

# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

#### **DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Julie-Ann Dixon	Damon Jeter	Torey Rush (Chair)	Bill Malinowski	Seth Rose
District 9	District 3	District 7	District 1	District 5

### DECEMBER 16, 2014 5:00 PM

### **2020 Hampton Street**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Regular Session: November 25, 2014 [PAGES 3-5]

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

#### **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

- 2. RC Souvenirs [PAGES 6-12]
- 3. Noise Ordinance [PAGES 13-16]
- 4. Comprehensive Youth Program [PAGES 17-20]

- 5. Student Artwork [PAGES 21-24]
- 6. Ordinance Amendments Regarding the Removal of the Requirements Placing a Lien on Property [PAGES 25-39]

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

- 7. Dog Park Program [PAGE 40]
- 8. Interstate Interchange Lighting Project [PAGE 41]

#### **ADJOURNMENT**



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

Citizens may be present during any of the County's meetings. If requested, the agenda and backup materials will be made available in alternative formats to persons with a disability, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132), as amended and the federal rules and regulations adopted in implementation thereof.

Any person who requires a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, in order to participate in the public meeting may request such modification, accommodation, aid or service by contacting the Clerk of Council's office either in person at 2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC, by telephone at (803) 576-2061, or TDD at 803-576-2045 no later than 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

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

Regular Session: November 25, 2014 [PAGES 3-5]

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

# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

#### **DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE**

November 25, 2014 5:00 PM 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**

Mr. Rush called the meeting to order at approximately 5:08 PM

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

October 28, 2014 – Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Dixon, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

#### ITEMS FOR ACTION

<u>Parking in Residential and Commercial Zones of the County</u> – Ms. Dixon moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve the ordinance amendment to clearly define the vehicles prohibited from parking in residential and commercial zones of the County. The vote in favor was unanimous.

<u>Military Order of the Purple Heart Road Signs</u> – Mr. Malinowski requested the citizen's name that requested the signage prior to Council's approval.

Ms. Dixon moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to forward to Council with a recommendation to approve the purchase and installation of six (6) road signs that recognize Richland County as a Purple Heart County along the County line on I-20, I-26 and I-77. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Impact Fees – Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Dixon, to direct the D&S Committee Chair to create an Ad Hoc Committee to explore impact fees utilizing stakeholders from the community and D&S Committee members to narrow the scope of impact fees the County can enact and identify the manner in which the County can use the impact fees before hiring a consultant to perform a feasibility study. The vote in favor was unanimous.



#### **Committee Members Present**

Torrey Rush, Chair District Seven

Julie-Ann Dixon District Nine

Bill Malinowski District One

Damon Jeter District Three

#### **Others Present:**

Norman Jackson Kelvin E. Washington, Sr. Paul Livingston **Greg Pearce** Tony McDonald Sparty Hammett John Hixon Warren Harley Brandon Madden Larry Smith Stacy Culbreath Ismail Ozbek Amelia Linder Tracy Hegler Roxanne Ancheta **Brad Farrar** Michelle Onley Monique McDaniels

Item# 1

# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

Richland County Council Development and Services Committee November 25, 2014 Page Two

<u>Department of Public Works – Blocking a Portion of Bob Dorn Road</u> – The Committee directed Legal to advise the Lost Creek Patio Homeowners' Association of the option to petition the Court for closure of Bob Dorn Road.

#### **ITEMS PENDING ANALYSIS**

**<u>Dog Park Program</u>** – Held in committee.

Sewage Sludge Spray Field Applications - Held in committee.

Remove the requirements placing a lien on property if owners do not pay sewer bill or if owners do not maintain overgrown lots – Held in committee.

Move to direct staff to draft an ordinance to impose greater noise restrictions in unincorporated Richland County – Held in committee.

Interstate Interchange - Held in committee.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:39 p.m.



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

RC Souvenirs [PAGES 6-12]

#### **Reviews**

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

11/18/14 - Council referred this item back to the D&S Committee to review alternative souvenir coin options that are less expensive than the recommended coin option.

# Richland County Government

County Administration Building 2020 Hampton Street P.O. Box 192 Columbia, SC 29202



Phone: (803) 576-2050 Fax: (803) 576-2137 TDD: (803) 748-4999

### Office of the County Administrator



### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Richland County Council

CC: Tony McDonald, County Administrator FROM: Monique McDaniels, Clerk of Council

**DATE:** December 12, 2014

**RE:** Alternative RC Souvenir Option

At the November 18, 2014 Council meeting, Council referred this item back to the D&S Committee to review alternative souvenir coin options that are less expensive than the recommended coin option.

The Clerk's Office has identified a souvenir option that is similar to the command coin used by Fort Jackson in Columbia, SC – see attached rendering. The cost for this souvenir coin is \$4.75 per coin, which is significantly less costly than previously identified souvenir options. Please note, that there is an initial fee of \$250.00 to create the mold for the coin.

This information is being presented to the D&S Committee for their review and action.



# Richland County Government

County Administration Building 2020 Hampton Street P.O. Box 192 Columbia, SC 29202



Phone: (803) 576-2050 Fax: (803) 576-2137 TDD: (803) 748-4999

### Office of the County Administrator



### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Richland County Council

**CC:** Richland County Administration

FROM: Monique McDaniels, Clerk to Council

**DATE:** October 24, 2014

**RE:** Richland County Proposed Souvenirs Options and Supplemental Information

At the March 18, 2014 Council meeting, Councilman Jackson made the following motion:

"Develop souvenirs for Richland County to be sold at the State Museum and stores for tourism purpose."

This item was forwarded to the April D&S Committee.

At the April 22, 2014 D&S Committee meeting, the Committee recommended to hold the item in the Committee, and requested Staff to look into available options regarding souvenirs and report back their findings. Staff provided a summary of available souvenir options at the June 24, 2014 D&S Committee meeting. Following their review, the Committee directed Staff to reexamine possible souvenir options, including a souvenir coin and provide a recommendation to the Committee. Additionally, Staff was directed to research souvenirs used by other jurisdictions, including the City of Columbia.

