



RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Office of the County Administrator

Council Actions Report Special Called Council Meeting September 13, 2016 6:00PM

Call to Order: Rush

Invocation: Manning

Pledge of Allegiance: Manning

Approval of Minutes

- a. **Special Called Meeting: July 26, 2016:** Approved as published.
- b. **Zoning Public Hearing: July 26, 2016:** Approved as published.
- c. **Special Called Meeting: August 25, 2016:** Approved as published.

Adoption of Agenda: Adopted as published.

Report of the Attorney for Executive Sessions Items

- a. **Employee Grievance**

Citizen's Input: No one spoke

Report of the County Administrator: No report provided.

Report of the Clerk of Council

- a. **REMINDER: Council Priority Setting Session, September 15 and 16, Township Auditorium:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the Council Priority Setting Session on September 15 – 16, 2016 at the Township Auditorium.
- b. **REMINDER: 10th Annual Green Business Sustainability Conference, October 6, 9:00am - 3:30pm, Spirit Communications Park:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the 10th Annual Green Business Sustainability Conference on October 6, 2016 at 9:00am - 3:30pm at the Spirit Communications Park.

- c. **Institute of Government and County Council Coalition, October 19 and 20, Embassy Suites:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the Institute of Government and County Council Coalition on October 19 – 20, 2016 at the Embassy Suites.

Report of the Chairman

- a. **Personnel Matter:** Executive Session

Open/Close Public Hearings

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, Buildings and Building Regulations; so as to codify the 2015 Editions of the International Residential Code, the International Building Code, the International Fire Code, the International Plumbing Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the International Mechanical Code, the International Existing Building Code, the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, the International Property Maintenance Code and the 2014 National Electrical Code; and to correctly reflect the 2015 International Residential Code and the 2015 International Building Code in other sections of Chapter 6:** No one spoke.

1. Approval of Consent Items

- a. **16-21MA**
Carolyn B. Narr
GC to RM-HD (.218 Acres)
6840 Satchel Ford Rd.
14209-03-44: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning amendment.
ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING
- b. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, Buildings and Building Regulations; so as to codify the 2015 Editions of the International Residential Code, the International Building Code, the International Fire Code, the International Plumbing Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the International Mechanical Code, the International Existing Building Code, the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, the International Property Maintenance Code and the 2014 National Electrical Code; and to correctly reflect the 2015 International Residential Code and the 2015 International Building Code in other sections of Chapter 6:** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, BUILDING INSPECTIONS**

2. Report of the Economic Development Committee

- a. **Authorizing the expansion of the boundaries of the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park jointly developed with Fairfield County to include certain real property located in Richland County; the execution and delivery of a credit**

agreement to provide for special source revenue credits to Haven Campus Communities - Columbia, LLC, and other related matters: Council deferred this item to a future Council meeting. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

- b. An Ordinance Authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Richland County and China Jushi USA Corporation (Project Giant) (the "Company"); the execution and delivery of an infrastructure finance agreement by and between Richland County and the Company; the execution and delivery of such documents as may be necessary to effect the intent of this ordinance; and other matters related thereto:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- c. To Approve the conveyance of approximately One Hundred Ninety Seven Acres of real property owned by Richland County located on Pineview Road to China Jushi USA Corporation (Project Giant); to approve a land conveyance agreement for such property and other matter related thereto; and to authorize county officials to take such actions as necessary to effectuate the purposes of this ordinance:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- d. An Ordinance Approving the execution and delivery of a purchase agreement for certain property located in the Carolina Pines Industrial Park; and other matters related hereto:** Council gave first reading approval by title only to the ordinance. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AUDITOR, ASSESSOR, TREASURER, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

3. Report of the Rules and Appointments Committee

a. Notification of Appointments

- i. Business Service Center Appeals Board – 3:** This item was held in Committee.
- ii. Planning Commission – 1:** This item was held in Committee. Staff will re-advertise the vacancy while keeping the three applicants that interviewed for the vacancy eligible for the appointment. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL.**
- iii. Community Relations Council – 4:** Council appointed Kaela Harmon. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL.**

