

**RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
MAY 18, 2004  
6:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bernice G. Scott, Chair; Joan B. Brady, Vice-Chair; Susan Brill; Paul Livingston; Doris M. Corley; Joseph McEachern; Anthony Mizzell; L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.; Kit Smith; Thelma M. Tillis; James Tuten

**OTHERS PRESENT:** T. Cary McSwain, Larry Smith, Amelia Linder, Milton Pope, Tony McDonald, Michielle Cannon-Finch, Ashley Bloom, Pam Davis, Roxanne Matthews, Chris Eversman, Chief Harrell, Marsheika Martin, Michael Criss

**CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:03 p.m.

**INVOCATION** - The Invocation was given by Pastor Paul Cheezem of Fairlawn United Methodist Church and Chaplin for the Richland County Sheriff's Department.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENTATION**

**Proclamation honoring Public Works Week** – On behalf of Council, Ms. Brady presented a proclamation to the Public Works Department.

Mr. Criss Eversman, Public Works Director, invited Council members to a barbeque which will be held on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 p.m.

**Free Medical Clinic** – On behalf of Council, Mr. Pearce and Ms. Brill presented a resolution to the medical clinic for the good deeds the clinic is doing in the community.

Mr. Dennis Coker, Executive Director of the Free Medical Clinic, Dr. Robert Mallenot, the board chairman and board members were present.

**CITIZEN'S INPUT** – The following persons spoke of concerns regarding the Community residential care center: Mr. Lee G. Edens and Ms. Queen Bonaparte.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to add a contractual matter regarding Owens Field to the agenda which would need to be discussed in Executive Session.

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to add a property/contractual matter to the agenda.

Ms. Michelle Cannon-Finch, Clerk of Council, stated item 1-c (Columbia Land Associates, Ltd.) should be read as 04-42MA.

Mr. McEachern moved, seconded by Mr. Mizzell, to adopt the agenda as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**REPORT OF COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS** – Mr. Larry Smith, County Attorney, stated the following items need to be discussed in Executive Session if there were any questions:

- **Employee Grievance**
- **Contractual Matter – Owens Field**
- **Contractual Matter – Land**

Ms. Scott stated Executive Session will follow Citizen's Input at the end of the agenda.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**May 4, 2004 – Regular Session** – Ms. Corley moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to reconsider the minutes regarding the zoning item 04-41MA. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**April 27, 2004 – Zoning Public Hearing** – Mr. McEachern moved, seconded by Ms. Brady, to approve the minutes. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR** – No report was given at this time.

**REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL** – No report was given at this time.

**OPEN/CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS** – Ms. Scott opened the floor to the following public hearing items:

- **Ordinance authorizing lease agreement with Siemens Automotive, VDO** – No one spoke at this time.
- **Ordinance authorizing fee-in-lieu of taxes extension for Siemens Diesel Systems Technology, LLC** – No one spoke at this time.

#### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS**

Ms. Brady moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to adopt the following items for the consent agenda:

- **Ordinance amending Zoning Ordinance regarding residences in M-1 to M-2 zoning districts [Third Reading]**

- **04-42MA, Columbia Land Associates, Ltd., RU to PUD-1 (61.0 acres), Commercial Industrial, 14800-02-22 (p), Wilson Boulevard south of I-77 [Third Reading]**
- **04-43MA, Billy Belger, RU to C-3, Convenience Store, 31000-02-14, 4870 Leesburg Road [Third Reading]**
- **04-46MA, Gerald Steele, RU to C-3, Office and Retail, 02408-01-02, 1761 Dutch Fork Road [Third Reading]**
- **04-49MA, Estates Properties, LLC, C-1 to RG-2, Multi-family dwellings, 16907-01-04, 6837 North Trenholm Road [Third Reading]**
- **Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of Pass-thru funds for LRADAC Fiscal Year 2003-2004 [Second Reading]**
- **Approval of a Resolution to appoint and commission Thomas A. Bryant as an Animal Care Code Enforcement Officer**

### **THIRD READING ITEMS**

#### **04-33MA, Tom Margle, RU to RS-2, Single Family Detached Subdivision, 04100-01-6**

Ms. Corley moved, seconded by Ms. Brady/Mr. Livingston, to give this item Third Reading approval. The vote in favor was unanimous.