Some possible souvenir options are as follows:

- Souvenir coins
- Cufflinks
- T-shirts
- Coffee mugs

A breakdown of souvenir items offered by other counties and municipalities is below:

Jurisdiction	Souvenir Item(s)
City of Columbia	<ul><li>Ink pens</li><li>Coffee mugs</li><li>Notepads</li><li>"Key to The City"</li></ul>
Fairfield County	<ul> <li>Coasters</li> <li>Metal palmetto trees</li> <li>"Pieces" of historical buildings</li> </ul>
Florence County	<ul> <li>Gift baskets w/ products manufactured in Florence County</li> <li>Umbrellas</li> <li>Mugs</li> <li>Ink pen w/ flash drive</li> <li>County flag</li> </ul>
Lexington County	<ul><li>Pens</li><li>Coffee mugs</li></ul>
Oconee County	Framed prints signed by Council members and/or Chair

The Columbia Regional Visitors Center (Visitors Center) sells merchandise, including t-shirts and tervis tumblers, which displays their "Famously Hot Columbia, SC" logo. The Visitors Center is a division within the Midlands Authority for Conventions, Sports & Tourism. The County funded the Columbia Metro Convention & Visitors Bureau in FY14 in the amount of \$193,200, and in the amount of \$226,000 in FY15. Given the role of the Midlands Authority for Conventions, Sports & Tourism in promoting the Midlands, the County's souvenir item(s) may be able to be sold at the Columbia Regional Visitors Center. There are no other counties or municipalities that sell their souvenir items and Richland County cannot sell their items in the South Carolina State Museum or Columbia Convention Center gift shop.

After researching souvenir items offered by other counties and municipalities, Staff recommends the following souvenir options:

- a. Desk Telescop
  - 1. Price per item \$30.00-\$34.00
  - 2.  $150 \times $34.00 = $5,100.00 \text{ total}$

- b. Limestone Paperweight
  1. Price per item \$19.00-21.00
  2. 150 X \$21.00=\$3,150.00
- c. Desk clock with compass or just the compass 1. Price per itme \$48 2.  $150 \times $48.00 = $7,200$
- d. Gold Medallion
  - 1. Price per item \$44.00
  - 2.  $150 \times $44.00 = $6,600$



# RICHLAND COUNTY SOUVENIR MISC\_8235



#### **DESK TELESCOPE**

150 - \$34.20 each 250 - \$32.40 each 300 - \$30.30 each



#### LIMESTONE PAPERWEIGHT

150 - \$21.00 each 250 - \$19.20 each



#### **DESK CLOCK WITH COMPASS**

150 - \$48.00 each 250 - \$48.00 each



#### 3" ETCHED MEDALLION

150 - \$44.16 each 250 - \$44.16 each

Additional option (need to explore costs more)
Limestone pieces from quarry in Richland County
We could get actual Richland County limestone pieces place
on a wooden base with a plaque or laser engraved.

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

Noise Ordinance [PAGES 13-16]

<u>Reviews</u>

Subject: Imposing greater noise restrictions via the County's noise ordinance

#### A. Purpose

County Council is requested give staff guidance on amending the County's noise ordinance to impose greater restrictions.

#### B. Background / Discussion

At the July 1, 2014, Council meeting, Councilmember Rose made the following motion:

"Move to direct staff to draft an ordinance to impose greater noise restrictions in unincorporated Richland County"

Staff is at this time requesting guidance on what specific restrictions Council would like to amend and what problems Council is attempting to alleviate.

The current noise ordinance is as follows:

#### Sec. 18-3. Noise.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any individual within any residential zone of the unincorporated areas of the county to use or operate any radio, receiving set, musical instrument, phonograph set, television set, or other machine or device for the producing or reproducing of sound, or to create, assist in creating, permit, continue, or permit the continuance of any noise, including vehicular noise, in excess of sixty-two (62) decibels between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. of one day and in excess of fifty-five (55) decibels between the hours of 10:00 p.m. of one day and 7:00 a.m. of the following day, or in a manner which is deemed to be excessive by the county sheriff's department.
- (b) This section does not apply to industrial, commercial, or manufacturing noise; noise on construction sites; or noise generated from the lawful operation of farm equipment.
- (c) Notwithstanding the inclusion of the term "commercial" in subsection (b), above, the unlawful generation of noise as described in section  $\underline{18-3}$ (a) explicitly applies to nightclubs that sell alcoholic beverages.
- (d) This section shall be enforced by the county sheriff's department. A deputy sheriff responding to a complaint of excessive noise shall have the discretion to enforce this section by one of two means:
- (1) If the noise complained of appears to be excessive, the deputy may charge the violator with a misdemeanor;
- (2) If the noise violates the decibel levels set forth in subsection (a) hereof, the deputy sheriff responding to a complaint of excessive noise may charge the violator with a misdemeanor.

#### C. Legislative / Chronological History

Mr. Rose's motion from July 1, 2014.

#### D. Financial Impact

None associated with this request.

#### E. Alternatives

- 1. Approve the request to give staff guidance.
- 2. Do not approve the request for staff guidance..

#### F. Recommendation

Recommended by: Councilman Rose

Department: County Council Date: December 5, 2014

#### G. Reviews

(Please replace the appropriate box with a ✓ 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 on

at times, it is recommended that Staff provide Coun of approval or denial, and justification for that recor	cil with a professional recommendation
Finance Reviewed by: <u>Daniel Driggers</u> ☐ Recommend Council approval Comments regarding recommendation:	Date: 12/5/14  ☐ Recommend Council denial
This is a policy decision for Council discretion  Sheriff's Department Reviewed by: Chris Cowan  Recommend Council approval Comments regarding recommendation:	Date: 12/9/14  ☐ Recommend Council denial
The County Administrator's Office, RCSD, Couheld several meetings on this issue. The ordinar cannot be enforced as it is currently written or as recommendation is to make changes based on the the recommendations made during those meeting.	nce has to be updated and amended; as it is this ROA is written. Our lose meetings and study and align with
Legal Reviewed by: Elizabeth McLean  ☐ Recommend Council approval Comments regarding recommendation: Policy d Legal has not been involved in any meetings reg fully in any discussions in the future.	
Administration Reviewed by: Warren Harley ✓ Recommend Council approval	Date: 12/11/14 ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation: Administration would recommend council put together a working group in order to have input from all interested parties and to make certain proposed changes are in line with what council objectives.

