

RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT



Office of the County Administrator

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT OF COUNCIL ACTIONS
REGULAR SESSION COUNCIL MEETING**

June 19, 2007

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: McEachern

INVOCATION: Hutchinson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Hutchinson

CITIZEN'S INPUT: No one signed up to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Session: June 5, 2007 – Roxanne Matthews was removed from the list of staff in attendance. The minutes were approved as amended.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: The agenda was adopted as distributed.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

- a. **Jeffrey O'Cain**
- b. **NE Sanitary Landfill v. Richland County**
- c. **TIF Update**
- d. **Potential Sale of Property**
- e. **Employee Grievance**
- f. **Personnel Matter**
- g. **Farmers' Market**

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:

- a. **Employee Grievances (3)** – Council voted to uphold the administrator's recommendation for all three employee grievances.
- b. **Animal Care Press Conference** – Mr. Pope informed members of the recent animal services press conference with the city. He also stated that he and the city manager are currently working on a final MOU.

- c. **TIF Update** – This item was discussed during executive session.
- d. **Transportation Study Commission Update** – Mr. Pope informed members of council that Tech Memo #1 has been distributed by the consultant PB. He also informed council of expected staff changes at PB due to the resignation of the project manager.
- e. **Detention Center Volunteer of the Year Award** – This presentation was deferred due to illness.
- f. **Personnel Matter** – This item was discussed during executive session.
- g. **Farmers' Market** – This item was discussed during executive session.

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL:

- a. **Electronic Agenda Software:** Due to Ms. Finch's absence, Ms. Walters stated that an update was provided to council during the most recent Friday Report.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN:

- a. **Animal Shelter Agreement with the City of Columbia:** Ms. Hutchinson provided a brief overview of the recent press conference, and reiterated that an MOU with the city would be forthcoming. **ACTION: Administration**

OPEN/CLOSE PUBLIC HEARINGS: A public hearings was held for items 1a. No one signed up to speak for or against.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS: The following items were approved for the Consent Agenda and adopted by motion of the County Council: 1a, 1b, 1d, 1e, 2a, 2b, and 2c. Items 1c and 2d were removed from the Consent agenda.

1. THIRD READING ITEMS

- a. **Recommendation from Planning Commission to amend the Comprehensive Plan by incorporating "The Renaissance Plan for the Decker Boulevard/ Woodfield Park Area" into the 1-20 Corridor subarea plan [CONSENT]** – Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Administration**
- b. **07-26MA, Dovetail Development, RM-MD to RM-HD, Multi-Family Dwellings, TMS #13607-02-01, Shop Road [CONSENT]** – Council gave third reading approval to the map amendment. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Zoning, Administration**

- c. **07-28MA, Bunch/Lower Richland PDD, RU to PDD, Mixed Use Development, TMS #21800-01-06, Garners Ferry Road & Lower Richland Boulevard** – Council amended the map amendment and gave third reading approval, as amended. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Zoning, Administration**
- d. **07-29MA, Farrow Road Joint Venture, HI to GC, TMS #17200-03-101(p)/13/21/28/29 and TMS #I721 1-01-01(p)/07/09 and TMS #17206-02-01, 1-77 & Farrow Road [CONSENT]** – Council gave third reading approval to the map amendment. **ACTION: Legal, Planning, Zoning, Administration**
- e. **Midlands Technical College: Request for Multi- County Industrial Park Status [CONSENT]** – Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Administration**

2. SECOND READING ITEMS

- a. **An Ordinance Authorizing the Amendment of a Development Agreement between Richland County, South Carolina and Lake Carolina Development, Inc. to reflect the addition of land to the Lake Carolina PUD-2 [CONSENT]** – Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**
- b. **Ordinance Authorizing the Granting of a Sanitary Sewer Easement to the City of Columbia Across Count-owned Property on Elder’s Pond Drive [CONSENT]** – Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**
- c. **Ordinance Authorizing the Granting of a Water Line Easement to the City of Columbia Across County-owned Property on Elder’s Pond Drive [CONSENT]** – Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**
- d. **An Ordinance Providing for Entering into a Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase Transaction of not exceeding \$3,700,000 and a Sublease with Allen University, to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended, to provide for the payment thereof, and other matters pertaining thereto** – Council gave second reading approval to the ordinance, with a policy and Bond Review Committee review to take place prior to third reading. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**

3. FIRST READING ITEMS

- a. **An ordinance authorizing Special Source Revenue Bonds not to exceed \$1,000,000 payable from fee-in-lieu of tax revenues generated from**

properties within the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park; the proceeds to be used to finance improvements in the Northpoint Industrial Park – Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk, Administration**

4. REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- a. Richland County and Kolorpro’s Lower Richland Business Improvement Plan Continuation** – Council deferred this item to the motion period.

