employer Identification Number from the IRS in order to obtain the funds once awarded.

# C. Legislative / Chronological History

On June 2, 2015, Council approved a motion sponsored by the Honorable Julie-Ann Dixon as follows:

"Moving forward effective July 1, 2015, to add to the Neighborhood Improvement Guidelines, any Neighborhood/Community/HOA which does not allow public attendance and/or deny access to anyone is consider a private entity and is not allowed/authorized to receive any form of funding from Richland County"

#### **D.** Financial Impact

There is no financial impact associated with this request.

#### E. Alternatives

- 1. Approve withholding Richland County funding from any Neighborhood/Community/HOA which does not allow public attendance and/or deny access to anyone.
- 2. Do not withhold Richland County funding from any Neighborhood/Community/HOA which does not allow public attendance and/or deny access to anyone.

# F. Recommendation

It is recommended that Council approve adding to the Neighborhood Improvement Guidelines, any Neighborhood/Community/HOA which does not allow public attendance and/or deny access to anyone be considered a private entity and not allowed to receive any form of funding from Richland County, effective July 1, 2015.

Recommended by: <u>Julie-Ann Dixon</u> Department: <u>County Council</u> Date: <u>June 5, 2015</u>

#### G. Reviews

(Please replace the appropriate box with a  $\checkmark$  and then support your recommendation in the Comments section before routing on. Thank you!)

Please be specific in your recommendation. While "Council Discretion" may be appropriate at times, it is recommended that Staff provide Council with a professional recommendation of approval or denial, and justification for that recommendation, as often as possible.

#### Finance

Reviewed by:Daniel DriggersDate: 6/8/15Image: Recommend Council approvalImage: Recommend Council denialComments regarding recommendation:Image: Recommend Council denial

This is a policy decision for Council.

#### Planning

Reviewed by: <u>Tracy Hegler</u> Recommend Council approval Comments regarding recommendation:

This is a policy decision for Council.

#### Legal

Reviewed by:Elizabeth McLeanDate: 6/11/15Image: Recommend Council approvalImage: Recommend Council denialComments regarding recommendation:Policy decision left to Council's discretion.

Date: 6/9/15

**German** Recommend Council denial

#### Administration

Reviewed by:Sparty HammettDate: 6/11/15Image: Recommend Council approvalImage: Recommend Council denialComments regarding recommendation:This is a policy decision for Council.

# **Items Pending Analysis**

#### <u>Subject</u>

Fund and/or seek a partnership with SCE&G to plant indigenous flowers and plants along transmission line corridors in Richland County **[PAGE 25]** 

#### <u>Reviews</u>

#### <u>Notes</u>

At the February Committee meeting, the Committee directed staff to explore potential partnership opportunities with the Electricity Companies, explore potential grant funding opportunities, perform a cost analysis and identify the manner in which this request may impact farmers that traverse through transmission line corridors. Staff is working to the complete the Committee's directives regarding this item. Staff will report this information back to the Committee for their consideration at a future Committee meeting.

# **Items Pending Analysis**

#### <u>Subject</u>

Comprehensive Youth Program [PAGE 26]

#### **Reviews**

#### <u>Notes</u>

This item was held in Committee at the December D&S Committee meeting. The Committee directed Staff and the Clerk's Office to develop a plan of action for developing a comprehensive youth program for Richland County. Staff and the Clerk's Office are working in conjunction with the Sheriff's Department, Magistrate's Office, Solicitor's Office and the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center to develop a plan of action regarding a comprehensive youth program. Once completed, Staff and the Clerk's Office will report this information back to the Committee for their review and action.