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

Comprehensive Youth Program [PAGES 17-20]

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

Subject: Comprehensive Youth Program for Richland County

#### A. Purpose

County Council is requested to direct staff and the clerk's office to develop a plan of action to develop a comprehensive youth program for Richland County that will identify and offer a solution for the youth we classify as "at risk."

#### B. Background / Discussion

On November 18, 2014, Council member Rose brought forth the following motion:

"I move to direct staff and the clerk's office to develop a plan of action to develop a comprehensive youth program for Richland County that will identify and offer a solution for the youth we classify as "at risk."

Currently, the County does not have a comprehensive youth program (program) that identifies and offers a solution for "at risk" youth. Prior to developing a program, county staff and the clerk's office, in conjunction with the Sheriff's Department, Solicitor's Office, Detention Center, and Magistrates system can develop an action plan to: 1) Obtain a clearer understanding of the data and facts relevant to youth programming, specifically ages 12-17, with a focus on atrisk youth, ultimately leading to a reduction in gang activity and violent behaviors; 2) Obtain a better understanding of the current services and support available to "at-risk" youth in the County; and 3) Identify the potential for the alignment of available services within the County that will help our County make more informed decisions about potential services and programming for "at-risk" youth that can be provided through a comprehensive youth program.

It is at this time that direction from Council is requested.

#### C. Legislative / Chronological History

Motion by Mr. Rose – November 18, 2014

#### D. Financial Impact

The estimated financial impact to the County regarding this request is unknown at this time. The County may incur future costs related to the comprehensive youth program. At this time, funds for this purpose are not identified.

#### E. Alternatives

- 1. Approve the request to direct staff and the clerk's office to develop a plan of action to develop a comprehensive youth program for Richland County that will identify and offer a solution for the youth we classify as "at risk."
- 2. Do not approve the request to direct staff and the clerk's office to develop a plan of action to develop a comprehensive youth program for Richland County that will identify and offer a solution for the youth we classify as "at risk."

#### F. Recommendation

This recommendation was made by Mr. Rose. This is a policy decision for Council.

Recommended by: <u>Seth Rose</u> Department: <u>County Council</u>

Date: <u>11/18/14</u>

#### G. Reviews

	•			
н	ın	a	n	CO
т.	111	а	и	··

Reviewed by: <u>Daniel Driggers</u> Date: 12/5/14

✓ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation:

#### Sheriff

Reviewed by: Chris Cowan Date: 12/9/14

✓ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation:

Any crime prevention initiative and youth support program are always a good idea. The ROA suggests "aligning available services and funding" and RCSD would support this. In reference to whether there is a need or not: Currently, RCSD partners with the Solicitor's Office and School Districts on programs; having several comprehensive programs that work with 'at-risk' youth. Some of these programs are the SRO, DARE, READY, Youth Arbitration, Justice and Next Steps. If there is consolidation of or creation of new programs the ROA would need include increasing specific funds, to RCSD or the Solicitor's Office for these new services or programs.

#### Clerk's Office

Reviewed by: Monique McDaniels Date: 12/9/14

✓ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation:

#### Solicitor's Office

Reviewed by: <u>Dan Johnson</u> Date: 12/12/14

✓ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation: The Solicitor's Office supports the development of a plan of action for a comprehensive youth program in Richland County for "at risk" youth. Currently, the Solicitor's Office operates various programs for youth, many of whom are "at risk." We partner with the Sheriff's Office, the School Districts and the community through the Youth Arbitration Program (YAP), the Juvenile Court Alternative Program (JCAP), the Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Program (JDTC) and the Juvenile Mental Health Court Program (JMHC). Additionally, we participate in the Sheriff's Summer Camp Program and conduct our own Boys Mentor Program and Girls Empowerment Program as well as the Solicitor's Intern Program. Our office employs a Family Court Social Worker who assists with these programs. The consolidation of or creation of new programs pursuant to the ROA will require increased funding for the affected agencies. The Solicitor's Office welcomes the opportunity to work with the County Council on a comprehensive youth program for "at risk" youth.

#### **Detention Center**

Reviewed by: Ronaldo Myers Date: 12/11/14

Item# 4

✓ Recommend Council approval Comments regarding recommendation:	☐ Recommend Council denial
Magistrate  Paviawad by Danald Simons	Data: 12/12/14
Reviewed by: <u>Donald Simons</u>	Date: 12/12/14
✓ Recommend Council approval Comments regarding recommendation:	☐ Recommend Council denial
Legal	
Reviewed by: Elizabeth McLean	Date: 12/12/14
☐ Recommend Council approval	☐ Recommend Council denial
Comments regarding recommendation: Policy of specific plans and programs are developed, Leg	
Administration	
Reviewed by: Warren Harley	Date: 12/12/14
✓ Recommend Council approval	☐ Recommend Council denial
Comments regarding recommendation:	

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

Student Artwork [PAGES 21-24]

<u>Reviews</u>

Subject: Student Artwork in the County Building

#### A. Purpose

County Council is requested to direct the Clerk's Office to work with Richland County School Districts 1, 2, and 5, to create a way for their students to display art work throughout the County building.

#### B. Background / Discussion

On November 18, 2014, Council members Dixon and Washington brought forth the following motion:

"Motion to direct the Clerk's Office to work with school district 1, 2, and 5, to create a way for their students to display art work throughout the county building."

