

**REGULAR MEETING
OF
FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL**



**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
324 W. EVANS STREET
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**MONDAY
MAY 13, 2024
1:00 P.M.**



**REGULAR MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024 – 1:00PM
CITY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
324 WEST EVANS STREET
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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 8, 2024 – Regular Meeting
April 16, 2024 – Special Meeting

IV. HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

SERVICE RECOGNITIONS

Sandra Hanner – 20 years – Finance and Accounting Department

EDUCATIONAL RECOGNITIONS

Dominique Henry – Passed the “C” Water Operator Certification exam.

V. SPRING 2024 CITY UNIVERSITY GRADUATION

VI. APPEARANCES BEFORE COUNCIL

Note: Each person who gives notice to speak may be limited to a five (5) minute presentation at the discretion of the presiding officer, City of Florence Code of Ordinances, Section 2-24(h).

a. Pastor Henry Badie

To speak to Council regarding the Levy Park project.

b. Woody Swink

To speak to Council regarding the Florence Tennis Center.

c. Ranada Samuel, Vice President – Ron James Youth Tennis Program

To speak to Council on ways to use recreational tennis to promote community engagement and civic participation.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. **A public hearing will be held to receive input on the City of Florence Fiscal Year budget 2024-2025.**

VIII. ORDINANCES IN POSITION

- a. **Bill No. 2024-08 – Second Reading**
An Ordinance to rezone a portion of 186 Dunbarton Drive from CG to IL, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 00099-01-020.
- b. **Bill No. 2024-09 – Second Reading**
An Ordinance to annex and zone NC-6.1 four lots along Rosemount Drive, identified as Florence County Tax Map Numbers 00152-01-146, 00152-01-147, 00152-01-148, and 00152-01-149.

IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

- a. **Bill No. 2024-10 – First Reading**
An Ordinance to raise revenue and adopt a budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.

X. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

- a. **Resolution No. 2024-16**
A Resolution to proclaim April 2024 as Organ Donation Awareness Month in the City of Florence.
- b. **Resolution No. 2024-17**
A Resolution to proclaim May 2024 as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month in the City of Florence.
- c. **Resolution No. 2024-19**
A Resolution to amend the City of Florence CDBG budget for Fiscal Year 2023-24.
- d. **Resolution No. 2024-20**
A Resolution certifying buildings as an abandoned building sites pursuant to the South Carolina Abandoned Buildings Revitalization Act, Section 12-67-100. of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, regarding the property located at 189 Warley Street, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 90074-03-012.
- e. **Resolution No. 2024-21**
A Resolution for the Municipal State Highway Project Agreement with the South Carolina Department of Transportation.
- f. **Resolution No. 2024-22**
A Resolution authorizing and approving the acceptance of loan assistance monies from the South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund Authority and other matters related thereto.

- g. Resolution No. 2024-23**
A Resolution to declare May 5-11, 2024, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week in the City of Florence.
- h. Resolution No. 2024-24**
A Resolution of City Council approving Downtown Redevelopment Grants for Fourth Quarter, FY24.
(Note: This item may be discussed in Executive Session.)
- i. Resolution No. 2024-25**
A Resolution approving an amendment to the Conditional Grant and Development Agreement dated May 31, 2020 between the City of Florence and Styx Florence Land, LLC.
(Note: Staff has requested that this item be deferred.)

XI. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

- a. Appointments to Boards and Commissions**
- b. A report on the Auditing Services Contract for the City of Florence**

XII. MAYORAL REPORT

XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Business Development Committee**
- b. Community Development Committee**
- c. Marketing and Public Relations Committee**
- d. Finance, Audit and Budget Committee**

(Note: Action may be taken during Committee Reports.)

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. For a discussion on matters related to an Economic Development Project [30-4-70(a)(5)].**
- b. For a discussion of appointments to City Boards and Commissions [30-4-70(a)(1)].**
- c. For an update on matters related to an Economic Development Project [30-4-70(a)(5)].**

XV. ADJOURN



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MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor Pro Tempore George Jebaily, Councilwoman Lethonia Barnes, Councilman Chavez T. McCall, Councilman Bryan A. Braddock, Councilwoman LaShonda NeSmith-Jackson and Councilman J. Lawrence Smith, II

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Scotty Davis, City Manager; Mr. Benjamin T. Zeigler, City Attorney; Mrs. Casey Moore, Municipal Clerk; Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development; Chief Allen Heidler, Florence Police Department; Chief Shannon Tanner, Florence Fire Department; Mr. Michael Hemingway, Director of Utility Planning and Economic Development; Mr. Joshua Whittington, Director of Utilities; Mrs. Amanda Pope, Director of Marketing/Communications and Municipal Services; Mrs. Jennifer Krawiec, Director of Human Resources; Mr. Adam Swindler, Director of Public Works; Mr. Kevin Rawlinson, Chief Financial Officer and Ms. Patrice Rankin, Administrative Coordinator

MEDIA PRESENT

Mr. Naeem McFadden with the Florence Morning News and Mr. Seth Taylor with the Post and Courier were present for the meeting.

Notices of this regular meeting of City Council were provided to the media and individuals requesting a copy of the agenda informing them of the date, location and time of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

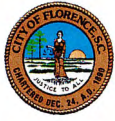
Mayor Ervin called the April 8, 2024 regular meeting of Florence City Council to order at 1:01 p.m.

INVOCATION

Mayor Ervin gave the invocation for the meeting. The pledge of allegiance to the American Flag followed the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 18, 2024 Regular Meeting and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously (6-0) adopted with Councilman McCall having not yet arrived.



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ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA:

APPEARANCES BEFORE COUNCIL- Mr. Jon Weiss, CEO- House of Hope

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to add this item to the April 8, 2024 regular meeting agenda and Councilman Smith seconded the motion. Council voted 6-0 in favor of the motion, with Councilman McCall having not yet arrived. The motion passed.

SERVICE RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Shannon Tanner, Fire Chief, presented Matthew Hampton with a certificate of recognition for 10 years of service with the Florence Fire Department.

(Councilman McCall arrived at 1:06pm).

APPEARANCES BEFORE COUNCIL

My Brother's Keeper

Pam Dauksch, Henry Badie, and Marcus Simmons appeared before council to give an update regarding My Brother's Keeper.

Ms. Dauksch said it takes a little over an hour to deliver meals to the parks and hotels and the number of people they serve continues to increase. Ms. Dauksch expressed her gratitude for all the support My Brother's Keeper has received over the years. The organization is in its fifth year and has served over a quarter million meals to date. Mentoring programs have been implemented at Wilson High School and Delmae Heights Elementary School and meal delivery service has been added to the hotels on Highway 52. My Brother's Keeper currently services the areas of North Florence, West Florence, and East Florence, as well as Highway 52 and provides meals to those who are unable to travel.

Henry Badie said My Brother's Keeper has collaborated with multiple churches and agencies in the Pee Dee region over the last year. Through their various partnerships, My Brother's Keeper has been able to serve an additional 1800 meals each week.

Marcus Simmons said currently, South Florence is the only area in Florence where there is currently no route. Mr. Simmons requested help and funding from the City for the purchase of a small van to assist with servicing this area.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked for the number of volunteers that work with My Brother's Keeper. Marcus Simmons said there are currently 100 volunteers that serve on a weekly basis. Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked for the number of meals served each day. Mr. Simmons said they serve between 200-250 meals per day. Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson thanked My Brother's Keeper for all they do to feed the homeless in the community.

Councilman Braddock thanked My Brother's Keeper for their service to the community.

Councilman Smith asked Mr. Simmons to elaborate on the stops, along the routes, that My Brother's Keeper service. Mr. Simmons said they stop at the city parks at 2:30pm and deliver meals to homebound individuals prior to the parks stops. Once meals have been delivered to the parks, meals are delivered to



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the hotels on Highway 52. Councilman Smith thanked My Brother's Keeper for their service to the community.

Pro tem Jebaily said some citizens may be concerned that there is an overlap of service with organizations feeding the community. Pro tem Jebaily asked Mr. Simmons to share how local organizations come together to fulfill the need of food in the community. Mr. Simmons said My Brother's Keeper has partnered with The Salvation Army, Performance Food Group, and various other organizations to distribute meals throughout the area. Everyone works together to fulfill the needs of the community.

Councilwoman Barnes acknowledged homelessness within the school district and thanked My Brother's Keeper for providing meals to these students.

Mayor Ervin thanked My Brother's Keeper for their service to the community and said growth happens when we all work together and the growth of this organization is evident and being shown through their various partnerships.

Ms. Elaine Chandler

Elaine Chandler appeared before council to speak on concerns with the homeless in the community. She acknowledged a letter she sent to city council regarding the topic of discussion. Ms. Chandler thanked Mayor Ervin, Chief Heidler, Sheriff Joye and local law enforcement officers that have helped to improve conditions at the strip mall across from Magnolia Mall. From mid-February to now, there has been one offender and Ms. Chandler acknowledged there are city ordinances to address the current situation at this property. Trash near Fairfield Inn has been an ongoing issue and there has been a request to have it picked up. Ms. Chandler said she will get involved and will volunteer with local organizations to have a positive input in the community.

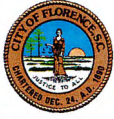
Mayor Ervin informed Ms. Chandler that community input is not viewed as negative and any concerns regarding the community can be brought to the attention of council. As leaders, council is unable to be everywhere, but citizens are everywhere and can recognize when situations need to be addressed. She encouraged Ms. Chandler to continue to voice her concerns and be involved in the community.

Mr. Jon Weiss

Jon Weiss, CEO of House of Hope, appeared before council to introduce himself and speak on a recently announced project. Mr. Weiss thanked council for their support of House of Hope over the years and for all they have done to serve those in need in the community. House of Hope consists of homeless shelters, recovery programs, Hope Village, and many other services. Currently, House of Hope is in the process of raising money for a community resource center. This will be a safe place for people to come during the day to shower, get a hot meal, have a church congregation, and utilize case workers.

Councilman Smith inquired on the proposed location of the community resource center. Mr. Weiss said the center would be located approximately 300-500ft from the Courtney McGinnis Graham Shelter.

Councilwoman Barnes thanked Mr. Weiss and spoke in favor of the community resource center. She said there is a concern that due to Florence growing so rapidly and the addition of more resources, like the behavioral health center, in the area it will bring more homeless; however, Florence is a beautiful community and these resources help address certain needs to improve the community.



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Pro tem Jebaily thanked Mr. Weiss and asked if a detailed proposal regarding the community resource center could be provided to council. Mr. Weiss answered yes.

Councilman Braddock expressed his excitement of Mr. Weiss being a part of House of Hope and concurred with Pro tem Jebaily regarding the proposal being provided to council. Councilman Braddock asked Mr. Weiss for the projected cost of the project and Mr. Weiss said the projected cost is \$1.5-\$1.75 million. Councilman Braddock asked how much funding has been secured so far and Mr. Weiss answered \$750,000 has been secured by two donors who have supported House of Hope over the years. Councilman Braddock said with two donors helping to secure half of the cost of this project, other organizations should be able to assist House of Hope with reaching their goal.

Mayor Ervin congratulated Mr. Weiss on his new role as the Executive Director of House of Hope.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION

Bill No. 2024-04 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to amend the budget for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-04 on second reading and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-04 was adopted.

Bill No. 2024-05- Second Reading

An Ordinance to annex and zone RG-3 3701 Bannockburn Road, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 00152-01-025.

