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Charleston, SC

A regular meeting of County Council of Charleston County was held on the 13th day of July, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Second Floor, Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Services Building, at 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; Henry E. Darby; Curtis B. Inabinett; Joe McKeown; A. Victor Rawl; Dickie Schweers; J. Elliott Summey and Paul R. Thurmond.

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

Rev. Reid gave the invocation. Council Member Condon 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.

Ms. Condon moved approval of the minutes of June 10, and June 15, 2010, seconded by Mr. Inabinett, and carried.

An Ordinance to increase the St. Paul's Fire District's operating millage was given second reading by title only.

#### **AN ORDINANCE**

**TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 1641  
TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCREASE OF THE ST. PAUL'S FIRE DISTRICT'S  
OPERATING MILLAGE RATE FROM 44.2 MILLS TO 44.9 MILLS FOR THE  
FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2010 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2011,  
HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS FISCAL YEAR 2011, AND OTHER MATTERS  
RELATED THERETO.**

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	- aye
Mr. Inabinett	- aye
Mr. McKeown	- nay
Mr. Rawl	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- nay
Mr. Summey	- aye

FY2010 St.  
Paul's Fire  
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Budget  
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Mr. Thurmond	- nay
Mr. Pryor	- aye

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

**St. Paul's Fire  
District Bonds  
Ordinance  
2nd Reading**

An Ordinance approving the issuing of General Obligation Bonds for St. Paul's Fire District was given second reading by title only.

**AN ORDINANCE**

FINDING THAT THE ST. PAUL'S FIRE DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA MAY ISSUE NOT EXCEEDING \$3,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF THE SAID FINDING AND AUTHORIZATION.

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

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the Ordinance to have received second reading approval.

**Board of  
Zoning Appeals  
Appointments 2**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council and Council Members Vic Rawl and Curtis Inabinett regarding appointments to the Board of Zoning Appeals. It was stated that Council Member Rawl recommended appointing Thomas Goldstein and Council Member Inabinett recommended appointing Thomas Johnson.

The Charleston County Zoning Board of Appeals consists of nine members appointed by Council. This Board hears and decides appeals where it is alleged there is error in order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of the County's zoning ordinance. The Board hears and decides appeals for variance from the requirements of the zoning ordinance when strict application of the ordinance would result in unnecessary hardship. The Board also makes decisions regarding the permitting of uses by

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special exception subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the County's Zoning Ordinance.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Appoint Thomas Goldstein to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a term to expire in December 2012
2. Appoint Thomas Johnson to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a term to expire in December 2010.

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

**Transportation  
Advisory Board  
Appointment 1**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council and Council Member Vic Rawl regarding an appointment to the Transportation Advisory Board. It was stated that Council Member Rawl recommended appointing Matthew Keller.

The Transportation Advisory Board review recommendations on sales tax expenditures for transportation projects using public input. This Board will comment on spending over \$1 billion, over 25 years, for highways, bridges, roads and related drainage projects, and for mass transit systems. The Transportation Advisory Board consists of 14 members selected by Charleston County Council and the elected Councils of each of the three major municipalities in Charleston County (Charleston, Mount Pleasant and North Charleston). The Board has prepared and delivered to County Council findings, recommendations and comments on the Comprehensive Transportation Plan which was developed by a private consultant.

Committee recommended that Council appoint Matthew Keller to the Transportation Advisory Board for a term to run concurrent with Council Member Rawl's term.

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

**Board of  
Assessment  
Appeals  
Appointment 2**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council, regarding the need to fill two vacancies on the Board of Assessment Appeals. It was stated that applications for reappointment were received from Michael Buhmeyer and Kristen Gregory and that no other applications were received.

The Board of Assessment Appeals hears appeals from the Assessor's valuation of property values. Hearings are workload driven and are usually held on Wednesday afternoons. The Board's fifteen members shall be appointed by County Council to four year terms.

Committee recommended that Council reappoint Michael Buhmeyer and Kristen Gregory to the Board of Assessment Appeals for terms to expire in June 2014.

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

**Procurement  
Appeals Board  
Appointment 1**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council, regarding the need to fill one vacancy on the Procurement Appeals Board. It was stated that an application for reappointment was received from Charles Warren and that no other applications were received.