The Clerk's Office can work with the Richland County School District(s) representatives and provide them with specific guidelines for the type of art work that can be displayed, the number of pieces per School District that can be displayed and the time frame for displaying the artwork in the county's administration building. The Clerk's Office can work with Risk Management and Support Services to discuss the safest and most efficient way to display the artwork to reduce the impact to the interior walls of the county administration building.

Council may consider the following guidelines for displaying the artwork:

- Ten artwork pieces per school district that will be rotated quarterly
- The artwork will hang from a wire line that will be installed in the ceiling
- The school district representative will select the student art and ensures the delivery and pick-up of the artwork

Staff is requesting direction from Council regarding this Request of Action.

#### C. Legislative / Chronological History

Motion by Ms. Dixon and Mr. Washington – November 18, 2014

#### D. Financial Impact

If Council approves this request, the county will incur some costs associated with materials and labor needed to display the artwork in the county's administration building. This cost will not be determined until the display types, locations, etc. are determined.

#### E. Alternatives

- 1. Approve the request to direct the Clerk's Office to work with school district 1, 2, and 5, to create a way for their students to display art work throughout the county building.
- 2. Do not approve the request to direct the Clerk's Office to work with school district 1, 2, and 5, to create a way for their students to display art work throughout the county building.

#### F. Recommendation

This recommendation was made by Ms. Dixon and Mr. Washington. This is a policy decision for Council.

Recommended by: <u>Julie-Ann Dixon and Kelvin Washington</u>

Department: County Council

Date: 11/18/14

$\sim$	$\mathbf{r}$	•
( ÷	ĸ	eviews

_			
- 17	٠	 	~ ~
н	ın	n	ce

Reviewed by: Daniel Driggers Date: 12/5/14

✓ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation:

This is a policy decision for Council. Based on the financial section, approval would require some incremental cost to the County therefore a funding source would need to be identified.

#### **Support Services**

Reviewed by: <u>John Hixon</u> Date: 12/5/14

☑ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation:

Although this is a policy decision of Council, it would be beneficial to define the locations for display and the method of mounting the art while on display. This would also help define the type of the artwork accepted for display (poster paper, canvas, paintings vs. three-dimensional pieces). My recommendation would be a free standing (although we would find a method to secure it for safety purposes) display such as that used to exhibit local artwork during the state fair where both sides of the display stand could be used for two-dimensional (painted type) art and not mount directly to the facility structure.

Risk	Ma	nagen	není
------	----	-------	------

Reviewed by: David Chambers Date: 12/8/14

✓ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation:

#### Clerk's Office

Reviewed by: Monique McDaniels Date: 12/9/14

✓ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation:

#### Legal

Reviewed by: Elizabeth McLean Date: 12/09/14

☐ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial

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

#### Administration

Reviewed by: Roxanne Ancheta Date: 12/9/14

Item# 5

✓ Recommend Council approval ☐ Recommend Council denial Comments regarding recommendation: While this is a policy decision of Council, it is recommended that Council approve this item, contingent upon Council making a determination on the items mentioned in the Financial Impact section: the location(s) for display(s), the method of mounting and/or displaying the art, as well as the funding source. Once these determinations are made by Council, a cost impact can be determined. Depending on the location(s) and type(s) of display(s), the costs should be minimal. This partnership between the School Districts and the County would foster a positive relationship in support of student creativity in the cultural arts.

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

Ordinance Amendments Regarding the Removal of the Requirements Placing a Lien on Property [PAGES 25-39]

#### **Reviews**

**Subject**: Ordinance Amendments Regarding the Removal of the Requirements Placing a Lien on Property

#### A. Purpose

County Council is requested to approve ordinance amendments to remove the requirements placing a lien on property if owners do not pay their sewer bill, or if owners do not maintain lots, and allow them to become overgrown.

#### B. Background / Discussion

On September 9, 2014, Council member Jackson brought forth the following motion:

"Remove the requirements placing a lien on property if owners do not pay sewer bill or if owners do not maintain overgrown lots."

The County can place a lien on property if the property owner does not pay their sewer service charges, sewer connection charges and/or capital sewer service charges, under the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24, Utilities; Article II, Water and Sewer Service Generally; 24-7, Powers of the council; 24-8, Unpaid water or sewer charges a lien; and Chapter 24.5, Special Sewer Assessment District; 24.5-42, Authorization and enforcement of charges; 24.5-43, Sewer service charges and sewer connection charges created as liens; 24.5-44, Capital sewer service charges created as liens. See attached ordinance(s).

As a point of reference, pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws, creating a lien against real property is an available method for a governing body to collect overdue sewer charges; however, it is not mandatory. See the appropriate State law(s) below:

**SECTION 6-15-90.** Levy of assessment for annual sewer service charge. In the event that it is impractical to provide for the collection of all or any part of the sewer service charge jointly with charges rendered by a private or public agency for water service. then in such event the governing body shall be fully empowered to levy an assessment for the annual sewer service charge. Prior to the making of any sewer connection or the furnishing of any sewage disposal service for which the prescribed sewer service charge shall pursuant to Section 6-15-100 become a lien on the property affected and prior to any subsequent increase in any sewer service charge not less than ten days' written notice shall be given to each affected property owner notifying him of the nature and quantum of the sewer service charge and providing such property owner an opportunity, if desired and requested, to appear and be heard in person or by counsel before the governing body. Following such hearing, if such be requested and held, action shall be taken by the governing body and notice of its decision shall be given to the property owner concerned or his counsel as the case may be not less than ten days prior to the effective date of the sewer service charge. Any property owner aggrieved by the action of the governing body may proceed by appeal in the court of common pleas for the county in which his property or any part thereof lies, to have such court review the action taken by the governing body at which time the court will determine the validity and reasonableness of the sewer service charge. Sewer service charges not intended to become liens in the case of nonpayment may be imposed and subsequently increased upon any user without such notice and hearing. The appeal provided for herein shall be pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 7 of Title 18, providing appeals to the court ofcommon pleas. for HISTORY: 693. 1962 Code Section 59-507.8; 1965 (54)