Councilman Smith made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-05 on second reading and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-05 was adopted.

Bill No. 2024-06- Second Reading

An Ordinance to annex and zone NC-15 2506 Parsons Gate, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 01221-01-285.

Councilwoman Barnes made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-06 on second reading and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.

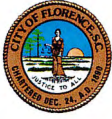
Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-06 was adopted.

Bill No. 2024-07- Second Reading

An Ordinance to rezone 709 and 711 West Darlington Street from NC-6.2 to NC-6.3, identified as Florence County Tax Map Numbers 90060-11-002 and 90060-11-017.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2024-07 on second reading and Councilman Smith seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-07 was adopted.



INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Bill No. 2024-08- First Reading

An Ordinance to rezone a portion of 186 Dunbarton Drive from CG to IL, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 00099-01-020.

Councilman McCall made a motion to pass Bill No. 2024-08 on first reading and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion.

Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development, reported this is a request to rezone a portion of 186 Dunbarton Drive from general commercial to light industrial. The applicant previously appeared before Planning Commission to request the rezoning to heavy commercial. Planning Commission asked staff to work with the applicant to see what their intended use of the property would be. After discussion with staff, the applicant amended their request to light industrial and Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend the zoning request. Currently, the ACS Technology building is located on the property and is listed as 180 and 186 Dunbarton Drive. The property will be subdivided, and the rezoning will be applied to the back portion, which is located to the rear of the lot away from the frontage road and is adjacent to the UPS distribution center and a proposed multifamily residential property. Both the UPS distribution center and the multifamily residential property are in the county. There will be buffer requirements between the general commercial and multifamily zonings and Beaver Dam Creek runs along the back. Mr. Moore provided details on what is permitted with light industry versus heavy industry zoning. The property will not be visible from the road and will sit behind the current ACS Technology building.

Pro tem Jebaily asked if the portion alongside the ACS property is the ingress and egress to the property. Mr. Moore answered yes. Pro tem Jebaily asked for the number of units going into the multifamily property adjacent to the ACS property. Mr. Moore said there will be approximately 300 units.

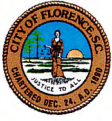
Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked if the applicant was UPS and Mr. Moore answered that the applicant is a private group based out of Charlotte. Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked what type of business would be located here. Mr. Moore said it would be a transfer storage facility to store semi-trucks, overnight storage, and standard storage. Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked if trucks would be able to park for a fee and Mr. Moore clarified that it would not be a truck facility where people could spend the night, but more so a transfer area where companies could drop off vehicles and other drivers could pick up and use as necessary.

Councilman McCall asked for the recommendation from Planning Commission. Mr. Moore said that it was a unanimous recommendation from Planning Commission to rezone the property to light industrial. Councilman McCall also asked if there was a staff recommendation. Mr. Moore said that staff did not recommend heavy industrial due to a multitude of uses that could impact the area. With the proposed use of light industrial, it is in compliance with the adjacent properties.

Councilman Smith asked if loud noises and chemicals would be permitted with the light industrial zoning. Mr. Moore answered no.

Councilman Braddock asked for the size of the property that is being rezoned. Mr. Moore said the entire property is approximately 17 acres and the portion to be rezoned is approximately 11 acres.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked what type of buffers would be required. Mr. Moore said it depends on the use of the adjacent properties. The portion of the property adjacent to the multifamily



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residential zoning would require a 20 foot buffer with trees and landscaping. The buffer requirements become less for the portion of the property adjacent to the industrial property.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-06 was passed on first reading.

Bill No. 2024-09 - First Reading

An Ordinance to annex and zone NC-6.1 four lots along Rosemount Drive, identified as Florence County Tax Map Numbers 00152-01-146, 00152-01-147, 00152-01-148, and 00152-01-149.

Councilwoman Barnes made a motion to pass Bill No. 2024-09 on first reading and Councilman McCall seconded the motion.

Mr. Jerry Dudley, Director of Planning, reported this is a request to annex and zone four lots along Rosemount Drive. The proposed zoning is NC-6.1, which is consistent with the adjacent subdivision and future land use maps and will add four additional lots to the existing subdivision. Water service is available to all four lots and sewer will be extended to the lots by the developer. Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend the rezoning request and city staff concurs with the recommendation.

Pro tem Jebaily asked if NC-6.1 zoning is single family residential. Mr. Dudley answered yes and said this zoning requires a minimum of a 6,000 square foot lot.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2024-09 was passed on first reading.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2024-12

A Resolution to proclaim April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Florence.

Councilman Braddock made a motion to pass Resolution No. 2024-12 and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.

Mayor Ervin presented the Resolution to members of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee of the Pee Dee Realtors Association.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to pass Resolution No. 2024-12. Resolution No. 2024-12 was passed.

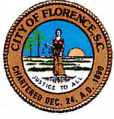
Resolution No. 2024-13

A Resolution of Recognition for the contributions of Dorothy Hines in the community.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to pass Resolution No. 2024-13 and Councilman Smith seconded the motion.

Councilman McCall and Mayor Ervin presented Mrs. Dorothy Hines with the Resolution.

Mrs. Hines thanked Council for the recognition and said her love for Florence allowed her to serve over 30 years on Planning Commission. The city has made a lot of strides over the years and new opportunities have been made available for those who wish to return to Florence after college.



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Councilman McCall thanked Mrs. Hines for her dedicated service and also acknowledged her 30-year tenure with Planning Commission and said Mrs. Hines is a true beacon of hope for the community.

Councilman Smith, Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson, and Mayor Ervin also thanked Mrs. Hines for her service to the community.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to pass Resolution No. 2024-13. Resolution No. 2024-13 was passed.

Resolution No. 2024-14

A Resolution to proclaim April 22, 2024 as Earth Day in the City of Florence.

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to pass Resolution No. 2024-14 and Councilman Smith seconded the motion.

Mayor Ervin presented the Resolution to Mindy Taylor, Chair of the Resilience & Sustainability Advisory Committee, and members of the committee.

Mrs. Taylor invited Council to participate in an Earth Day Clean Up on April 22nd at Naturally Outdoors.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to pass Resolution No. 2024-14. Resolution No. 2024-14 was passed.

Resolution No. 2024-15

A Resolution of Recognition for the Florence 8U All Star Boys Basketball team for winning the South Carolina Recreation and Parks Association State SCAP Championship.

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to pass Resolution No. 2024-15 and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion.

Councilman McCall and Mayor Ervin presented the 8U champions with the Resolution.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to pass Resolution No. 2024-15. Resolution No. 2024-15 was passed.

Resolution No. 2024-16

A Resolution to proclaim April 2024 as Organ Donation Awareness Month in the City of Florence.

Mayor Ervin stated that Resolution No. 2024-16 will be deferred to next month's meeting.

Resolution No. 2024-17

A Resolution to proclaim May 2024 as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month in the City of Florence.

Mayor Ervin stated that Resolution No. 2024-17 will be deferred to next month's meeting.

Resolution No. 2024-18

A Resolution to honor the contributions of The Leaf Lounge to the efforts to revitalize Downtown Florence.

Councilman McCall made a motion to pass Resolution No. 2024-18 and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.



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Councilman McCall and Mayor Ervin presented Mr. Jesse Wiles, Jr., Owner of The Leaf Lounge, with the Resolution.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to pass Resolution No. 2024-18. Resolution No. 2024-18 was passed.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Mr. Davis presented the packet of appointments to Boards and Commissions to Council.

Parks and Beautification Commission

Pro tem Jebaily deferred his nomination to the Board.

MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Ervin spoke of the Harbor Freight Fellowship that was hosted in the City of Florence last month and presented a sculpture she received at the event to council. The Harbor Freight Fellowship works to facilitate relationships between students and industries and local industries partnered with the Harbor Freight Fellowship to make the event a success. Mayor Ervin also acknowledged Future Entrepreneurs who recently took local youth on a trip to Dubai. Mayor Ervin acknowledged the Levy Park project and said the city received notice that over \$8.9 million in grant funding has been awarded for the project. She further said the community will be able to give input regarding this project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Business Development Committee, Chaired by Pro tem Jebaily

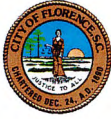
Pro tem Jebaily said that the committee and city staff had a robust conversation regarding the status of grants. The grants amount to \$47 million and \$22.2 million worth of additional grants are under review. The city received notice last week that a grant would be awarded to the city for the “Reimagination Project” at Levy Park. Pro tem Jebaily asked Scotty Davis, City Manager, to provide a brief update regarding the grant.

Mr. Davis said that the \$8.927 million grant will allow the city to enhance and expand Levy Park. Mr. Davis spoke of key partners who played a part in securing the funding for Levy Park. The City of Florence received the second highest amount awarded.

Mayor Ervin said the recipients of the funding can be found on the National Parks Service website.

Pro tem Jebaily acknowledged and thanked Councilman Smith for assisting him with securing the matching funds for the Levy Park project. The State of South Carolina gave \$2.75 million of the \$3.7 million that the city gave towards this project. Pro tem Jebaily acknowledged and thanked all partners who were involved in the effort to demolish the old motel, so that the expansion of Levy Park could take place.

Mayor Ervin also thanked all partners who were involved in the demolition of the old motel and the Levy Park expansion project.



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Community Development Committee, Chaired by Councilwoman Barnes

Councilwoman Barnes said the committee is looking forward to the improvements that will take place at Levy Park and it will be a great feature for the gateway into the city. Councilwoman Barnes acknowledged partners who were involved with this effort. While some citizens have asked about improvements for the other city parks, Councilwoman Barnes said this grant money was awarded specifically for the Levy Park project. Councilwoman Barnes also expressed excitement for the amphitheater that is to be constructed at Dr. Iola Jones Park.

Marketing and Public Relations Committee, Chaired by Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson recognized that April is Autism Awareness Month. An update regarding the city's chat bot was given. The committee and city staff are working on a road safety awareness campaign and working on a website update. The Florence Police Department will present for the next City University session. Members with Leadership Florence who were present for today's meeting were acknowledged.

Mayor Ervin informed Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson that she is looking at ways for the city to host a City Youth University for the youth in the community, and more information is to come.

Finance, Audit and Budget Committee, Chaired by Councilman McCall

Councilman McCall said the committee received an update on the rental registry and reviewed the monthly financial reports. The roundup program will begin on May 1st. Residents were able to opt-out of the program for six months prior and are able to opt-out of the program at any time. Residents who decide to opt-out of the program will not be able to apply for financial assistance with the roundup program.

ADJOURN

Without objection, the April 8, 2024 Regular meeting of City Council was adjourned at 2:41pm.

Dated this 13th day of May 2024.

Casey C. Moore, Municipal Clerk

Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor



**SPECIAL MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2024 – 9:00 A.M.
BUS TOUR – CITY CENTER
324 WEST EVANS STREET
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MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin, Councilwoman Lethonia Barnes, Councilman Chaquez T. McCall, Councilman Bryan A. Braddock, and Councilman J. Lawrence Smith, II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mayor Pro Tempore George Jebaily and Councilwoman LaShonda NeSmith-Jackson

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Scotty Davis, City Manager; Mrs. Casey Moore, Municipal Clerk; Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development; Chief Allen Heidler, Florence Police Department; Chief Shannon Tanner, Florence Fire Department; Mr. Michael Hemingway, Director of Utility Planning and Economic Development; Mr. Joshua Whittington, Director of Utilities; Mrs. Amanda Pope, Director of Marketing/Communications and Municipal Services; Mrs. Jennifer Krawiec, Director of Human Resources; Mr. Adam Swindler, Director of Public Works; Mr. Kevin Rawlinson, Chief Financial Officer and Ms. Victoria Nash, Recreation Division Manager

MEDIA PRESENT

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ervin called the April 16, 2024 special meeting of Florence City Council to order at 9:15 a.m.

