

# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL SOUTH CAROLINA



## DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES COMMITTEE

May 24, 2016  
5:00 PM  
County Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Dixon called the meeting to order at approximately 5:02 PM

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Regular Session: April 26, 2016** – The minutes were unanimously approved as distributed.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously adopted as published.

### ITEMS FOR ACTION

**Council Motion to Approve Homeowner Associations Pursuing the Creation of Special Tax Districts** – Mr. McDonald stated there are other communities that wish to take advantage of creating a special tax district to address the repair of the dams damaged in during the October flood event.

Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to forward to Council with a recommendation to allow all HOAs to engage in the process of creating a special tax district.

Mr. Rush inquired if staff had communicated with the Springwood Lakes community regarding this matter.

Mr. Bronson stated he has traded emails with the community. The President of the HOA came to the conclusion they would be better served finding a different way than the tax district due to the legal fees involved.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Request for Easement – Hiller Road** – Mr. McDonald stated this is a proposed community in the Northwest part of the County where the City of Columbia has been requested to extend water service to the area. In order to accomplish this, the city would

#### Council Members Present

Julie-Ann Dixon, Chair  
District Nine

Bill Malinowski  
District One

Damon Jeter  
District Three

Seth Rose  
District Five

Norman Jackson  
District Eleven

#### Others Present:

Tony McDonald  
Warren Harley  
Kevin Bronson  
Brandon Madden  
Michelle Onley  
Roxanne Ancheta  
Kim Roberts  
Larry Smith  
Daniel Driggers  
Quinton Epps  
Chad Fosnight  
Ismail Ozbek  
Shahid Khan

need to cross property owned by the County where the County has a pump station.

Mr. Malinowski stated there was a list of do's and don'ts from the City of Columbia, but there was not a list of concerns expressed by the County. In addition, he inquired in the past about getting a system in place in the Northwest area. The more the City gets into these areas, the less likely it is that Richland County will benefit from working with neighboring counties to provide water services. Furthermore, the fees for City water continue to escalate.

Mr. Malinowski further stated it is his belief the City is requiring a loop so they have an opportunity for more annexation in the future.

Moreover, Council sent a letter to the City of Columbia requiring them to contact the County if they intended to provide water service to the unincorporated portion of Richland County.

Mr. McDonald stated to his knowledge the City has not requested to provide service to this area.

Since Mr. Khan has joined the County, there is the potential for the County to enter into the water business.

Mr. Malinowski stated the citizens he spoke with indicated there were high pressure tactics used to get them to sign the right-of-way agreement.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to deny this item.

Mr. Malinowski withdrew his motion.

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

### **ITEMS PENDING ANALYSIS**

**Comprehensive Youth Program** – This item was held in committee.

**Motions Related to the Development of a Diversity Statement and the Feasibility of Conducting a Workplace Diversity Study** – This item was held in committee.

**Motion to Have a Subcommittee Examine the County's EMS Services** – This item was held in committee.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:19 PM.

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