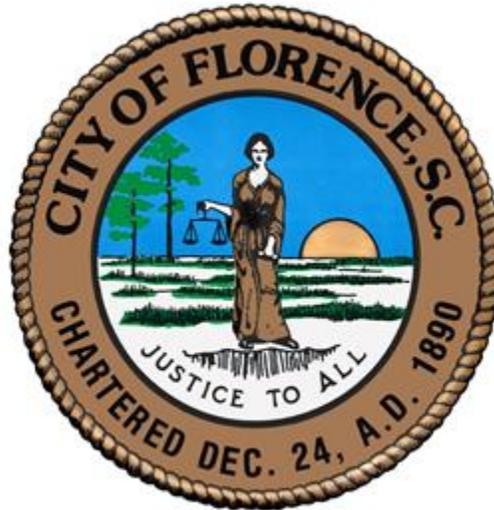


**REGULAR MEETING
OF
FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL**



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

**MONDAY
June 13, 2022
1:00 P.M.**



**REGULAR MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022 – 1:00PM
CITY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
324 WEST EVANS STREET
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 9, 2022 – Regular Meeting

May 23, 2022 – Work Session

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. A public hearing will be held to receive input on the reallocation of \$28,000 of the City's 2020-2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Cares Act award.**

V. ORDINANCES IN POSITION

a. Bill No. 2022-15 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to abandon interest in property identified as "Parkway" adjacent to Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90037-03-013 and Mimosa Drive.

b. Bill No. 2022-16 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to amend the budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022.

c. Bill No. 2022-17 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to amend Section 9-20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Florence entitled "Littering".

d. Bill No. 2022-18 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to raise revenue and adopt a budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

VI. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

a. Bill No. 2022-19 – First Reading

An Ordinance to annex and zone CG the parcel located at 2640 West Palmetto Street and identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90004-01-026.

(Note: May be discussed in Executive Session.)

VII. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

a. Resolution No. 2022-15

A Resolution to adopt a Community Development Block Grant Budget for fiscal year 2022-2023.

b. Resolution No. 2022-17

A Resolution authorizing SRO Partners Florence LLC, to seek licensure from the State of South Carolina to allow it to sell certain alcoholic beverages in limited areas of the baseball stadium owned by the City and leased to SRO Partners Florence LLC.

c. Resolution No. 2022-18

A Resolution to support the goal of Project Ceasefire and to create and implement a comprehensive crime prevention strategy for the City of Florence.

d. Resolution No. 2022-19

A Resolution approving a Conditional Grant and Development Agreement to provide an incentive for a development located within the Historic Overlay District.

(Note: May be discussed in Executive Session.)

VIII. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

a. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Business Development Committee

b. Community Development Committee

c. Marketing and Public Relations Committee

d. Finance, Audit and Budget Committee

- e. **Judicial Review Committee**
(Note: May be discussed in Executive Session.)

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

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. **To receive legal advice on an annexation request [30-4-70(a)(2)].**
- b. **Discussion of a proposed Economic Development project [30-4-70(a)(5)].**
- c. **Personnel matter [30-4-70(a)(1)].**

(Note: Upon returning to Open Session, Council may take action on items discussed in Executive Session.)

XI. ADJOURN



**REGULAR MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022 – 1:00 P.M.
CITY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
324 WEST EVANS STREET
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor Pro Tempore George Jebaily, Councilwoman Lethonia Barnes, Councilwoman Pat Gibson-Hye Moore, Councilman Chaquez T. McCall, Councilman Bryan A. Braddock and Councilman C. William Schofield.

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Randall S. Osterman, City Manager; Mr. James W. Peterson, Jr., City Attorney; Mrs. Casey Moore, Municipal Clerk; Mr. Scotty Davis, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development; Mr. Kevin Yokim, Assistant City Manager of Administration/Finance; Chief Allen Heidler, Florence Police Department; Chief Shannon Tanner, Florence Fire Department; Mrs. Jennifer Krawiec, Director of Human Resources; Mr. Jerry Dudley, Director of Planning; Mr. Michael Hemingway, Director of Utilities; Mrs. Amanda Pope, Director of Marketing/Communications and Municipal Services; and Mr. Chuck Pope, Director of Public Works.

MEDIA PRESENT

Mr. Chris Day of the Florence Morning News and Mrs. Tonya Brown of WPDE News Channel 15 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 May 9, 2022 regular meeting of Florence City Council to order at 1:00 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

Councilman Schofield made a motion to adopt the minutes of the April 11, 2022 regular meeting and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously adopted.



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ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Ervin said there are two addendums to the agenda before Council for consideration.

ADDENDUM: APPEARANCE BEFORE COUNCIL

Mr. Frank Williams

To speak to Council concerning rental fees at Pearl Moore Basketball Center. (See below under **Appearance Before Council.**)

Without objection, the addendum was added to the May 9, 2022 regular meeting agenda.

ADDENDUM: INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2022-16

A Resolution of recognition for the Florence Soccer Association's U14 Girls Soccer team. (See action taken below under **Introduction of Resolutions.**)

Without objection, the addendum was added to the May 9, 2022 regular meeting agenda.

APPEARANCE BEFORE COUNCIL

Reverend Leo Woodberry

Reverend Leo Woodberry, Executive Director of New Alpha CDC, and Mr. Anthony Hall appeared before Council to provide an update on cease fire zones in the City. Mr. Hall provided a statement to Council and asked for more immediate action on escalating gun violence in Florence. Several months ago, a recommendation was made to the City to establish cease fire zones on city property to reduce gun violence. A city-wide rally will be held on May 14, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. to call for the establishment of cease fire zones as well as the establishment of a stakeholders group. Proposed solutions are interconnective video cameras with gunfire noise activation and toolkits designed to train and educate the community.

Several Councilmembers thanked Reverend Woodberry for his continued efforts on this issue. City and County police departments are working, and action is being taken to address this issue and it will take community involvement to combat gun violence. Councilman McCall mentioned some legalities with establishing cease fire zones in South Carolina and asked Reverend Woodberry if any other cities in South Carolina have established such zones. Reverend Woodberry replied he was not aware of any SC cities, but he had hopes Florence could take the lead on this issue. Councilman McCall said he would like to further discuss the legalities of cease fire zones with the city attorney and mentioned a similar initiative out of the City of Columbia. Mayor Ervin spoke and also thanked Reverend Woodberry for his efforts. She said the City has established a Community Development Corporation and encouraged Reverend Woodberry to meet with this CDC so they can partner together.

Ms. Charlotte Smith and Dr. Wendy Richardson

Ms. Charlotte Smith, representing Jeffries Creek Association of Neighbors, and Dr. Wendy Richardson, representing Briggs Neighborhood Watch, appeared before Council to speak on an Irby Street development project. Ms. Smith spoke first, saying she and her husband chose Florence to raise their family but questioned if her children would want to return to Florence and raise their children. Florence is



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poised for growth, but people aren't going to stay in Florence unless a community is created where their families can thrive. She said City Councilmembers and staff have met with and spoken with the community, but she feels like everyone is being reactive. She mentioned the comprehensive plan and asked if it truly directs future growth and development in the city. The current comprehensive plan's future land use identifies the area between Irby Street and Gully Branch as Parks and Open Space. She questioned how building two high-density housing units is implementing the vision of parks and open space. In the upcoming months, City Council will be given the opportunity to act on behalf of the citizens in considering the adoption of a new Comprehensive Plan. She implored Council to be proactive and think about future growth and how zoning designations will affect the whole community. The City should commit to protecting its natural resources and ecosystems and be proactive in the decisions made with development to create space for organic community growth.

Dr. Wendy Richardson spoke next and presented Council with a petition by the Jeffries Creek Association of Neighbors and the Briggs Neighborhood Watch. The petition is attached to and made part of the minutes as **Attachment "A"**. These groups are petitioning to end the planning and further development of the Indigo Townes Development, Phase 2 and 3, as well as any future planned or proposed multifamily developments located between Gully Branch and Irby Street for the reasons indicated on **Attachment "A"**.

Dr. Richardson quoted the purpose of the Jeffries Creek Protection Overlay District as notated in the Unified Development Ordinance: "the City seeks to regulate and control development activities adjacent to Jeffries Creek within the City Limits of Florence. The City further seeks to preserve the Jeffries Creek floodway in order to protect and improve the water quality, scenic beauty, and wildlife habitat of the creek". Gully Branch and Jeffries Creek have an established history of flooding and pollution. Records from City Council minutes from 1989 notate that this very issue was brought before City Council. Between 2018-2022, residents in this area have made a total of 133 sewer backup calls to the City. Additionally, FEMA maps indicate the level of flood risk in this area as "unknown" due to its maps not being updated, this alone should halt any development. There is a total of six Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) applications in Florence for 2022, more than any other city in the state. Dr. Richardson questioned why Florence is a target and suggested it may be due to excessive growth of rental properties in Florence and a downward decline in homeownership.

Dr. Richardson then presented a series of solutions and action items for the City to consider: align the Comprehensive Plan and the UDO; rezone undeveloped areas bordering Jeffries Creek or its tributaries to prevent further environmental degradation; expand Jeffries Creek Overlay District; increase buffer requirements; add cumulative impact to UDO; solicit public comment early and forward comments to appropriate city entities; consult Florence One Schools; require impact studies, no items of public interest in June and July; and establish environmental oversight commission to oversee proposed development adjacent to or in woodland/wetland areas.

Pro tem Jebaily said this is a city-wide issue and involves the environment, long-term planning and purposeful and intentional planning. He thanked the community for all the research done on this issue.

Mayor Ervin said the City is being proactive to get things in place and suggested that Dr. Richardson contact the City's Resilience and Sustainability Advisory Committee since this committee is tasked with looking at issues such as these.



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Mr. Chris Handley

Mr. Chris Handley, Executive Director of Helping Florence Flourish, appeared before Council to speak on appropriations for Helping Florence Flourish. Mr. Handley said Helping Florence Flourish is in the business of restoring and has recently partnered to build a home. They've become aware of structures and homes in various stages of disrepair with property owners having no funds to make the necessary repairs. He asked that Council consider appropriating funds in the amount of \$25,000 to allow Helping Florence Flourish the opportunity to make repairs to homes in the community within the next year.

Mayor Ervin encouraged Mr. Handley to reach out to the Community Development Corporation for a partnership. There are various organizations that have a similar mission in the community, and it will be beneficial if all these groups collaborate to bring their resources together, similar to how the No One Unsheltered organization was formed to assist the homeless. Councilwoman Barnes spoke in favor of considering this request as Helping Florence Flourish has helped to transform the community and has assisted multiple people and families. Pro tem Jebaily requested a plan be put in place and how funding will fit into the plan. Mr. Handley said they are just in the beginning of the planning phase, but they hope to begin work in October. The number of projects they can complete will be dependent on the amount of funding they have to work with. Councilwoman Moore also spoke in favor of considering the request and commended Mr. Handley and Helping Florence Flourish for their work with the community.

Mr. Frank Williams

Mr. Frank Williams, basketball coach, appeared before Council to speak on rental fees at Pearl Moore Basketball Center. Mr. Williams said he has been having issues trying to find a gym to work with the youth because the fees are high at \$40-50 per hour. He mentioned that adults have access to the gym on certain days for free for activities such as pickle ball and asked what can be done for the youth. He does volunteer work with the youth and does not like to charge them, and many parents cannot afford to pay these fees.

Councilman McCall asked how the rental fees were chosen. Mr. Randy Osterman, City Manager, said the fee covers operational costs associated with personnel, utilities, insurance, etc. and is not intended to make money. Councilman McCall asked if the fee has always been \$50 or if it increased over time. Mr. Chuck Pope, Public Works Director, took the podium and said the fee started around \$40-45 since the City began allowing outside use (programming other than City programming). The facility does offer free play nights for adults to utilize the gym at no cost. Over the years, the number of traveling teams has increased and they are all looking for space. The City's summer basketball program runs June through July and December through March in the winter program. The fees are presented to the Parks Commission in order to keep them at a minimum. Mr. Williams asked if coaches could get a discounted rental rate and Mr. Pope said this has been discussed and it may be that the fee can get reduced for Florence groups that need space; however, he understands that each person that participates in a travel program pays, either by sponsorship or out of pocket, for their participation.

Councilwoman Barnes asked why Pearl Moore's name isn't displayed on the outside of the building. Mr. Pope responded it is prominently displayed as you enter the building. Mr. Pope said staff has discussed placing signage along Barnes Street listing the various facilities on site. Ms. Pearl Moore approached the podium and suggested the City offer a flat rate instead of a by the hour rate for rental.

Councilwoman Moore said the gym was built for basketball and volleyball and asked why pickle ball is always there. She said she is disturbed by the amount of the rental fee and agreed a flat fee may work to help those volunteering their time. Mr. Pope said all the suggestions given today will be considered.



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Mayor Ervin said the City may need to look at ending all programming not associated with Basketball at the gym. The Pearl Moore Gymnasium was built to focus on basketball and to be utilized primarily by City basketball programs. Outside programs need to understand the city's position in covering operating costs and the City can look at ways to balance the two. Concerns on the hours of operation for the Barnes Street Community Center were also brought up and Mayor Ervin asked that staff evaluate the summer hours for the center.

[Break: 3:02 – 3:10 p.m.]

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing to receive input on the City of Florence Community Block Grant Budget for fiscal year 2022-2023.

Mayor Ervin opened the public hearing at 3:15 p.m.

Mr. Jerry Dudley, Planning Director, reported the City receives annual allocations for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The City has not heard what the allocations will be yet for this year; however, staff desired to move forward with a series of public hearings to gain input from the community on how the funds should be spent. It is anticipated the funding will go before Council in the form of a Resolution at their June meeting. CDBG funding can only be used to meet three national objectives: aid in the elimination of slum and blight; benefit to low-moderate income persons; and meeting a need having urgency.