BUS TOUR OF CITY FACILITIES AND CURRENT PROJECTS

Carolina Theater

The first destination of the tour was Carolina Theater located in downtown Florence. Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development, said Carolina Theater is currently in Phase I of construction. In 2018, a bond was issued for \$2,000,000 for project costs. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and inflation, the original design required modification. Phase I project cost is \$500,000 and includes a \$300,000 grant received from the state. The remaining funds will be preserved in hopes to secure matching funds for the remaining phases. Upon completion, Carolina Theater will be utilized as a conference and event space.



Behavioral Health Facility

The next destination was the Behavioral Health Facility located on Cedar Street. Mr. Moore said state funds in the amount of \$100,000,000 have been invested for the project and construction is underway. While many partners are involved, MUSC is overseeing project management and the state is completing all permitting for the project. Upon completion, this facility will serve as a regional behavioral hub.

Slim Chickens, Dunkin Donuts, and Murphy's Gas Station

Mr. Moore said Slim Chickens, Dunkin Donuts and Murphy's Gas Station are an example of a commercial development project that has gone very well. The property was annexed into the City in January 2023. Plans were submitted in May 2023 and the land disturbance permit was issued following the submittal. All three businesses received their building permits in August 2023. Currently, only Slim Chickens has received their Certificate of Occupancy and is open for business. Dunkin Donuts and Murphy's Gas Station are soon to follow.

Bluffs at Mill Creek

Mr. Moore featured the Bluffs at Mill Creek as an example of a residential development project. This is a large, 250 tract home development project. The property was annexed, and the City entered into a development agreement with the developer in 2021. A development agreement protects the developer by vesting property rights, such as the zoning, or from the effect of changing policies. They also protect the municipality by defining the responsibilities of the City. In February 2022, the sketch plan went before Planning Commission for approval. Following Planning Commission approval, the development plan was submitted to staff for approval in November 2022. The land disturbance permit was issued in May 2023 which initiated the start of inspections to ensure the project is being developed to specifications. Construction begins once the developer pays the tap fees and receives the building permit. Upon the completion of a residential development project, the newly added infrastructure will become the City's burden to maintain.

There was discussion on the impacts a residential project has on all City departments and potential fees that could be imposed to mitigate some of these impacts. Mr. Scotty Davis, City Manager, said one of the biggest challenges with these residential developments is having to provide services before the City realizes any revenue, such as property taxes.

Wastewater Treatment Plant

Mr. Josh Whittington, Utilities Director, began the tour of the Wastewater Treatment Plant by discussing the various apparatus and the treatment process. Wastewater enters the plant by flowing through a screen that removes large, inorganic matter. Wastewater then flows to the aeration basins where liquids and solids begin to separate and treatment begins. Liquids will then be disinfected and discharged into the Pee Dee River. Solids are removed from the tanks and are either used as compost or hauled to the landfill.

Mr. Michael Hemingway, Economic and Utility Planning Director, gave a brief overview of the planned expansion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The current site of the treatment plant is approximately 100 acres with room for expansion. The expansion will increase capacity from 22 million gallons per day to 33 million gallons per day and more aeration basins and clarifiers will be added as well as an increase to the effluent station.

Council and staff toured the Wastewater administration building to include the control room and lab.



Public Works and Animal Shelter

Mr. Adam Swindler, Public Works Director, began the tour of Public Works by showcasing the many needs of the site.

The mulch yard was the first stop and is the result of all the yard waste that is collected. Eventually, new mulching equipment will be necessary.

The tour then proceeded through the Public Works administration building, the sign shop and equipment maintenance. 900-1000 pieces of equipment are maintained by equipment maintenance employees in the shop. At approximately 50 years old, the shop does not have the adequate space and equipment necessary to service the amount of fleet in the City. The outdated space, equipment, and amenities also make it difficult to recruit new employees.

Up next was the sanitation division. The sanitation division currently houses 30-33 employees with the potential to add more to maintain routes. Mr. Swindler spoke of the need to add offices, meeting and training rooms, lockers, and showers for employees.

The beautification and facilities division was toured next which houses the streets division and management staff. Currently, this division is located in a temporary construction trailer and there is an increased need for a new space.

Also located on the public works site is the compliance office, utility operations building, and the utilities shed.

Mr. Swindler provided Council with a tour of the animal shelter and spoke of the need for facility repairs to include interior and exterior paint. Some capital money has been included in the budget for some improvements.

Surface Water Treatment Plant

The last stop was the Surface Water Treatment Plant. Mrs. Brenda Echandy, Water Production Superintendent, provided an overview of the water treatment process. The water treatment plant was built approximately 20 years ago and its current capacity is rated for 10 million gallons per day with an average of 7 million gallons per day. Water enters the plant from the Pee Dee River raw water intake approximately 3 miles away. Water initially goes through a pretreatment process. Following pretreatment, caustic is added for pH adjustment before entering the sedimentation basin and filters. Upon leaving the filters, water goes to the transfer wells for disinfection. The treatment plant has an on-site lab certified by the Department of Health and Environmental Control where samples are tested regularly.

Mr. Hemingway said the Surface Water Treatment Plant is currently in the process of an expansion that will increase capacity to 20 million gallons per day and will also upgrade the plant as necessary to remove Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). The expansion will cost approximately \$210 million and is slated to begin in September. The expansion will duplicate the current treatment facilities as well as add another raw water line. The new facilities will be built and online before repairs are made to existing facilities.



**FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING – APRIL 16, 2024**

ADJOURN

Without objection, the April 16, 2024 special meeting of City Council was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Dated this 14th day of May 2024.

Casey C. Moore, Municipal Clerk

Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: April 8, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance to Rezone from CG to IL a portion of the parcel located at 186 Dunbarton Drive, TMN 00099-01-020.

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Department of Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A request to rezone from Commercial General (CG) to Light Industrial (IL) a portion of the parcel located at 186 Dunbarton Drive, said property being specifically designated in the Florence County Tax Records as Tax Map Number 00099-01-020. The request is being made by the property owner, RAZ Development.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

On February 13, 2024, the City of Florence Planning Commission held a public hearing regarding the original request to rezone a portion of the lot to Heavy Industrial (IH) and voted unanimously (7-0) to defer the rezoning request to enable staff to work with the applicant.

On March 12, 2024, the City of Florence Planning Commission voted unanimously (8-0) to approve the zoning designation of Light Industrial for the rear portion of the parcel while retaining the Commercial General zoning designation for the front portion of the parcel fronting on Dunbarton Drive.

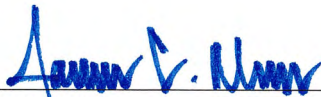
III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- (1) City water and sewer are available to the parcel.
- (2) The property is currently zoned Commercial General (CG). This zoning designation permits most commercial uses.
- (3) The owner requests the zoning designation of Light Industrial. This zoning designation provides for light industrial and personal storage uses but no manufacturing.
- (4) The owner intends to maintain the office at the front of the lot and is proposing a storage and truck parking facility on the rear of the lot.
- (5) Section 6-21.7.12 of the *Unified Development Ordinance* requires that within 14 days, City Council shall:
 - a. Approve the zone change by ordinance;
 - b. Approve the zone change by ordinance with modifications;
 - c. Deny the zone change; or
 - d. Refer the zone change back to the Planning Commission, the Director, to a committee of Council, or an ad hoc committee for further consideration.

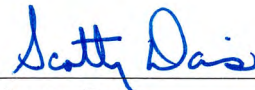
IV. PERSONAL NOTES:

V. ATTACHMENTS:

- A) Ordinance
- B) Vicinity Map
- C) Zoning Map
- D) Future Land Use Map
- E) Proposed Zoning Map



Clint Moore
Assistant City Manager



Scotty Davis
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS 186 DUNBARTON DRIVE, TAX MAP NUMBER 00099-01-020 FROM COMMERCIAL GENERAL ZONING DISTRICT TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICT:

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held in City Council Chambers on February 13, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission and notice of said hearing was duly given;

WHEREAS, RAZ Development made application to rezone the rear portion of the lot from Commercial General to Light Industrial Zoning District;

WHEREAS, Florence City Council concurs in the aforesaid application, findings and recommendations:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF:

1. That an Ordinance is hereby adopted by amending the Zoning Atlas of the City of Florence for the aforesaid property to Light Industrial;
2. That this Ordinance shall become effective seven days upon its approval and adoption by the City Council of the City of Florence and posting of this amendment in the official Zoning Atlas.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024

Approved as to form:

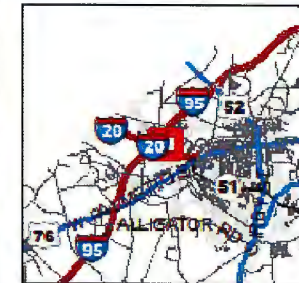
Benjamin T. Zeigler,
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin,
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore,
Municipal Clerk

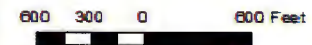
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Vicinity Map - 186 Dunbarton Drive



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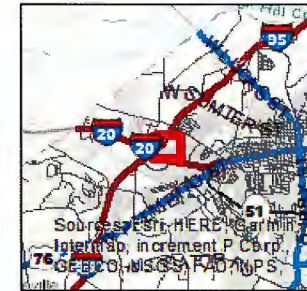
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Date: 11/26/2024

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Zoning Map - 186 Dunbarton Drive



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- Parcels
- Zoning District**
- Agricultural and Open Space Districts**
- OSR
- Residential Districts**
- PD
- Business and Commercial Districts**
- CG
- Proposed Parcel



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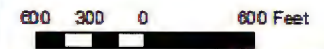
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Future Land Use Map - 186 Dunbarton Drive



Legend

- Parcels
- Future Land Use and Character 2023
- RLU_1
 - Parks and Open Space
 - Suburban Residential
 - General Residential
 - Urban Residential
 - Neighborhood Conservation
 - Suburban Commercial
 - General Commercial
 - Corridor Mixed Use
 - Urban Downtown
 - Suburban Campuses
 - Industrial
 - Utilities



Date: 1/26/2024

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: April 8, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance to Annex and Zone NC-6.1 four lots along Rosemount Drive, TMNs 00152-01-146, 00152-01-147, 00152-01-148, and 00152-01-149.

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Department of Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A request to annex Tax Map Numbers 00152-01-146, 00152-01-147, 00152-01-148, and 00152-01-149 into the City of Florence and assign them the zoning designation of NC-6.1 (Neighborhood Conservation-6.1). The request is being made by the property owner.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

On March 12, 2024, the Planning Commission held a public hearing regarding the annexation of these four parcels and voted unanimously, 8-0, to recommend the zoning designation of NC-6.1.