The Charleston County Procurement Appeals Board meets only in the case of a formal protest by a vendor, regarding the solicitation of an award or an appeal from a determination made by the Director of Procurement. The Chairman of this five member Board must be an attorney. Terms are for two years.

Committee recommended that Council reappoint Charles Warren to the Procurement Appeals Board for a term to expire in June 2012.

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

**St. Paul's Fire  
District  
Commission  
Appointments 3**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council, regarding the need to fill three vacancies on the Saint Pauls Fire District Commission. It was stated that applications for reappointment were received from Bertha North-Lee, representing Edisto Island; Clifford J. Murray, representing Hollywood; and James Hamilton, representing Meggett and that no other applications were received.

The St. Paul's Fire District Commission Board consists of seven members, appointed by the Governor upon recommendation by Charleston County Council, responsible for the oversight of all administrative and operational aspects of the St. Paul's Fire Protection special purpose district. The board has the authority to purchase, establish, enlarge, maintain, conduct, and operate the special purpose district as deemed necessary. The board meets to review operational, financial, and administrative activity reports. The board meets on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm with special meetings called as necessary.

Committee recommended that Council recommend that the Governor reappoint Bertha North-Lee, representing Edisto Island; Clifford J. Murray, representing Hollywood; and James Hamilton, representing Meggett for terms to expire in June 2014.

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

**BCD RTMA/Tri-  
County Link  
Appointments 2**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council, regarding the need to fill two vacancies on the Berkeley-Charleston-

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Dorchester/Tri-County Link Board. It was stated that applications for reappointment were received from Robert Reid and Gilbert Smith and that no other applications were received.

The Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Rural Transportation Management Association plans, develops, and implements a coordinated public and human service transportation service in the rural and under-served areas of Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester Counties. The terms of membership of appointed representatives shall be three (3) years.

Committee recommended that Council reappoint Robert Reid and Gilbert Smith to the BCD RTMA/Tri-County Link Board for terms to expire in June 2013.

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

**Charleston  
Center  
Advisory Board  
Appointments 2**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council, regarding the need to make two appointments to the Charleston Center Advisory Board. It was stated that applications for appointment were received from Bruce Downs, Jeremiah Fletcher, and Patrick McCurdy.

The nine members of the Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services Board serve in an advisory capacity only. At least two members shall be representatives of the community of recovering persons and at least two members shall be representatives from the treatment community with a medicine, psychology, social work or addictions counseling background. Members' terms are for three years. The Board meets on the second Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Appoint Jeremiah Fletcher to the Charleston Center Advisory Board for a term to expire in November 2012
2. Appoint Bruce Downs to the Charleston Center Advisory Board for a term to expire in November 2011.

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

**St. Andrews  
Parks and  
Playground  
Commission  
Appointment 1**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council, regarding the need to fill one vacancy on the Saint Andrews Parks and Playground Commission. It was stated that an application for reappointment was received from John Johnston and that an additional application for appointment was received from Joseph Lysaght.

The St. Andrews Parks and Playground Commission is a Public Service District formed by the state legislature and is composed of five volunteer citizens that live

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within the Public Service District. The Commission is appointed by the Governor, upon recommendation of Charleston County Council for a term of three years. The duties of the Commission include preparing an annual budget to be approved by Charleston County Council and making and maintaining policy for the Agency. The staff of St. Andrews Parks and Playground report to the Executive Director who in turn reports directly to the Commission.

Committee recommended that Council recommend that the Governor reappoint John Johnston to the Saint Andrews Parks and Playground Commission for a term to expire in July 2013.

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

**Park and  
Recreation  
Commission  
Appointments 3**

A report was read from the Administration Policy/Rules Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information provided by Kristen Salisbury, Deputy Clerk to Council, regarding the need to fill three vacancies on the Park and Recreation Commission. It was stated that applications for reappointment were received from Lisa King, Mike Surles, and Mickey Whatley and that additional applications for appointment were received from Jeremy Glendenning, Matthew Keller, Michael Prevost, Tradd Rodenberg, and Gary Santos.

The Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission is a seven member Board. The Commission is a policy making board and has specific areas of responsibility outlined in legislation. The Staff administers the policies of the Commission under the direction of the Executive Director. The mission of the Commission is to improve the quality of life in Charleston County by offering a diverse system of park facilities, programs and services without duplicating services provided by other agencies. The Commission generally schedules three Committee meetings and one Commission meeting each month. Special and additional meetings are held as needed. The Commission is appointed by the Governor, on the recommendation of County for two year terms.