A public hearing was held on May 31st and input was received from several community members. Staff in the Community Services Department also attended several neighborhood meetings to gain input from those community members.

There being no one present to speak, Mayor Ervin closed the public hearing at 3:16 p.m.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION

No. 2022-09 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to annex and zone NC-10 the parcel located at 1142 Annelle Drive; identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcel 01794-03-009.

Councilman McCall made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2022-09 on second reading and Councilman Braddock seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to adopt Bill No. 2022-09.

Bill No. 2022-11 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 4 Article XIV of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Florence entitled "Single-Family and Multi-Family Residential Rental Housing Registration".

Councilman Braddock made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2022-11 on second reading and Councilwoman Moore seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to adopt Bill No. 2022-11.



INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Bill No. 2022-04 – First Reading

An Ordinance to rezone from NC-6.2 to NC-6.3 the parcel located at 706 Norfolk Street; identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90100-03-001.

Mayor Ervin stated the applicant has requested to withdraw this item from the agenda. Without objection, this item was withdrawn from the agenda.

Bill No. 2022-07 – First Reading

An Ordinance to rezone from PDD to AC a portion of the parcel located on Second Loop Road; identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90030-02-007.

Mayor Ervin stated the applicant has requested to withdraw this item from the agenda. Without objection, this item was withdrawn from the agenda.

Bill No. 2022-12 – First Reading

An Ordinance to annex and zone CG the parcel located at 3648 South Irby Street and identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcel 00152-01-029.

Mayor Ervin stated the applicant has requested to withdraw this item from the agenda. Without objection, this item was withdrawn from the agenda.

Bill No. 2022-13 – First Reading

An Ordinance to rezone from NC-15 to NC-6.3 the parcel located at 2150 Fernleaf Drive and identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90018-07-003.

Councilman Schofield made a motion to pass Bill No. 2022-13 on first reading and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion.

Mr. Dudley reported the proposed zoning of NC-6.3 will allow for multi-family residential as opposed to single-family residential with its current zoning. At the March Planning Commission meeting, the Neighborhood Association for Country Club Forest brought forth protective covenants for the neighborhood, to include this parcel. The protective covenants only allow construction of single-family detached homes. The Planning Department does not typically enforce restrictive covenants; however, when presented knowledge of protective covenants that would prohibit the proposed activity, zoning permits may not be issued unless permission has been given by the association or court order. No such permission has been given for this property at this time. Based on this information, Planning Commission voted 6-0 to not recommend the rezoning request.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to deny the rezoning request.

Bill No. 2022-14 – First Reading

An Ordinance to rezone from NC-6.1 to NC-6.2 the parcel located at 1309 West Dixie Street and identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90044-01-005.

Councilwoman Barnes made a motion to pass Bill No. 2022-14 on first reading and Councilman Schofield seconded the motion.



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Mr. Dudley reported the current zoning permits single family detached homes only. The proposed zoning of NC-6.2 permits duplexes in addition to single family detached homes. Properties to the west of this lot are of duplex development, although they would not meet current code. Properties to the east are characterized by single family development as well as a church.

Planning Commission voted unanimously, 6-0 to deny this rezoning request in order to maintain the limitation to single family uses in this district.

Mayor Ervin said some individuals have signed-in to speak on this item. Ms. Mariscia Cooper spoke in opposition to the rezoning and spoke of pride in her neighborhood. The neighborhood needs more homeownership instead of rentals and the focus should be to improve what is already existing. She said the community met with the developers of the multi-family housing project and gave them a chance; however, they can only receive the tax credit with a specific type of housing, and it is not what the community needs.

Ms. Jean Zollicoffer spoke next and expressed opposition to the rezoning. The community does not need more rental units, the community wants homeownership so they have something to leave their children. She shared some concerns from the community regarding traffic, safety, and parking. There is a traffic problem with large trucks to and from Vulcraft driving through the neighborhood to get to Cashua and Darlington Streets, and there are frequent traffic jams at the ends of various streets. The surges of traffic in the mornings and evenings impacts the safety of children walking to and from bus stops because the neighborhood is without sidewalks. There is not adequate parking for people living in the duplexes, so they end up parking on the street.

Several Councilmembers spoke on the Dixie Street rezoning, as well as the proposed Harmony Street multi-family development. Pro tem Jebaily said the Business Development Committee has begun to comprehensively look at the housing issues occurring in Florence right now and will potentially be conducting a housing study or housing program to evaluate these issues. The City must abide by the Fair Housing Act, but there must be some compelling reasons for City Council to change zoning away from single-family.

Councilman McCall said he is a product of affordable housing and spoke of the dignity individuals feel just to have their own place. He is in favor of not doing anything that would desecrate a neighborhood; however, he is not in favor of stopping every affordable housing project across the City. People that live in affordable housing are often voiceless and he will work to protect them. There is an affordable housing issue and where they should be located needs to be studied. Changing zoning away from single-family in a residential neighborhood is also something he is not in favor of.

Councilwoman Moore said the rent is just as high in these units as it is to own a home and the rentals are only destroying the neighborhood. She will never be an advocate to change zoning in this area.

Councilman McCall said Ms. Cooper mentioned at the Northwest community meeting that a major development in this area has not occurred in over 50 years from private developers. It just happens to be that the first proposed development is a multi-family complex. Council needs to look at way to help development in this area, otherwise developers will have no interest at all.

Mayor Ervin said the City hired a consultant, APD, and developed the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan in 2014 with a focus on three catalytic areas: North Florence, Northwest Florence, and East Florence. This plan addresses many of Council's current concerns and indicates what types of projects/developments will thrive in these areas. Plans were developed and single-family homes began to



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be constructed resulting in homeownership. Mayor Ervin said the plan is in place and has been since 2014, the City just needs to work the plan. Mayor Ervin called on Deputy City Manager, Scotty Davis, to elaborate. Mr. Davis said the City has been working on quality, single-family homes for decades and has completed studies. In traditional West Florence, the rental rate is 70%. The City has purchased lots throughout the years and began to build homes at a range of price points to help build the market up. The affordable housing plan is still in place and can be updated if needed.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to deny the rezoning request.

Bill No. 2022-15 – First Reading

An Ordinance to abandon interest in property identified as “Parkway” adjacent to Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90037-03-013 and Mimosa Drive.

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to pass Bill No. 2022-15 on first reading and Councilman Schofield seconded the motion.

Mr. Dudley reported the property proposed for abandonment is between Mimosa Drive and 907 Sherwood Drive. The request has been made by the property owner of 907 Sherwood Drive to allow a new driveway with access to Mimosa Drive. Mimosa Drive is a SCDOT maintained road requiring the property owner to have their permission for the driveway. SCDOT is unable to grant permission until the City abandons any interest it may have in the parcel.

A survey from 1947 shows the property in question as “parkway”. The parkway seems to be a 5’ wide pathway connecting pocket parks within the subdivision. Through the years, the pocket parks and sections of the connecting parkway have been combined with adjacent properties with few fragments of the original parkway remaining. If the property is abandoned by the City, the property can be conveyed to the adjacent property owner utilizing the quit-claim deed process, thus placing the property into private ownership.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to pass Bill No. 2022-15.

Bill No. 2022-16 – First Reading

An Ordinance to amend the budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022.

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to pass Bill No. 2022-16 on first reading and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Mr. Kevin Yokim, Assistant City Manager of Finance/Administration, reported there are three objectives for the proposed budget amendment: to appropriate funding for corridor improvements/motel property from funds received from McLeod Health and Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation, to correct a scrivener’s error in the original budget, and to amend the Water and Sewer Utilities Enterprise Fund budget to appropriate funding to transfer the property on Evans Street to a private developer to construct the various buildings for the Urban Square project.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to pass Bill No. 2022-16.

Bill No. 2022-17 – First Reading

An Ordinance to amend Section 9-20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Florence entitled “Littering”.



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Councilman Schofield made a motion to pass Bill No. 2022-17 on first reading and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Mr. Osterman reported the proposed amendments clarifies the responsibilities of property owners with litter containment on their properties and increases the fine from \$200 to \$500.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to pass Bill No. 2022-17.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2022-14

A Resolution of City Council approving Downtown Redevelopment Grants for Fourth Quarter, FY22.

Mayor Ervin said this item will be discussed in Executive Session. (See action taken below under **Executive Session.**)

Resolution No. 2022-15

A Resolution to adopt a Community Development Block Grant Budget for fiscal year 2022-2023.

Mayor Ervin said it is requested that this item be deferred. Without objection, this item was deferred.

Resolution No. 2022-16

A Resolution of Recognition for the Florence Soccer Association's U14 Girls Soccer team.

Councilwoman Moore made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-16 and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Pro tem Jebaily read the Resolution into record and presented it to the soccer team and coaches. Members of Council congratulated the girls on their State Championship at the President's Medal State Cup.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to adopt Resolution No. 2022-16.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

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

Board of Zoning Appeals

Councilman McCall made a motion to appoint Miriam James-Singley to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Council voted unanimously to appoint Miriam James-Singley to the Board of Zoning Appeals to fill the unexpired term of Shelanda Deas. The term for this appointment will begin immediately and expire on June 30, 2023.

Construction & Maintenance Board of Adjustments and Appeals

Being no applicants, the remaining appointments were deferred.



Aesthetics Advisory Committee

Being no applicants, the remaining appointments were deferred.

Resilience and Sustainability Advisory Committee

Being no applicants, the remaining appointments were deferred.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Business Development Committee, Chaired by Pro tem Jebaily

Pro tem Jebaily said a main topic of discussion was high-density housing and community concerns with these types of projects. Following discussion, the Committee decided it would benefit the City if an assessment study was completed and made a recommendation to the City Manager asking him to look at developing a masterplan for high-density housing projects. The City should be mindful on how it is being perceived by developers bringing industry to Florence and that the City is amenable to development. Also discussed was the demolition of the motel on Palmetto. The cost of demolition, to include asbestos abatement, will be approximately \$500,000 with \$300,000 being contributed by the County and the remaining \$200,00 coming from the City.

Community Development Committee, Chaired by Councilwoman Barnes

Councilwoman Barnes said there is nothing to report at this time.

Marketing and Public Relations Committee, Chaired by Councilman Braddock

Councilman Braddock said the committee is continuing to look at different communications strategies in order to teach and inform the community on the City. The vaccination campaign continues through the City's social media outlets. The Committee also requested that staff put together some annexation information for upcoming meetings.

Finance, Audit and Budget Committee, Chaired by Councilman McCall

Councilman McCall said there is nothing to report at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Ervin said Council will be entering into Executive Session for a discussion of matters relating to a proposed economic development project, to receive legal advice concerning the provision of sewer services, and for a personnel matter.

Without objection, Council entered into Executive Session at 4:35 p.m.

Council reconvened Open Session at 4:53 p.m. and took action on the following items:

Resolution No. 2022-14

A Resolution of City Council approving Downtown Redevelopment Grants for Fourth Quarter, FY22.



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Councilwoman Moore made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-14 and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) to adopt Resolution No. 2022-14.

ADJOURN

Without objection, the May 9, 2022 Regular meeting of City Council was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Dated this 13th day of June 2022.

Casey C. Moore, Municipal Clerk

Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor

**PETITION TO STOP INDIGO TOWNES DEVELOPMENT
PHASES 2 and 3
April 7, 2022**

The Jeffries Creek Association of Neighbors and the Briggs Neighborhood Watch are hereby petitioning for an end to the planning and further development of the Indigo Townes Development Phases 2 and 3, **as well as any future planned or proposed multifamily developments located between Gully Branch and Irby Street.**

As tax-paying homeowners impacted by these development proposals and plans, we oppose Indigo Townes Development Phases 2 and 3 for the following reasons:

- 1) **WETLANDS:** Continued construction endangers our local wetland and greenspace conservation. In the City of Florence Comprehensive Plan, Map 2.4 Future Land Use this area is designated as "Parks and Open Space."
- 2) **INFRASTRUCTURE:** As evidenced by the numerous sewage issues documented in our neighborhood, the City of Florence's current sewage/wastewater infrastructure system is not adequately handling current needs and is not equipped to handle the additional burdens of the proposed multi-family residential population increases in this area.
- 3) **RUNOFF & FLOODING:** The approval of the proposed developments risks increasing storm water runoff and flooding for surrounding residential areas that already suffer from flooding.
- 4) **TRAFFIC:** The continued development of multi-family housing in the same area will result in expanded roadway stresses and traffic management issues.
- 5) **SCHOOLS:** The proposed development is located within a single elementary school zone. The impact of the proposed population increases on that school, Briggs Elementary, has not been given consideration, since there was no engagement with the school district. Such a study is urgently warranted before multifamily construction in this area is considered since the impact of these large multifamily developments, added to those already existing, on the student capacity of the school, zoning, and transportation have not been considered.

According to the City of Florence's website, the City, acting through its Planning Department, and ultimately through its City Council, is charged with protecting our natural resources and the existing homeowners of Florence: "...its function is to guide growth and development in the City of Florence. It uses zoning

to identify land uses to protect property values as well as both natural and built resources.” The proposed Indigo Development Phases 2 and 3 do not fulfill that mission for the reasons stated above. The continued increase in multifamily development residences along our natural streams and on the periphery of a well-established neighborhood will only serve to increase water pollution, threaten property values of the adjacent neighborhood properties as the negative factors compound, compromise F1S’ ability to provide a quality education to students due to over-crowding, and thereby negatively impact the overall quality of life for the residents of these neighborhoods.

