

# RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT



## Office of the County Administrator

### COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT OF COUNCIL ACTIONS REGULAR SESSION COUNCIL MEETING

March 2, 2010

6:00 PM

**Call to Order:** Livingston

**Invocation:** Pearce

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Pearce

**Citizens' Input:** Two people spoke regarding the Ridgewood Streetscape item.

#### Approval of Minutes

**Regular Session: February 16, 2010:** The minutes were approved as amended.

**Zoning Public Hearing: February 23, 2010:** The minutes were approved.

**Adoption of the Agenda:** Two Personnel Matters were added to the agenda under Executive Session. The agenda was adopted as amended.

#### Report of the County Attorney

- a. **Columbia Venture Litigation Update:** This item was not ready to discuss. **ACTION: LEGAL**
- b. **Township Property:** This item was not discussed in Executive Session.
- c. **Personnel Matters (2)**

#### Report of the County Administrator

- a. **Township Property:** Mr. Pope stated that he has contacted the City per the direction of Council, and that he is awaiting a response. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**

- b. **Farmers' Market Settlement: Joint Resolutions in House and Senate:** Mr. Pope informed Council that the resolutions have been introduced in both the House and Senate, and that the items are moving through Committees. Mr. Pope will keep Council updated as the Resolutions progress. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- c. **Lower Richland Sewer Update:** Mr. Pope stated that he is waiting on the City to forward information to us, and that he will present the item to Council when available. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- d. **Census Update:** Stephany Snowden gave an update on the activities to date regarding the promotion of the Census.

#### **Report of the Clerk of Council**

- a. **Crane Creek Watershed Meeting, March 4, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, Crane Creek Community Center, 7405 Fairfield Road**
- b. **Richland Memorial Hospital wishes to present its State of the Organization Annual Report at the April 20, 2010 Council Meeting.**  
**ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**Report of the Chairman:** No report.

#### **1. Consent Items**

- a. **An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2009 – 2010 General Fund Annual Budget to appropriate \$500,000 of additional revenue and expenditures to the non-departmental budget due to new accounting procedures associated with ambulance fee collections [Third Reading]:** Council gave third reading approval to the ordinance.  
**ACTION: BUDGET, FINANCE, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- b. [Removed from Consent] **An Ordinance Authorizing a lease to Vulcan Materials, Inc. for approximately 10 acres of land, which is a portion of Richland County TMS #06500-01-11 [Second Reading]:** Council gave second reading to the ordinance. The lease is to be presented at third reading. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- c. **10-02MA; The View Subdivision; Joseph Younan; RU to RS-E (83.5 Acres); 12200-02-40 [formerly 12200-02-05(p)]; Lorick Road [Second Reading]:** Council gave second reading to the ordinance. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

- d. **Ordinance to allow subdivision of land of a cross-access easement**  
[Second Reading]: Council gave second reading to the ordinance.  
**ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- e. [Removed from Consent] **Broad River Rowing Center:** Council directed the Administrator to negotiate with all involved parties, and then report back to the D&S Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- f. [Removed from Consent] **Farmers' Market:** Council referred this item back to the D&S Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- g. [Removed from Consent] **Funding for Alternative Paving:** Council referred this item back to the D&S Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
- h. [Removed from Consent] **Hopkins Community Water System:** Council approved the construction contract for Division I be awarded to Tom Brigman Contractors, Inc in the amount of \$3,077,547.53 and the contract for Division II be awarded to Caldwell Tanks, Inc in the amount of \$774,000.00. Council also authorized the County Administrator be given the authority to approve change orders to either contract in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 provided the total construction cost does not exceed the budget. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, UTILITIES, PROCUREMENT, LEGAL, BUDGET, FINANCE**
- i. **Bed and Breakfast Homes / Inns [First Reading]:** Council gave first reading approval to the ordinance. **ACTION: PLANNING, LEGAL, CLERK OF COUNCIL**
- j. **Grant for the 2009 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program:** Council approved the request to accept the \$31,833 in grant funds from the State Criminal Assistance Program. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, BUDGET, FINANCE**
- k. [Removed from Consent] **Ridgewood Streetscape Design:** Staff informed Council that the Legal issues had been resolved, and stated that the funding source will be the Neighborhood Improvement Fund. Council approved the Ridgewood Streetscape design to include the commercial corridor lighting. Council would sign two 5 year leases between SCE&G and Richland County. The County will provide the service, maintenance and installation fees for the 10 year period. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, BUDGET, FINANCE, PLANNING, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, PROCUREMENT, LEGAL**

2. **Report of Administration and Finance Committee**

- a. **Design Build Bio-Retention Rain Garden:** Council authorized the Neighborhood Improvement Program to proceed with the bio-retention rain garden RFP design-build process. The item will come back to Council for approval. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, PLANNING, PROCUREMENT**
- b. **Designated Historic Buildings Should be Exempt from Richland County Taxes and Permit Costs:** Council tabled this item. Councilman Washington is to forward information to the Administrator regarding a potential historic renovation project.