Committee recommended that Council recommend to the Governor the re-appointment of Lisa King, Mike Surles, and Mickey Whatley to the Park and Recreation Commission for terms to expire in June, 2012.

The Chairman asked if there were any further nominations.

Mr. Thurmond nominated Jeremy Glendenning.

The Chairman requested the Clerk to call the roll and each Council Member would vote for three of the four nominees.

The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Ms. Condon	- King, Surles, Whatley
Mr. Darby	- King, Surles, Whatley
Mr. Inabinett	- King, Surles, Whatley

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Mr. McKeown	- King, Surles, Whatley
Mr. Rawl	- King, Surles, Whatley
Mr. Schweers	- King, Surles, Whatley
Mr. Summey	- Glendenning, Surles, Whatley
Mr. Thurmond	- Glendenning, Surles, Whatley
Mr. Pryor	- King Surles, Whatley

The Clerk announced that the three top vote getters were: King, Surles and Whatley.

**Seewee to  
Santee Forum  
Memo of  
Understanding  
Request to  
Approve**

A report was read from the Planning/Public Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal County Administrator, and Dan Pennick, Director of the Zoning/Planning Department, regarding a Memorandum of Understanding concerning the future of the Seewee to Santee Forum. It was stated that the County of Charleston, the Town of Awendaw, the Town of McClellanville, the Town of Mount Pleasant, the City of Charleston and the Berkeley/Charleston/Dorchester Council of Governments have been meeting on the substantial needs in the Seewee Region that include economic development, workforce development and training, housing, job creation, potable water, wastewater management, education improvements, tax base enhancements, rural land base preservation and conservation and other similar issues.

Committee recommended that Council authorize staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the other concerned entities on the Future of Seewee to Santee Forum.

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

**Consent Agenda  
A) Violent & Drug  
Crime  
Prosecutors  
Grant  
B) Edward Byrne/  
North Charleston  
General Fund  
C) Justice  
Assistance Grant/  
CDV Prosecutor  
D) 2010 Firehouse  
Subs Public  
Safety Foundation  
Grant**

The Chairman announced that the next agenda item was Council's Consent Agenda.

Ms. Condon moved approval of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. McKeown, and carried.

The Consent Agenda is as follows:

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Scarlett Wilson, Solicitor of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, regarding \$383,460.00 in Justice Assistance (JAG) grants, which were recently awarded to the Ninth Judicial Circuit Solicitor's Office. It was stated that these grants will fund the second year for 2 specialized prosecutors for violent crimes, 2 specialized prosecutors for drug crimes and one legal assistant to assist all 4 prosecutors. It was further stated that the required 5 per cent match in the amount of \$20,182.00 will be paid from the Solicitor's State Appropriations account. It was shown that all five FTE's would handle Charleston County cases.

Committee recommended that Council approve acceptance of a \$383,460.00 Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant from the SC Department of Public Safety, Office of Justice Programs, to fund 2 specialized prosecutors for violent crimes, 2 specialized

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prosecutors for drug crimes and one legal assistant to assist all 4 prosecutors, with the understanding that:

1. This award constitutes the second year of funding of this program.
2. The five per cent match of \$20,182.00 will be paid from the Solicitor's State Appropriations account.
3. The grant period will run from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.
4. At the conclusion of the grant period, the five FTEs funded by this grant will be dissolved if no further grants or other funding is available.

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Scarlett Wilson, Solicitor of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, regarding, an allocated \$49,000.00 from the City of North Charleston to help fund a Criminal Domestic Violence (CDV) prosecutor to prosecute the City's CDV cases. It was stated that of the \$49,000 allocation, \$25,000 will come from the City of North Charleston's FY 2010 Justice Assistance Grant award and \$24,000 will come from the City's General Fund Budget.

Committee recommended that Council allow the Ninth Circuit Solicitor's Office to accept the \$25,000.00 allocation from the City of North Charleston's FY 2010 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) award and \$24,000.00 from the City's general fund, for a total of \$49,000 to help fund a Criminal Domestic Violence (CDV) prosecutor to prosecute the City's CDV cases, with the understanding that at the conclusion of the grant period, the one grant-funded FTE associated with this request will be dissolved if no further grant funding is available.

