

RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT



**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
COUNCIL ACTIONS REPORT
REGULAR SESSION COUNCIL MEETING
April 01, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Jackson

INVOCATION: Mr. Rush

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Rush

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

- a. **National County Government Month Proclamation [JACKSON]** Mr. Jackson proclaimed April as National County Government Month.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. **Regular Session: March 18, 2014:** Approved as published.
- b. **Zoning Public Hearing: March 25, 2014:** Approved as published.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Adopted as amended. The Richland 101 Graduation presentation was moved before the first Executive Session.

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

- a. **Legal Update - Pinner Road**
- b. **Personnel Matter**
- c. **Solid Waste Contracts**
- d. **Transportation Penny [Outside Legal Counsel – First Executive Session]**
- e. **Employee Grievance**

Richland 101 Graduation: Three individuals spoke on behalf of the class. All thanked staff and Council for a successful Richland 101.

CITIZEN’S INPUT: No one spoke.

FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION – OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL

- a. **Transportation Penny:** Received as information.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

- a. **Employee Recognition:** Brenda Carter and Betty Etheredge were recognized for awards they received. Congratulations, Brenda and Betty!
- b. **Employee Grievance:** After discussing this matter in the Second Executive Session, Council upheld the Administrator's recommendation. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, HUMAN RESOURCES**

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL

- a. **Renaissance Foundation: "Malcolm, Martin & Medgar (The 3M Reading)", April 3rd, 7:00 PM, Eau Claire High School**
- b. **Bark to the Park, April 5th, 9:00 AM, Finlay Park**
- c. **Central Carolina Realtors Association's "Barbeque & Bluegrass", April 3rd, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, Hay Hill Garden Market, 1625 Bluff Rd.**

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

- a. **Personnel Matter:** After discussing this item in the Second Executive Session, Council voted to negotiate a contract with Candidate #2, and bring the item back to Council.
- b. **SLBE and DBE Work Session, April 8th, 4:00 PM, Council Chambers**

1. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

- a. **14-04MA**
Tom Milliken
RU to LI (35.05 Acres) Farrow Rd.
17600-01-12 [SECOND READING]: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning ordinance. **ACTION: PLANNING, CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL**
- b. **14-05MA**
Bill Dixon
RU to RS-LD (6.32 Acres) Sloan Rd.
20100-03-17/21/23/30 [SECOND READING]: Council gave second reading approval to the rezoning ordinance. **ACTION: PLANNING, CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL**

- c. **Safe Routes to Schools Grants:** Council approved the request for Richland County to support schools in their applications for grant funding to construct sidewalks to connect schools to neighborhoods under the South Carolina Department of Transportation's (SCDOT's) Safe Route to Schools Program. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, GRANTS, PUBLIC WORKS**

- d. [Removed from Consent] **An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Community Development Department Budget for the Development of one city block within Phase II of the Monticello Road Streetscape Project [FIRST READING]:** Council gave first reading approval to a budget amendment in the amount of \$71,000 from the City of Columbia for the Community Development Department to develop one city block within Phase II of the Monticello Road Streetscape project. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, FINANCE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, PROCUREMENT, PUBLIC WORKS**

- e. **Petition to Close a Portion of Old Forest Drive:** Council approved the petitioner's request to close a portion of Old Forest Drive, and directed Legal to answer the suit accordingly. **ACTION: LEGAL, PUBLIC WORKS, EMERGENCY SERVICES**

2. SECOND READING ITEM

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Transportation Tax Fund Budget to add two full time positions:** Council gave second reading approval to the budget amendment. **ACTION: FINANCE, TRANSPORTATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, HUMAN RESOURCES**

3. FIRST READING ITEM

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, General Provisions; Section 1-15, Naming of Buildings; so as to amend the title to include properties, facilities and structures and to allow for labeling based on geographic location:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, SUPPORT SERVICES, PUBLIC INFORMATION, CAPITAL PROJECTS**

4. REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

- a. **Quit Claim of Hermes Road:** This item was deferred to the April 15 Council Meeting. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION, PUBLIC WORKS**

- b. [Executive Session Item] **Expiration of Contracts for Solid Waste Curbside**