3. **Report of Rules and Appointments Committee**

- a. **Notification of Vacancies:** Advertise. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
  - i. **Accommodations Tax Committee – 1 [Ken Ivey, April 1, 2010]**
  - ii. **Appearance Commission – 2 [One Horticulturalist, one landscaper]**
  - iii. **Board of Assessment Appeals – 1 [Joseph Rosen, April 17, 2010]**
- b. **Notification of Appointments**
  - i. **Accommodations Tax Committee – 2 [Wallace B. Cunningham]** Cunningham was appointed. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
  - ii. **Community Relations Council – 1 [Frank E. White, Jr.]** Advertise. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
  - iii. **Employee Grievance Committee – 1 [No applications were received]** Advertise. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
  - iv. **Internal Audit Committee – 2 [Pierre Brunache; no additional applications were received]** Advertise. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
  - v. **Planning Commission – 1 [Dale L. Ball, Wallace Brown, Sr., Preston Carter, Stephanie Estep Cordum, Milton D. Davenport, Eric Douglas DeVan, Vivian D. DuBard, William L. DuBard, Sr., Carlos W. Gibbons, Sr., Yvonne L. Hall,**

**Franklin D. Hertz, Mark Paul Kays, Prentiss McLaurin, James W., “Jim” Pfefferkorn, Nathan Powell, Suzann Fair Sox, Howard A. VanDine, III, James P. Ward, Jr.]:** This item was held in Committee, and will be discussed March 16.

**ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**c. Discussion from Rules and Appointments Committee**

- i. Planning Commission Ordinance and Motion to Restructure:** Council referred the item back to the Rules and Appointments Committee. Three options are to be considered: Keep the Planning Commission as-is; Appoint Planning Commission members by planning area (5 planning areas per Comprehensive Plan); Appoint Planning Commission members by Council district. Implementation plans are also to be addressed. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, PLANNING, LEGAL**

**4. Resolution Adopting the All Natural Hazards Risk Assessment and Mitigation Plan for the Central Midlands Region of South Carolina:** Council deferred the Resolution. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**5. Report of Joint Transportation Ad Hoc Committee**

- a. CMRTA Resolution: ARRA Funds and the IGA:** Council approved the request per the CMRTA Resolution, and recommended approval of the amended IGA, contingent upon legal review of the proposed amendments. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, LEGAL**
- b. Proposed Work Session: March 18:** Council scheduled the Joint County – City Work Session for March 18, 2010 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION, CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**6. Citizens’ Input:** One person spoke.

**7. Motion Period**

- a. I move that we commence a compliance audit to determine if those companies granted economic development incentives by Richland County have complied with: (1) the terms of the incentive agreements between the County and the company (2) the measures adopted by resolution of Richland County Council to ascertain local hiring and civic engagement [Smith]:** Referred to the Economic Development Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**

- b. **Resolution to Support and Pursue Funding for the Airport Boulevard (SC 302) Beautification Project in Partnership with the City of Cayce, City of West Columbia, and Lexington County [Livingston]:** Council approved the resolution by unanimous consent. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL**
  - c. **Richland County fund the ceremony of the bridge renaming for the two young ladies who tragically died going home from work by resolution [Jackson]:** Council voted to provide up to \$500 from Council's Discretionary Account. **ACTION: CLERK OF COUNCIL, BUDGET, FINANCE**
  - d. **Add Voter's Registration adjustment retroactive per Council discussion to the 2011 budget [Jackson]:** This item was withdrawn.
  - e. **Ensure that any negotiations with the Fire Department, City and County makes a priority to keep ISO ratings and is in the best interest of the citizens and fire fighters' safety. [Jackson]:** Council referred this item to the D&S Committee. **ACTION: ADMINISTRATION**
8. **Adjournment:** Council adjourned at 9:40 p.m.