**SECTION** 6-15-100. Lien for sewer service charge. If the notice or notices prescribed by Section 6-15-90 shall have been given and any hearing requested pursuant thereto shall have been held all connection or tapping fees, sewer service charges and other charges imposed by the governing body following that procedure under authority of this chapter and not paid when due and payable, shall constitute a lien upon the real estate to which the sewage service concerned relates so long as the fees or charges remain unpaid. In addition to such other rights and remedies as may be available to the governing body in law or in equity for the collection of such fees and charges, the lien may be enforced by the governing body in the same manner and fashion as the lien of property taxes real estate. on HISTORY: 1962 Code Section 59-507.9; 1965 693. (54)

**SECTION 6-15-110.** Other methods of collecting overdue charges. The method provided in this chapter for the enforcement of the collection of past due sewer service charges and connection fees by creating the liens against real property is not the exclusive method of enforcing this collection and the governing body is fully empowered to enforce the collection of these fees and charges in any other lawful manner in all or any part of the municipality, county, or special purpose district, including particularly by way of a contract as authorized under Section 6-15-80.

The County can place a lien on property with an overgrown lot within a developed residential area or commercial area within the County, under the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, Offenses; Section 18-4. Weeds and rank vegetation. See attached ordinance. Council may consider that according to a South Carolina Attorney General's opinion, the County is likely prohibited from placing liens on property owners with overgrown lots.

In either of the aforementioned instances, if the County files a lien, the County currently only collects the lien when the property is sold.

#### C. Legislative / Chronological History

Motion by Mr. Jackson – September 9, 2014

#### D. Financial Impact

The financial impact to the County regarding this motion is unknown at this time. However, the County would have to absorb the costs associated with delinquent sewer service charges, sewer connection charges and/or capital sewer service charges within the County. Additionally, the County would have to absorb the costs associated with maintaining the overgrown lots of property owners within the County. As a point of reference, last year (January 2013 – December 2013) the County provided maintenance services on 117 overgrown lots.

#### E. Alternatives

1. Approve the ordinance amendments to remove the requirements placing a lien on property if owners do not pay their sewer bill or if owners do not maintain lots, and allow them to become overgrown.

Item# 6

- 2. Approve the ordinance amendment to remove the requirements placing a lien on property if owners do not pay their sewer bill.
- 3. Approve the ordinance amendment to remove the requirements placing a lien on property if owners do not maintain lots, and allow them to become overgrown.
- 4. Approve a policy that will suspend or terminate the utility services being provided to the property if owners do not pay their utility bill. This policy may include an option for the County to utilize the SC Department of Revenue's debt collection programs (Set-Off Debt/GEAR) to collect delinquent payments from the property owners. Staff can develop the policy and bring the policy back to Council for their consideration.
- 5. Do not approve the ordinance amendments.

#### F. Recommendation

This recommendation was made by Mr. Jackson. This is a policy decision for Council.

Recommended by: Norman Jackson Department: County County

Da

_	_		
<i>-</i> ' '	I)	A	
l -	к	evie	- W C

ate: 9/9/14	
eviews	
Finance	
Reviewed by: <u>Daniel Driggers</u>	Date: 12/9/14
Recommend Council approval	Recommend Council denial
Comments regarding recommendation:	
There is not a recommendation made on the and that the County continue to utilize this	e ROA. I would recommend alternative five process as a collection tool.
Sheriff:	
Reviewed by: <u>Chris Cowan</u>	Date: 12/9/14
Recommend Council approval	Recommend Council denial
Comments regarding recommendation:	
At this time we would like clarification on the received from County Legal during the com "Lien" on letters (and as an option for the County C	mittee meetings on this issue. Placing the

for not remedying the problem.

I	∟egal

Reviewed by: Elizabeth McLean	Date: 12/11/14
☐ Recommend Council approval	☐ Recommend Council denial
Comments regarding recommendation: Legal re-	ecommends removing the lien language
from the weeds and rank vegetation ordinance as	s we are likely prohibited from placing
them in that circumstance; as to the liens for util	ity/sewer, that is a policy decision left to

Item# 6

Council's discretion. If Council chooses to remove the lien language, the County could attempt to recoup its costs via the Set-Off Debt program, which is already in use for other citizen debts to the County.

T	T		•	1	٠	4	٠		,	•	-	1			•		•						٠.			
	-1	t	1	ı	1	t	1	es	1	Δ		1	1	1	1	1	16	4	t	r	a	11	h	n	1	1
•	,	L				L			,	$\overline{}$	·						ı.	7	L		a	ш	L	·		ш

Reviewed by: Sparty Hammett

Recommend Council approval

Recommend Council approval

Recommend Council denial

Comments regarding recommendation: Administration recommends that Council obtain an Attorney General's opinion as to the legality of placing liens on property for overgrown lot violations. If this language is removed, it would significantly impact the ability of the Sheriff's Department to enforce the ordinance and increase the number of overgrown lots that have to be cut by Public Works.

Administration recommends Council discretion in regard to removing the lien language for Utilities. If Council decides to remove the language, Administration recommends the use of the Set-Off Debt program.

### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RICHLAND COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_-14HR

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RICHLAND COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES; CHAPTER 24, UTILITIES; ARTICLE II, WATER AND SEWER SERVICE GENERALLY; SECTIONS 24-7 AND 24-8; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 24.5, SPECIAL SEWER ASSESSMENT DISTRICT; ARTICLE III, FINANCING IMPROVEMENTS; RATES AND CHARGES; SECTIONS 24.5-42, 24.5-43 AND 24.5-44; SO AS TO DELETE THE REFERENCES TO LIENS AS A COLLECTION METHOD FOR UNPAID BILLS.

Pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution of the State of South Carolina 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 24, Utilities; Article II, Water and Sewer Service Generally; Section 24-7, Powers of Council; is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### Sec. 24-7. Powers of the council.