#### **04-44MA, Milliken Forestry Company, Inc., Rs-1 to C-1, Commercial Office Space, Commercial Office Space, 17113-08-04, 1528 Legrand Road**

Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to give this item Third Reading approval. The vote was in favor.

### **REPORT OF DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE**

#### **Hobart Road Project**

Mr. Chris Eversman, Public Works Director, gave a brief report regarding the response on the proposal to expend a portion of the C-fund money in each Council member's district.

Ms. Tillis requested for the following statement to be verbatim: Mr. Eversman stated that "the remaining balance in District 3 will remain in District 3."

Ms. Brill moved, seconded by Mr. Tuten/Mr. Mizzell, to approve an agreement between Richland County, Longtown Development Company, LLC, and Brickyard Longtown, LLC for creation of a connector road between SC 555 and Longtown Road West by relocating and paving Hobart Road.

A discussion took place.

Ms. Scott requested for the following statement to be verbatim: Mr. Eversman stated "there was not any money from District 1 or District 10 because all of the money is going to be spent in District 10."

The discussion continued about the individual districts.

Ms. Smith made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Mizzell, to maintain the equitable spread of the funds among the districts and to ask the staff to approach the developer to see if the County can renegotiate the split.

The discussions continued regarding funding for District 7 road projects.

Mr. McEachern stated an adjustment of \$13,152.00 needs to be included in the motion reflecting Mr. Tuten moving District 2's road funds to district 7's district road funds to district 7. Mr. Eversman stated the amount has already been included in the report.

The vote for the substitute motion was in favor.

## **REPORT OF RULES AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (DEFERRED FROM 04/05/04 MEETING)**

### **Neighborhood Improvement Fund Program**

Mr. McEachern stated the committee recommended that a neighborhood planner be hired to supervise applications along with a committee; the committee would consist of the Community Development Department, Planning Department, as well as the Public Works Department; the committee would then make recommendations to Council. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. McEachern stated the committee recommended the creation of a strategic neighborhood planning and a neighborhood revitalization summit which may include the hiring of a consultant with a cap of \$5,000.00. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### **Applications for locating a Community Residential Care Facility in an unincorporated area of Richland County**

**Ms. Doris Shuler  
123 Stanford Street  
Columbia, SC 29203**

**Ms. Sarah W. Long  
424 Calvery Drive  
Columbia, SC 29203**

Mr. McEachern moved, seconded Mr. Mizzell, to defer these items to the next Council meeting. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**CITIZEN'S INPUT** – No one spoke at this time.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was moved and seconded to go into Executive Session to discuss the following:

- **Employee Grievance**
- **Contractual Matter – Owens Field**
- **Contractual Matter – Land**

The vote in favor was unanimous. (Ms. Brady, Mr. Tuten and Ms. Brill left as Council was going into Executive Session.)

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**Council went into Executive Session at approximately 7:00 p.m. and came out at approximately 8:21 p.m.**  
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It was moved and seconded to come out of Executive Session. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Employee Grievance**

Mr. McEachern moved, seconded by Mr. Mizzell, to uphold the County Administrator's recommendation to include the additional reimbursement that was discussed in Executive Session.

Mr. Livingston made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to instruct the Administrator to take information that he received from the Grievance Committee reference the discussion in Council, look at the information and make whatever recommendation that he deems fit for this situation to Council.

The vote for the substitute motion was as follows:

<u>In favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>
Pearce	Corley
Livingston	Mizzell
Smith	Scott
	McEachern
	Tillis

The motion failed.

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The vote for the main motion was as follows:

<u>In favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>
Corley	Pearce
Mizzell	Livingston
Scott	Smith
McEachern	
Tillis	

The motion passed.

**Owens Field**

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to authorize staff to prepare a spending resolution for the issuance of bonds for the construction of Owens Airport Project and they also be granted authority to execute the contract and secure the services of the County's auditors to assist in the negotiations of the contract with the current FDO. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Township Auditorium**

Ms. Smith moved, seconded by Ms. Tillis, to authorize negotiations to proceed for the purchase of property as discussed in Executive Session. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**MOTION PERIOD** – There were not any motions at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:21 p.m.

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James Tuten

The minutes were transcribed by Marsheika G. Martin