

December 22, 2009
Charleston, SC

A regular meeting of County Council of Charleston County was held on the 22nd day of December, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Second Floor, Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Services Building, and 4045 Bridge View Drive, Charleston, South Carolina.

Present at the meeting were the following members of Council: Teddie E. Pryor, Sr., Chairman, who presided; Colleen Condon; Joe McKeown; A. Victor Rawl; Dickie Schweers and Paul R. Thurmond. Council Members Henry E. Darby; Curtis B. Inabinett; J. Elliott Summey;

Also present were: Allen O'Neal, County Administrator; County Attorney Joe Dawson; and Dan Pennick, Director of the Zoning/Planning Department.

Rev. Robert Reid gave the invocation. Ms. Craven led in the pledge to the flag.

The Clerk reported that in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification.

Mr. McKeown moved approval of the Minutes of December 3, 2009, seconded by Mr. Thurmond, and carried.

The Chairman stated that Aaron Norris, an Office Services Specialist II with the Office of Services Department was selected as Employee of the Quarter for July through September, 2009. He added that T. C. Hardwick, Office Services Manager; Robert Shine, Mail Room Supervisor and Members of Mr. Norris's family were in the Audience.

The County Administrator said that Aaron had been a County employee since October 9, 1995, and was chosen based on his positive attitude in the workplace. Aaron's conscientiousness with every job duty he performed and his willingness to accept whatever task is thrown his way earned him the title of Employee of the Quarter.

An Ordinance changing the zoning of property located at 2230 Wren Street was given third reading by title only.

ZREZ -08-09-
5149, 2230
Wren Avenue
Ordinance
3rd Reading

AN ORDINANCE

CHANGING ZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2230 WREN STREET, PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 475-06-00-040 FROM A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL-4 DISTRICT TO A RESIDENTIAL OFFICE (OR) DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the property identified as parcel identification number 475-06-00-040 is currently zoned Single Family Residential 4 (R-4) District; and

WHEREAS, the current owner or an agent thereof has applied for a change in the zoning district applicable to the parcel, and

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed by the Charleston County Planning Department and has been found to be complete and in proper form, and

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Planning Commission has reviewed the application in accordance with the procedures established in state law and the County Zoning and Land Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the rezoning complies in all respects with Article 3.4 of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the rezoning would conform to and implement the Charleston County Comprehensive Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, be ordained it by Charleston County Council, in meeting duly assembled, finds as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION II. REZONING OF PROPERTY

The property identified as parcel identification number 475-06-00-040 is hereby rezoned from the Single Family Residential 4 (R-4) District; to Residential Office (OR) District. The zoning map of Charleston County is hereby amended to conform to this change. Any development on the site must conform to all requirements of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations and other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of County Council following third reading.

The Chairman called for third reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Ms. Condon	- aye
Mr. Darby	- absent

Mr. Inabinett	- absent
Mr. McKeown	- aye
Mr. Rawl	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- aye
Mr. Summey	- absent
Mr. Thurmond	- aye
Mr. Pryor	- aye

The vote being six (6) ayes and three (3) absent, the Chairman declared the Ordinance to have received third reading approval.

**ZREZ –08-09-
5377- 21 Penn
Avenue
Ordinance
3rd Reading**

An Ordinance rezoning property located at 21 Penn Avenue, was given third reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

CHANGING ZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 21 PENN AVENUE, PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 418-15-00-00 FROM A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL-4 (R-4) DISTRICT TO A COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC) DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the property identified as parcel identification number 418-15-00-099 is currently zoned Single Family Residential 4 (R-4) District; and

WHEREAS, the current owner or an agent thereof has applied for a change in the zoning district applicable to the parcel, and

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed by the Charleston County Planning Department and has been found to be complete and in proper form, and

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Planning Commission has reviewed the application in accordance with the procedures established in state law and the County Zoning and Land Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the rezoning complies in all respects with Article 3.4 of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the rezoning would conform to and implement the Charleston County Comprehensive Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, be ordained it by Charleston County Council, in meeting duly assembled, finds as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION II. REZONING OF PROPERTY

The property identified as parcel identification number 418-15-00-099 is hereby rezoned from the Single Family Residential 4 (R-4) District to Community Commercial (CC) District. The zoning map of Charleston County is hereby amended to conform to this change. Any development on the site must conform to all requirements of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations and other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval of County Council following third reading.