The council shall be empowered as follows:

- (1) To enter into contracts by which any special purpose district or municipality in the county may agree to maintain and operate any part or all of any water and sewer facilities of the county or under its control, on a cost basis or any reasonable basis.
- (2) To make any and all regulations which shall be deemed appropriate in connection with the construction, establishment, maintenance and use of any water or sewer facilities of the county or under its control.
- (3) To acquire, establish, maintain, operate, extend, enlarge, and improve such system of water lines, mains and pipes and sewers, sewer lines, sewer mains, and sewage disposal and treatment facilities as, in the opinion of the council, is required for the maintenance of the health of the county.
- (4) To purchase or lease existing water and sewer lines, mains, systems and disposal or treatment plants and to make contracts whereby they may be connected to the lines or systems which it may establish.
- (5) To employ such engineering, clerical and other help as it deems necessary and fix the salaries and compensation of such employees.
- (6) To place into effect and to revise by resolution a schedule of rates and charges upon all those who receive benefits from the water or sewer facilities of the county.

Item# 6

- (7) To build, construct, maintain and operate ditches, tunnels, culverts, flumes, conduits, mains, pipes, dikes, dams and reservoirs.
- (8) To contract for or otherwise acquire a supply of water and sell water for industrial and domestic use.
- (9) To enter into contracts for the sale of water with persons, private corporations, municipalities or other public or private bodies.
- (10) To prescribe such regulations as it shall deem necessary to protect from pollution all water in its pipes, tanks, reservoirs, distribution systems or elsewhere within its system.
- (11) To require a permit for connection with any sewer constructed and maintained by the county, and as a condition to the issuance of any such permits, to promulgate regulations prescribing the type and manner of connections permitted to be made therewith, to inspect such connections to ensure compliance and to make a reasonable charge for permits sufficient to cover the cost thereof and of such inspection.
- (12) To make use of county and state highway rights-of-way in which to lay pipes and lines in such manner and under such conditions as the appropriate officials in charge of such rights-of-way shall approve.
- (13) In addition to the rates and charges provided for in paragraph (6), to place into effect and revise whenever it so wishes or may be required a schedule of water and sewer service or connection charges for the use of and connection to any water or sewer facilities which it may operate, which charges shall, pursuant to section 24-8, become a lien on the property affected. Prior to the making of any connection or the furnishing of any service for which the prescribed service charge shall become a lien on the property affected and prior to any subsequent increase in any such service charge, not less than ten (10) days' written notice shall be given to each affected property owner notifying him of the nature and quantum of the service charge and providing such property owner an opportunity, if desired and requested, to appear and be heard in person or by counsel before the council or its designee. Following such hearing, if such be requested and held, action shall be taken by the council and notice of its decision shall be given to the property owner concerned or to his counsel, as the case may be, not less than ten (10) days prior to the effective date of the sewer service charge. Any property owner aggrieved by the action of the council may proceed by certiorari in the court of common pleas for the county to have such court review the action taken by the county, at which time the court will determine the validity and reasonableness of the service charge so made. Service charges not intended to become liens in the case of nonpayment can be imposed and subsequently increased upon any user in the unincorporated area of the county without such notice and hearing.
- (14) To enter into contracts with any water distribution agency upon terms and conditions to be mutually agreed upon by which the council shall authorize the water distribution agency to add the sewer service charges to the charge rendered for water service in a single bill, shall constitute the water distribution agency its agent for the purpose of collecting such sewer service charges as the council shall from time to time impose upon those who utilize

its sewer facilities and shall empower the water distribution agency as such agent to disconnect water service upon failure of any user to pay such sewer service charges.

(15) To adopt and enforce regulations requiring all persons to whom it shall be available to make use of any water or sewer facilities which the county shall from time to time operate; and generally with respect to the discharge of sewage and the use of privies, septic tanks and any other type of sewer facilities within the unincorporated area of the county.

<u>SECTION II.</u> The Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 24, Utilities; Article II, Water and Sewer Service Generally; Section 24-8, Powers of Council; is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### Sec. 24-8. Collection of unpaid Unpaid water or sewer charges a lien.

- (a) If the notice or notices prescribed by paragraph (13) of section 24-7 shall have been given and any hearing requested pursuant thereto shall have been held, all water or sewer service charges imposed by the council following that procedure under authority of this article and not paid when due and payable shall be and constitute a lien upon the real estate to which the water or sewer service concerned relates so long as the water or sewer service charges remain unpaid. In addition to such other rights and remedies as may be available to the council in law or in equity for the collection of the water or sewer service charges, the lien may be enforced by the council in the same manner and fashion as the lien of property taxes on real estate. The lien herein provided shall be superior to all other liens except liens for unpaid property taxes.
- (b) The method provided in this article for the enforcement of the collection of past due water or sewer service charges shall not be the exclusive method of enforcing such collections and Tthe council county is fully empowered to enforce the collection of any such past due or unpaid water or sewer service charges in any other lawful manner in all or any part of the unincorporated area of the county, including particularly by way of a contract with a water distribution agency as authorized under paragraph (14) of section 24-7.

<u>SECTION III.</u> The Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 24.5, Special Sewer Assessment District; Article III, Financing Improvements; Rates and Charges; Section 24.5-42, Authorization and Enforcement of Charges; is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### Sec. 24.5-42. Authorization and enforcement of charges.

(a) The sewer service charges, sewer connection charges and capital sewer service charges may become liens on the property on which they are imposed, provided that the notice and public hearing requirements of sections 24.5-25, 24.5-43 and 24.5-44 hereof have been met. If adopted in the form of a lien, such unpaid sewer service charges, sewer connection charges and capital sewer service charges shall remain liens as long as they remain unpaid. In addition to such other rights and remedies as may be available to the county in law or in equity for the collection of unpaid sewer service charges, sewer connection charges and capital sewer service charges, the lien may be enforced by the

county in the same manner and fashion as the lien of property taxes on real estate. The lien herein provided shall be superior to all other liens except liens for unpaid property taxes.