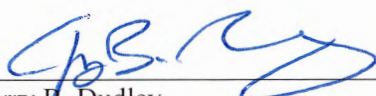
III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

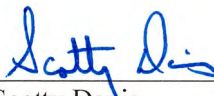
- (1) The lots are intended to be developed as part of an existing single-family residential subdivision.
- (2) A Public Hearing for zoning was held at the March 12, 2024 Planning Commission meeting.
- (3) City water services are currently available to all four lots. City sewer services are available at the edge of lot 4 (TMN 00152-01-149). Extension of the sewer utility to lots 1 through 3 will be provided by the developer.
- (4) City staff recommends annexation and concurs with Planning Commission's recommendation to zone the property NC-6.1 (Neighborhood Conservation-6.1).

IV. PERSONAL NOTES:

V. ATTACHMENTS:

- (1) Ordinance
- (2) Vicinity Map
- (3) Annexation Petition


Jerry B. Dudley
Planning Director


Scotty Davis
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE NC-6.1 FOUR PARCELS LOCATED ON ROSEMOUNT DRIVE, TMNs 00152-01-146, 00152-01-147, 00152-01-148, and 00152-01-149.

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers March 12, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission, and notice of said hearing was duly given;

WHEREAS, application by South Florence Developers LLC, owner of TMNs 00152-01-146, 00152-01-147, 00152-01-148, and 00152-01-149, was presented requesting an amendment to the City of Florence Zoning Atlas that the aforesaid properties be incorporated into the City limits of the City of Florence under the provisions of **Section 5-3-150(3) of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina** and given the zoning district classification of NC-6.1:

The properties requesting annexation are shown more specifically on Florence County Tax Map 00152, block 01, parcel 146 (0.194 acre), Tax Map 00152, block 01, parcel 147 (0.177 acre), Tax Map 00152, block 01, parcel 148 (0.173 acre), and Tax Map 00152, block 01, parcel 149 (0.182 acre).

Any portions of public rights-of-way abutting the above described property will be also included in the annexation.

WHEREAS, Florence City Council concurs in the aforesaid application, findings and recommendations:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF:

- 1. That an Ordinance is hereby adopted annexing into the City Limits of the City of Florence the aforesaid property and amending the Zoning Atlas to the aforesaid zoning classifications.**
- 2. That this Ordinance shall become effective seven days upon its approval and adoption by the City Council of the City of Florence and posting of this amendment in the official Zoning Atlas.**

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024

Approved as to form:

Benjamin T. Zeigler,
City Attorney

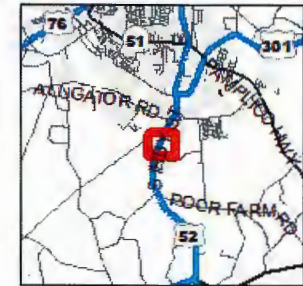
Teresa Myers Ervin,
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore,
Municipal Clerk

PC 2024-06

Vicinity Map - Rosemount Drive

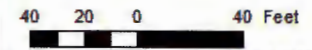


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Date: 2/26/2024

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

COUNTY OF FLORENCE)

Petition requesting Florence City Council to enact an Ordinance annexing the area described below, that area being the same property as shown by the map prepared by the City of Florence Planning, Research, and Development Department, attached and incorporated by reference herein:

The undersigned freeholder property owner(s) hereby respectfully certifies, petitions, and requests of the City Council of Florence as follows:

- 1. The petitioners are the sole owner(s) of real estate in the County of Florence, State of South Carolina which property lies adjacent and contiguous to the corporate limits of the City of Florence.
- 2. That the petitioner(s) desires to annex the property more particularly described below:

Florence County Tax Map 00152-01-146, 147, 148 & 149

- 3. Annexation is being sought for the following purposes:

Acquire City Services to construct residential homes

- 4. That the petitioner(s) request that the City Council of Florence annex the above described property in accordance with subsection 31 of 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina for 1976, such section allowing the annexation of an area without the necessity of an election and referendum.

Request City Services including water & sewer available
from residential zone

To the Petitioner: The following information needs to be completed for submittal to the City of Florence and other government agencies for records prior to and after annexation.

Total Residents _____
 Race _____
 Total 18 and Over _____
 Total Registered to Vote _____

South Florence Developer, LLC
 [Signature]

Date 2-14-24

Petitioner Gary B. Finkler

Date _____

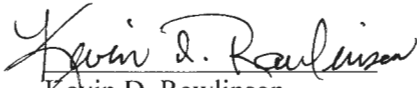
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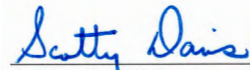
Certification as to ownership on the date of petition:	FOR OFFICAL USE ONLY
Date 2/12/24	[Signature]

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2024
AGENDA ITEM: FY 2024-25 Budget Ordinance
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Finance

- I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**
For City Council consideration is the adoption of Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budgets for the City of Florence.
- II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**
FY 2024-25 budget development began in January and continued through March and April with the preparation of revenue estimates, wages and benefits data development, the submission of departmental budget requests, and departmental budget meetings with the City Manager. A Council work session was held to review budget related issues.
- III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**
The General Fund, General Fund Debt Service Fund, Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund, Stormwater Enterprise Fund, Water and Sewer Utilities Construction Fund, Stormwater Utility Construction Fund, Water and Sewer Utilities Equipment Replacement Fund, Stormwater Utility Equipment Replacement Fund, and the Hospitality Fund budgets for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, recommended for adoption by the City Council are enclosed for your review.
- IV. OPTIONS:**
1. Adopt the budget.
 2. Modification of the budgets as presented.
- V. STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**
Staff recommends adoption of the FY 2024-25 budgets as recommended.
- VI. ATTACHMENTS:**
1. The FY 2024-25 budget ordinance is attached.


Kevin D. Rawlinson
Chief Financial Officer


Scotty Davis
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2020- _____

AN ORDINANCE TO RAISE REVENUE AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025.

WHEREAS, § 5-7-260 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (as amended) requires that a Municipal Council shall act by ordinance to adopt budgets and levy taxes pursuant to public notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Florence in Council duly assembled and by the authority of the same:

Section 1

- (a) There is hereby adopted a General Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in a total amount of \$51,417,500.
- (b) Further, there is hereby adopted a General Fund Debt Service Fund budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$694,000.
- (c) Further, there is hereby adopted a Water and Sewer Utilities Enterprise Fund budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in a total amount of \$49,864,500.
- (d) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$1,807,000.
- (e) Further, there is hereby adopted a Water and Sewer Utilities Construction Fund budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in a total amount of \$19,015,000.
- (f) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Construction budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in a total amount of \$541,000.

- (g) Further, there is hereby adopted a Water and Sewer Utilities Equipment Replacement Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$1,477,000.
- (h) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Equipment Replacement Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$325,000.
- (i) Further, there is hereby adopted a Hospitality Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$6,619,000. Authorized as part of this ordinance and incorporated into the Hospitality Fund budget is a commitment by the City of Florence to contribute to the operations and maintenance costs of the Florence County Museum for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding Between Florence County and the City of Florence dated April 25, 2013.

Section 2

In accordance with § 6-1-320 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (as amended), a tax for general operating purposes for the period from July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, for the sums and in the amount hereinafter mentioned, is and shall be levied, collected, and paid into the treasury of the City of Florence for the operational use and service thereof. A tax of sixty four and one-tenth (64.1) mills upon each one dollar (\$1.00) in value of real estate and personal property of every description owned and used in the City of Florence, South Carolina, is and shall be levied and paid into the City treasury for the credit to the City of Florence for the corporate purposes, improvements, and for the purpose of paying current operating expenses of said municipality. Such tax, set at the same operating millage rate as the previous fiscal year, is levied on property assessed for taxation for County and State purposes.

Section 3

In accordance with of § 6-1-320 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (as amended), a tax for general obligation bond indebtedness for the period from July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, for the sums and in the amount hereinafter mentioned, is and shall be levied, collected, and paid into the treasury of the City of Florence for the purpose of meeting general obligation bond debt service requirements. A tax of up to, but not exceeding, four (4.0) mills upon each one dollar (\$1.00) in value of real estate and personal property of every description owned and used in the City of Florence, South Carolina, is and shall be levied and paid into the City treasury for the credit to the City of Florence for the purpose of providing and paying for general obligation bond debt of the municipality. Such tax is levied on property that is assessed for taxation for County and State purposes.

Section 4

In accordance with § 23-47-10 through § 23-47-80 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (as amended), and § 14-93 through § 14-98 of the City of Florence, SC Code of ordinances (as amended), funding is and shall be provided to allow for the operation, maintenance, and enhancements of the E-911 system through a monthly charge of seventy-seven cents (\$0.77) upon each local exchange access line in the area served by or which would be served by the E-911 service and/or system of the City. Such charges are specifically enforceable under § 23-47-50 (B) of the SC Code of Laws. E-911 fees collected by the City of Florence shall be used to fund the acquisition of Police and Fire communications equipment in compliance with § 23-47-40 (B) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

Section 5

The City Manager shall administer the budget and may authorize the transfer of appropriate funds within and between departments as necessary to achieve the goals of the budget. The City Manager is authorized to assign fund balance intended to be used for specific purposes.

Section 6

The City Manager or his designee is authorized to execute all necessary documents relating to the lease-purchase financing of equipment specifically authorized in the budget as presented or amended by City Council for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025. This action further constitutes a resolution of City Council authorizing and approving such equipment for lease-purchase acquisition, and this ordinance shall serve as representation of this resolution.

Section 7

If for any reason, any sentence, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid, such shall not affect the remaining provisions thereof.

Section 8

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, insofar as the same affect this Ordinance.

Section 9

That this Ordinance shall become effective on July 1, 2024.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024.

Approved as to form:

Benjamin T. Zeigler
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: April 8, 2024
AGENDA ITEM: Resolution
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: City Council
Sponsored by Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

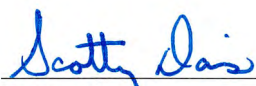
A Resolution to proclaim April 2024 as Organ Donation Awareness Month in the City of Florence.

II. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. More than 100,000 men, women and children are waiting for lifesaving organ transplants.
2. People of all ages and medical histories can consider themselves potential donors.
3. A national system matches available organs from the donor with people on the waiting list based on blood type, body size, how sick they are, donor distance, tissue type and time on the list. Sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, race, income, celebrity and social status are never considered.
4. South Carolina residents can support this life saving effort by learning more about organ, eye and tissue donation, making their families aware of their wishes and registering online at www.DonateLifeSC.org, or when they receive or renew their South Carolina driver's license.

III. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Resolution



Scotty Davis
City Manager

(STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
()
(CITY OF FLORENCE)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-16

A RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM APRIL 2024 AS ORGAN DONATION AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE.

WHEREAS, organ donation is a selfless act of generosity that saves and improves the lives of countless individuals suffering from organ failure, providing them with a second chance at life; and

WHEREAS, the City of Florence recognizes the critical need to raise awareness about organ donation and transplantation to inspire more individuals to register as organ donors and make their wishes known to their families; and

WHEREAS, April is nationally recognized as Organ Donation Awareness Month, providing an opportunity for communities across the country to come together and educate the public about the importance of organ donation, dispel myths and misconceptions, and celebrate the gift of life through organ transplantation; and

WHEREAS, by promoting organ donation awareness, we honor the generous donors and their families who have made the compassionate decision to give the gift of life, as well as the transplant recipients whose lives have been transformed by their generosity.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Florence, hereby proclaims April 2024 as Organ Donation Awareness Month in the City of Florence and encourages all residents to learn about organ donation, register as organ donors, and discuss their wishes with their families.