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Charlotte Smith	915 Mohawk Dr.	Charlotte Smith	4-7-22
Roselyn Green	462 Edenderry Way	Roselyn Green	4-7-22
Debban Jbaraich	528 Wistaria	Debban Jbaraich	4-7-22
Amanda Allen	1110 W. Roseneath Rd	Amanda Allen	4.7.22
Missy Worthington	816 Congaree Dr	Missy Worthington	4-7-22
Eileen Blockwell	907 Santee Dr.	Eileen Blockwell	4-7-22
Nancy Rawl	518 Camille Circle	Nancy Rawl	4-7-22
Billy R. Blackmore, MD	907 Santee Dr.	B.R. Blackmore, MD	4/7-22
Clay C. Raul	518 Camellia Circle	Clay C. Raul	4/7/22
Ronda Alderman	534 Juanita Dr.	Ronda Alderman	4/7/22
David Alderman	534 Juanita Dr Florence, SC.	David Alderman	4/7/22
Martha Rainwater	530 Juanita Dr.	Martha Rainwater	4/7/22
Eleanor Carson	541 JUANITA Dr	Eleanor Carson	4/7/22
Saunders Fridgen	715 Bookkeeper Ln	Saunders Fridgen	4/7/22
Kari King	520 Azalea Lane	Kari W. King	4/7/2022
Susan Williams	1030 Santee Dr.	Susan Williams	4/7/22
Allison Salley	1027 Wentworth Dr.	Allison Salley	04.07.22

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Fred Salley	1027 Wentworth Dr	Fred Salley	4-6-22
Joe M. Conman ^{III}	722 Wisteria Dr.	Joe M. Conman, III	4-7-22
John Chapman	1050 Santee Dr	John Chapman	4-7-22
Jane Chapman	1050 Santee Dr	Jane S Chapman	4-7-22
Susan W Hofer	508 Wisteria Dr.	Susan W. Hofer	4-7-22
John G. Hofer, Jr.	508 Wisteria Dr.	John G. Hofer, Jr.	4-7-22
David Brown	535 Oleander Dr	David Brown	4-7-22
Jessica Brown	" "	Jessica Brown	4-7-22
Suzanne Jones	811 Mohawk	Suzanne Jones	4/9/22
CHAPPEL JONES	811 Mohawk Dr.	Chappell Jones	4/7/22
Margaret G Morgan	1100 Wentworth Dr	Margaret Morgan	4/7/22
Jean Zollicoffer	1123 Patterson St.	Jean Zollicoffer	4/7/22
Mariscia C Cooper	4365 Hoffmeyer Rd	Mariscia C. Cooper	4/7/22
Jim Richardson	959 Scriver Dr	Jim Richardson	4/7/22
John E. Reynolds	537 Wisteria Dr.	John E. Reynolds	4/7/2022
Andy Arthur	518 Fris Dr.	Andy Arthur	4/7/22
Harry S. Allan, IV	1110 W. Rosencath	Harry S. Allan, IV	4/7/22

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Wendell Jones	824 Mohawk Dr	Wendell Jones	4/7/2022
Margaret Jones	224 Mohawk Dr	Margaret Jones	4/7/2022
Claire F. Langston	1256 Wisteria Dr.	Claire F. Langston	4/7/2022
Wendy C Richardson	959 Scriben Dr	Wendy C Richardson	4/7/2022
Devin Player	1019 Wentworth	Devin Player	4/8/2022
Keith Player	1019 Wentworth	Keith Player	4/8/2022
Somay Everett	1026 Souter	Somay Everett	4/8/2022
Luella Carren	1019 Park	Luella Carren	4/8/2022
Fred R. Cannon	1019 Park	Fred R. Cannon	4-8-2022
CARY ANDREWS	721 BROCKINGTON LN	Cary Andrews	4-9-2022
LIZ ANDREWS	721 Brockington Ln	Liz Andrews	4-9-2022
Megan Ferguson	831 Indian Dr.	Megan Ferguson	4-9-2022
Matt Ferguson	831 Indian Dr.	Matt Ferguson	4-9-2022
Tifini Stafford	907 Wisteria Dr.	Tifini Stafford	4-9-2022
Heidi Toms	1118 Claremont Ave	Heidi Toms	4/9/22
Sonya Dunklin	901 Lorraine Ave	Sonya Dunklin	4/9/22

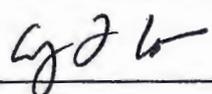
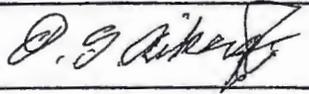
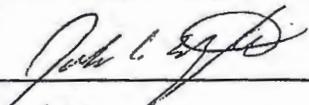
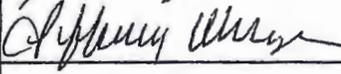
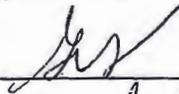
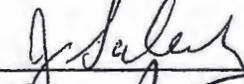
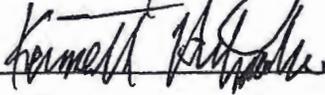
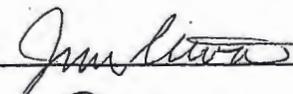
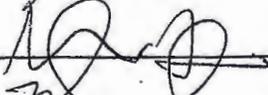
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Harold Motte	818 Mohawk Dr.	Harold Motte	4/8/22
Mary L. Motte	818 Mohawk	Mary L. Motte	4/8/22
Sue Martin	700 Mohawk	Sue Martin	4/8/22
Kyle Martin	900 Mohawk	J. Kyle Martin	4/8/22
Edward Reames	908 Mohawk Drive	Edward Reames	4/8/22
Fred Elmon	910 Mohawk Dr.	Fred W. Elmon	4/8/22
Kathy Elmon	910 Mohawk Dr.	Kathy Elmon	4/8/22
Wylie Caldwell	400 Seminole	Wylie Caldwell	4/8/22
Gwynette Caldwell	400 Seminole	Gwynette Caldwell	4/8/22
Danya Smith	404 SEMINOLE	Danya Smith	4/8/22
Callie Carpenter	501 Oleander Dr	Callie Carpenter	4/8/22
TJ Carpenter	501 Oleander Dr	TJ Carpenter	4/8/22
KAY HANSON	2607 Whitestone Dr.	Kay Hanson	4/8/22
Clay Smith	915 Mohawk	Clay Smith	4/8/22
Margaret Charles	410 Seminole Ave.	Margaret K. Charles	4/8/22
J. Kenneth Charles	410 Seminole Ave.	J. Kenneth Charles	4/8/22
Darryl Price	825 Mohawk	Darryl Price	4/8/22

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Joan Billheimer	431 Camellia Cir	Joan Billheimer	4/9/22
Jill Lewis	806 Juanita Dr	Joseph Lewis	4/9/22
Sandy Aiken	537 Juanita Dr	Sandy Aiken	4/9/22
John Billheimer	631 Camellia Cir	John Billheimer	4/9/22
HOWIN C. MCGEE, MD	506 AZALEA LANE	Howin C. McGee, MD	4/9/2022
MARTHA R. MCGEE	506 AZALEA LANE	Martha R. McGee	4/9/2022
Casey Riddle	905 Santeo Hovre	Casey Riddle	4/9/22
Meade Jordan	533 Juanita Dr	Meade Jordan	4/10/22
CARROLL LENTZ	828 CONGAREE DR	Carroll Lentz	4/10/22
Jennifer Reyna	844 Thunderbird Dr.	Jennifer Reyna	4/10/22
Ricky Weeks	824 Congaree Dr.	Ricky Weeks	4/10/22
Pat Lee	827 Congaree Dr	Patricia C. Lee	4/10/22
Melissa Lee	900 Cherokee Rd	Melissa Lee	4/10/22
John Richardson	857 Indinn Dr.	John Richardson	4-10-22
Kay Belville	841 Congaree Dr	Kay Belville	4-10-22
Alva Hoover	546 Webster Dr	Alva Hoover	4-10-22
Caroline Song	917 Atton Circle	Caroline Song	4/10-22

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Amy Urquhart	507 Juanta Drive		10 April 22
Dorcas Urquhart	507 Juanta Dr	R. b. U	10 April 22
Sandy Aiken	597 Juanita V.		10 April 22
John C. Ellington	859 Park Ave		10 April 22
Tiffany Brington	859 Park Ave		10 APR 22
Vickie Greenan	546 Azalea Ln.	Vickie Greenan	10/ APR 22
Gailey Saleeby	1046 Santee Dr.		10 April 22
Jay Saleeby	1046 Santee Dr		10 April 22
Ben KING	520 Azalea Ln		10 April 22
Kenneth Richardson	516 Azalea Ln		4/10/2022
Patsy McMillan	530 Azalea	Patsy McMillan	4/10/22
J. M. STEWART	545 JUANITA DR		4/10/22
Sonia Wick	1001 WINTWORTH DR		4/10/22
John Wick	1001 WINTWORTH DR		4/10/22
Jack Greenan McMillan	546 Azalea Ln		4/10/22

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Anja Benevento	534 Iris Drive Florence SC	Anja Benevento	4-8-22
Richard Hugger	538 Iris Dr Florence, SC	Richard Hugger	4-9-22

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David Smith	529 Oleander DR.	David Smith	4/10/22
LISA Smith	529 Oleander Dr	Lisa Smith	4/10/22
Therese Bunn	519 Oleander	Therese Bunn	4/10/22
Allison Pittman	500 Oleander	Allison Pittman	4/10/22
JB Pittman	500 Oleander	JB Pittman	4/10/22
LEE GALLIER	515 OLEANDER	Lee Gallier	4/10/22
Elizabeth Lee	512 Oleander	Elizabeth Lee	4/10/22
REALYN BOWNE	913 Lorraine Ave	Reilyn Bowne	4/10/22
HAYS BOWNE	913 Lorraine Ave	Hays Bowne	4/10/22
Adele Weatherford	809 Jhonita Dr	Adele Weatherford	4/10/22
Lynn Porter	1004 Cherokee Rd	Lynn Porter	4/10/22

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FLORENCE M. ERVIN	1102 Cherokee	Florence	4/08/22
ANN HOWCK	526 Iris Dr.	Ann Howck	4/8/22
B. Ann Cole	548 Iris Dr.	B. Ann Cole	4/8/22
Mike Collins	548 Iris Dr.	Mike Collins	4/8/22
Cathy Henderson	523 Iris Dr.	Cathy Henderson	4/8/22
COREY PRESOTT	522 IRIS DR.	Corey Presott	4/8/22
Cornelia Prescott	522 IRIS DR.	Cornelia Prescott	4/8/22
Layne Winfield	517 IRIS DR.	Layne Winfield	4/8/22
Carmen Winfield	517 Iris Dr.	Carmen Winfield	4/8/22
Joan Pennington	501 Iris Dr.	Joan Pennington	4/8/22
JOAN PENE	501 Iris Dr.	Joan Pene	4/8/22
John Pennington	501 Iris Dr.	John Pennington	4/8/22
Donna Loomis	1025 S. Edisto	Donna Loomis	4-8-22
Kristian Gorton	530 Iris Drive	Kristian Gorton	4/9/22
Kristen Gorton	530 Iris Drive	Kristen Gorton	4/9/22
Gary Crawford	531 Iris Dr.	Gary Crawford	4-9-22
Rebecka Crawford	531 Iris Dr.	Rebecka Crawford	4-9-22

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Morgan Boyce	510 Camellia Circle	Morgan Boyce	4-9-22
Danny Wright	504 Camellia Cir	Danny Wright	4-9-22
Jason Brewer	502 Camellia Cir	Jason Brewer	4/9/22
Nancy Strobel	511 Camellia Circle	Nancy Strobel	4/9/22
Lindsey Strobel	511 Camellia Cir	Lindsey Strobel	4/9/22
Marta Costas	609 Camellia Cir	Marta Costas	4/9/22
Pauline Costas	624 Camellia Cir	Pauline Costas	4/9/22
Lauren Leonard	611 Camellia Cir	Lauren Leonard	4/9/22
James Leonard	611 Camellia Cir	James Leonard	4/9/22
John P. Costas	609 Camellia Cir	John P. Costas	4/9/22
Charles D. Welch	615 Camellia Cir	Charles D. Welch	4/9/22
Adam Evans	619 Camellia Cir	Adam Evans	4-9-22
Andrew Evans	619 Camellia Cir	Andrew Evans	4-9-22
Luke Evans	619 Camellia Cir	Luke Evans	4-9-22
Brooke Evans	619 Camellia Cir.	Brooke Evans	4/9/22
Dora Windsor	641 Camellia Cir	Dora Windsor	4/9/22
Cherise Jorda	645 Camellia	Cherise Jorda	4/9/22

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John Davis Jordan	523 Tuanta Dr.	J. Davis Jordan	4/10/22
Elizabeth Welch	811 Indian Dr.	Elizabeth Welch	4/10/22
Michael Cook	1026 Cherokee Dr.	[Signature]	4/10/22

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Joel Tyner	1032 Lindberg Dr	Joel Tyner	4-9-22
Cindy Lentz	802 Indian Dr	Cindy Lentz	4.9.22
Michelle Gandy	807 Indian Dr	Michelle Gandy	4-9-22
Jay Gandy	807 Indian Dr	Jay Gandy	4-9-22
AMELIA SWIFT	823 Indian	AMELIA SWIFT	4-9-22
Walt Wilton	814 Indian Dr.	Walt Wilton	4-9-22
Andy Jeffords	1117 Cherokee Rd	Andy Jeffords	4-9-22
Christina Jeffords	1117 Cherokee Rd	Christina Jeffords	4-9-22
John Ivey Brown	1423 DeBerry Blvd	John Ivey Brown	4-9-22
Beth Brown	1423 DeBerry Blvd	Beth Brown	4/9/22
Martha Anne DeBerry	1021 Park Ave	Martha Anne DeBerry	4/9/22