The Chairman called for third reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

- Ms. Condon - aye
- Mr. Darby - absent
- Mr. Inabinett - absent
- Mr. McKeown - aye
- Mr. Rawl - aye
- Mr. Schweers - aye
- Mr. Summey - absent
- Mr. Thurmond - aye
- Mr. Pryor - aye

The vote being six (6) ayes and three (3) absent, the Chairman declared the Ordinance to have received third reading approval.

An Ordinance approving amendments to the Charleston County Comprehensive Plan was given third reading by title only.

Comprehensive
Plan
Ordinance
3rd Reading

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE AMENDMENT OF THE CHARLESTON COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (TEXT AND MAPS) PROVISIONS (1) TABLE 3.1.1, FUTURE LAND USE RESIDENTIAL DENSITIES TO INCLUDE PLANNED DEVELOPMNETS; (2) SECTION 3.1.7 FUTURE LAND USE RECOMMENDATIONS, TO DESCRIBE PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS AND TO PROVIDE THEIR UTILIZATION TO ACCOMPLISH THE STRATEGIES CONTAINED IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; (3) SECTION 3.1.8, RURAL GUIDELINE 3, TO CLARIFY THE USE OF CONSERVATION DESIGN TO

ACCOMPLISH THE STRATEGIES CONTAINED IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; (4) SECTION 3.1.8, RURAL GUIDELINE 20 AND SECTION 3.9.4 PRIORITY INVESTMENT, IMPLEMENTATION AND COORDINATING STRATEGY 5, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS THAT ARE APPROVED AS COMPONENTS OF PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS; AND (5) MAPS 3.1.4 THROUGH 3.1.10 TO INDICATE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Council (the "County Council") adopted Ordinance No. 1095, effective April 20, 1999, with subsequent amendments and additions made thereto, which enacted and amended the Charleston County Comprehensive Plan (the "Comprehensive Plan") in compliance with the South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994 (Title 6, Chapter 29 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended) ("Planning Act"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Planning Act, the County Council adopted Ordinance No. 1274, effective November 18, 2003, with subsequent amendments and additions made thereto, at the 5-year review of the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Planning Act, the County Council adopted Ordinance No. 1567, effective November 18, 2008; at the 10-year update of the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan does not address Planned Development Zoning Districts ("Planned Development"); and

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Planning Commission (the "Planning Commission") has reviewed the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the procedures established in State law and the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the recommendation of the Planning Commission, County Council held at least 1 public hearing and after close of the public hearing, County Council approves the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council of Charleston County, South Carolina, in meetings duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION II. AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

County Council amends the Comprehensive Plan provisions: (1) Table 3.1.1, Future Land Use Residential Densities, to include Planned Developments; (2) Section 3.1.7, Future Land Use Recommendations, to describe Planned Developments and to provide their utilization to accomplish the strategies contained

in the Comprehensive Plan; (3) Section 3.1.8, Rural Guideline 3, to clarify the use of Conservation Design to accomplish the strategies contained in the Comprehensive Plan; (4) Section 3.1.8, Rural Guideline 20 and Section 3.9.4, Priority Investment, Implementation, and Coordination Strategy 5, to clarify the process for wastewater treatment systems that are approved as components of Planned Developments; and (5) Maps 3.1.4 through 3.1.10, to indicate previously approved Planned Developments.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its approval following third reading by the County Council.

The Chairman called for third reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Ms. Condon	- aye
Mr. Darby	- absent
Mr. Inabinett	- absent
Mr. McKeown	- aye
Mr. Rawl	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- aye
Mr. Summey	- absent
Mr. Thurmond	- aye
Mr. Pryor	- aye

The vote being six (6) ayes and three (3) absent, the Chairman declared the Ordinance to have received third reading approval.