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Scarlett Wilson, Solicitor of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, regarding a Federal pass through Justice Assistance Grant that has been awarded for a third and final fiscal year in the amount of \$85,250.00. It was stated that the required 5 per cent cash match of \$4,487.00 will be paid from the Solicitor's State Appropriations account.

Committee recommended that Council approve acceptance by the Ninth Circuit Solicitor's Office of the third and final year of the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) from the SC Department of Public Safety Office of Justice Programs, in the amount of \$85,250, with the understanding that the cash match of \$4,487.00 will be paid from the Solicitor's State Appropriation account, and that at the conclusion of the grant period the one grant-funded FTE associate with this request will be dissolved If no further grant or other funding is available.

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and J. Al Cannon, Jr., Esquire, Sheriff of Charleston County., regarding a donation to the Charleston County Sheriff's Office. It was stated that under the 2010 Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Program, \$4,199 has been donated to purchase a Crash



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Retrieval System to be utilized by the Traffic Unit. It was shown that the Crash Date Retrieval System is a proven tool that allows traffic investigators the opportunity to recover crucial information about a vehicle crash to make informed investigative determinations based on the objective date "imaged" from the vehicle in question. It was further shown that benefits of the data includes: determining if the driver and front seat passenger were belted, vehicle pre-impact speed, driver braking or throttle before the crash and crash severity.

Committee recommended that Council accept the donation from the 2010 Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation in the amount of 4,199.00, which donation is a one time occurrence.

**2010 COPS  
Hiring  
Recovery  
Program  
Request to  
Submit**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Charleston County Sheriff, Al Cannon, regarding the availability of U. S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) through COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP) grants. It was stated that this competitive grant program is designed to address the full-time sworn officer needs of State and local law enforcement agencies nationwide. It was shown that this grant program is a three year funding source that will provide 100 percent funding for approved entry-level salaries and fringe benefits of full-time officers, and that no match is required under this grant. It was also shown that the Sheriff's office is requesting \$736,095, which would allow for five (5) deputy sheriff positions and that receipt of a CHRP grant requires the grantee to retain all full-time officers positions awarded for at least 12 months from when the grant funding expires.

Committee recommended that Council approve the submission of the Sheriff's Office grant application in the amount of \$736,095, for the 2010 COPS CHRP, with the understanding that if awarded this grant would provide funding for a three year period for five FTE's, with no match, but would require the grantee to retain all full-time officers positions awarded for at least 12 months from when the grant funding expires at an estimated cost of \$250,000, and that the grant period will run from September 1, 2010 until August 30, 2013.

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

**Support for  
Federal Aid  
Funding  
Plan/CHATS  
Request  
Resolution**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and James D. Armstrong, Director of Transportation Development, regarding a request for County Council to approve a resolution supporting changes to the criteria of the Proposed Federal-Aid Funding Plan for Fiscal Year 2111 CHATS Funds. It was stated that the draft project qualification requirements, as currently written, do not appear to allow the program to operate in an equitable manner when evaluating the US 17/Johnnie Dodds Boulevard Improvement project, and the Transportation Sales Tax Staff has developed criteria that would tend to correct this situation and allow the project to be considered on an even basis with other eligible projects. It was stated that at a meeting with the South Carolina Department of Transportation held earlier on July 8th, the Department of Transportation accepted the changes as requested by the Charleston County

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Transportation Sales Tax Staff.

Committee recommended that Council approve a modified Resolution which supports the above referenced changes to the criteria of the Proposed Federal-Aid Funding Plan for Fiscal Year 2011 CHATS funds.

Mr. Summey moved approval of Committee recommendation, seconded by Mr. Pryor, and carried.