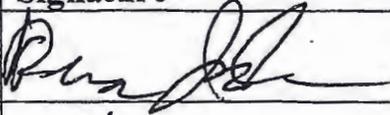
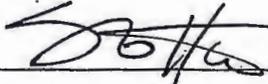
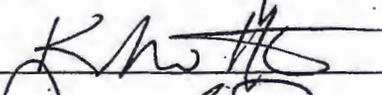
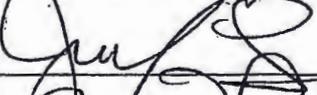
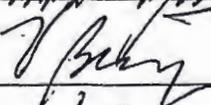
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Kate Moore	512 Wisteria Dr.	Kate Moore	4/8/22
Shannon Wells	516 Wisteria Dr.	Shannon Wells	4-8-22
Russell R. Cherry	522 Wisteria Dr.	Russell R. Cherry	4/8/2022
Charles Yarborough	531 Wisteria Dr.	Charles Yarborough	4/8/2022
Britton Yarborough	531 Wisteria Dr.	Britton Yarborough	4/8/22
Mark Wells	516 Wisteria Dr.	Mark Wells	4-8-22
Charles H. Williams	1030 Santee Dr.	Charles H. Williams	4/10/22
Kelly Rainwater	515 Wisteria Dr.	Kelly Rainwater	4/10/22
John M. Rainwater	515 WISTERIA DR.	John M. Rainwater	4/10/22
Allen P. Wood	523 WISTERIA	Allen P. Wood	4/10/22
JOSIE WOOD	523 WISTERIA DR.	Josie B. Wood	4/10/22
CHRIS WILLIAMS	527 WISTERIA DR.	Chris C. Williams	4/10/22
Katie Williams	527 Wisteria Dr.	Katie Williams	4/10/22
Barbara Sarb	550 Wisteria Dr.	Barbara Sarb	4/10/22
Elizabeth Jones	1143 Margaret Dr.	Elizabeth Jones	4/10/22

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Lucy H. Bridges	628 Camellia Circle	LH Bridges	4/9/22
SAM BOAN	600 CAMELLIA CIRCLE	SJ	4-9-2022
Margaret Boan	600 Camellia Circle	Margaret Boan	4/9/22
Kate Boan	600 Camellia Circle	Kate Boan	4/9/22
Jason Lambert	600 Camellia Circle	JL	4/9/22
Richard Moran	601 Camellia Cir	RM	4/9/22
LONDON BOYCE	510 Camellia Cir	L Boyce	4/9/22
Margaret Broady	623 Camellia Cir	Margaret Broady	4/9/22
Joan Billheimer	631 Camellia Cir	Joan Billheimer	4-9-22
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Sivan Evans	628 Camellia Circle	S Evans	4/10/22
Chris Evans	628 Camellia Circle	CE	4/10/22
Flo Lester Vinson	508 CAMELLIA CIRCLE	Flo Lester Vinson	4/10/22
Raymond Fisher	647 CAMELLIA CIRCLE	Raymond Fisher	10 April 22

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Kenan Jordan	785 Mohawk Dr		4/8/22
Sherry Mims	409 Seminole Ave	Sherry Mims	4/8/22
Wendell & Margaret Jones	824 Mohawk Dr.	Margaret S. Jones	4/8/22
Wendell Jones	824 Mohawk Dr.	Wendell Jones	4/8/22
Benny Hiller	815 Mohawk Dr.	Benny J Hiller	4/8/22
Laddie Hiller	815 Mohawk Dr	Laddie Hiller	4/8/22
Stephen W. Motta	1505 Tanglwood Cir.		4.8'22
Kimberly Motta	¹⁵⁰⁵ Tanglwood Cir		4.8'22
Jennifer Lee	310 Cherokee Rd.		4-8-22
Evan Lee	310 Cherokee Rd		4/8/22
Alicia Connelly	820 Mohawk Dr.	Alicia Connelly	4/8/22
Bruce Crawford	814 Mohawk Dr.	Bruce A. Crawford	4/8/22
Mark Bump	414 Seminole		4/8/22
Virginia Bump	414 Seminole Ave		4/8/22
Kathy F. Crawford	814 Mohawk	Kathy Crawford	4/9/22
MIKE OLSON	911 MOHAWK DRIVE		4/8/22
Daniel Crissom	911 Mohawk Drive		4/9/22

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CAREY AND JILL HINDMAN	908 Santeo Dr.	Cary M Hindman	4/9/22
Elizabeth Neyle	500 Cherokee Rd	Elizabeth Neyle	4-9-22
Tommy J. Carpenter	501 Oleander Dr.	Tommy J. Carpenter	4/9/2022
PAT SIEGEL	505 Watson	Patricia Siegel	4-7-2022

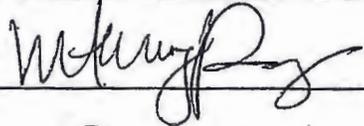
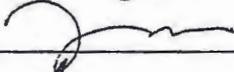
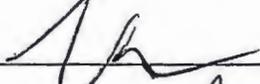
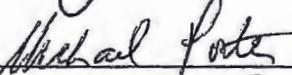
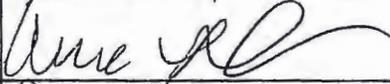
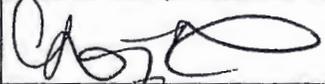
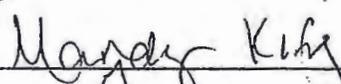
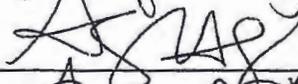
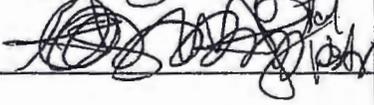
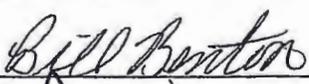
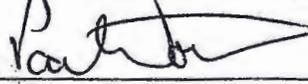
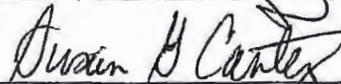
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Lowell	819 Mohawk	Lowell	4/10/22
L. William Goldstein MD SARA GOLDSTEIN	320 Cherokee Rd	L. WILLIAM GOLDSTEIN MD	4/10/22
Sara Goldstein	320 Cherokee Rd	Sara M. Goldstein	4/10/22
H.W. HERBERT	417 Seminole Rd	H.W. Herbert	4/10/22
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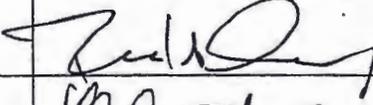
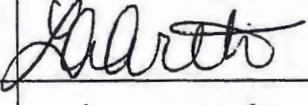
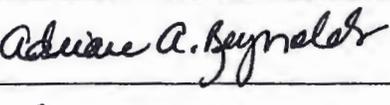
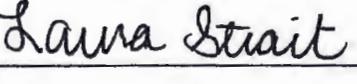
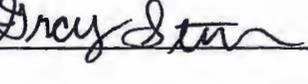
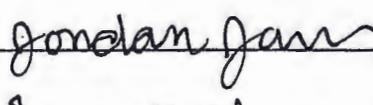
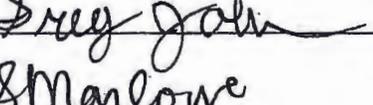
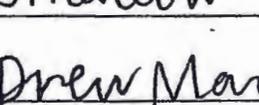
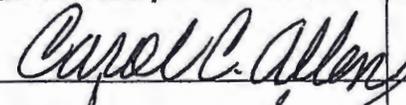
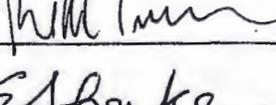
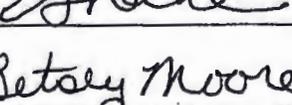
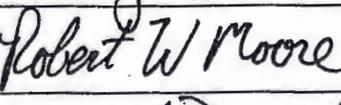
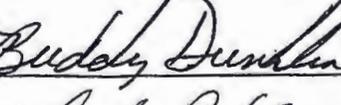
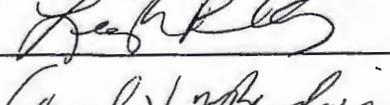
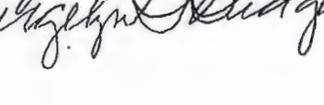
I support the Petition to Stop Indigo Townes Development Phases 2 and 3.

Print Name	Address	Signature	Date
Beth Holzbach	1114 Wisteria Dr	Beth Holzbach	4/9/22
Bryan Holzbach	1114 Wisteria Dr	Bryan Holzbach	4/9/22
Brandie Love	936 Cloisters Dr Bryggs Family	B Love	4/9/22
Nathan Love	936 Cloisters Dr. Family	N. Love	4/9/22
Hope Hanna	912 Sciven Dr.	Hope Hanna	4/9/22
Mary Shumpert	902 Lorraine Ave	Mary Shumpert	4/9/22
Liz Benton	1001 Alton Cr.	Liz Benton	4/9/22
Casey Coker	1091 Dunvegan Rd	Casey Coker	4/9/22
Alison Thompson	1203 Dunvegan Rd	Alison Thompson	4/9/22
Stephen Thompson	1203 Dunvegan Rd	Stephen Thompson	4/9/22
Laine Davis	1201 Wisteria Dr.	Laine Davis	4/9/22
Allison Munn	1118 Wisteria Dr	Allison Munn	4/9/22
Johnathan Munn	1118 Wisteria Dr	Allison Munn	4/9/22
Shayna Wright	1200 Wisteria Dr	[Signature]	4/9/22

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Print Name	Address	Signature	Date
Whitney Richey	500 Juanita Drive		4-8-22
John Richey	912 Santee Drive		4-8-22
Victoria Wychster	504 Tars Drive		4-8-22
Michael Pater	1004 Cherokee Rd		4-9-22
Anna Holladay	853 Lynwood Drive		4-9-22
Chris Harris	853 Lynwood Drive		4-9-22
Jody King	711 Juanita Drive		4-9-22
Mandy King	711 Juanita Drive		4-9-22
Georgiana Wester	534 Azalea Lane		4-9-22
Thad Wester	534 Azalea Lane		4-9-22
Thelma Benton	524 AZALEA LN		4-9-22
Bill Benton	1901 DAMON DR		4-9-22
Paul Worthington	816 Congress		4-9-22
Harry Cantey	503 S. Cashua Dr		4-11-22
Susan G. Cantey	503 S. Cashua Dr.		4-11-22
Benton Dergan	2215 Claremont Ave		4-11-22
Betty Fowler	Florence		4-11-22

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Print Name	Address	Signature	Date
Reed A Sandberg	1034 Santee Dr.		4-11-22
LeighAnn Arthur	518 Iris Dr.		4-11-22
Adriane Reynolds	537 Wisteria Dr.		4-11-22
Laura Strait	850 Congaree Dr		4-12-22
Grey Strait	850 Congaree Dr		4-12-22
Jordan Johnson	804 Indian Dr		4-12-22
Greg Johnson	804 Indian Dr		4-12-22
Sarah Marlowe	900 Scriven Dr.		4.12.22
Drew Marlowe	900 Scriven Dr.		4.12.22
Carol Allen	421 Cherokee		4/12/22
Jeremy & Katherine Kirk	1022 Wentworth Dr.		4/12/22
Alan & Kim Turner	1170 S. Edisto Dr.		4/12/22
Emily + Dave Lake	907 Lorraine Avenue		4/12/22
Betsy Moore	514 Iris Dr.		4/12/22
Robert W Moore	514 Iris Dr.		4/12/22
Buddy Dunklin	901 Lorraine Ave.		4/12/22
Leigh King	1011 Wisteria Drive		4/12/22
Angelina Budgeta	1715 Brockington Ln		4/12/22

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Print Name	Address	Signature	Date
Charles Pittman	608 Cherokee Rd	Charles M. Pitt	4-25-22
Carl P. Khan	2114 Sumner Dr		5-1-22
Wm Woodward	1227 Charleston Cir	Wm Woodward	5-1-22
Dwight Lindley	823 Hamilton Av	Dwight Lindley	5-1-22
Jarvis Hendrix	2114 Warner St	Jarvis Hendrix	5-1-22
Susan Lynch	716 Howe Springs	Susan Lynch	5-1-22
Janet Wehrli	3149 Combray Cir	Janet Wehrli	5/1/22
Patsy Brown	3345 Lupine Dr	Patsy L. Brown	5-1-22
Lynne Jackson	2117 Sanderling Dr.	Lynne Jackson	5-1-22
Judy Boone	2004 Cypress Rd	Judy Boone	5-1-22
Lydia King	489 Cove Pointe Dr.		
Libby Carter	3117 Combray	Libby Carter	5-1-22
Andrew Pittman	229 Timberlake Dr		5-1-22
Marcia White Pittman	608 Cherokee Rd	Marcia White Pittman	5-1-22
Stephanie Pittman	229 Timberlake Dr.	Stephanie Pittman	5-1-22
Anita White	3117 Sanderling Dr.	Anita White	5-1-22
Mary Rogers	916 West Cocks	Mary Rogers	01 May 2022



**SPECIAL MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022 – 3:00 P.M.
FIRE STATION #5
296 E. REDBUD LANE
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor Pro Tempore George Jebaily, Councilwoman Pat Gibson-Hye Moore, Councilwoman Lethonia Barnes, Councilman Chaquez T. McCall, Councilman Bryan A. Braddock and Councilman C. William Schofield.

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Randall S. Osterman, City Manager; Mr. James W. Peterson, Jr., City Attorney; Mrs. Casey Moore, Municipal Clerk; Mr. Scotty Davis, Deputy City Manager; Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development; Mr. Kevin Yokim, Assistant City Manager of Finance/Administration; Chief Allen Heidler, Florence Police Department; Chief Shannon Tanner, Florence Fire Department; Mr. Jerry Dudley, Director of Planning; Mr. Michael Hemingway, Director of Utilities; Mrs. Jennifer Krawiec, Director of Human Resources; Mrs. Amanda P. Pope, Director of Marketing/Communications and Municipal Services; and Mr. Chuck Pope, Director of Public Works.