RESOLVED THIS 8th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

Approved as to form:

BENJAMIN T. ZEIGLER
CITY ATTORNEY

TERESA MYERS ERVIN
MAYOR

ATTEST:

CASEY C. MOORE
MUNICIPAL CLERK

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: April 8, 2024
AGENDA ITEM: Resolution
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: City Council
Sponsored by Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A Resolution to proclaim May 2024 as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month in the City of Florence.

II. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. In the United States, Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month takes place in May every year. The event aims to raise awareness of cystic fibrosis.
2. Cystic Fibrosis is a genetic condition that affects the lungs and digestive system. Raising awareness of cystic fibrosis can help people to become more aware of which symptoms to look out for, as well as supporting people with cystic fibrosis.

III. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Resolution



Scotty Davis
City Manager

(STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
()
(CITY OF FLORENCE)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-17

A RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM MAY 2024 AS CYSTIC FIBROSIS AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE.

- WHEREAS,** cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease that affects the respiratory and digestive systems, leading to life-threatening complications; and
- WHEREAS,** cystic fibrosis is a chronic and progressive condition that impacts the lives of thousands of individuals and families worldwide, requiring lifelong medical care, treatments, and support; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Florence recognizes the importance of raising awareness about cystic fibrosis to promote understanding, compassion, and support for individuals living with cystic fibrosis and their loved ones; and
- WHEREAS,** May is nationally recognized as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month, providing an opportunity for communities to come together to increase awareness, raise funds for research, and support individuals and families affected by cystic fibrosis.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Florence, hereby proclaims May 2024 as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month in the City of Florence and encourages all residents to join in raising awareness about cystic fibrosis and supporting efforts to improve the lives of those affected by this disease.

RESOLVED THIS 8th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

Approved as to form:

BENJAMIN T. ZEIGLER
CITY ATTORNEY

TERESA MYERS ERVIN
MAYOR

ATTEST:

CASEY C. MOORE
MUNICIPAL CLERK

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: A Resolution to reallocate \$25,000 of the City of Florence's fiscal year 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant budget originally adopted on May 8, 2024 as a portion of the budget totaling \$304,546

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Department of Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A Resolution to reallocate \$25,000 of the City of Florence's fiscal year 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant budget.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

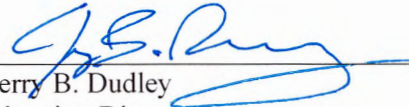
(1) On May 8, 2024 the City of Florence adopted a Community Development Block Grant budget for the initial allocation of funds totaling \$304,546.

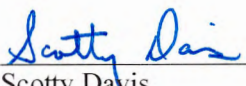
III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- (1) The City of Florence received \$304,546 in Community Development Block Grant funds for fiscal year 2023-2024,
- (2) On May 8, 2024, the City of Florence adopted a Community Development Block Grant budget of \$304,546, which allocated No One Unsheltered a total of \$25,000.
- (3) No One Unsheltered is unable to perform the required services within the fiscal year, leaving \$25,000 to be reallocated.
- (4) The City of Florence conducted a public hearing on April 17, 2024 at 1:30 PM to gather input on the reallocation of the Community Development Block Grant funding.
- (5) Staff recommends that \$25,000 of the Community Development Block Grant funding be reallocated to Emergency Rehabilitation.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

- (1) Resolution to reallocate \$25,000 of Community Development Block Grant funding


Jerry B. Dudley
Planning Director


Scotty Davis
City Manager

Resolution No.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, the City of Florence is an Entitlement City as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Florence received approximately **\$304,546** in Community Development Block Grant funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for fiscal year 2023-2024; and

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2023 the City of Florence adopted a Community Development Block Grant budget for fiscal year 2023-2024; and

WHEREAS, the City of Florence is required by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to approve and adopt a Community Development Block Grant budget;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Florence, South Carolina in a meeting duly assembled do hereby amend the Community Development Block Grant budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 to reallocate \$25,000 from No One Unsheltered to Emergency Rehabilitation:

ADOPTED, this **13th** day of **May, 2024**.

Approved as to form:

Benjamin T. Zeigler
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: A Resolution certifying buildings as an abandoned building sites pursuant to the South Carolina Abandoned Buildings Revitalization Act, Title 12, Chapter 67 Section 12-67-100 et seq., of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976), as amended regarding the property located at 189 Warley Street, Florence, South Carolina, Florence County Parcel No. 90074-03-012 +/-0.28 acres.

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Department of Planning, Research, and Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A Resolution certifying buildings as an abandoned building sites pursuant to the South Carolina Abandoned Buildings Revitalization Act, Title 12, Chapter 67 Section 12-67-100 et seq., of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976), as amended regarding the property located at 189 Warley Street, Florence, South Carolina, Florence County Parcel No. 90074-03-012 +/-0.28 acres.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

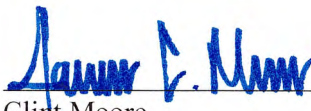
1. No current or previous action has occurred.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

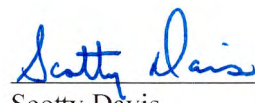
1. The state of South Carolina requires that any developer using the South Carolina Abandoned Building Revitalization Act of 2013 for an incentive to rehabilitate, renovate, or redevelop a property containing an abandoned building must receive certification, through Resolution, from the governmental entity that it is located.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Resolution



Clint Moore
Assistant City Manager



Scotty Davis
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2024- ____

Certifying Buildings as an Abandoned Building Sites Pursuant to the South Carolina Abandoned Buildings Revitalization Act, Title 12, Chapter 67 Section 12-67-100 et seq., of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976), as amended regarding the property located at 189 Warley Street, Florence, South Carolina, Florence County Parcel No. 90074-03-012 +/-0.28 acres.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Abandoned Buildings Revitalization Act of 2013 (the "Act") was enacted in Title 12., Chapter 67 of the South Carolina Code of Laws to create an incentive for the rehabilitation, renovation and redevelopment of abandoned buildings located in South Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, the Act provides that restoration of abandoned buildings into productive assets for the communities in which they are located serves a public and corporate purpose and results in job opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, Section 12-67-120 of the Act provides the following definitions (in pertinent part):

(1) "Abandoned Building" means a building or structure, which clearly may be delineated from other buildings or structures, at least sixty-six percent (66%) of the space in which has been closed continuously to business or otherwise nonoperational for income producing purposes for a period of at least five (5) years immediately preceding the date on which a taxpayer files a "Notice of Intent to Rehabilitate". *For purposes of this item, a building or structure that otherwise qualified as an "abandoned building" may be subdivided into separate unites or parcels, which units or parcels may be owned by the same taxpayer or different taxpayers, and each unit or parcel is deemed to be an abandoned building site for purposes of determining whether each subdivided parcel is considered to be abandoned ... (emphasis added).*

(2) "Building Site" means the abandoned building together with the parcel of land upon which it is located and other improvements located on the parcel. However, the area of the building site is limited the land upon which the abandoned building is located and the land immediately surrounding such building used for parking and other similar purposes directly related to the building's income producing use.

...

(6) "Rehabilitation Expense" means the expense or capital expenditures incurred in the rehabilitation, demolition, renovation or redevelopment of the building site, including without limitations, the renovation or redevelopment of existing buildings, environmental remediation, *site improvements, and the construction of new buildings and other improvements on the building site ... (emphasis added).*

WHEREAS, Section 12-67-140 of the Act provides that a taxpayer who rehabilitates an abandoned building is eligible for a credit against certain income taxes; and,

WHEREAS, Dockside Investments, LLC, or its assigns, (the "Owner" or "Owners" or the "Taxpayer" or the "Taxpayers") owns real property located at 161 N. Coit Street, Florence, South Carolina, Florence County Parcel Number 90074-03-012 +/-0.28 acres (a portion of) (the "Property"); and,

WHEREAS, The Property consists of one (1) existing building of 3,080 square feet of finished space which building consists of three (3) individual units or separate suites within this single building; and,

WHEREAS, two (2) of three (3) individual units or separate suites within this single building have been vacant for a minimum period of five (5) years; and,

WHEREAS, the Property is located within the City of Florence in Florence County, South Carolina and,

WHEREAS, the Taxpayer plans to renovate the existing building on the site and develop the site for a mixed-use office and residential building (the "Building Site").

WHEREAS, the Taxpayer has requested that the City of Florence, by way of a binding resolution pursuant to Section 12-67-160(A) of the Act, certify that the site consists of two (2) abandoned building sites or units as defined by Section 12-67-120.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL, this _____ day of _____, 2024 as follows:

Section 1. The Taxpayer has submitted to the City's Planning and Development Services Department a request for a binding resolution to certify the Site pursuant to Section 12-67-160 of the Act (the "Request to Certify").

Section 2. The Property contains multiple Abandoned Building Sites as defined by Section 12-67-120(1) of the Act; and,

Section 3. The geographic area of the one (1) Building Site is consistent with Section 12-67-120(2) of the Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the words used in singular number include the plural, and words used in the plural include the singular.

EXECUTED ON ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PAGE

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED this ____ day of May, 2024.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BENJAMIN T. ZEIGLER
City Attorney

TERESA MYERS ERVIN
Mayor

ATTEST:

CASEY C. MOORE
Municipal Clerk

CITY OF FLORENCE COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution for the Municipal State Highway Project Agreement with SCDOT

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Department of Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A Resolution for the Municipal State Highway Project Agreement regarding the road widening project for Holly Circle.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:


This issue is before the City Council for resolution. It has not been considered, nor has any previous action been taken.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- (1) The proposed resolution will enter the City of Florence into a Municipal Agreement prescribed in the attached referenced resolution from the South Carolina Department of Transportation.
- (2) Per S.C. Code Ann. §57-5-820 (1991), this resolution will give SCDOT the city's consent to the construction or improvements to Holly Circle from the Second Loop Road to US-76 and require the City of Florence to relocate its water and sewer infrastructure.
- (3) The City will be reimbursed by SCDOT in accordance with Senate Bill 401. Any betterment of the City's utility system will not be reimbursed.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

- (1) Resolution



Clint Moore
Assistant City Manager



Scotty Davis
City Manager

MUNICIPAL STATE HIGHWAY PROJECT AGREEMENT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF FLORENCE) **RESOLUTION**

Road/Route **US 76 & S-829 & SC 51**
File **N/A**
Item **N/A**
Project **S-21-829, Holly Circle, Improvements**
PIN **P041331**
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WHEREAS, the South Carolina Department of Transportation (“SCDOT”) proposes to construct, reconstruct, alter, or improve the certain segments of the highway(s) in the State Highway System referenced above which are located within the corporate limits of the City of Florence (hereinafter, “the City”).