The modified Resolution is as follows:

### **A RESOLUTION**

#### **Supporting Changes to the Criteria of the Proposed Federal-Aid Funding Plan for Fiscal Year 2011 CHATS Funds**

#### **SECTION I. FINDINGS**

**THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CHARLESTON COUNTY, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED, HEREBY FINDS AS FOLLOWS:**

**WHEREAS**, as a project being undertaken as part of its Transportation Sales Tax Program, Charleston County intends to construct certain improvements to US 17 / Johnnie Dodds Boulevard (the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, the total cost for the Project has exceeded the original estimate; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Carolina Department of Transportation (the "SCDOT") has drafted a Proposed Federal-Aid Funding Plan for Fiscal Year 2011 CHATS funds (the "Plan") that is intended to provide funding assistance for projects owned by the SCDOT and are located on the Federal-Aid system; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan, as originally written, would not allow the Project to be considered in an equitable manner for possible funding assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax staff (the "TST staff") has developed proposed changes that would allow the Project to be considered on an even basis with other eligible projects; and

**WHEREAS**, after presentation of the proposed changes to the SCDOT, TST staff have been told by the Secretary of Transportation that the proposed changes are acceptable;

#### **SECTION II.**

Pursuant to the findings set forth above, Charleston County Council hereby expresses its support for the changes to the Plan as proposed by the Transportation Sales Tax staff, expresses its appreciation to the Secretary of Transportation for

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agreeing to the changes, and requests that the South Carolina Department of Transportation formally make these changes to the Plan at its earliest opportunity.

**FY2011 CARTA  
Budget  
Request to  
Approve**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Mack Gile, Budget Director, regarding Charleston Area Regional Transportation Authority (CARTA) Fiscal Year 2011 Budget. It was stated that the State Regional Transportation Law requires the CARTA Board of Directors to adopt an annual budget that has been approved by jurisdictions representing 50% of the population in its service area. It was shown that at their May 19, 2010 the CARTA Board approved the CARTA Draft Fiscal Year 2011 annual budget and submitted it to each member jurisdiction for approval. It was further stated that the proposed fiscal year 2011 budget is \$20,084,241, which is a \$24,366 increase over their fiscal year 2010 budget, which represents a 0.1% increase.

Committee recommended that Council approve the Fiscal Year 2011 Charleston Regional Transportation Authority Operation, Capital and Debt Service budget totaling \$20,084,241 in both revenues and expenses.

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

Mr. Summey abstained and furnished the Clerk with a Statement of Conflict of Interest citing as his reason for recusal Business Conflict.

**FY 2011  
Accommodations  
Allocations  
Request to  
Approve**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Mack Gile, Budget Director, regarding the County's Fiscal Year 2011 Budget concerning accommodations tax allocations. It was stated that as part of the annual budget process a lump sum amount is appropriated to the Local Accommodations Tax for future allocation to agencies, and that Council has committed \$162,500 towards the accommodation tax allocation. It was further stated that the Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) in conjunction with the College of Charleston's Office of Tourism Analysis, continues to assist the County with the applications review and to provide economic impact data for Council's consideration on the applications.

Committee recommended that Council approve the following:

1.	Patriots Point Development Authority	\$ 17,645
2.	South Carolina Aquarium	17,468
3.	Spoletto Festival USA	14,007
4.	Southeastern Wildlife Exposition	10,365
5.	Drayton Hall	8,337
6.	Charleston Food & Wine Festival	7,916
7.	Charleston Golf	7,508
8.	City of Charleston, Piccolo Spoleto Festival	6,897
9.	South Carolina Maritime Foundation	6,313
10.	Charleston Metro Sports Council	6,177
11.	Gibbes Museum of Arts (Carolina Art Association)	6,176

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12.	Children's Museum of the Lowcountry	5,645
13.	Avian Conservation Center (Birds of Prey-the Center)	4,839
14.	Fort Sumter-Fort Moultrie Historical Trust	4,488
15.	League of Charleston Theatres	4,324
16.	Charleston Symphony Orchestra	4,272
17.	Footlight Players	4,041
18.	Student Transportation of America Education (STAEF)	3,904
19.	Actor's Theatre of South Carolina	3,822
20.	Edisto Island Preservation Alliance	3,729
21.	Charleston Stage Company	3,702
22.	PURE Theatre	3,700
23.	City of Charleston: MOJA Art Festival	3,692
24.	City of Charleston: Happy New Year Charleston	<u>3,533</u>
Total		\$162,500

Mr. Summey moved approval of Committee recommendation, seconded by Mr. Pryor, and carried.