MEDIA PRESENT:

Taylor Ford of the Morning News and Jack Bilyeu of WBTW News Channel 13 were present for the meeting.

A notice of the meeting was sent to the media and individuals requesting a copy of the agenda, informing them of the date, time and location of this special city council meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ervin called the May 23, 2022 special meeting of Florence City Council to order at 3:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilwoman Barnes provided the invocation for the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag followed the invocation.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Ervin said a public hearing will be held to receive input on the City of Florence Fiscal Year Budget 2022-2023. Mayor Ervin opened the public hearing at 3:02 p.m. Being no one present to speak, Mayor Ervin closed the public hearing at 3:02 p.m.



BUDGET WORKSESSION

The following agenda items will be discussed:

- **Budget Totals by Fund**
- **Compensation/Benefits Changes**
- **General Fund Budget Highlights**
- **General Fund**
- **Community Programs Funding**
- **Hospitality Special Revenue Fund**
- **Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund**
- **Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund**
- **Water/Sewer & Stormwater Utility Construction Funds**
- **Utilities Equipment Replacement Funds**

OVERVIEW OF FY 2022-23 BUDGET

Mr. Randy Osterman, City Manager, began by introducing the objectives of the FY 2022-23 General Fund Budget. In order to fund the Community Development Corporation (CDC) this fiscal year, the money must come from the fund balance (approximately \$1.2 million).

General Fund Budget Objectives:

- **Balanced Budget**
- **Remain within Current Revenues**
- **Meet Council Objectives**
- **Meet Service Delivery Needs**
- **Merit Increase for Employees**
- **Community Programs**
- **Community Development Corporation & Division**

General Fund Budget Highlights:

The following is a list of highlights from the FY 2022-23 General Fund Budget.

Initial budget requests were \$5,253,528 greater than revenue estimates. This shortfall was resolved through adjustments to capital requests, department operational requests, as well as adjustments based on attrition trend savings and delayed hiring. Job related vacancies and controlling expenditures have resulted in savings which will be used for a one-time purchase of auto and maintenance equipment (“early purchases”).

FY 2022-23 General Fund Budget Highlights

- ▶ **Initial budget requests were \$5,253,528 greater than revenue estimates**
 - ▶ **Shortfall resolved through:**
 - ▶ **Adjustments to capital requests**
 - ▶ **Adjustments based on attrition trend savings and delayed hiring**
 - ▶ **Adjustments to department operational requests**
- ▶ **FY 2022 job related vacancies and controlling expenditures have resulted in savings.**



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- ▶ FY 2022 anticipated savings will be used for:
 - ▶ One-time purchase of capital items
 - ▶ Auto Equipment
 - ▶ Maintenance Equipment

Compensation/Benefits Highlights:

The following is a summary of FY 2022-23 compensation and benefits. January 1, 2023, the City’s Health Insurance premium is projected to increase 18.1%, which is approximately a \$600,000 increase in the budget.

- ▶ Cost of Living and Merit pay increase eligibility effective January 1, 2023 included in the budget (approximately 3%).
- ▶ Annual Longevity Recognition Pay.
- ▶ Effective January 1, 2023, the City’s Health Insurance premium is projected to increase 18.1% for the City with no increase for employees. The City maintained an experience rating of zero.
- ▶ Retirement System contribution increases for the City effective July 1, 2022:
 - ▶ SCRS: City contribution increases 1.00% (from 16.56% to 17.56%)
 - ▶ PORS: City contribution increases 1.00% (from 19.24% to 20.24%)

Note: The 1% increase above assumes that the 1 percent pension employer contribution credit in the FY 2022 State budget is funded at the same level in the FY 2023 State budget. If this credit is not included in the state budget, both the SCRS and the PORS contribution will increase by 2% instead of 1%.

Below are new positions proposed in the FY 2022-23 budget. The CDC Executive Director will be funded from the CDC’s allotted money. The Police Cadet program is new and will prepare individuals to become Police Officer’s once they turn 21 years of age. The Parks Groundskeeper positions are necessary with the expansion of facilities such as the athletic complex and the Lawton Chase House.

FY 2022-23 Budget
New Positions

Added Positions

- CDC Executive Director
- Police Cadet (3)
- Sanitation HEO
- Sanitation Worker
- Parks Groundskeeper (3)
 - 2 Additional @ Midyear
- Team Leader
- Operator Apprentice (2)

Positions Not Included

- HR Administrator
- Police Cadet (2)
- Licensing & Permitting Clerk

Mayor Ervin inquired on the CDL training program offered to employees and Mr. Osterman said the training is available but there are currently no employees interested in taking advantage of the program. The City has contracted with a CDL instructor and has offered sanitation workers the necessary training to become CDL licensed.



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Budget Totals by Fund:

Total for all funds is \$105,869,500. The following chart illustrates the proposed FY 2022-23 budgets listed by fund:

<u>Proposed FY 2022-23 Budgets by Fund</u>		
General Fund	\$	44,910,000
General Fund Debt Service Fund		694,000
Hospitality Fund		4,881,500
W/S Utilities Enterprise Fund		39,610,000
Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund		1,720,000
W/S Utilities Construction Fund		11,983,000
Stormwater Utility Construction Fund		236,000
W/S Utilities Equipment Replacement Fund		1,490,000
Stormwater Equipment Replacement Fund		<u>345,000</u>
ALL FUNDS	\$	105,869,500

General Fund:

Mr. Kevin Yokim, Assistant City Manager of Finance/Administration, began a presentation with the General Fund, the largest fund for the city. For the FY 2022-23 General Fund Budget, original expenditure requests were \$5,253,528 higher than the original revenue projections.

<u>Balancing the FY 2022-23 General Fund Budget</u>		
Original Revenue Projections:		Original Expenditure Requests:
\$43,116,800		\$48,370,328
	Difference:	
	\$5,253,528	
	Final FY 2022-23 Balanced Budget	
	\$44,910,000	

The proposed budget assumes every position is funded every day of the year. Compensation and benefits cost reductions are projected at \$1,921,818. A deferred hiring schedule of 16 weeks and other compensation savings save the city \$1,725,831. Further projected savings are from positions funded beginning January 1, 2023 (\$41,429), and from positions proposed but not funded for 2022-23 (\$154,558).

**General Fund Compensation and Benefits
Cost Reductions Made in Balancing Proposed FY 2022-2023 Budget**

Extended hiring timeline & other compensation savings	\$	1,725,831
Positions funded beginning January 1, 2023		41,429
Positions proposed but not funded for 2022-23		<u>154,558</u>
Total	\$	1,921,818

The following chart illustrates Operational and Capital Funding reductions in balancing the proposed FY 2022-23 budget:



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**General Fund Operational & Capital Funding Reductions
Made in Balancing Proposed FY 2022-23 Budget**

Department	Operations	Capital
City Manager	\$ 2,000	\$ 0
Human Resources	2,000	0
Community Services	210	0
Police	177,400	0
Fire	10,000	85,000
Beautification & Facilities	7,500	0
Sanitation	9,500	35,000
Equipment Maintenance	1,000	0
Recreation	4,000	0
Athletics	2,000	0
Building Permits & Inspections	2,000	0
Subtotal	\$ 210,610	\$ 120,000
OPERATIONS AND CAPITAL TOTAL =		\$330,610

These are purchases that were in the original budget and are being bought early.

**General Fund
End of Current Year Capital Purchases
Proposed in Balancing FY 2022-23 Budget**

Department	Amount
Human Resources	\$ 8,500
Community Services	36,000
Police	117,400
Fire	95,000
Beautification & Facilities	108,000
Sanitation	604,500
Equipment Maintenance	43,000
Athletics	168,000
Building Inspections	27,000
Total	\$ 1,207,900

This chart outlines the reductions that were necessary to balance the budget. The reductions totaled \$3,460,328 and are detailed below.

**Summary of Expenditure Adjustments
To Balance General Fund Budget**

Expenditure Increases/(Reductions)	Amount
Compensation and Benefits Cost Reductions	\$ (1,921,818)
Operational Funding Reductions	(210,610)
Eliminated Capital Cost Reductions	(120,000)
End of Year Capital Purchases Reductions	<u>(1,207,900)</u>
Reductions to Balance Budget	3,460,328



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This a recap of how the FY 2022-23 General Fund Budget was balanced. \$1,200,00 of the fund balance will be used to fund the Community Development Corporation (Florence Neighborworks). However, utilizing the fund balance for the Community Development Corporation following the FY 2022-23 budget will not be sustainable.

GF REVENUES

Original Revenue Projections	\$43,116,800
Use of Fund Balance	1,200,000
Revenue Adjustments	<u>+ 593,200</u>
FY 2022-23 Adjusted Revenues	\$44,910,000

GF EXPENDITURES

Original Expenditure Projections	\$48,370,328
Expenditure Reductions	<u>- 3,460,328</u>
FY 2022-23 Adjusted Expenditures	\$44,910,000

The following chart illustrates the General Fund Revenue Budget by Source and the percentage of budget for each category. Property taxes and Licenses and Fees are the largest contributors to the General Fund revenues.

<u>FY 2022-23 General Fund Revenue Budget by Source</u>		
Category	FY 2023	% of Total
Property Taxes*	\$ 12,098,600	27.57%
Licenses & Fees	15,216,200	35.00%
Governmental Reimbursements	5,997,000	13.40%
Permits and Fees	2,772,000	6.71%
Fines & Forfeitures	293,500	0.80%
Miscellaneous & Other Revenues	2,155,000	1.97%
Interfund Transfers	<u>6,377,700</u>	<u>14.55%</u>
TOTAL	\$ 44,910,000	100.00%

*Local Option Sales Property Tax Credit accounts for 43.89% of the total Property Taxes category.

This is a comparison between this year’s budget and last year’s budget.

**General Fund
FY 2022 & 2023 Revenue
Budget Comparison**

	Original FY 2022	Budget for FY 2023	Change from Original FY 22	% Change From FY 22
Property Taxes	\$ 11,330,600	\$ 12,098,600	\$ 768,000	6.78%
Business Licenses	10,150,000	11,098,200	948,200	9.34%
Franchise Fees	4,230,000	4,118,000	-112,000	-2.65%
Govt Reimbursements	5,506,200	5,997,000	490,800	8.91%
Permits and Fees	2,758,000	2,772,000	14,000	0.51%
Fines & Forfeitures	329,000	293,500	-35,500	-10.79%
Other Revenues	807,800	2,155,000	1,347,200	166.77%
Interfund Transfers	<u>5,979,400</u>	<u>6,377,700</u>	<u>398,300</u>	<u>6.66%</u>
TOTAL	\$41,091,000	\$44,910,000	\$3,819,000	9.29%



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Pro tem Jebaily inquired on the anticipated decline in franchise fees. Mr. Yokim replied a large contributor to the decline is cable television revenues due to the switch to streaming services. Out of cable, internet and telephone services, the only one subject to franchise fees is cable.

Community Programs Funding

The following chart shows the community programs that are included in the FY 2022-23 budget.

**Appropriation Requests by
Agency/Event
FY 2022-23**

<u>Included in the FY 2022-23 Budget</u>		<u>Not Included in the FY 2022-23 Budget</u>	
Agency/Project/Event	Amount	Agency/Project/Event	Amount
Boys & Girls Club	\$ 20,000	Helping Florence Flourish	\$ 25,000
Stadium Commission	8,100	Pee Dee CAP Emergency Shelter	50,000
PDRTA	218,000	Senior Citizens Association	53,125
Red Cross	10,000	Heart of Life**	<u>40,000</u>
Keep Florence Beautiful	5,000	Boys and Girls Club**	15,000
No One Unsheltered Programs	75,000	G-LAB Legacies**	<u>12,000</u>
Florence Family Support Ct.	11,000	Note: Reference budget request documents provided by requesting agencies in budget notebook.	
My Brother’s Keeper	20,000	* In addition, PAL Programming is funded at \$2,500 and utilities for the Boys & Girls Club is funded at \$21,000 in other departments’ budgets.	
Foster Care Clothing Closet	7,000	**Received after budget completed.	
Pee Dee Coalition	5,000		
TOTAL	\$ 379,100		

Councilwoman Barnes inquired on the Foster Care Clothing Closet program. Mr. Yokim replied it is a non-profit program that provides support to foster families with children who have come into their care with little to no belongings.

Hospitality Fund

This is the 2% tax paid on prepared food and beverage purchases in the city. The Hospitality Fund is one of the city’s growth funds but it is also a restricted fund. South Carolina Code requires any revenue generated by the hospitality fee must be used exclusively for the following purposes:

- Tourism-related buildings including, but not limited to, civic centers, coliseums, and aquariums.
- Tourism-related cultural, recreational, or historic facilities.
- Beach access and re-nourishment.
- Highways, roads, streets, and bridges providing access to tourist destinations.
- Advertisements and promotions related to tourism development.
- Water and sewer infrastructure to serve tourism-related demand.

However, because at least \$900,000 in accommodations taxes are collected annually in Florence County, State law permits hospitality funds to be spent for operations related to the above stated purposes.

Below is the hospitality fees comparison from FY 2018 to FY 2023.



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**FY 2018-2023
Hospitality Fees Comparison**

Fiscal Year	Collections	% Change
2018	4,101,928	1.61%
2019	4,342,184	5.86%
2020	4,205,349	-3.15%
2021	4,722,870	12.31%
2022*	4,775,000	1.10%
2023**	4,881,000	2.22%

* 2022 Estimated
** 2023 Budgeted

The amount projected for FY 2022-23 is \$4,881,500.

