



**RICHLAND COUNTY
GOVERNMENT**
Office of the County Administrator

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

Call to Order: Rush

Invocation: Pearce

Pledge of Allegiance: Pearce

Presentation of Proclamation

- a. **Carolina United:** Ms. Garner gave a brief update regarding the Carolina United program and thanked the County for its continued support of the flood victims.
- b. **Director's Customer Service Competition Recognition/Award Presentation:** Mr. Rush presented the Public Works Department with the Director's Customer Service award.

Approval of Minutes

- a. **Regular Session: December 6, 2016:** Approved as Amended.

Adoption of Agenda: Adopted as amended.

Presentation of Resolution

- a. **Resolution recognizing Stephanie Johnson as the 2017 Horace Mann Award for Teaching Excellence:** Mr. Livingston presented the resolution to Ms. Johnson recognizing her as the 2017 Horace Mann Award for Teaching Excellence.

Report of the Attorney for Executive Sessions Items

- a. **Pending Litigation: Jones vs. Richland County**
- b. **Employee Grievances (2)**
- c. **Legal Advice: Land Development Code Enforcement**
- d. **Personnel Matter**

Citizen's Input: No one spoke.

Report of the County Administrator

- a. **County Organizations Design Structure: "An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration; so as to restructure the departments of the County":** Council gave first reading approval to ordinance amendment. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION**

Report of the Clerk of Council

- a. **REMINDER: Swearing-In Ceremony, January 10. 3:00 p.m., Council Chambers – Reception Immediately following** Ms. Onley reminded Council of the upcoming Swearing-In Ceremony on January 10, 2016 in the Council Chambers.
- b. **REMINDER: January Council/Committee Meetings, January 2017: Special Called Council Meeting – 4:45 p.m.; Development and Services Committee – 5:00 p.m.; Administration and Finance Committee – 6:00 p.m.:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of its upcoming meeting schedule for January 2017.
- c. **REMINDER: 2017 Annual Council Retreat, January 26 – 27, 2017, Charleston, SC:** Ms. Onley reminded Council of its upcoming 2017 Annual Council Retreat on January 26 – 27, 2017 in Charleston, SC.

Report of the Chairman

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

1. Second Reading Items

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, General Provisions; so add Section 1-16 related to payment of legal bills:** Council gave second reading approval of the ordinance amendment. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, SUPPORT SERVICES**
- b. **An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Hospitality Tax Fund Annual Budget to appropriate \$1.00 of Hospitality Fund Balance to provide seed funding for commemorating Fort Jackson's 100th Birthday:** Council gave second reading approval of the budget amendment in the amount of \$100,000. Council approved funding the Gateway to the Army Association in the amount of \$100,000 in FY18 and \$100,000 in FY19 for the construction of the Centennial Park. Any funding provided to the Gateway to the Army Association is contingent upon written approval from the Secretary of the Army for the Centennial Park and the provision of a comprehensive budget for the project. **ACTION: LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL, FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION**

2. Report of the Rules and Appointments Committee

a. Notification of Vacancies

- i. **Accommodations Tax – Three (3) Vacancies:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- ii. **Community Relations Council – Three (3) Vacancies:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- iii. **Hospitality Tax – Two (2) Vacancies:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- iv. **Internal Audit Committee – One (1) Vacancy:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- v. **Business Service Center Appeals Board – One (1) Vacancy** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- vi. **Board of Assessment Appeals – One (1) Vacancy:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- vii. **Planning Commission – One (1) Vacancy:** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- viii. **Central Midlands Council of Governments (CMCOG) – One (1) Vacancy):** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- ix. **Building Codes Board of Appeals – One (1) Vacancy (Applicant must be from Architecture Industry):** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- x. **Procurement Review Panel – Two (2) Vacancies:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- xi. **Employee Grievance Committee – One (1) Vacancy – (Applicant must be a Richland County employee):** Council voted to advertise this vacancy. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- xii. **Transportation Penny Advisory Committee – Five (5) Vacancies:** Council voted to advertise these vacancies. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

b. Notification of Appointments

- i. **Airport Commission – 1:** Council voted to appoint John D. Parrish. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- ii. **Riverbanks Park Commission – 1:** Council voted to appoint Robert G. Davidson to this position. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- iii. **Business Service Center Appeals Board – 2:** Council voted to appoint A. Dowl Knight. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

3. Report of the Transportation Ad Hoc Committee

- a. **Shop Road Widening Project: OET Service Agreement:** Council approved the service agreement with Mead & Hunt for the Shop Road Widening Project in amount of \$1,838,419.57. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE, PROCUREMENT, TRANSPORTATION**
- b. **Blythewood Road Widening Project: Concept Report:** Council approved the Alternative A typical section. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE, PROCUREMENT, TRANSPORTATION**

4. Other Items

- a. **Certifying a petition received by Richland County, South Carolina, pursuant to Section 4- 9-30(5)(a) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and other matters relating thereto [Lake Dogwood]:** Council approved this item. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE**
- b. **Palmetto Utilities - Amendment to 2006 Agreement:** Council approved the amendment to the 2006 agreement. The vote to reconsider failed. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION, UTILITIES**

5. Citizen's Input: Two people spoke.

6. Executive Session

- a. **Pending Litigation: Jones vs. Richland County:** Council directed the Legal Department to take action as discussed in Executive Session. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION**
- b. **Employee Grievances (2):** Council voted to uphold the Administrator's recommendations. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION, HUMAN RESOURCES**
- c. **Legal Advice: Land Development Code Enforcement:** Council directed staff to move forward as discussed in Executive Session. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, LEGAL, ADMINISTRATION**

d. **Personnel Matter:** Received as information. No action taken.

7. Motion Period

a. **A centralized court in Richland County was always a dream of Judge Walter Jones; therefore, after his death in 1999, the Central Court facility on Huger Street was renamed in his honor as the "Walter Jones, Sr. Central Court Facility." Central Court has recently relocated from the Huger Street location to the Decker Center. I move that a part of the Decker Center and/or a court room in the facility be named in honor of the late Judge Walter Jones and the bronze bust commissioned by Richland County be placed at the facility. [JACKSON]: This item was referred to the Decker Center Ad Hoc Committee. ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATION**

8. Adjournment: Council adjourned at approximately 9:16 pm.