**FY 2010  
Urban  
Entitlement  
Funds  
Request to  
Approve**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Christine Durant, Grants Administrator, regarding fiscal year 2011 Urban Entitlement Funds. It was shown that as a requirement of the Urban Entitlement Allocation Charleston County is mandated by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to identify community needs that can and will be addressed through the use of federal funds. It was stated that the goals and strategies established are expected to be accomplished in a five-year period and are divided into five key areas of community needs, which involve Housing, Homelessness Prevention, Community Facilities, Economic Development and Infrastructure. It was further shown that Charleston County Council created and authorized the Community Development Advisory Board to make recommendations to Council on the expenditure of funds received by Charleston County from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and that this Board was reconvened on June 8, 2010 to make recommendation on allocating \$240,671 in HOME Investment Partnership Program funds and \$201,314 in Community Development Block Grant Program funds.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Allocate to the City of North Charleston, the designated 52 percent of the additional FY 2011 allocation, in accordance with the Community Development Agreement between the City of North Charleston and the County of Charleston
2. Appropriate \$240,671.00 in Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) to be administered by Charleston County Grants Administration Staff
3. Appropriate \$201,314.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to be administered by Charleston County Grants Administration Staff.

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4. Appropriate \$16,717.00 for the administration, contracting and monitoring of program activities.

5. Complete the public process approval by reviewing and authorizing the awards in accordance with the existing 5 Year consolidated Plan as recommended by the Community Development Advisory Board.

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

**Greenbelt Items**  
**A) Rural**  
**Greenbelt**  
**Application**  
**B) Urban**  
**Greenbelt**  
**Applications**  
**C) Small**  
**Landowners**  
**Project Process**

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Cathy Ruff, Director of Greenbelt Programs, regarding a Rural Greenbelt Application received for possible funding. It was stated that in accordance with Section 5.6.1 of the Charleston County Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan the Rural Greenbelt project being requested has been reviewed by the Greenbelt Bank Board and is now being recommended to County Council for funding.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Approve the Town of McClellanville requested funding for the Old Cemetery Open Space project as recommended by the Greenbelt Bank Board in the amount of \$37,000.
2. Authorize the County Administrator to require the execution and delivery of proper agreements and instruments to implement the conditions of the approval of the grant funds, and to effectuate the goals of the greenbelt Program Ordinance and Policies.
3. Approve the use of \$37,000 from the 2007 General Obligation Bonds for Greenbelt projects.

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

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and. Cathy Ruff, Director of Greenbelt Programs, regarding Urban Greenbelt Applications received for possible funding. It was stated that in accordance with Section 5.6.2 of the Charleston County Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan the Urban greenbelt projects being requested has been reviewed by the Urban Grants Review Committee and the Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission (CCPRC) and are now being recommended to County Council for funding.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Approve funding for the following urban greenbelt projects provided that upon approval, grant agreements will be executed between the County and appropriate parties and, where appropriate, appraisals and surveys will be completed.

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A) City of North Charleston, Mixson Avenue	\$ 89,100
B) City of North Charleston, Wright Street	<u>48,400</u>
	\$137,500

2. Authorize the County Administrator to require the execution and delivery of proper agreements and instruments to implement the conditions of the approval of the grant funds, and to effectuate the goals of the greenbelt Program Ordinance and Policies.

3. Approve the use of \$137,500 from the 2007 General Obligation Bonds for Greenbelt projects.

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

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of July 8, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator, and Cathy Ruff, Director of Greenbelt Programs, regarding Greenbelt Advisory Board recommendations which were approved by County Council in May, 2010. It was stated that at its June 22, 2010, the Greenbelt Advisory Board met with Staff and Board Members of the Mount Pleasant Land Conservancy, the applicant of a proposed project with county-wide small landowners, and approved a procedure for processing greenbelt projects with small landowners, with the right to evaluate the procedure after the first cycle of project and make any beneficial modifications.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Approve the procedure for processing greenbelt projects with small landowners.
2. Authorize the Greenbelt Advisory Board to evaluate the procedure after the first cycle of projects and make any beneficial modifications.