Hospitality Fees	\$ 4,881,000
Interest Earnings	500
FY 22-23 Hospitality Fund Estimated Revenues	\$ 4,881,500

This is the list of recommended expenditures for the Hospitality Fund for FY 2022-23.

Hospitality Fund Expenditures

Athletic Facilities Operations	\$ 1,700,000
Florence Museum	100,000
Florence Downtown Development Corporation	54,000
Florence Downtown Economic Development Incentives	75,000
Florence Downtown Promotions	35,000
Sports Complex Debt Service (through November 2035)	151,890
Tennis Center/Performing Arts Center Debt Service (through April 2024)	533,830
Recreation Facility/Gymnasium Debt Service (through June 2034)	407,030
2016 Special Obligation Bond Debt Service Appropriation (through Dec 2046)	300,000
Florence Historic District Street Lighting Operations	30,000
Florence Center (Debt Service effective through April 2040. FY 22-23 DS = \$662,000)	1,488,000
James Allen Plaza Restroom Facilities – 8 th of 10-year Lease Payment	9,000
Contingency	<u>750</u>
FY 22-23 Hospitality Fund Estimated Expenditures	\$ 4,881,500

Water & Sewer Utilities Enterprise Fund:

The total Water and Sewer Revenue Fund is \$39,610,000. This chart shows the Water and Sewer Revenues by Source. 47% of the revenues for this fund comes from water fees and charges; 51% from wastewater fees and charges and 2% from other revenue (reconnection fees, tap fees, etc.).

**Water and Sewer
Revenues by Source**

Water Fees & Charges	47%
Wastewater Fees & Charges	51%
Other Revenue	2%



This chart shows the Water and Sewer Expenses by Department.

Water & Sewer Expenses
By Department

Utility Finance	\$ 2,913,449	7.36%
Engineering	1,531,516	3.87%
WW Treatment	5,907,977	14.92%
Surface Water Production	2,798,103	7.06%
Ground Water Production	2,280,130	5.76%
Distribution Operations	2,425,497	6.12%
Collection Operations	1,484,583	3.75%
Debt Service	9,588,500	24.21%
Non-departmental	<u>10,680,245</u>	<u>26.95%</u>
Total	\$ 39,610,000	100.00%

Water & Sewer Utilities Construction Fund:

This is the construction fund. Total budget for this fund is \$11,983,000 and consists of the items listed below. \$4,673,000 will be carried over from the previous year.

FY 2022-23 Water & Sewer
Construction Fund Revenue

Projected Funds on Hand on July 1, 2022	\$4,673,000
American Rescue Plan Act Funds	1,992,000
Community Development Block Grant-Timmonsville	955,000
SC Rural Infrastructure Grant	488,000
FY 2022-23 Transfer from W/S Operating Fund	2,750,000
Capital Construction Fund Transfer	1,000,000
Florence County Infrastructure Fund Reimbursement	100,000
Projected Interest Earnings	<u>25,000</u>
Total W/S Construction Fund Revenue	\$11,983,000

This is a list of projects that are funded through the Water and Sewer Construction Fund. There is an Asset Management Study proposed for FY 2022-23.

FY 2022-23
W/S Construction Fund Projects

A. Projects Approved in Prior Year Budgets

1. Elevated Tank Inspection Repair and Painting	\$ 500,000
2. Jeffries Creek Beaver Management (SSO Compliance)	7,000
3. Waterline Extension Requests – Florence County	100,000
4. Hoffmeyer Road Sewer Extension	385,000
5. Sumter Street Annexations	200,000
6. West Florence/Timmonsville Sewer Master Plan	1,000,000
7. SCDOT Alligator Rd. Widening – Utility Relocation	280,000
8. Harris Court Water Line Extension	122,000
9. Middle Swamp Sewer Interceptor Manhole Upgrades	500,000



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10. West Sumter St. Water Line Extension (Pisgah Rd. to Stokes Rd)	325,000
11. Magna Carta (Charters) Lift Station	75,000
12. Timmons ville Sewer Improvements (CDBG Funded)	1,254,000
13. E. Howe Springs Rd Water Line Repl. (Bannockburn to Oliver)	425,000
14. Quinby Circle Water Line Replacement	325,000
15. Mauldin Drive Sewer Improvements	275,000

B. Projects Approved and Added in FY 2021-22

1. Freedom Estates Water/Sewer Ext. (Palmetto Corp. annexation)	\$ 350,000
2. Lion’s Gate/Dawson Family Tract Water/Sewer Ext.	200,000
3. John Paul Jones Rd. Water Line Ext.	100,000
4. Asset Management Study	100,000
5. Wisteria Drive Sewer Lift Station	350,000

C. Proposed Projects for FY 2022-23

1. Jody Road Sewer Line Extension	\$ 75,000
2. Pine Forest Water Line	7,000
3. Mars Hill Gravity Sewer Line	300,000
4. Sanborn/West Darlington St. Sewer Main Replace.	300,000
5. S. Wallace Road Water Line (connect loop to 30” on Freedom Blvd)	125,000
6. Water Line Renewals/Replacements/Upsizing	1,438,000
7. Lead and Copper Removal Rule Compliance	1,042,000

D. Other

1. Utility Line Engineering/Legal/Professional Services	\$ 150,000
2. Reserved for Other Projects	<u>1,673,000</u>

Total W/S Construction Fund Expenses \$11,983,000

Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund

The total Stormwater Utility Enterprise fund is \$1,720,000.

Stormwater Revenues by Source

Stormwater Fees (\$1,611,500)	94%
Other Revenue (\$108,500)	6%

Stormwater Expenses by Category

Operations (\$857,106)	50%
Debt Service (\$538,000)	31%
Nondept./Const. Fund Trf. (\$324,894)	19%

Stormwater Utility Construction Fund

In 2021, City Council authorized the issuance of a \$7 million bond to fund new stormwater projects. The City also received grants from the Disaster Recovery Office for projects on McQueen Street/W. Cedar Street (\$4 million) and Church Street/Oakland Avenue (\$3 million).

Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development, gave an update on the bond and grant projects.



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This is the list of the 2021 Stormwater projects funded by the \$7 million bond issuance.

2021 Stormwater Capital Improvement Projects

- Sandhurst West
- Tarleton Estates
- Rebecca Street
- Malden Drive
- Cheves Street Underpass
- Dargan and Elm Street
- Pennsylvania Street
- Thomas Road
- Cannon Street
- College Park Drive

The first three projects to be completed are the Rebecca Street outfall, Sandhurst West outfall and Tarleton Estates outfall. Assessments will continue for the remaining projects along with the development of a final schedule and scope of work.

Rebecca Street Outfall

- Current Status: Site analysis complete; recommendations sent March 28th
- Project Recommendations:
 - Phase I
 - Cleaning and re-establishing hydraulic functions of system
 - Estimated cost: \$69,000
 - Phase II
 - Replace approximately 1,000 linear feet of pipe
 - Estimated cost: \$464,000

Sandhurst West Outfall

- Current Status: Site analysis complete; recommendations sent March 28th
- Project Recommendations:
 - Phase I
 - Cleaning and re-establishing hydraulic functions of system
 - Estimated cost: \$91,000
 - Future upgrade
 - Install Bypass pipe
 - Project Description: Install new stormwater infrastructure within public Rights of Way, approximately 2,200 linear feet
 - Estimated cost: \$1,047,000

Tarleton Estates

- Current Status: Site analysis complete; recommendations sent March 28th
- Project Recommendations:
 - Phase I
 - Cleaning and re-establishing hydraulic functions of system
 - Project Description: Heavy debris, roots, and concrete debris were discovered in system. Significant cleaning will be needed.
 - Estimated cost: \$141,000



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- Future upgrade
 - Install Bypass Pipe
 - Project Description: Install new stormwater infrastructure within public Rights of Way, approximately 2,400 linear feet.
 - Estimated cost: \$1,096,000

Below is a list of projects to be completed with South Carolina Department of Resiliency (SCDOR) Grants. The projects include the McQueen and Cedar Stormwater Improvement Project, the North Church and Oakland Avenue Stormwater Improvement Project, and a portion of the City of Florence Stormwater Masterplan. Total cost of the Masterplan is \$550,000 (\$250,000 Grant; \$300,000 City of Florence).

SCDOR Stormwater Grants

McQueen and Cedar Street Project

- Current Status: Engineering consultant awarded (AECOM); site inventory and analysis started which includes surveying, investigation, etc.
- Next Steps:
 - Develop scope of work to correct identified issues
 - Begin final engineering and design documents
 - Prepare bids
 - Start construction
- Grant: \$4,048,811
- Timeline:
 - Design and permitting (approximately 10-12 months)
 - Construction (approximately 12-16 months)

N. Church and Oakland Avenue

- Current Status: Bid advertised for Engineering consultant, public advertisement, and pre-approvals from SCDOR and HUD.
- Next Steps:
 - Award bid to engineering consultant
 - Site investigation, surveying and site analysis
 - Develop scope of work to correct identified issues
 - Begin final engineering and design documents
 - Prepare bids
 - Start construction
- Grant: \$3,073,304
- Timeline:
 - Design and permitting (approximately 12-14 months)
 - Construction (approximately 12-16 months)

City of Florence Stormwater Masterplan

- Current Status: Engineering consultant awarded project (AECOM); preliminary studies being conducted.
- Next Steps:
 - Complete analysis of all watersheds
 - Identify stormwater issues within City limits
 - Public Meetings
 - Develop project list and recommendations



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- City Council adoption
- Grant: 250,000
- Timeline:
 - Masterplan completion (approximately 18-20 months)

Pro tem Jebaily asked Mr. Moore to elaborate on the McQueen and Cedar Street project. Mr. Moore said a main trunk line runs down McQueen Street. It has been discovered that there is a lot of insufficient infrastructure that goes into Maple Park, Timrod Park and Cedar Street towards Irby Street and they are working to determine how to best move the water in these areas to the main trunk line.

Utilities Equipment Replacement Fund

The Equipment Replacement Fund is a fund to replace utility equipment. This fund allows for the replacement of equipment when it is needed and does not require that the purchase be deferred.

W/S Equipment Replacement Fund
Budget by Department

Department	Amount
Wastewater Treatment Plant	\$ 595,000
Surface Water Production	325,000
Ground Water Production	80,000
Distribution Operations	320,000
Collection Operations	<u>170,000</u>
W/S Capital Equipment Fund Total	\$ 1,490,000

There is \$345,000 in the Stormwater Equipment Replacement Fund.

Stormwater Equipment
Replacement Fund
Budget by Department

Department	Amount
Stormwater Operations	<u>\$345,000</u>
Stormwater Capital Equipment Fund Total	\$345,000

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Yokim said the City has recently contracted with a budgeting software company called OpenGov. He briefly went over some of the benefits of utilizing the new software and some notable changes in the appearance of the budget book.

Councilman Braddock said Council has been discussing options to incentivize development in the North Florence area and asked if there would be any revenue gains with these incentives. Mr. Osterman said it depends on how the incentives are established, but it will not be shown as a line item in the budget. Councilman Braddock asked which fund these would come from. Mr. Osterman said it would likely be the utility fund if water and sewer are part of the incentive program. Funding can be looked at as the program is established and may be able to be included in the mid-year budget. Pro tem Jebaily said he believes there are some legal restrictions in providing incentives and asked Mr. Peterson to elaborate. Mr. Peterson said there are legal restrictions on the use of public funds to incentive a private developer. An



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economic feasibility analysis needs to be completed to show that the public benefit of the use of the money outweighs any private benefit, similar to the analysis that is currently completed for the downtown incentive program. Councilman McCall asked how much money is allocated to the downtown incentive program annually. Mr. Yokim said the amount fluctuates, but there is approximately \$1 million in the utility fund for items such as these.

Councilwoman Barnes inquired on the monies allocated for the demolition of homes. Mr. Osterman said those monies were allocated to the Community Services department through the American Rescue Act funds. The City has already received approximately thirty requests for demolition that must move through the process. The first four homes for demolition have been bid out and another four are still in the title research process. Many of the worst homes will require involvement from codes enforcement or court action in order to move forward with demolition.

Councilman Braddock questioned the \$177,000 cut from the Police Department's budget. Mr. Osterman replied nothing cut is detrimental to the department; many of the items were duplicate requests and the biggest non-capital item cut was a reduction in fuel expenses.

Mr. Osterman said several Councilmembers have inquired on how the CDC money is applied and said his assumption with the passing of the Resolution was that it would be a one-time distribution and asked Council if this assumption was correct. Mayor Ervin clarified that Council could allocate the funds to the CDC with guidelines, but once the funds are allocated and distributed to the CDC the City has no say on the use of the funds. The desire is to create a healthy CDC that can go after funding and grant opportunities so they can become independent of the City and not depend on its funding. Mr. Osterman clarified that the money up for discussion is the \$400,000 to be allotted to the CDC. \$100,000 of that money is for the salary and benefits of the Executive Director of the CDC, so the decision that needs to be made is how to apply the remaining \$300,000 to the CDC for programming. Mr. Peterson was asked to speak on any legal restrictions. It is important to remember the CDC is a separate entity from the City. The City committed to hiring a director for the CDC and provide the amount of funding needed to get the CDC going. Mr. Peterson said the money can be sent as a one-time distribution, quarterly, et cetera. Once the money is distributed, the City cannot tell the CDC how to spend the money; however, the City can require an accounting of the spending of the funds. The City may also ask the CDC to provide to the City Manager a budget of the proposed spending of the money. Councilman McCall asked if the City could make a recommendation to the CDC to use the money towards catalytic areas in Florence. Mr. Scotty Davis, Deputy City Manager, responded that information is included in the bylaws. Also in the bylaws is the requirement that the CDC make an annual report to City Council. Councilman McCall asked if staff has a recommendation on the distribution of the funds to the CDC. Mr. Osterman said they will follow the wishes of Council; however, there may be the desire to wait until an Executive Director is hired. The position has been posted and advertised. Mayor Ervin and Pro tem Jebaily spoke in favor of the recommendation. Based on a census of Council, the funds will be distributed upon the hire of an Executive Director.