5. REPORT OF THE RULES AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

a. Notification of Vacancies on Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- 1. Central Midlands Council of Governments (3)** – Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: Clerk**
- 2. Community Relations Council (3)** – Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: Clerk**
- 3. Employee Grievance Committee (2)** – Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: Clerk**
- 4. Library Board of Trustees (4)** – Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: Clerk**
- 5. Music Festival Commission (2)** – Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: Clerk**

b. Notification of Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- 1. Board of Assessment Appeals (1)** – No applications were received. Council voted to readvertise this opening. **ACTION: Clerk**
- 2. Board of Zoning Appeals (1)** – Council voted to appoint Torrey Rush to the Board of Zoning Appeals. **ACTION: Clerk**
- 3. Building Codes Board of Adjustments (1)** – Council voted to appoint Monte Lammon to the Building Codes Board of Adjustments. **ACTION: Clerk**
- 4. Central Midlands RTA (4)** – Council voted to reappoint Edward Judice and send the remaining appointments back to the Rules and Appointments Committee. **ACTION: Clerk**

5. **East Richland Public Service Commission (2)** – Council voted to appoint Catherine Cook to the ERPSD and to readvertise the remaining vacancies. **ACTION: Clerk**
6. **Performing Arts Center Board (1)** – Council voted to appoint Mary Skinner-Jones to the Performing Arts Center Board. **ACTION: Clerk**
6. **CITIZENS INPUT:** Seven citizens spoke in favor of council amending its FY 2008 Budget to fully fund the Victim’s Assistance program.
7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
 - a. **Jeffrey O’Cain** – Council voted to authorize counsel to proceed with a settlement as directed. **ACTION: Legal, Administration**
 - b. **NE Sanitary Landfill v. Richland County** – Council received this as information. No action was taken.
 - c. **TIF Update** – Council received this as information. No action was taken.
 - d. **Potential Sale of Property** – Council voted to authorize staff to proceed as instructed during executive session. **ACTION: Legal, Administration**
 - e. **Personnel Matter** – Council received this as information. No action was taken.
 - f. **Farmers’ Market** – Council received this as information. No action was taken.
8. **MOTION PERIOD:**
 - a. **Victims’ Assistance Budget Amendment** – Ms. Scott referred to the A&F Committee a budget amendment in the amount of \$610,308 from the general fund balance to fund victims’ assistance services. **ACTION: Finance, Administration**
 - b. **RFQ for Outside Legal Services** – Mr. Jeter referred to the A&F Committee consideration of an RFQ for attorneys providing outside legal services. **ACTION: Legal, Administration**
 - c. **Rule Regarding Motions for Deferral** – Mr. Malinowski referred to the Rules and Appointment Committee consideration of a rule regarding motions for deferral. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk**

- d. **Motions Directing the County Administrator** – Mr. Livingston referred to the Rules and Appointment Committee consideration of a rule regarding motions to direct the County Administrator. **ACTION: Legal, Clerk**
 - e. **Richland County and Kolorpro’s Lower Richland Business Improvement Plan Continuation** – Council instructed the clerk’s office to arrange a date for a work session to discuss this issue. **ACTION: Clerk**
 - f. **Franchise Fees for Installation of Utilities** – Mr. Malinowski made a motion to refer to the D&S Committee consideration of franchise fees for the installation of utilities in the unincorporated areas of the county. **ACTION: Legal, Administration, Planning, Utilities**
 - g. **Creation of a Water District** - Mr. Jackson made a motion to refer to the D&S Committee a request to declare all unincorporated areas in Richland County as a Water District. **ACTION: Legal, Administration, Planning, Utilities**
 - h. **Evaluation of Jail Policies / Placing the Jail Under Control of the Sheriff** – Mr. Jackson made a motion to refer to the A&F Committee a review of the current jail policies, and to consider the option of placing the jail under the control of the Sheriff. **ACTION: Legal, Administration, Sheriff, Detention Center**
9. **ADJOURNMENT:** Council adjourned at 9:00 p.m.