ZPD-09-09-
564, 3883
Betsy
Kerrison
Ordinance
3rd Reading

An Ordinance rezoning property located at 3883 Betsy Kerrison Parkway and 2501 Mullet Hall Road was given third reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

REZONING 1,427.81 ACRES OF A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3883 BETSY KERRISON PARKWAY AND 2501 MULLET HALL ROAD, JOHNS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA, PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 212-00-00-001 FROM SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL 4 ZONING DISTRICT (R-4) / AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION ZONING DISTRICT (AG-8) TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT ZONING DISTRICT (PD) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE KIAWAH RIVER PLANTATION, JOHNS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG KIAWAH RIVER PLANTATION, L.P.;

OCEAN BOULEVARD PROPERTIES, L.P.; AND CHARLESTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

WHEREAS, the property located at 3883 Betsy Kerrison Parkway and 2501 Mullet Hall Road, identified as tax map parcel number 212-00-00-001 is currently zoned Single Family Residential 4 Zoning District (R-4) / Agricultural Preservation Zoning District (AG-8); and

WHEREAS, the applicant requests that 1,427.81 acres of the parcel, as identified on the approved, recorded plat attached hereto as Exhibit "B", be rezoned to Planned Development (PD) in conjunction with the Kiawah River Plantation, Johns Island, South Carolina Development Agreement by and among Kiawah River Plantation, L.P.; Ocean Boulevard Properties, L.P.; and Charleston County, South Carolina (the "Development Agreement").

WHEREAS, the applicant has submitted a complete application for PD Development Plan approval pursuant to Article 4.27 of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations (the "ZLDR"); and

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed PD Development Plan and adopted a resolution, by majority vote of the entire membership, recommending that the County Council approve the proposed PD Development Plan with conditions, which recommendation is based on the Approval Criteria of Section 4.27.9.C.6 of the ZLDR; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the recommendation of the Planning Commission, County Council held at least 1 public hearing and after close of the public hearing, County Council approves with conditions the proposed PD Development Plan based on the Approval Criteria of Section 4.27.9.C.6 of Article 4.27 of the ZLDR; and

WHEREAS, the County Council has determined the PD Development Plan meets the following criteria:

- A. The PD Development Plan complies with the standards contained in Article 4.27 of the ZLDR;
- B. The development is consistent with the intent of the Charleston County Comprehensive Plan;
- C. The County and other agencies will be able to provide necessary public services, facilities, and programs to serve the development proposed, at the time the property is developed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council of Charleston County, South Carolina, in meetings duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION II. REZONING OF PROPERTY

A. The County Council rezones 1,427.81 acres of the property located at 3883 Betsy Kerrison Parkway and 2501 Mullet Hall Road, tax map parcel identification number 212-00-00-001, the acreage identified on the approved, recorded plat attached hereto as Exhibit "B", from the Single Family Residential 4 Zoning District (R-4) / Agricultural Preservation Zoning District (AG-8) to the Planned Development Zoning District (PD); and

B. The PD Development Plan submitted by the applicant and identified as the "Appendix A - Kiawah River Plantation Planned Development District Plan," including the changes and conditions approved by the County Council that are attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part of this Ordinance by reference, shall constitute the PD Development Plan for the parcel which shall be identified as Planned Development 143 or PD-143; and

C. Any and all development of PD-143 must comply with the PD Development Plan, the Comprehensive Plan, the ZLDR, and all other applicable ordinances, rules, regulations, and laws; and

D. The zoning map for the platted portion of tax map parcel identification number 212-00-00-001, as identified in Exhibit "B", is amended to PD-143 in accordance with Section 3.4.7 of Article 3.4 of the ZLDR.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval following third reading by the County Council.

The Chairman called for third reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Ms. Condon	- aye
Mr. Darby	- absent
Mr. Inabinett	- absent
Mr. McKeown	- aye
Mr. Rawl	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- aye
Mr. Summey	- absent
Mr. Thurmond	- aye

Mr. Pryor

- aye

The vote being five (5) ayes, three (3) absent and one (1) abstention, the Chairman declared the Ordinance to have received third reading approval.

**Kiawah River
Plantation
Agreement
Ordinance
3rd Reading**

A report was read from the Special Finance Committee under date of December 22, 2009 that it considered the information furnished by the County Attorney Joseph Dawson, regarding the Kiawah River Development Agreement.

Committee recommended approval of the Kiawah River Development Agreement.

Mr. McKeown moved approval of Committee recommendation, seconded by Ms. Condon, and carried.