WHEREAS, the City wishes to authorize the construction and improvements of the aforesaid highway(s) in accordance with plans to be prepared by the SCDOT (“the Project Plans”).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §57-5-820 (1991), the City does hereby consent to the construction or improvements of the aforesaid highway(s) within its corporate limits in accordance with the Project Plans. The foregoing consent shall be the sole approval necessary from the City for SCDOT to complete the project under the Project Plans and constitutes a waiver of any and all other requirements with regard to construction within the City’s limits. The foregoing waiver and consent shall also extend to the benefit of utility companies engaged in relocating utility lines on account of the project. Further, the City shall exempt all existing and new right-of-way and all other properties purchased in connection with right-of-way for the highway(s) from any general or special assessment against real property for municipal services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City will assist SCDOT in causing all water, sewer and gas pipes, manholes, or fire hydrants, and all power or telephone lines or poles located within the existing right-of-way to be relocated at the utility company’s expense, except where the utility can demonstrate a prior right of occupancy. To the extent that City-owned utilities are to be relocated, those utility lines and/or appurtenances may be replaced upon the new highway right-of-way at such locations as may be approved by SCDOT. SCDOT shall not be liable for damages to property or injuries to persons as a consequence of the placing, maintenance, or removal of any utilities by the City or its contractors. Future utility installations by the City within the limits of the new right-of-way after project completion shall be pursuant to a standard utility encroachment permit obtained in the normal course and issued pursuant to SCDOT’s “A Policy for Accommodating Utilities on Highway Rights-of-Way.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City hereby signifies its intention to faithfully observe the provisions of Chapter 5, Title 56, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, and all amendments thereto relating to the regulation of traffic on the street, or streets, to be constructed, reconstructed, altered or improved as hereinabove identified and further agrees to refrain from placing or maintaining any traffic control devices upon any section of said street, or streets, without having first obtained written approval of the South Carolina Department of Transportation as required in S.C. Code §56-5-930 (1976, as amended), nor enacting any traffic regulation ordinances inconsistent therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution is adopted and made a part of the Municipal records this ____ day of _____, 20____, and the original of this Resolution will be filed with the South Carolina Department of Transportation at Columbia.

Dated: _____, South Carolina
Municipality

ATTEST: By: _____
Mayor

Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2024
AGENDA ITEM: Resolution
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Utilities

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A Resolution authorizing and approving the acceptance of loan assistance monies from the South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund Authority and other matters related thereto.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

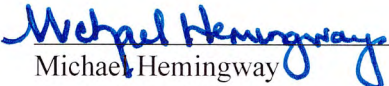
1. On April 10, 2024, EPA announced the final National Primary Drinking Water Regulation (NPDWR) for six PFAS compounds.
2. US EPA finalized the National Primary Drinking Water Regulation (NPDWR) establishing legally enforceable levels, called Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs), for six PFAS in drinking water. PFOA, PFOS, PFHxS, PFNA, and HFPO-DA as contaminants with individual MCLs, and PFAS mixtures containing at least two or more of PFHxS, PFNA, HFPO-DA, and PFBS using a Hazard Index MCL to account for the combined and co-occurring levels of these PFAS in drinking water.

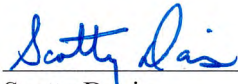
III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. EPA is setting enforceable Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) at 4.0 parts per trillion for PFOA and PFOS for each individual parameter.
2. For the following parameters PFNA, PFHxS, and “GenX Chemicals, EPA is setting the MCLGs and MCLs at 10 parts per trillion.
3. The city’s Pee River Regional Surface Water Treatment Plant is required to meet compliance with the new rule for these parameters by 2029.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Resolution
2. Pee Dee River State Revolving Fund Grant Application


Michael Hemingway
Utility Planning and
Economic Development Director


Scotty Davis
City Manager

LOAN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

between

SOUTH CAROLINA WATER QUALITY REVOLVING FUND AUTHORITY

and

CITY OF FLORENCE

Dated

May __, 2024

relating to

Pee Dee Regional Water Treatment Plant Advanced PFAS Treatment Study

South Carolina Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund
FY 2023 Emerging Contaminants Capitalization Grant
Loan Assistance Number: CF3-23-2110001-06

No. ____ of Two Executed Original Counterparts

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LOAN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

THIS LOAN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT is entered into as of the ___ day of May, 2024, (the "**Effective Date**") between the SOUTH CAROLINA WATER QUALITY REVOLVING FUND AUTHORITY, a public instrumentality of the State of South Carolina (the "**Authority**"), and the CITY OF FLORENCE, a municipal corporation of the State of South Carolina (the "**Project Sponsor**").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized by Title 48, Chapter 5, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (the "**Act**") to administer the South Carolina Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund (the "**Fund**") for the purpose of assisting Project Sponsors (as defined in the Act) in the construction of, among other things, public drinking water supply, storage, treatment and distribution facilities as defined in the Federal Safe Drinking Act, Title 42, United States Code, Section 300f et seq., as amended (the "**Federal Act**"); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Environmental Control (the "**Department**") is authorized by the Act to, among other things, develop a priority system and prepare an annual plan to insure compliance with the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2021, the President signed Public Law No. 117-58, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (the "**BIL**"), which provided supplemental appropriations for the Fund for drinking water infrastructure facilities; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the funding provided under the BIL shall be used to address emerging contaminants in drinking water with a focus on perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances ("**PFAS**") through emerging contaminant capitalization grants under section 1452(t) of the Federal Act and under which this project is committed; and

WHEREAS, the Act, as amended on May 28, 2010, authorizes the Authority to use amounts in the Fund to fully implement all requirements of the BIL for the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized by the Act to enter into agreements with Project Sponsors in order to finance Projects (as defined in the Act) and the Department is authorized to select projects to receive additional subsidization in the form of Loan Assistance, herein defined; and

WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor proposes to perform an advanced PFAS Treatment Study (the "**Study**") described in Appendix "A" hereto (the "**Project**"), which Project will be part of the Project Sponsor's waterworks and sewer system (the "**System**"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the BIL funding provision for emerging contaminants, the

Department has selected this Project to receive additional subsidization in the form of Loan Assistance, herein defined;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

LOAN ASSISTANCE PROVISIONS

The Authority agrees to provide Loan Assistance, as defined below, to the Project Sponsor solely from appropriations granted to the state from the emerging contaminants capitalization grant, subject to the terms and conditions of this Loan Assistance Agreement, applicable laws, regulations and all Federal and State requirements now and hereafter in effect governing the use of this Loan Assistance.

1. Loan Assistance Defined. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Authority agrees to make, and the Project Sponsor agrees to accept, the loan assistance herein provided for (the "***Loan Assistance***"), such term being defined as a loan which will not accrue interest and the principal of which is hereby forgiven in its entirety. The amount of the Loan Assistance is set forth in Appendix "B" hereto.
2. Purpose Limited to Project. The Project Sponsor shall use the Loan Assistance only to pay the actual eligible costs of the Project. The Project scope is described in Appendix "A" and more specifically as approved in the Project files of the Department. The Project Sponsor shall make no modifications to the Project scope without the written consent of the Department, such consent to be made part of this Agreement. Except to the extent otherwise approved in writing by the Department and made part of this Agreement, only the costs shown in the Project budget set forth in Appendix "A" shall be allowed and only in the amounts provided for each category. Loan Assistance may not be used to pay for labor performed by employees of the Project Sponsor.
3. Disbursements
 - (a) Requests for disbursement shall be made by the Project Sponsor to the Department on forms of the Department, and shall be accompanied by such invoices and other proofs of incurred costs as the Department may reasonably require. The Project Sponsor shall comply with all requirements of the SRF Disbursement Package, except for items relating to construction, when submitting draw requests to the Department.
 - (b) The Authority shall make disbursements to the Project Sponsor under this Agreement only after receiving each Department approved draw request. The Authority shall incur no liability to the Project Sponsor in the event that the Department does not approve a draw request submitted by the Project Sponsor.
 - (c) The Authority will exert its best efforts to disburse funds within seven (7) days of receiving such approved draw request, but no assurance is given by the Authority that such schedule will be met and the Authority shall incur no liability to the Project Sponsor for a delay.
 - (d) The Project Sponsor shall receive and promptly disburse the funds to be provided hereunder as trust funds for the purpose of paying the eligible costs of the Project and for no other purpose.
4. Budget Changes. Any change to the budget categories, the amounts therein, or increases/decreases to the total budget for the Project shown in Appendix "A" hereto, or to the Loan Assistance Amount shown in Appendix "B" hereto, shall require written approval by the Department and such approval shall be provided to the Project Sponsor and the Authority and shall be attached hereto and become a part of this Agreement without the requirement of further amendment.

5. Federal and State Requirements. The Project Sponsor hereby agrees to comply with the following requirements.
- (a) Civil Rights and Labor Standards and Requirements and use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) firms and Debarment or Suspension Prevention. (Executive Order 12549)
 - (i) The Project Sponsor shall not be presently debarred for noncompliance with Federal Law and shall not award contracts to any firm that is presently debarred for noncompliance with Federal Law where the contract amount equals or exceeds the federal small purchase procurement threshold.
 - (ii) The Project Sponsor shall require all prime construction contractors to certify that subcontracts have not and will not be awarded to any firm that is presently debarred for noncompliance with Federal Law, where the subcontract amount is expected to equal or exceed the Federal small purchase procurement threshold.
 - (iii) The Project Sponsor shall require all contractors on the Project to comply with the Department of Labor's Safety and Health Regulations for construction promulgated under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (PL 91-956) and under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (PL 91-54).
 - (iv) The Project Sponsor shall comply with the federal laws that prohibit discrimination in the provision of services or benefits, on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap or age, in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance. These laws include Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d), Section 13 of the 1972 Amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794), and The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. § 6102). In addition, 40 C.F.R. Part 7 (the federal regulation implementing Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 13 of the 1972 Amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973) shall also be complied with.
6. Procurement Requirements. The Project Sponsor shall comply with all procurement requirements of law.
7. Inspection and Completion
- (a) The Project Sponsor shall cause the Scope of Work identified in Appendix "A" to be completed and shall require all contractors to satisfactorily complete all work within the time stated in the executed engineering contract. Extension of any contract completion date requires the Department's approval. Any costs incurred as a result of a time extension which has not received approval by the Department shall not be eligible for Loan Assistance participation.
 - (b) The Project Sponsor shall pay all costs to complete the Project not covered by the Loan Assistance.
8. Viability. The Project Sponsor shall, to the satisfaction of the Department, have developed and implemented appropriate managerial and financial capacity mechanisms to ensure compliance with state and federal regulatory requirements (e.g., Safe Drinking Water Act, Clean Water Act).

9. Reporting and Information. The Project Sponsor agrees to complete and submit all information and reports, in such form and according to such schedule, as may be required by the Department or the Authority.
10. Maintenance of Records. All pertinent Project records including, but not limited to, financial records, supporting documents and technical records for the Project shall be retained for a minimum of three years after the date of the final disbursement under this Agreement. However, if any litigation, claim, or investigative audit is started before the expiration of the three-year period, then all such records must be retained for three years after the litigation, claim, or audit is resolved.
11. Accounting and Auditing.
 - (a) The Project Sponsor shall account for the Project according to Generally Accepted Governmental Accounting Principles (GAAP).
 - (b) Within six months of the end of each fiscal year of the Project Sponsor in which any funds are received under this Agreement, the Project Sponsor shall submit to the Authority an annual financial statement audit prepared by an independent certified public accountant. The conduct of the audit and the audit shall be in accordance with Generally Accepted Auditing Standards as defined in the Government Auditing Standards, Comptroller General of the United States, July 17, 2018 and revisions, updates, or successors thereto. A Single Audit, as required by OMB under the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F, may be necessary for each year federal funds are disbursed to the Project Sponsor under CFDA Number 66.468. If the Project Sponsor conducts a Single Audit when federal money disbursed from the Fund is less than the threshold required for such audit, the Project Sponsor shall submit to the Authority, within thirty (30) days of its completion, any findings and recommendations pertaining to money from the Fund contained in such Single Audit. Any Single Audit conducted by the Project Sponsor shall also be submitted to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse within thirty (30) days of its completion.
12. Release of Responsibility. The Project Sponsor shall undertake the Project on its own responsibility and shall release and hold harmless the Authority, the Department, the State and their officers, members and employees from any claim arising in connection with the design, construction or operation of the Project including any matter due solely to the negligence of any of these parties.
13. Access and Inspection. The Project Sponsor shall provide access to the Project work whenever the Study is in preparation or after completion and provide proper facilities for access and inspection. The Project Sponsor shall allow the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Inspector General of the United States, the Department and the Authority, or any authorized representative, to have access to any books, documents, plans, reports, papers, and other records pertinent to the Project. The Project Sponsor shall cause its engineers, contractors, auditors and employees to cooperate during such inspections and make available all materials relevant to the review, examination or audit of the Project and compliance with this Agreement.
14. Other Agreements. The Project Sponsor shall comply with all terms and conditions of any construction contracts or engineering agreements affecting the Project and its operation.
15. Compliance with Governmental Authority. The Project Sponsor shall comply with all environmental laws, rules and other provisions of legal force and effect and all such other provisions which govern the Project.
16. Review and Inspection of Work. Any audit or review of the Study and any inspection of the work shall be for the convenience of the Department only in order to determine that they are within the

approved scope of the Project. No such review and inspection, approvals and disapprovals shall be an undertaking by the Department of responsibility for design or evaluation.