(b) The method provided in this article for the enforcement of the collection of past due sewer service charges, sewer connection charges and capital sewer service charges shall not be the exclusive method of enforcing such collection and the <u>The</u> county is fully empowered to enforce the collection of any <u>such past due or unpaid</u> sewer service charges and capital sewer service charges in any <u>other</u> lawful manner, which methods include the entering into contracts for the collection of such charges with other political subdivision.

SECTION IV. The Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 24.5, Special Sewer Assessment District; Article III, Financing Improvements; Rates and Charges; Section 24.5-43, Sewer service charges and sewer connection charges created as liens; is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### Sec. 24.5-43. Sewer service charges and sewer connection charges ereated as liens.

The council shall place into effect and revise whenever it so wishes or may be required a schedule of sewer service and sewer connection charges to be imposed within the district for the use of the connection to the system. Prior to the imposition of any sewer service charges or sewer connection charges authorized by the provisions of this chapter and which are to become liens in accordance with sections 6-15-90 and 6-15-100 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and prior to any subsequent increase in any such sewer service charges or sewer connection charges, not less then fifteen (15) days' written notice shall be given to each affected property owner notifying him of the nature and quantum of such charges and providing such property owner an opportunity, if desired and requested, to appear and be heard in person or by counsel before the council. Following such hearing, if such be requested and held, action shall be taken by the council and notice of its decision shall be given to the property owner concerned or to his counsel, as the case may be, not less than ten (10) days prior to the effective date of the sewer service charge and sewer connection charges. Any property owner aggrieved by the action of council may appeal to the court of common pleas for Richland County to have such court review and action taken by the council as the validity and reasonableness of the sewer service charge and sewer connection charges.

<u>SECTION V.</u> The Richland County Code of Ordinances; Chapter 24.5, Special Sewer Assessment District; Article III, Financing Improvements; Rates and Charges; Section 24.5-44, Capital sewer service charges created as liens; is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### Sec. 24.5-44. Capital sewer service charges created as liens.

(a) The council shall place into effect and revise whenever it so wishes or may be required a schedule of capital sewer service charges which will be used to retire debt incurred to finance that portion of the system within a particular district. The capital sewer service charges shall be based on the estimated cost of the establishment and construction of any sewer lateral collection lines and any extensions thereof constructed within the district, or so much of the estimated cost thereof as the council in its discretion deems appropriate, and shall be assessed upon the lots and parcels of land abutting directly on such lateral lines or

extensions thereof according to the extent of the respective frontage thereon by an equal rate per foot of such frontage; but the council may, in its discretion, provide, in the instance of corner lots, for a charge deemed to be equitable. If part or all of the district is part of a development plan or zoned for residential use, then such capital sewer service charges may be levied by the council on a parcel or per unit basis rather than on a front-foot basis. The capital sewer service charges to be levied in connection with such installations may be paid in equal installments covering a period not to exceed twenty (20) years. Such deferred payments shall be payable annually within the period that county taxes are payable and late payments shall be penalized to the same extent as in the case of county taxes.

- (b) In connection with the imposition of such capital sewer service charges:
  - (1) The council shall provide a general description of the improvements to be made and the street or parts thereof whereon the work is to be effected and the estimated cost thereof and the amount of the cost to be assessed upon all abutting properties and the terms and manner of payment. Such description may incorporate by reference plats and engineering reports and other data on file in the office of the county coordinator of utilities and services provided that the place of filing and reasonable hours for inspection by interested persons are specified in the ordinance imposing the capital sewer service charges. Within thirty (30) days of the creation of a district, the council shall prepare in poster form a notice advising of the proposed capital sewer service charges and generally describing the area to be affected and shall deliver the notice to the register of mesne conveyances of the county. The register of mesne conveyances shall prominently display such notice in his office until an assessment book compiling a list of all residents and property owners of the district has been prepared by the county auditor and filed with the council. Failure to provide or post such notice shall not affect the validity of any such assessment.
  - (2) Immediately after such assessment book has been completed, the council shall forthwith cause one copy thereof to be deposited in the office of the register of mesne conveyances for inspection by interested parties, and shall cause to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county a notice of the completion of the assessment book. This notice shall set forth a description in general terms of the improvements and the time fixed for the meeting of the council for a hearing of objections in respect of the capital sewer service charges. Such meeting shall not be earlier than ten (10) days from the date of the publication of such notice.
  - (3) As soon as practicable after the completion of the assessment book and prior to the publication of the notice mentioned in the preceding paragraph (2), the council shall mail to the owner or owners of each lot or parcel of land against which a capital sewer service charge is to be levied at his or their address, if any, appearing on the records of the county auditor, a notice stating the nature of the improvement, the principal amount of bonds to be issued in order to finance the improvements, the appropriated amount to be assessed against the particular property in order to repay the bonds, and the frontage in feet or charge per parcel upon which the capital sewer service charge is based, together with the terms and conditions upon which the capital sewer service charge may be paid. This notice shall also contain a brief description of the district together with a statement

that the amount assessed shall constitute a lien against the property superior to all other liens except property taxes. The notice shall also state the time and place fixed for the meeting of the council mentioned in the preceding paragraph (2) for a hearing of objections in respect of the capital sewer service charge. Any property owner who fails to appear at the meeting and shall have failed not later than three (3) days prior to the date set for such meeting, to file with the council a written objection to the capital sewer system charges against his property shall be deemed to have waived all rights to object to such capital sewer service charges and the notice prescribed herein shall so state.

(4) At the time and place specified for the meeting above-mentioned, or at some other time to which it may adjourn, the council shall hear the objections of all persons who have filed written notice of objection within the time prescribed above who may appear and make proof in relation thereto either in person or by their attorney. The council may thereupon make such corrections in the assessment book as it may deem proper, confirm the same or set it aside and provide for a new assessment.