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

**Solid Waste  
Issues  
Recommendation**

A report was read from the Special Finance Committee under date of July 13, 2010 that it considered the information furnished by Allen O'Neal, County Administrator and Joseph Dawson, County Attorney, regarding the County's Solid Waste Issues. It was shown that the Charleston County Procurement Ordinance gives County Council the authority to establish or approve methods of source selection for goods and services, and Council has directed the County Attorney to oversee the planning and implementation of improvements to the County's Environmental Management Department, to include, but not limited to, identifying and negotiating with providers for services regarding various matters, and to return to Council for approval

Committee also considered the information furnished in Executive Session, which included information that the County Attorney has negotiated in good faith with two of the more experienced and capable materials recovery facility management companies operating in South Carolina.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Enter into a contract with American Recycling of South Carolina, LLC to provide recycling materials processing, marketing, and sales for the County as provided in the Service Agreement negotiated by the County Attorney.
2. Authorize staff to expand the recycling programs and proceed with demonstration projects as presented in the Green Plan presentation (given to Council during the 5:30 p.m. Special Finance Committee Meeting on Tuesday, July 13).
3. Enter into a contract for sale with Shipyard Creek Associates, LLC for the sale of the incinerator site property.

Ms. Condon moved approval of Committee recommendations #1 and #2, seconded by Mr. McKeown, and carried.

Ms. Condon moved approval of Committee recommendation #3, seconded by Mr. Rawl, and carried. Mr. Darby voted nay.

Mr. Summey moved for Council to direct the County Attorney to start negotiations with Energy City of Charleston and bring back an appropriate contract for a Waste to Energy facility for part of the waste stream not being recycled.

This motion was seconded by Mr. Thurmond.

After numerous questions posed to the County Attorney regarding proposals received regarding waste that is not scheduled for recycling, Mr. Summey amended his motion as follows:

That Council direct the County Attorney to bring information regarding four short-listed emerging technology companies back to Council's September 2, 2010, Finance Committee.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on the amended motion. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

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

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The vote being eight (8) ayes and one (1) nay, the Chairman declared the motion to have received Council approval.

**Public Forum**

The Charleston asked if any Member of the Audience wished to bring a matter before Council.

There was no affirmative response.

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

Mr. McKeown praised the work that has been done by Joe Dawson and Consultant Mitch Kessler on the County's Solid Waste issues.

Mr. McKeown also thanked the Charleston Visitor's Bureau and the College of Charleston School of Tourism for their assistance in accommodation tax donations.

Mr. McKeown stated that he understands that the Charleston County School Board has not agreed to extend the City of Charleston TIF and asked that this item be placed on agenda of the August 12, 2010 Finance Committee.

Mr. Schweers said that he also wanted to express his appreciation to the Charleston Visitors Bureau and the College of Charleston for their work in formulating a plan to distribute accommodation fees to organizations requesting funding from this source.

Mr. Summey said that there would be a reception put on by the Recreation Community honoring Rev. Gary McJunkin on Monday night at 6 o'clock at the Felix Davis Center, Park Circle. He added that Rev. McJunkin has been such a great contributor to the welfare of North Charleston and its citizens.

Mr. Darby said that he voted against the sale of the incinerator property, since this would further encroach on and displace the poor residents of Charleston County as I-26 had.

Mr. Darby said Chairman Pryor need to be recognized for the excellent work he has done as Chairman of County Council.

Mr. Thurmond said he joined with Mr. McKeown in his remarks concerning, Joe Dawson, Mitch Kessler's work on the County's Solid Waste issues and added his appreciation to the Charleston Visitor's Bureau and the College of Charleston School of Tourism.

Mr. Thurmond thanked everyone who supported him in his recent run for the U. S. House of Representatives.

Mr. Inabinett asked Council to keep in mind the rural areas of Charleston County concerning Solid Waste issues.



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Ms. Condon said that so very much has been accomplished since Mr. Bostic and her offered recommendations to make beneficial changes to the manner in which County's Solid Waste was being handled.

Ms. Condon said there would be a Recycling Committee Meeting on August 12, and Rural Area Solid Waste would be

Ms. Condon said there would be a "Stand Up for West Ashley" meeting at Orange Grove School on Monday at 7:00.

Mr. Rawl thanked Staff for all they do for Charleston County Council.

Mr. Pryor introduced Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission Chairman, Mrs. King, who was re-elected to the PRC tonight and Community Leader Rosemary West.

Mr. Pryor expressed his appreciation to County Attorney Joe Dawson for the excellent job he and Solid Waste Consultant has done on the issue of Charleston County Solid Waste.

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

Beverly T. Craven  
Clerk of Council