An Ordinance approving the Kiawah River Plantation Development Agreement was given third reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE KIAWAH RIVER PLANTATION, JOHNS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG KIAWAH RIVER PLANTATION, L.P.; OCEAN BOULEVARD PROPERTIES, L.P. AND CHARLESTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

WHEREAS, Charleston County, South Carolina (the "County"), acting by and through the Charleston County Council (the "County Council"), is empowered under and pursuant to the provisions of the South Carolina Local Government Development Agreement Act, Title 6, Chapter 31, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the "Act"), to enter into development agreements relating to property within the County; and

WHEREAS, the County Council has determined that the Development Agreement for Kiawah River Plantation, Johns Island, South Carolina by and among Kiawah River Plantation, L.P.; Ocean Boulevard Properties, L.P.; and Charleston County, South Carolina (the "Development Agreement") is consistent with the Charleston County Comprehensive Plan (the "Comprehensive Plan"), the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations (the "ZLDR"); and is a proper exercise of the police power and other authority granted to the County government; and benefits the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County for the County to enter into the Development Agreement relating to the development of the property known as Kiawah River Plantation, Johns Island, South Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council of Charleston County, South Carolina, in meetings duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance. In addition to the recitals set forth above, which the

County Council hereby adopts as findings of fact, the County Council specifically finds that the Development Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" complies with the Act, the Comprehensive Plan, and the ZLDR.

SECTION II. DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

The terms of the Development Agreement are hereby approved in accordance with the Act and the County zoning and land development regulations. The Development Agreement shall be effective immediately upon approval of this Ordinance after third reading and execution by the parties, but implementation shall be subject to final approval of rezoning the Kiawah River Plantation property to a Planned Development pursuant to the terms set forth in the Development Agreement.

SECTION III. EXECUTION

The Chairman of the County Council is authorized to execute and deliver the Development Agreement on behalf of the County, and any and all other necessary documents or instruments incidental to the approval of this Ordinance and the Development Agreement.

SECTION IV. SEVERABILITY

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its approval following third reading by the County Council.

The Chairman called for third reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Ms. Condon	- aye
Mr. Darby	- absent
Mr. Inabinett	- absent
Mr. McKeown	- aye
Mr. Rawl	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- aye
Mr. Summey	- absent
Mr. Thurmond	- abstained
Mr. Pryor	- aye

The vote being Five (5) ayes, three (3) absent and one (1) abstention, the Chairman declared the Ordinance to have received third reading approval.

An Ordinance conveying a portion of County property located at 1800 Labor Camp Road was given second reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF A PORTION OF CHARLESTON COUNTY OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1800 LABOR CAMP ROAD, MOUNT PLEASANT, SOUTH CAROLINA, PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 558-00-00-038 TO THE FOUR MILE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for second reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Ms. Condon	- aye
Mr. Darby	- absent
Mr. Inabinett	- absent
Mr. McKeown	- aye
Mr. Rawl	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- aye
Mr. Summey	- absent
Mr. Thurmond	- aye
Mr. Pryor	- aye

The vote being six (6) ayes and three (3) absent, the Chairman declared the Ordinance to have received second reading approval.

**East Cooper
Planning
Summit
Request to
Approve**

A report was read from the Planning/Public Committee under date of December 17, 2009 that it considered the information furnished by Council Member Dickie Schweers, regarding a mid-February meeting between all rural east county region stakeholders to discuss coordination of land use planning, 208 plan amendments, annexations and County and Municipal services.

Committee recommended that Council authorize appropriate County Staff to support and participate in the Rural East County Region Mid February meeting.

Mr. Schweers moved approval of Committee recommendation, seconded by Mr. McKeown, and carried.

**ARRA Tree
Hazard
Mitigation
Grant
Request to
Apply**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of December 17, 2009 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Dan C. Pennick, Director of the Zoning and Planning Department, regarding tree hazard mitigation. It was stated that the South Carolina Forestry Commission, in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service has been awarded \$845,000 under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Financial Assistance. It was shown that grant requests are limited to \$35,000, 26,000 for tree hazard mitigation and canopy restoration, removal and pruning and \$9,000 for planting of replacement trees.

Committee recommended that Council proceed with the grant application to the South Carolina Forestry Commission requesting reimbursable grant funds in the amount of up to \$35,000 for the removal of dead and hazardous limbs from the canopy trees along River Road and Bohicket road and the planting of trees as mitigation for hazardous trees permitted for removal through the SCDOT, with the understanding that no match or County FTE are required since SCDOT is mitigating any tree removal with replacement trees, and with the further understanding that following approval of grant the tree trimming/removal work will be put out for bid and work and completed within one year of grant award.