ADJOURN

Without objection, the special meeting of Florence City Council was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Dated this 13th day of June, 2022.

Casey C. Moore, Municipal Clerk

Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 9, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: An ordinance to abandon interest in property identified as “Parkway” adjacent to tax parcel 90037-03-013 and Mimosa Drive

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Department of Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Abandonment of any City of Florence interest in a 5-foot wide approximately 50-foot long strip of land, specifically an unopened and undeveloped portion east of Mimosa Drive. The property is bounded on the north by an extension of the northern property line of 907 Sherwood Drive; on the south by a line perpendicular to Mimosa Drive at the northernmost corner of 904 Mimosa Drive; on the west by Mimosa Drive proper; and on the east by 907 Sherwood Drive.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

On April 12, 2022, the City of Florence Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter and voted unanimously 6-0 to recommend abandonment.

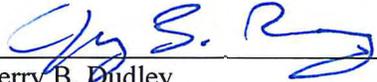
III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- (1) Request is being considered for first reading.
- (2) The request was made by the property owner of 907 Sherwood Drive. The owner would like access to Mimosa Drive via a new driveway. Mimosa Drive is a SCDOT maintained road requiring the property owner to have their permission for the driveway. SCDOT is unable to grant permission until the City abandons any interest it may have in the parcel.
- (3) Only the portion of undeveloped parcel adjacent to 907 Sherwood Drive is being proposed for abandonment.
- (4) A survey from 1947 shows the property in question as “parkway”. The parkway seems to be a 5’ wide pathway connecting pocket parks within the subdivision. Through the years, the pocket parks and sections of the connecting parkway have been combined with adjacent properties. A few fragments of the original parkway, including this one, remain.
- (5) The following City of Florence departments were contacted regarding the abandonment of the right-of-way: Fire; Police; Public Works; Utilities; and Planning, Research, and Development. None of the aforementioned departments found any reason to maintain the City’s interest in this section of Mimosa Drive and no City of Florence utilities are present within the property.
- (6) If the property is abandoned by City Council, the property can be conveyed to adjacent property owner utilizing the quit-claim deed process, thus placing the property into private ownership.

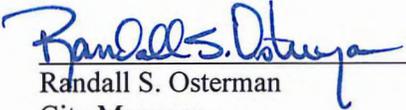
IV. PERSONAL NOTES:

V. ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Ordinance
- 2) Vicinity Map
- 3) Location Map
- 4) Utility Map
- 5) Site Photo



Jerry B. Dudley
Planning Director



Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO ABANDON CITY OF FLORENCE INTEREST TO INCLUDE AN UNDEVELOPED PORTION OF A PARCEL EAST OF MIMOSA DRIVE. THE PROPERTY IS BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY AN EXTENSION OF THE NORTHERN PROPERTY LINE OF 907 SHERWOOD DRIVE; ON THE SOUTH BY A LINE PERPENDICULAR TO MIMOSA DRIVE AT THE NORTHERNMOST CORNER OF 904 MIMOSA DRIVE; ON THE WEST BY MIMOSA DRIVE PROPER; AND ON THE EAST BY 907 SHERWOOD DRIVE.

WHEREAS, a request has been made for the City to abandon its interest in property identified as “Parkway” adjacent to tax parcel 90037-03-013 and Mimosa Drive. The property is bounded on the north by an extension of the northern property line of 907 Sherwood Drive; on the south by a line perpendicular to Mimosa Drive at the northernmost corner of 904 Mimosa Drive; on the west by Mimosa Drive proper; and on the east by 907 Sherwood Drive.

WHEREAS, a public notice was published three times in the Morning News prior to the May 9, 2022 City Council meeting as required by City Code Section 2-28(b) and adjacent property owners and utility providers were notified, and:

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 the City of Florence abandons its interest in the rights-of-way which will then revert to the abutting property owners after the necessary legal documents have been properly executed.
2. That this Ordinance shall become effective seven days upon its approval and adoption by the City Council of the City of Florence.

EXECUTED ON ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PAGE

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022

Approved as to form:

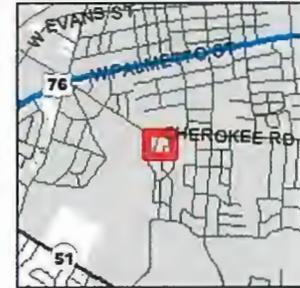
James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore
Municipal Clerk

Vicinity Map
Mimosa Drive Property Abandonment



Legend

 Parcels



DISCLAIMER:
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Date: 4/29/2022



*Rear of 907 Sherwood Drive showing current dirt driveway
giving owner access to Mimosa Drive*

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 13, 2022
AGENDA ITEM: An ordinance amending the FY 2021-22 budget
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Finance

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION

For City Council consideration is an ordinance to amend the FY 2021-22 City of Florence Budget.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN

No previous action has been taken on this ordinance.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER

1. The objective of the proposed ordinance is to amend the General Fund budget for FY 2021-22 to appropriate funding for corridor improvements from funds received from two local private foundations and to correct a scrivener's error in the original budget and to amend the Water and Sewer Utilities Enterprise Fund budget to appropriate funding to transfer the property on Evans Street to a private developer to construct the various buildings for the Urban Square project.

IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

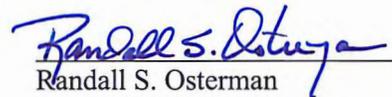
Approve and adopt the proposed ordinance.

V. ATTACHMENTS

A copy of the proposed ordinance is attached.



Kevin V. Yokim
Assistant City Manager



Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Florence, South Carolina, in a meeting duly assembled, that the budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. That the budgeted revenues of the General Fund are hereby amended by the following additional appropriations:

100120-790000 Miscellaneous Grants is increased in the amount of \$717,000 to recognize funding received from two local private foundations for corridor improvements.

Section 2. That the budgeted expenditures of the General Fund are hereby amended by the following additional appropriations:

10049300-594160 Property Acquisition (Non-Departmental) is funded in the amount of \$717,000 for corridor improvements.

10042200-580010 Building & Fixed Equipment (Fire Department) is funded in the amount of \$8,000 to correct a scrivener's error in the original budget.

Section 3. That the budgeted revenues of the Water and Sewer Utilities Enterprise Fund are hereby amended by the following additional appropriations:

200390-435500 Interfund Transfer is increased in the amount of \$6,184,600 from unassigned fund balance to fund the transfer of property for the Urban Square Project.

Section 4. That the budgeted expenditures of the General Fund are hereby amended by the following additional appropriations:

20049300-594125 Economic Development (Non-Departmental) is funded in the amount of \$6,184,600 for the transfer of property for the Urban Square Project.

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its approval and adoption of City Council of the City of Florence.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 9, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: City Manager

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

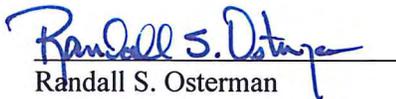
An Ordinance to amend Section 9-20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Florence entitled "Littering".

II. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. The current Section 9-20 is approximately thirty years old and contains outdated provisions.
2. The City of Florence commits to advancing efforts to ensure a safe, clean, litter free and habitable environment of all people throughout the community.

III. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance
2. Exhibit A



Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9-20 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE ENTITLED "LITTERING".

WHEREAS, the City of Florence commits to advancing efforts to ensure a safe, clean, litter free and habitable environment of all people throughout our community; and

WHEREAS, the current Section 9-20 is approximately thirty (30) years old and contains outdated provisions;

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 to amend Section 9-20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Florence entitled "Littering," and to replace said code section with a new code section entitled "Littering Prohibited; Removal; Penalties" which shall read in its entirety as set forth on Exhibit A hereto which is incorporated herein by reference;
2. That this Ordinance shall become effective upon its approval and adoption on second reading by the City Council of the City of Florence.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022

Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore
Municipal Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Sec. 9-20. Littering Prohibited; Removal; Penalties.

- (a) No person shall dump, throw, drop, deposit, discard or otherwise dispose of litter or other solid waste upon any public property in the city or upon private property in this city or in the waters of this city whether from a vehicle or otherwise, including but not limited to any public highway, public park, campground, forest land, recreational area, trailer park, highway, road, street or alley except:
 - (1) When such property is designated by the city for the disposal of litter and other solid waste and such person is authorized to use such property for such purpose;
 - (2) Into a litter receptacle in such a manner that the litter will be prevented from being carried away or deposited by the elements upon any part of such private or public property or waters.
- (b) Persons with trash receptacles on their property shall be responsible for insuring that the receptacle is in a condition that prevents litter from being carried away or deposited by the elements upon any part of such private or public property or waters. When the receptacle fails to prevent the spread of litter or when the owner fails to empty the receptacle and thereby allows the spread of litter upon any part of private or public properties, the owner of the property upon which the receptacle is located shall be in violation of this ordinance. The removal of litter from property or receptacles shall be upon the owner of the property where the receptacle is located.
- (c) No person shall throw or place any refuse, paper, trash, glass, nails, tacks, wire, bottles, cans, yard trash, landscape waste, concrete, earthen fill, garbage, containers or litter or other debris in any ditch, stream, river, creek, pond, lagoon, channel, canal or retention basin that regularly or periodically carries surface water run-off.
- (d) Failure of any driver or operator of any motor vehicle to cover and secure any loose material which is being transported or hauled upon the streets or other rights-of-way in the city so as to cause such material to blow, fall, spill or drop and thereby litter any street or other property within the city shall constitute a violation of this section.
- (d) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. The court, in lieu of any monetary fine imposed, may direct the substitution of litter-gathering labor under the supervision of the court, not to exceed one (1) hour for each five dollars (\$5.00) of fine imposed. In addition to any other punishment authorized by this section, in the sound discretion of any court in which conviction is obtained, such person may be directed by the judge to pick up and remove from any public place or any private property, with prior permission of the legal owner upon which it is established by competent evidence that such person had deposited litter, any or all litter deposited thereon by anyone prior to the date of execution of sentence.

(Code 1973, § 18-54; Ord. No. 92-30, 7-13-92)

Cross reference— Offenses and miscellaneous provisions, [Ch. 14](#); spillage from vehicles, §§ [9-67](#), [9-70](#), [17-2](#).

State Law reference— Littering, S.C. Code 1976, § 16-11-700.

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 13, 2022
AGENDA ITEM: FY 2022-23 Budget Ordinance
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Finance

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

For City Council consideration is the adoption of Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budgets for the City of Florence.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

FY 2022-23 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, 2023, 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:

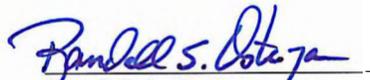
Staff recommends adoption of the FY2022/23 budgets as recommended.

VI. ATTACHMENTS:

1. The FY2022/23 budget ordinance is attached.



Kevin V. Yokim
Assistant City Manager



Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2022- _____

AN ORDINANCE TO RAISE REVENUE AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023.

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, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 \$44,910,000.
- (b) Further, there is hereby adopted a General Fund Debt Service Fund budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 \$39,610,000.
- (d) 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, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 \$1,490,000.
- (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, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 \$11,983,000.

- (f) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 \$1,720,000.
- (g) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Equipment Replacement Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 \$345,000.
- (h) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Construction budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 \$236,000.
- (i) Further, there is hereby adopted a Hospitality Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 \$4,881,500. 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, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, and for future fiscal years through 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, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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 fifty nine and one-tenth (59.1) 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, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, 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, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023. 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, 2022.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 13, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance to Annex and Zone CG 2640 West Palmetto Street, TMN 90004-01-026

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Department of Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Request to annex property located at 2640 West Palmetto Street, Tax Map Number 90004-01-026, into the City of Florence and zone to CG Commercial General. The request is being made by the property owners.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

On April 12, 2022, Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter, and voted unanimously, 6-0, to recommend the zoning request of CG Commercial General.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- (1) Request is being considered for first reading.
- (2) City water service are currently available.
- (3) Municipal sewer is not available to the property.
- (4) The property currently receives sewer service by a lift station that is owned and operated by a private party.
- (5) City of Florence engineering staff has reviewed the feasibility of extending sewer to the property and due to the lack of access, distance, and economic viability, the city is unable to serve the property.
- (6) City staff concurs with Planning Commission's recommendation to zone the property CG Commercial General.

IV. PERSONAL NOTES:

V. ATTACHMENTS:

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


Jerry B. Dudley
Planning Director


Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE 2640 WEST PALMETTO STREET, TMN 90004-01-026.

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers on April 12, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission, and notice of said hearing was duly given;

WHEREAS, application by the Housing Authority of Florence, owner of TMN 90004-01-026, was presented requesting an amendment to the City of Florence Zoning Atlas that the aforesaid property 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 **CG**:

The property requesting annexation is shown more specifically on Florence County Tax Map 90004, block 01, parcel 026 (4.422139 acres).

Any portions of public rights-of-way abutting the property described above will also be 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 classification.**
- 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 _____, 2022

Approved as to form:

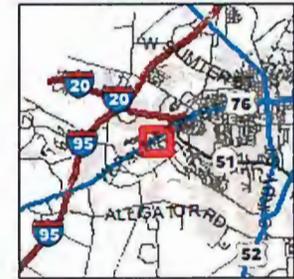
James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin,
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore
Municipal Clerk

PC 2022-15
Vicinity Map - 2640 West Palmetto Street



Legend

-  City Limits
-  Parcels
-  Proposed Parcel



DISCLAIMER:
 The City of Florence Department of Planning, Research, and Development data represented on this map is the product of compilation, as produced by others. It is provided for informational purposes only and the City of Florence makes no representation as to its accuracy. Its use without field verification is at the sole risk of the user.