Immediately upon the confirmation of a capital sewer service charge, the council shall mail a written notice (the confirmation notice) to all persons who have filed written objections as hereinabove provided of the amount of the capital sewer service charge confirmed against his property. Such notice shall be given to the affected property owners not less than ten (10) days prior to the effective date of the capital sewer service charge.

Subsequent to the council's confirming an assessment book, either as originally prepared or as thereafter corrected, a copy thereof certified by the clerk of the council shall forthwith be filed in the office of the register of mesne conveyances. From the time of such filing the capital sewer service charges impressed in the assessment book shall constitute and be a lien on the real property against which the same are assessed superior to all other liens and encumbrances except only the lien for property taxes.

- (5) After the assessment book has been confirmed, a certified copy thereof shall be delivered to the county treasurer who shall prepare and keep a separate book or books in connection therewith and who shall proceed to collect the same in the manner of county taxes and shall remit such collections on or before April fifteenth of each year upon the direction of the council. Each year the county auditor shall mail out notices of such capital sewer service charges at the same time county tax notices are mailed. Past due capital sewer service charges shall be turned over by the county treasurer to the tax collector who shall proceed to collect in the same manner as unpaid county taxes are collected. The collecting official shall likewise keep separate records in connection with such past due assessments and shall remit all sums collected forthwith upon the direction of the council.
- (6) If any such person is dissatisfied with the amount of the capital sewer service charge so confirmed, such person shall within ten (10) days after the mailing of the confirmation notice to him, give written notice to the council of his intent to appeal the capital sewer service charge to the court of common pleas for the county, and shall within five (5) days after giving such notice to the council serve upon the council a

statement of facts upon which he bases his appeal. Any property owner who fails to give the notice of his objection prescribed by this paragraph, shall be deemed to have waived all rights to object to the capital sewer service charge and the confirmation notice shall so state and shall also advise of the appeal procedure provided by this paragraph. No such appeal shall delay the construction of the improvements or affect the validity of the capital sewer service charges confirmed and not appealed.

- (7) Subsequent to the confirmation of an assessment book, the council may correct, cancel or remit any such capital sewer service charge and may remit, cancel or adjust the interest or penalties of any capital sewer service charge and is empowered, when in its judgment there is any irregularity, omission, error or lack of jurisdiction in any of the proceedings relating thereto, to set aside the capital sewer service charge made by it and thereupon to make a reassessment.
- (c) In the event the council provides that such capital sewer system charges may be paid in equal annual installments, then any property owner shall have the right at any time in his option to prepay in full the capital sewer service charge against his property by the payment of the balance due plus interest calculated to the date of prepayment. If any property owner shall fail or neglect to pay any installment when the same becomes due and payable, then and in that event the council may, at its option, declare all of the installments remaining unpaid at once due and payable and such property may be sold by the county sheriff in the same manner and with the same right of redemption as are prescribed by law for the sale of land for unpaid property taxes.

<u>SECTION VI.</u> <u>Severability</u>. If any section, subsection, or clause of this Ordinance shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such finding shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, and clauses of this Ordinance.

<u>SECTION VII.</u> <u>Conflicting Ordinances Repealed</u>. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION VIII. Effective Date. This Ordinand	ce shall be enforced from and after	_, 2014
	RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL	
	BY:Norman Jackson, Chair	
ATTEST this the day of		
, 2014		
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: Second Reading: Third Reading:

# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RICHLAND COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_-14HR

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RICHLAND COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES; CHAPTER 18, OFFENSES; SECTION 18-4. WEEDS AND RANK VEGETATION; SUBSECTION (F); SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE PLACING OF LIENS TO RECOUP WORK COSTS.

Pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution of the State of South Carolina 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 18, Offenses; Section 18-4, Weeds and Rank Vegetation; Subsection (f); is hereby amended to read as follows:

(f) Removal by county. In the event any property is determined to be a nuisance, and twenty (20) days has elapsed after such notice has been served, deposited in the United States Mail, or posted upon the premises, then the department of public works or its duly authorized agent or representative may enter upon any such lands and abate such nuisance by cutting and removing such weeds or other rank vegetation, and the cost of doing so may become a lien upon the property affected, or may be recovered by the county through judgment proceedings initiated in a court of competent jurisdiction. The county is fully empowered to collect all costs of such work in any manner available to it in law or equity,

<u>SECTION II.</u> <u>Severability</u>. If any section, subsection, or clause of this Ordinance shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such finding shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, and clauses of this Ordinance.

<u>SECTION III.</u> <u>Conflicting Ordinances Repealed</u>. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION IV. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall	l be enforced from and after, 2014.
	RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL
	BY: Norman Jackson, Chair
ATTEST this the day of	
, 2014	

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: Second Reading: Third Reading:

## **Items Pending Analysis**

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

Dog Park Program [PAGE 40]

#### **Reviews**

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

This item was held in Committee at the October D&S Committee meeting. The Committee directed staff to investigate the feasibility of creating a dog park program (e.g., cost, maintenance, liability), with a pilot dog park to begin at 2618 Decker Boulevard (the former Zorba's Restaurant site). As directed, staff is investigating the feasibility of creating a dog park program. Once completed, staff will report this information back to the Committee at a future Committee meeting for their consideration and action.

## **Items Pending Analysis**

#### **Subject**

Interstate Interchange Lighting Project [PAGE 41]

#### **Reviews**

#### **Notes**

At the September 23, 2014 D&S Meeting, the Committee directed Staff to contact the Hospitality Association to recruit businesses that are willing to assist in funding the Two Notch Road at I-77 (Exit 17) & the Clemson Road at I-20 (Exit 80) Interstate Interchange Lighting Projects (Projects). The information regarding the Projects is currently being circulated by the South Carolina Restaurant and Lodging Association (formerly known as the SC Hospitality Association) to their members to recruit businesses that are willing to assist in funding the Two Notch Road at I-77 (Exit 17) & the Clemson Road at I-20 (Exit 80) Projects.