Collection Service Areas 1, 3 & 4: Council directed staff to renegotiate with all three haulers, and bring the results of those negotiations back to Council. **ACTION: SOLID WASTE, ADMINISTRATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE, LEGAL**

- c. **Approving Reimbursement Resolution related to preliminary expenditures related to the Lower Richland Sewer System Project Phase I:** Council approved the Reimbursement Resolution related to preliminary expenditures for the Lower Richland Sewer System Project, Phase I. The funds will be advanced from the Broad River Utility System. The word “intent” was replaced with “will be” throughout the Resolution where permitted by IRS Regulations. **ACTION: FINANCE, CLERK OF COUNCIL, UTILITIES, LEGAL**

5. REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a. **Approve award of the Countywide Watershed Improvement Plan contract to Brown & Caldwell:** Council approved the award of the Countywide Watershed Improvement Plan contract to Brown & Caldwell. **ACTION: PUBLIC WORKS, STORMWATER, PROCUREMENT, LEGAL, FINANCE**
- b. **Renewal of Operating Agreement between Richland County and Columbia Rowing Club and Short-Term Proposal Directives for Site:** Council extended the Operating Agreement for one (1) year with the Columbia Rowing Club. Council also directed staff to analyze the short term option of the access gate relocation (ie. determine safety / liability concerns, cost, etc.), and bring this item back to Council within a year. Council also directed staff to pursue payment / user fees for the use of the Rowing Club, roadway access to the site, a potential partnership with the Recreation Commission, and other items. These items will be incorporated into the analysis which will be undertaken by staff over the next year. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL**

6. REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- a. **Resolution recognizing Jarden Applied Materials being awarded "Best Overall Manufacturing Facility" in the worldwide Jarden manufacturing network:** Council approved the Resolution. **ACTION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

7. OTHER ITEMS

a. REPORT OF THE TRANSPORTATION AD HOC COMMITTEE:

- i. **TPAC Request for Non-Voting Members on Engineering Selection Committees:** Council denied the request based on Legal Advice.

- ii. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration; Article X, Purchasing by Adding Section 2-591 to Authorize County Council to Determine which Purchasing Decisions Regarding Purchasing Made Exclusively with Monies Raised through the Penny Tax are of such County Wide Significance that County Council has the Authority to make the Final and Conclusive Determination to whom to award the contracts [FIRST READING]:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, PROCUREMENT, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION**

- iii. **Central Midlands COG TIGER Grant for Bluff Road:** Council approved supporting the grant if the COG decides to pursue it. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: TRANSPORTATION**

- iv. **Resolution Regarding 5311 Rural Funds - The COMET as Applicant:** Council approved the Resolution. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

- v. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration; Article X, Purchasing; Division 7, Small Local Business Enterprise Procurement Requirements; Section 2-639, General Provisions; Subsection (c), Definitions; so as to amend the definition of Small Business Enterprise; and Amending All Sections Referencing Size Standards so as to delete such standards from the ordinance and replace with language allowing the Richland County Council to set such standards in a separate schedule to size standards [FIRST READING]:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, PROCUREMENT, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

b. REPORT OF THE DIRT ROAD AD HOC COMMITTEE:

- i. **Dirt Road Update:** No action.

- ii. **Allocation of Penny funding between Low Volume and Traditional Paving (County Council Retreat item deferred from February 18, 2014 Council meeting.):** No action.

- iii. **CECS Change Order – Adding Additional Roads and Expanding Public Outreach Transition of Dirt Road Paving Oversight from Public Works to Transportation:** Council deferred this item to the April 15, 2014 Council Meeting. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, CLERK OF COUNCIL, TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS**

8. CITIZEN'S INPUT: No one spoke.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Legal Update - Pinner Road:** Received as information.
- b. Personnel Matter:** Council voted to negotiate a contract with Candidate #2, and bring the item back to Council.
- c. Solid Waste Contracts:** Council directed staff to renegotiate with all three haulers, and bring the results of those negotiations back to Council. **ACTION: SOLID WASTE, ADMINISTRATION, PROCUREMENT, FINANCE, LEGAL**
- d. Employee Grievance:** Council upheld the Administrator's recommendation. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, HUMAN RESOURCES**

10. MOTION PERIOD: No items.

11. ADJOURNMENT: Council adjourned at 8:14pm.