300 150 0 300 Feet

Date: 3/8/2022

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF FLORENCE)

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

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:
2640 West Palmetto Street - Florence, S.C. 29501
Florence County Tax Map Number: 90004-01-026
3. Annexation is being sought for the following purposes:
Maintain a working relationship with the City of Florence due to the amount of open projects pending between the City of Florence and the Housing Authority of Florence.
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.

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	_____0_____
Race	_____0_____
Total 18 and Over	_____0_____
Total Registered to Vote	_____0_____

Date: 3-1-2022 Petitioner Signature: *Christine V. Elmore*

Date: _____ Petitioner Signature: _____

APPLICANT(S) (Please print or type): Name(s): Housing Authority of Florence

Address: 2640 West Palmetto Street - Florence, S.C. 29501

Telephone Number: (843) 610-0945 [cell]

(843) 669-4163 ext. 3380 [office]

Email Address: ehuggins@hafsc.org

Certification as to ownership on the date of petition: Date: <u>3-8-22</u>	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY <u><i>AB</i></u>
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VII. a.
Resolution No.
2022-15

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 13, 2022
AGENDA ITEM: Resolution
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Planning, Research, and Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A resolution to adopt the Community Development Block Grant budget for fiscal year 2022-2023.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

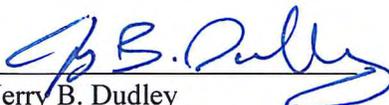
1. The City of Florence will receive \$319,283 in Community Development Block Grant funding for FY 2022-2023. Staff met with community members and neighborhood leaders to gather input on the use of these funds. Staff informed Council of all of the community funding requests that were received.

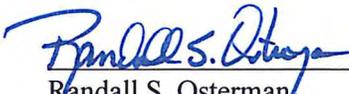
III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. The City of Florence will receive \$319,283 in Community Development Block Grant funding for FY 2022-2023. This represents an increase of \$28,083 from last year's allocation of \$291,200.
2. City staff held a virtual public meeting to receive input on the Community Development Block Grant funding on March 31, 2022 at 5:00 pm, and a public hearing to receive input was held at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on May 9, 2022.
3. CDBG funding can only be used to meet three national objectives: aid in the elimination of slum and blight; benefit to low-moderate income persons; and meeting a need having urgency.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Resolution


Jerry B. Dudley
Planning Director


Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

Resolution No. 2022-

**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 will receive approximately **\$319,283** in Community Development Block Grant funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for fiscal year 2022-2023; 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 adopt the following Community Development Block Grant budget for fiscal year 2022-2023:

Planning and Administration	\$ 63,000
Emergency Rehabilitation	\$ 117,283
Section 108 Loan Repayment (Recreation Improvements)	\$ 92,000
Down Payment Assistance	\$ 40,000
My Brother's Keeper	\$ 7,000
TOTAL	<u>\$ 319,283</u>

ADOPTED, this 13th day of June, 2022.

Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Teresa Myers Ervin
Mayor

Attest:

Casey C. Moore
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 13, 2022
AGENDA ITEM: Resolution
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: City Council

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A Resolution authorizing SRO Partners Florence LLC, the organization operating the Florence Flamingos, to seek licensure from the State of South Carolina to allow it to sell certain alcoholic beverages in limited areas of the stadium owned by the City of Florence and leased to SRO Partners Florence LLC.

II. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. The City is leasing the new municipal baseball stadium to SRO Partners Florence LLC to facilitate the use of the stadium by the Florence Flamingos.
2. SRO Partners Florence LLC wishes to make application to the South Carolina Department of Revenue to seek licensure that will allow liquor drinks to be served and consumed in limited access areas designated as the beer garden, the picnic area, and the Stadium Sky Shot areas.
3. This Resolution authorizes SRO Partners Florence LLC to seek the above-described licensure, but that decision is governed solely by the SC Department of Revenue.

III. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Resolution


Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SRO PARTNERS FLORENCE LLC, THE ORGANIZATION OPERATING THE FLORENCE FLAMINGOS, TO SEEK LICENSURE FROM THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA TO ALLOW IT TO SELL CERTAIN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN LIMITED AREAS OF THE STADIUM OWNED BY THE CITY AND LEASED TO SRO PARTNERS FLORENCE LLC.

Incident to adoption of this Resolution, City Council ("Council") makes the following findings of fact:

1. Effective May 1, 2022 the City is leasing its new municipal baseball stadium to SRO Partners Florence LLC to facilitate the use of the stadium by the Florence Flamingos, a summer collegiate baseball team affiliated with the Coastal Plain League.
2. The Florence Flamingos have successfully operated in the Florence area as the Florence Red Wolves for many years, and they are now under a new ownership group and are moving into the new stadium.
3. To successfully market the team, the new ownership group is utilizing limited areas of the stadium for specialized seating and entertainment, and they wish to make an application to the South Carolina Department of Revenue to seek licensure that will allow liquor drinks to be served and consumed in limited access areas designated as the beer garden, the picnic area, and the Stadium Sky Shot areas.
4. We are informed and believe that such licensure is allowed under the applicable South Carolina laws and regulations, but that decision is governed solely by the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BASED UPON THE FINDINGS OF FACT REFERENCED AND SET OUT ABOVE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA AS FOLLOWS:

- a. The City hereby authorizes SRO Partners Florence LLC to seek the above-described licensure provided that any service and sales of alcoholic beverages at the stadium must be done in strict compliance with the licensure issued by the South Carolina Department of Revenue.
- b. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by City Council.

[Signatures on Next Page]

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED this ____ day of _____, 2022.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JAMES W. PETERSON, JR.
City Attorney

TERESA MYERS ERVIN
Mayor

ATTEST:

CASEY C. MOORE
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 13, 2022
AGENDA ITEM: Resolution
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: City Council

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A resolution to support the creation of a comprehensive crime prevention strategy to reduce gun violence in Florence.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

1. City staff has reviewed and seek to emulate the successful outcomes associated with Project Ceasefire. Project Ceasefire is administered by the Office of United States Attorney, District of South Carolina as part of the national effort known as Project Safe Neighborhoods.
2. Project Safe Neighborhoods is a nationwide commitment to reduce gun and gang crime in America by networking existing local programs that target gun and gun crime and providing these programs with additional tools necessary to be successful.
3. Since its inception in 2001, approximately \$2 billion has been committed to this initiative. This funding is being used to hire new federal and state prosecutors, support investigators, provide training, distribute gun lock safety kits, deter juvenile gun crime, and develop and promote community outreach efforts as well as to support other gun and gang violence reduction strategies.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. The goal of the crime prevention strategy is to deter gun crime, develop and promote community outreach efforts, provide training for participants and support other gun violence reduction strategies. The way to accomplish this goal is to continue building relationships and trust between prior offenders, community stakeholders, service providers, and our citizens.

IV. OPTIONS:

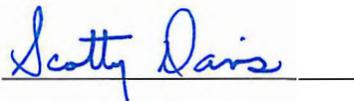
City Council may:

1. Approve and adopt the resolution
2. Deny the resolution
3. Suggest an alternative resolution

V. PERSONAL NOTES:

VI. ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Resolution



Scotty Davis
Deputy City Manager



Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE CRIME PREVENTION STRATEGY TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE IN FLORENCE

WHEREAS, Project Ceasefire is administered by the Office of United States Attorney, District of South Carolina as part of the national effort known as Project Safe Neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Project Safe Neighborhoods is a nationwide commitment to reduce gun and gang crime in America by networking existing local programs that target gun and gun crime and providing these programs with additional tools necessary to be successful; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception in 2001, approximately \$2 billion has been committed to this initiative. This funding is being used to hire new federal and state prosecutors, support investigators, provide training, distribute gun lock safety kits, deter juvenile gun crime, and develop and promote community outreach efforts as well as to support other gun and gang violence reduction strategies; and

WHEREAS, The goal of Project Ceasefire is to deter gun crime, develop and promote community outreach efforts, provide training for participants and support other gun violence reduction strategies. The way to accomplish this goal is to continue building relationships and trust between prior offenders, community stakeholders, service providers, and our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Citizens are encouraged to report information about crimes or suspicious activities to law enforcement. By assisting with tips and information, citizens can help maintain a safe and secure neighborhood.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Florence in a meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that:

The Florence City Council request that city staff create and implement a comprehensive crime prevention strategy based on partnering with various organizations and combines deterrence with workforce training, employment, mental health counseling, and other services to reduce the gun violence in Florence.

RESOLVED this 13th day of June, 2022.

Approved as to form:

JAMES W. PETERSON, JR.
CITY ATTORNEY

TERESA MYERS ERVIN
MAYOR

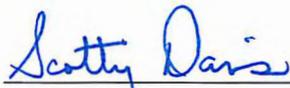
ATTEST:

CASEY C. MOORE
MUNICIPAL CLERK

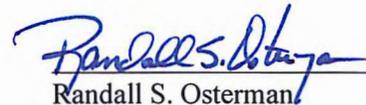
FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 13, 2022
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:**
There are three (3) Boards or Commissions that have vacancies.
- III. ATTACHMENTS:**
(1) Spreadsheet of Council Nominations to Boards and Commissions.
(2) Nomination Packet.



Scotty Davis
Deputy City Manager



Randall S. Osterman
City Manager

SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - JUNE 2022

	District 1	District 2	District 3	At-Large 1	At-Large 2	At-Large-3	Mayor
	Schofield	Moore	Braddock	Jebaily	Barnes	McCall	Ervin
Construction & Maintenance Board							x
Aesthetics Advisory Committee		x					x
Resilience and Sustainability Advisory Committee				x			

CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS

I. NOMINATIONS:

There is one (1) vacancy on the Construction and Maintenance Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

- Gary Bullard has resigned his position. Mr. Bullard served as a Mechanical Contractor. The unexpired term of Mr. Bullard will expire on 06/30/2023.

II. APPOINTMENT REQUIREMENTS:

(A) 1 – Mechanical Contractor

III. COUNCILMEMBER(S) TO MAKE NOMINATION:

- Mayor Ervin will make all nominations to this Board, per City Code.

IV. NEW APPLICANT(S):

There are currently no applicants for this Board.

V. ATTACHMENTS

AESTHETICS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

I. NOMINATIONS:

There are two (2) seats to be filled on the Aesthetics Advisory Committee. Terms of the initial appointees shall be staggered, as follows:

- Seats designated as seats 5, 6 & 7 will serve initial terms of three (3) years.

After the completion of initial terms, all members appointed shall serve three (3) year terms.

II. APPOINTMENT REQUIREMENTS:

Members must reside or be employed within the city limits.

III. COUNCILMEMBER(S) TO MAKE NOMINATION:

- Mayor Ervin (Seat 5 – 3-year term)
- Councilwoman Moore (Seat 7 – 3-year term)

IV. NEW APPLICANT(S):

- Leigh King

V. ATTACHMENTS

- Applications received

Entry #: 92

Date Submitted: 5/26/2022 8:46 AM

Board or Commission for which you are applying:
Aesthetics Advisory Committee

Your Name	County	Council District
Leigh King	Florence	District 1

Email Address
lking@kingandlove.com

Residential Address
1011 Wisteria Drive, Florence, South Carolina 29501

Mailing Address
1011 Wisteria Drive, Florence, South Carolina 29501

Your Occupation - Title	Business Phone	Residence Phone
Office Manager	(843) 407-9306	(843) 601-2529

Employer Name
King, Love, Hupfer & Nance, LLC

Employer Address	City	State
135 S Dargan St., Ste. 201	Florence	South Carolina

General Qualifications

Are you a resident of the City?	If so, how long?
Yes	27

Why would you like to serve?
Growing up in Lumberton, Florence was a destination city for a day trip. Since moving to Florence in 1995, I have seen Florence flourish and decline. Currently, visitors from I-95 and 20 have nothing to comment on other than the abundance of fast food options. Florence does not seem to make the most of its assets. I would like to help Florence recover its reputation with visitors commenting on its charm. I want my children to be proud to say that they grow up in such a lovely city.

Do you presently serve on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State?
No

If so, please list:

Have you formerly served on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State?
No

If so, please list:

Are you currently in a position of responsibility with an organization or board that has <u>received</u> or is <u>seeking</u> 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:
During COVID, I was not as active. Previously, I served on the Parent Board for All Saints Day School for many years, including as President. I served on the Parent Board for Trinity Collegiate School. I served on the Parent Board of SC Governor's School for Art and Humanities. I have been actively involved with the SC of Dance Arts as well as a member of the Florentine Society.

What are your goals and objectives if appointed to the Commission/Board?
I see the potential for Florence to grow being stunted by its lack of aesthetic design. There needs to be a unique characteristic associated with the town. I envision a downtown space that brings the community together for concerts and events and offers a lovely space when not in use that visitors will comment on. I believe that we could become a sister-city to a town like Wilson NC that has done an incredible job with the beautification of their town and as a result it has become a destination for travelers and a suburb of Raleigh.

I certify that the information above is true and correct.	Today's Date
	5/26/2022



Information on this form will be considered public.	Today's Date
	5/26/2022



RESILIENCE & SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

I. NOMINATIONS:

There is one (1) seat to be filled on the Resilience and Sustainability Advisory Committee. Terms of the initial appointees shall be staggered, as follows:

- Seats designated as seats 1, 2 & 3 will serve initial terms of one (1) year.

After the completion of initial terms, all members appointed shall serve three (3) year terms.

II. APPOINTMENT REQUIREMENTS:

Members must reside or be employed within the city limits.

Memberships will consist of the following:

(A) 1 – Representative from District 2

III. COUNCILMEMBER(S) TO MAKE NOMINATION:

- Pro tem Jebaily (Seat 2 – 1-year term)

IV. NEW APPLICANT(S):

- There are currently no qualified applicants for this Committee.