17. Sanctions. If the Project Sponsor does not comply with the provisions of the Agreement, the Authority, upon receipt of written instructions by the Department, may take any or all of the following actions: (a) require repayment of all or a portion of any Loan Assistance provided; (b) require the Project Sponsor to take corrective actions to comply with this Agreement; (c) cancel, terminate, or suspend, in whole or in part, the Loan Assistance provided through this Agreement; or (d) terminate the entire Agreement.
18. Severability. If any provision of the Agreement is found to be illegal, invalid, or unenforceable in any respect, the legality, validity, and enforceability of the other provisions of this Agreement shall not in any way be affected or impaired.
19. Complete Agreement. This Agreement contains Appendices "A", "B", and "C", and all subsequent written approvals of the Department that alter any information contained in any of the Appendices hereto.
20. South Carolina Contract. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina.
21. Notices. All notices hereunder shall be in writing and shall be addressed as follows:

If to the Project Sponsor:

City of Florence
324 West Evans Street
Florence, South Carolina 29501

Attention: Mayor

If to the Authority:

South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund
Authority
c/o Office of Local Government - SRF
South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority
1201 Main Street
Suite 1600
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Attention: Chris Rabon

22. Counterparts. This Agreement is executed in two counterparts, which are separately numbered, but each of which is deemed an original of equal dignity with the other and which is deemed one and the same instrument as the other.
23. Term of Agreement. The Term of this Agreement begins on the Effective Date and will expire upon the satisfaction of the requirements of Paragraph 11 herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Project Sponsor and the Authority have caused these presents to be signed, sealed and delivered all as of the date hereof.

CITY OF FLORENCE

(SEAL)

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Attest:

By: _____

Its: _____

SOUTH CAROLINA WATER QUALITY REVOLVING FUND AUTHORITY

By: _____

Bonnie Ammons, Director,
Office of Local Government,
South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority

SCOPE OF WORK

Project Sponsor: City of Florence

Project Name: Pee Dee Regional Water Treatment Plant Advanced PFAS Treatment Study

Loan Assistance Number: CF3-23-2110001-06

This study will involve pilot testing one or more of the technologies. This would allow the City to make informed choices during the design of the current expansion to enable integration of any advanced perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) treatment process (e.g., placement of tees with blind flanges in yard piping, allocation of appropriate space). This would also allow the City to determine a cost-effective phased plan of improvements to comply with upcoming PFAS and other emerging contaminant regulations.

PROJECT BUDGET

Project Sponsor: City of Florence

Project Name: Pee Dee Regional Water Treatment Plant Advanced PFAS Treatment Study

Loan Assistance Number: CF3-23-2110001-06

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>LOAN ASSISTANCE FUNDS</u>	<u>TOTAL ELIGIBLE COST</u>
Planning and Design Engineering	\$ <u>500,000</u>	\$ <u>500,000</u>
Total	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000

LOAN ASSISTANCE

Project Sponsor: City of Florence

Project Name: Pee Dee Regional Water Treatment Plant Advanced PFAS Treatment Study

Loan Assistance Number: CF3-23-2110001-06

Loan Assistance Amount: \$500,000

Loan Amount: \$ 500,000

Less Principal Forgiveness: \$ 500,000

Net Amount for Repayment: \$ 0

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Project Sponsor: City of Florence

Project Name: Pee Dee Regional Water Treatment Plant Advanced PFAS Treatment Study

Loan Assistance Number: CF3-23-2110001-06

None.



Project Questionnaire

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund



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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Project Sponsor City of Florence
2. Sponsor Address 324 W. Evans Street, Florence, SC 29501
3. Sponsor Contact Michael Hemingway Title Economic Development Director
 Contact Phone (843) 665-3236 Email mhemingway@cityofflorence.com
4. Consultant (if known) Firm CDM Smith, Inc. Engineer George A. Simon, Jr, PE, PMP
 Engineer Phone (704) 342-4546 Email simonga@cdmsmith.com
5. PQ submitted by Sponsor Consultant
If a consultant submits this form, include a letter indicating the sponsor's consent for the project.
6. Date Submitted 3/15/2024

PROJECT INFORMATION (Please refer to instructions.)

7. Project Title Pee Dee Regional WTP - Advanced PFAS Treatment - FINAL DESIGN
8. County where project takes place Florence
9. Describe and define the project location. Please supply any **coordinates or street addresses**.
 Project map(s) are attached showing both a regional view and a project level view.
 Street Address: 2598 Florence Harlee Blvd, Florence, SC 29506
See Attached.
10. Project Description - Describe the scope of the project.
See Attached
11. Describe in specific detail how the project will protect / improve public health or achieve / maintain compliance with drinking water standards. (Attach evidence of deficiencies.)
See Attached

12. DHEC Water System ID number 2110001

13. The system has an approved Source Water Protection Plan. Yes No

14. This project addresses a water quality enforcement issue. Yes No

15.A. Funding sources and project cost estimate:

Estimated SRF Loan Funds	\$	
Estimated Non-SRF Funds	\$	0
Requested SRF Principal Forgiveness Funds*	\$	4,000,000
Total Project Cost Estimate	\$	4,000,000

B. What are the estimated planning and design engineering costs for the project? \$ 0

As part of the total project cost listed in 15.A., include the cost of any planning, design, and engineering services performed by outside/private consultants incurred prior to construction (e.g., preparing the PER and plans and specifications, permit fees, advertising, prebid conference, bidding procedures, pre-construction conference, loan application, administration).

C. Sources of non-SRF funding (federal/state/local funding, direct federal allotment, cash reserves, etc.):

Source	Amount
	\$ 0
	\$

D. Has/will a direct federal allotment (i.e., congressional earmark) be pursued for this project? Yes No

16. This project should be considered for the Green Project Reserve (GPR). Yes No

If "Yes" → Estimated Green Cost \$ _____ % of Total Project Cost _____ %

17. Estimated construction start date 1/1/2026

18. Has an engineering agreement been signed? Yes No If so, when? _____

19. Will this project use an alternative method of construction delivery such as Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) or Design-Build? Yes No

The use of an alternative method of construction delivery must be approved by DHEC in writing prior to a project being listed on an Intended Use Plan. Otherwise, the traditional Design-Bid-Build method will be required.

20. A Preliminary Engineering Report or Comprehensive Planning Document has been developed for this project. Yes No

21. All real property and/or easements required for the project have been acquired. Yes No

22. The project has been evaluated for possible impediments to project start (such as acquiring easements, actions necessary for consolidation, etc.). Yes No

If "Yes", is there likely to be an impact on the project schedule? Yes No

23. Service Population 136,504 Population Affected by Project 136,504

***Principal Forgiveness (PF) is allocated according to priorities set annually by the SRF program, and the funds assigned to a project may be contingent on affordability of the project. There is no guarantee of assignment of PF funds to a project that requests such funds.**

Email to S.C. DHEC, State Revolving Fund Division, SRF-Info@dhec.sc.gov

Attachment

Project Questionnaire – Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

7. Project Title: Pee Dee Regional WTP - Advanced PFAS Treatment - FINAL DESIGN

9. Describe and define the project location.



Attachment

Project Questionnaire – Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

7. Project Title:

Pee Dee Regional WTP – Advanced PFAS Treatment – FINAL DESIGN

9. Describe and define the project location:

Insert project map

10. Project Description – Describe the scope of the project.

This project is intended to continue the current study/pilot phase of this project which is currently SRF Project No. 2110001-06 Pee Dee Regional WTP - Advanced PFAS Treatment Study. This current Project Questionnaire is to advance the project to Final Design and preparation of construction drawings and specifications.

The existing Project No. 2110001-06 work is underway, with the PFAS pilot beginning operation at the Pee Dee Regional WTP in February 2024. The current schedule is to operate the pilot for 10-months, followed by production of a final summary report. The results of the pilot study will guide the technology selection for PFAS treatment and removal, and the scope necessary for the Final Design project. Additional background is provided below.

In March 2023, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released a proposed National Primary Drinking Water Regulation to establish legally enforceable levels, called maximum contaminant levels (MCLs), for six per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in drinking water. The draft MCLs are 4 parts per trillion (ppt, also expressed as ng/L) of PFOA, 4 ppt for PFOS, and a unitless Hazard Index of 1.0 for a mixture of four PFAS: PFHxS, GenX Chemicals, PFNA, and PFBS. EPA has indicated that the regulation will be finalized by the early 2024, following a public comment and review period. Compliance will be required three years from the publication date, according to the draft regulation.

The Pee Dee River Regional Water Treatment Plant (Pee Dee WTP) is a conventional surface water treatment plant owned and operated by the City of Florence, South Carolina (the City). The plant began operation in 2002 with a permitted capacity of 10 million gallons per day (MGD). The Pee Dee WTP is currently under design to expand from 10 MGD to 20 MGD with an anticipated construction start in the fall of 2024.

PFAS concentrations in the raw and finished water at the Pee Dee WTP sampled in 2019, 2020, and 2022 exceeded the proposed MCLs for PFOA and PFOS. **Table 1** presents the historical data.

Table 1. PFAS Sample Results

Data Source	PFAS Chemical	PFOA (ppt)	PFOS (ppt)	PFNA (ppt)	PFBS (ppt)	PFHxS (ppt)	HFPO-DA/GenX (ppt)	Hazard Index
	Draft MCL	4.00	4.00	Calculated Hazard Index < 1				
The City of Florence (City) 2019	Raw ¹	4.19	6.95	0.743	2.57	1.5	NT ²	0.242
	Finished ³	4.49	5.03	0	2.68	1.52	NT ²	0.17
SC DHEC 2020	Raw ¹	4.80	7.10	0	2.8	0	0	0.001
	Finished ³	3.50	5.70	0	2.22	0	0	0.001
City 2022	Raw ¹	5.90	8.40	0	4.6	2	0	0.225
	Finished ¹	4.70	6.30	0	3.6	0	0	0.002
	Raw ³	6.90	8.40	0	3.5	0	0	0.002
	Finished	5.50	6.80	0	3	0	0	0.002

SC DHEC – South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control

1. Samples tested using EPA Method 533.
2. Chemical not tested.
3. Samples tested using EPA Method 537.1.

Conventional water treatment is not effective in removing PFAS. The City is currently evaluating three treatment alternatives in a pilot study. The pilot study is testing the removal of PFAS through Post-Filter Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) Contactors, Post-filter Ion Exchange (IX) Resin, and Post-filter Novel Sorbent. Pilot testing will begin March 2024 and is expected to be completed by the end of 2024.