4. Report of the Blue Ribbon Committee

- a. **Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Action Plan:** Council approved the adoption of the Richland County Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Action Plan. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, EMERGENCY SERVICES, GRANTS, ADMINISTRATION, PUBLIC WORKS, FINANCE**

5. Report of the Decker Center Ad Hoc Committee

- a. **Recommendation to move forward with a Moisture Barrier on the concrete slab.**
Request is for \$177,613: Council approved moving forward with the installation of a moisture barrier on the concrete slab at the Decker Center in the amount of \$177,613 using the available project contingency funds already in place. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: CAPITAL PROJECTS, FINANCE**
- b. **Recommendation to allocate \$136,000 from the project contingency into the construction contingency to account for numerous unforeseen conditions:** Council approved allocating \$136,000 from the project contingency into the construction contingency to account for numerous unforeseen conditions. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: CAPITAL PROJECTS, FINANCE**

6. Other Items

- a. **To Establish and Create a Special Tax District within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Cary Lake Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, ELECTIONS, FINANCE**
- b. **To Establish and Create a Special Tax District within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Upper Rockyford Lake Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, ELECTIONS, FINANCE**
- c. **To Establish and Create a Special Tax District within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Rocky Ford Lake Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within**

the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto: Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, ELECTIONS, FINANCE**

- d. **To Establish and Create a Special Tax District within Richland County, South Carolina, to be known as the "Beaver Dam Special Tax District"; to define the nature and level of services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition of ad valorem taxes and user service charges therein, which shall be imposed solely within the special tax district; to establish a commission for the tax district and provide the terms therefore; and all other matters related thereto:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, ELECTIONS, FINANCE**

Citizen's Input: One person spoke.

Executive Session

- a. **Employee Grievance:** Council voted to uphold the County Administrator's recommendations. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, HUMAN RESOURCES, UTILITIES**
- b. **Personnel Matter:** Received as information. No actions taken.

Motion Period

- a. **I move that Administration provide Council tonight the reason why the \$38,740.15 check request submitted by the Richland County Elections & Voter Registration Election Commission's Director to be paid from their funds is not being processed. Rationale 1. I have been asking for an answer for a week now and I get a variety different and inconsistent answers. Rationale 2. I requested in writing that the item be placed on the agenda hoping that with everyone in the room together we may get consensus from the Administration as to what the actual reason is; however the powers to be knowingly and purposefully rebuffed that request and instead directed the Clerk's office to see if I wanted to just get worn down, worn out, too busy or maybe forget; or if I wanted to make a motion like this one:** Received as information. No actions taken.
- b. **Move that Council consider providing funding in the amount of \$250,000 for operation and maintenance of conservation, park, and greenway properties under the Conservation Department. This would provide for the acceptance of land donations in sensitive areas as well the development and operation of park lands and greenways. A separate fund will be established to allow for the use of revenues generated from the properties for maintenance: This item was sent to the A&F Committee.** **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, CONSERVATION**

- c. **A group of Richland County Legislators, representing a majority of the Delegation, recently sent a letter to the Chair of the Richland County Recreation Commission (RCRC) demanding that five (5) members of the Commission, including the Chair, voluntarily resign their respective positions based on evidence strongly suggesting malfeasance within the RCRC. I move that: (1) Council pass a Resolution supporting the actions of these legislators, and (2) Council consider continuing the action taken during the FY17 budget to only fund the RCRC at five (5) mills until such time as these selected Commission members resign:** Council sent this item to the A&F Committee. **ACTION: FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

- d. **Pending the answer to Agenda Item 26 (a) to allow the Elections and Voter Registration Department to pay the Election Commission Members' Legal Bill(s) from their existing budget if the Director says he has the money in his budget and his Commission approves of the request for a check to be cut:** Council approved moving this item to the September 20, 2016 Council meeting and requested that the County Administrator work with the Director of the County's Elections and Voter Registration Department to identify his recommended source of funding for paying the Election Commission members' legal bill(s) and present that recommendation to Council for their consideration. **ACTION: ELECTIONS, ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE**

- e. **Resolution honoring Governor Nikki Haley on receiving the Columbia World Affairs Council's Global Vision Award for helping to expand South Carolina's international horizons:** Council unanimously approved the Resolution. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

Adjournment: Council adjourned at approximately 7:41pm.