Mr. Thurmond moved approval of Committee recommendation, seconded by Ms. Condon, and carried.

**ARRA South
Carolina
Energy
Efficiency
Grant
Request to
Amend**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of December 17, 2009 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Daniel Chandler, Facilities Director, regarding a request to amend an application for funding. It was stated that at a regular meeting of County Council held on July 21, 2009, Council approved submission of a grant application to the Berkeley/Charleston/Dorchester Council of Governments for funding in the amount of approximately \$400,000. It was shown that upon review, the State Energy Office has deemed that the County will need to put a maximum of \$91,636 of the \$325,000 into the project in order to meet the required minimum return on investment and that the funds are available in the Detention Center Project in the 2009 General Obligation Bond .

Committee recommended that hat Council approve amendment of grant application to the South Carolina Energy Office for a renewable energy grant of \$233,304, with the County contributing up to an additional \$91,636 from the Detention Center project 2009 General Obligation Bonds for a total of \$325,000, and with the understanding that no FTE, on going commitments or other matches are associated with this request and that the grant period is January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011.

Mr. Rawl moved approval of Committee recommendation, seconded by Ms. Condon, and carried.

**2009 DHEC
Grant Award
Request to
Accept**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of December 17, 2009 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and J. Al Cannon, Charleston County Sheriff, regarding a direct \$40,000 grant awarded to the Charleston County Sheriff's Office under the 2009 National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) grant program which is designated for a Law Enforcement Consultant to assist DHEC with the development of a security and traffic management plan templates for points of dispensing (POD) and hospital medical surge incidents.

Committee recommended that Council accept an award from SC DHEC Region 7 in the amount of \$40,000 to expand an existing position, with the understanding that no computer equipment or vehicle is request for this expanded position, and the grant period will run from October 1, 2009 until September 30, 2010.

Mr. McKeown moved approval of Committee recommendation, seconded by Ms. Condon, and carried.

**Program
Management
Contract/LPA
Request to
Extend**

A report was read from the Special Finance Committee under date of December 2009 that it considered the County's Agreement for Program management Services with the LPA Group, Incorporated for the Roads Development portion of the Transportation Sales Tax Program. It was stated that this Agreement was for a term of five years, expiring on July 11, 2010, with an option to renew the agreement for an additional five year period; and in order to ensure continuity of the existing LPA staff and to begin the

transition services sooner than next Summer, Staff was recommending that Council approve the extension now.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Approve the amendment of the County's Program Management Contract with the LPA Group, Incorporated, to allow for up to an additional four years beginning July 12, 2010.
2. Authorize the County Attorney and the County Administrator to finalize the fees and terms of the agreement and authorize the Chairman of Council to sign the contract amendment.

Ms. Condon moved approval of Committee recommendation, seconded by Mr. McKeown, and carried.

**Public
Forum**

The Chairman asked if any Member of the Audience wished to address Council.

Anna Seago, 1526 Cantey Lane, with the Highway 61, expressed her appreciate to Council for everything they done and their willingness to listen.

John Darby, of the Beach Company, stated that he wanted to publicly thank staff and Council for their assistance in the Kiawah River Project.

The Chairman asked if any Member of Council wished to bring a matter before the Body.

Mr. Thurmond said it was and exciting day for Elliott regarding the birth of his first Child. He added that he and his wife Katie were expecting a third child in July.

Ms. Condon wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. Rawl thanked Staff and wished all a Happy and prosperous New Year.

Mr. McKeown congratulated Mr. Thurmond and Katie on their expected third child.

County Administrator said:

1. He had the opportunity to meet for the first time with Members of the Rescue Squad, and that he was quite impressed.
2. He and Kurt Taylor had met with Mr. Ken Willingham, newly appointed Member of the Department of Transportation Commission.
3. As Council was aware the State Budget for 2010 has been cut by \$250,000 and these cuts will affect the County's 2010 budget.

The Chairman said he thanked County Staff, and the Citizen of Charleston County, for their support and considering the Economic Development in Charleston County, he feels confident that BETTER DAYS ARE AHEAD.

There being no further business to come before the Body, the Chairman declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Beverly T. Craven
Clerk of Council