The City will use these Principal Forgiveness (PF) to fund planning and engineering of full-scale implementation of the best treatment alternative determined by the pilot study.

11. Describe in specific detail how the project will protect/improve public health or achieve/maintain compliance with drinking water standards.

As presented in Table 1, evidence of deficiencies have been established based on the PFAS sampling results obtained to date. PFAS levels in the raw and finished water from the Pee Dee WTP are above the currently proposed MCL’s.

PFAS are a group of synthetic chemicals used in a variety of consumer, commercial, and industrial products. PFAS have been manufactured since the 1940s, and the uses of PFAS include nonstick cookware coatings, firefighting foams, and textile manufacture. PFAS have been linked to harmful human health outcomes, including developmental delays in children, increased risk of certain cancers, and hormonal interference, among others. Because of the emerging research on these health concerns, many PFAS chemicals were removed from consumer products in the early 2000s. Various industries turned to alternative chemicals to meet the needs that these chemicals filled and created new PFAS chemicals, such as GenX. GenX and other PFAS chemicals are now also under scrutiny for human health impacts.

PFAS chemicals have been detected in the air, soil, and water worldwide because of their widespread use. A 2015 survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicated that 97% of Americans have a measurable level of PFAS in their blood. In addition to being widespread, PFAS chemicals are environmentally persistent, meaning that they do not readily breakdown over time, and they can bioaccumulate in plants, animals, and humans.

The advanced treatment technology will be designed to remove these PFAS chemicals from the drinking water, and bring the levels down below currently proposed MCL's.

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2024
AGENDA ITEM: Resolution
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: City Manager's Office

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:


A Resolution to declare May 5-11, 2024 as Professional Municipal Clerks Week in the City of Florence, South Carolina, to recognize and honor the valuable contributions that Municipal Clerks make to cities and towns in South Carolina.

II. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. Each May, the International Institute of Municipal Clerks marks Professional Municipal Clerks Week to celebrate the essential functions of the role. The 55th annual observance will be May 5-11.
2. Municipal Clerks Week is a time to recognize the critical roles clerks play in our communities.

III. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution



Amanda P. Pope
Director of Marketing, Communications
and Municipal Services



Scotty Davis
City Manager

(STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
()
(CITY OF FLORENCE)

RESOLUTION 2024-23

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE MAY 5-11, 2024, AS PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK IN FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT MUNICIPAL CLERKS MAKE TO CITIES AND TOWNS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

WHEREAS, the position of Municipal Clerk is the only municipal staff role that is required by state law, regardless of a municipality's size or form of government; and

WHEREAS, all 271 cities and towns in the state are required to have a municipal clerk; and

WHEREAS, Casey Moore plays a critical role and is a trusted resource in support of the mayor, city council, the city manager and city staff; and

WHEREAS, municipal clerk's responsibilities under state law include giving notice of meetings to council members and the public, keeping minutes of its proceedings, and performing other duties in support of the City of Florence; and

WHEREAS, the responsibilities of municipal clerks have expanded over time and the position is a lead role within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, municipal clerks obtain their professional training through the South Carolina Municipal Finance Officers, Clerks and Treasurers Association, an affiliate organization of the Municipal Association of South Carolina, and

WHEREAS, Casey Moore will complete this professional training in the spring of 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Florence, declares May 5-11, 2024, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week in Florence, South Carolina to recognize and honor the valuable contributions that Casey Moore makes to our city.

RESOLVED THIS 13th DAY OF MAY 2024.

Approved as to form:

BENJAMIN T. ZEIGLER
CITY ATTORNEY

TERESA MYERS ERVIN
MAYOR

ATTEST:

CASEY C. MOORE
MUNICIPAL CLERK

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2024
AGENDA ITEM: Report to Council
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: City Council

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Council will consider nominations for City Boards and/or Commissions.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

1. There is one (1) Board or Commission that has either a vacancy and/or expired term.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. Each member of a City of Florence Board or Commission shall be either a resident of the city, a representative of a business or other organization located or operating within the city, or a non-resident having professional qualifications which are required for a position, and, in the council's opinion, there are no acceptable and qualified residents to fill the vacancy.
2. Members of the boards and commissions shall be appointed in consideration of their professional expertise, knowledge of the community, and concern for the future welfare of the total community and its citizens.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Spreadsheet of Council Nominations to Boards and Commissions.
2. Nomination Packet.



Scotty Davis
City Manager

SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - MAY 2024

	District 1	District 2	District 3	At-Large 1	At-Large 2	At-Large-3	Mayor
	Jackson	Smith	Braddock	Jebaily	Barnes	McCall	Ervin
PARKS AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION				X			

PARKS AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

I. NOMINATIONS:

There is one (1) vacancy* on the Parks and Beautification Commission.

*Nikki Player has resigned from her position on the Parks and Beautification Commission. The unexpired term of Ms. Player will expire on June 30, 2024.

II. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

All commission members are required to be residents of the city.

III. COUNCILMEMBER(S) TO MAKE NOMINATION:

- Pro tem Jebaily

IV. NEW APPLICANT(S):

- Christopher Filyaw
- Paula Lintz
- John McLeod

V. ATTACHMENTS:

- Letter of resignation
- Applications received

Casey Moore

From: Casey Moore
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2024 2:39 PM
To: Casey Moore
Subject: FW: Resignation Nikki

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Nikki Player" <nikkiplayer37@gmail.com>

To: "Walter Sallenger" <wwsall@aol.com>, "Thomasina Foster" <tefoster72@aol.com>, "Sanovia Arceneaux" <sanovia31@yahoo.com>, "Barry WINGARD" <Bfwingardjr@aol.com>, "josiellia_williams@commbroadcasters.com" <josiellia_williams@commbroadcasters.com>

Cc:

Sent: Fri, Dec 29, 2023 at 5:06 PM

Subject: Resignation

Walter

I will be resign from the Park and Beautification committee.

I asked Sanovia to chair Arbor Day. To my understanding she accept.

Josiellia will be an awesome person to chair Program Development committee.

May God continue to bless the work the committee does for the community.

Nikki

Dr. Nikki Player

City of Florence Boards and Commissions Application

Form Status

Notes:

Board or Commission for which you are applying:

Parks and Beautification Commission

Council District County

District 1

Florence

Your Name

John McLeod

Email Address

Jomcl3@morgan.edu

Residential Address

873 Congaree Dr., Florence, South Carolina 29501

Mailing Address

873 Congaree Dr., Florence, South Carolina 29501

Your Occupation - Title

Retired Environmentalist

Business Phone

Cell Phone

(443) 690-2608

Employer Name

Employer Address

City

State

South Carolina

General Qualifications

Are you a resident of the City?

Yes

If so, how Long?

1

Why would you like to serve?

I have been a member of the City of Florence for 18 months. I utilize parks and facilities regularly including the Pearl Moore Basketball Center and Timrod Park. I would like to be included in the decision process to make facilities better.

Do you presently serve on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ If so, please list:

County/ State?

No

Have you formerly served on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State?

Yes

If so, please list:

I served on the Combined Charity Campaign for the Mayor of Baltimore City.

Are you currently in a position of responsibility with an organization or board that has received or is seeking funding from the City of Florence? Yes/No

No

If so, list the position and date:

Are you involved in any Community Activities?

Yes

If so, please list:

I am a member of the Florence Pickleball Club and I regularly meet and play tennis at the Florence Tennis Center.

What are your goals and objectives if appointed to the Commission/Board?

Parks and recreational activities should be enjoyed by almost everyone. I would like more people to come and use the facilities especially our younger generation.

City of Florence Boards and Commissions Application

Form Status

Notes:

Board or Commission for which you are applying:

Parks and Beautification Commission

Council District County

District 1

Florence

Your Name

Paula Joan Lintz

Email Address

Lintzpj@gmail.com

Residential Address

1129 Took Place, Florence, South Carolina 29505

Mailing Address

1129 Took Place, Florence, South Carolina 29505

Your Occupation - Title

Retired

Business Phone

Cell Phone

(614) 207-9708

Employer Name

Employer Address

City

State

South Carolina

General Qualifications

Are you a resident of the City?

Yes

If so, how Long?

16

Why would you like to serve?

Parks and our trail system are an important part of what attracts new people and retirees to live in Florence. I would like very much to be a part of this process.

Do you presently serve on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State? If so, please list:

No

Have you formerly served on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State? If so, please list:

No

Are you currently in a position of responsibility with an organization or board that has received or is seeking funding from the City of Florence? Yes/No

No

If so, list the position and date:

Are you involved in any Community Activities? If so, please list:

No

What are your goals and objectives if appointed to the Commission/Board?

Selfishly, I want to increase the paved rail trail system. Our running community is huge. We need to give them their space like we have the baseball, soccer and tennis communities. And paved walking/running paths are a great draw for all people.

I also want to work and learn more about our parks. This seems like a great opportunity.

City of Florence Boards and Commissions Application

Form Status

Notes:

Board or Commission for which you are applying:

Parks and Beautification Commission

Council District County

District 1

Florence

Your Name

Christopher Filyaw

Email Address

chrisrf1973@gmail.com

Residential Address

1840 E Sandhurst Dr, Florence, South Carolina
29505

Mailing Address

1840 E Sandhurst Dr, Florence, South Carolina
29505

Your Occupation - Title

Business Phone

(843) 601-4003

Cell Phone

(843) 601-4003

Employer Name

Employer Address

1840 E Sandhurst Dr

City

Florence

State

South Carolina

General Qualifications

Are you a resident of the City?

Yes

If so, how Long?

47

Why would you like to serve?

I would like to serve to make the Florence SC community a better place for future generations. I want to put my education to work, and gain experience.

Do you presently serve on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State? If so, please list:

No

Have you formerly served on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State? If so, please list:

No

Are you currently in a position of responsibility with an organization or board that has received or is seeking funding from the City of Florence? Yes/No

No

If so, list the position and date:

Are you involved in any Community Activities? If so, please list:

No

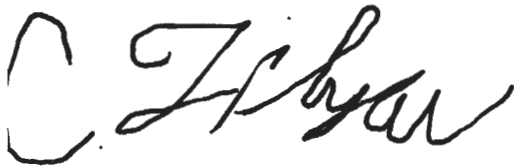
What are your goals and objectives if appointed to the Commission/Board?

If appointed, I will urge the city to "green the downtown area" I would like to submit the evidence-based research that shows that roof gardens, (green roofs) are healthy for the environment, and the people, and help to protect and restore pollinators that would otherwise become extinct (Example- honey bees.) I would

also be interested in other areas of improvement with my science education and experience. I hold a BSc in Environmental Science. Focus: Conservation of Natural Resources. I also have a very good understanding of physics and also social psychology. guide people to move in a certain direction.) I have ideas for the area that would greatly improve the livability and enjoyment of residents and visitors alike.

I certify that the information above is true and correct.

Today's Date
5/11/2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. J. Ryan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "C".

Information on this form will be considered public.

Today's Date
5/11/2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. J. Ryan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "C".