

Charleston, S. C.  
June 26, 2012

A special meeting of County Council of Charleston County was held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, at 4:15 p.m., in the Beverly T. Craven Council Chambers, Second Floor of the Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Services Building, located 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; Anna B. Johnson; Joseph K. Qualey; A. Victor Rawl; Herbert R. Sass, III; Dickie Schweers and J. Elliott Summey

Also present were: Kurt Taylor, County Administrator and County Attorney Joseph Dawson.

Rev. Gary McJunkin gave the invocation. Deputy Administrator for Human Services, Jennifer Miller 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.

**CONSENT**

**AGENDA**

**A) Criminal  
Justice Grant**

**B) Carpet  
Replacement**

**C) Port Security  
Grant**

**D) Mobile Data  
Software Grant**

**E) Highway 41  
Bridge Height**

The Chairman said that he was taking the liberty of moving the Consent Agenda ahead of calling for action on the FY 2013 Charleston County Budget Ordinance.

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

The Consent agenda is as follows:

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of June 26, 2012 that it considered the information furnished by W. Kurt Taylor, County Administrator, and Rae Wooten, Charleston County Coroner, regarding grants available from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) for funding for criminal justice research and evaluation that includes a researcher-practitioner component. It was stated that this program furthers the Department's mission by sponsoring research to provide objective and independent knowledge and tools to meet the challenges of crime and justice, particularly at State and local levels. It was further stated that the Charleston County Coroner's Office is requesting permission to apply for the 2012 "Building and Enhancing Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships" grant. It was shown that with an ever increasing elder population the Coroner's Office is interested in conducting a retrospective pilot scientific study to evaluate whether the current system for identifying potential victims of elder abuse and neglect, at their death, are appropriately being recognized by local and state investigative agencies, and the Coroner's Office is requesting \$280,000.00 from NIJ to fund a three year retrospective pilot study. Funds will be used for:

- Computer equipment (laptop + accessories)
- Personnel: To hire a Criminal Justice Research Fellow for a three year period
- Travel expenses (mileage and cost for travel to present findings)

- Dissemination plans and outcomes – Database development

Committee recommended that Council approve the Coroner's Office request to apply to the 2012 "Building and Enhancing Criminal Justice Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships" grant, with the understanding that the request is in the amount of \$280,000.00; that no match is associated with this grant which runs from January 1, 2013 thru December 31, 2015; that the grant period is January 1, 2013 thru December 31, 2015; that there is one FTE's associated with this grant for a three year period and there is no requirement for the County to continuing funding this program at completion of the three year program.

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of June 26, 2012 that it considered the information furnished by W. Kurt Taylor, County Administrator, and J. Barrett Tolbert, Director of Procurement, regarding bids received for replacement of carpet at the Main Library located at 68 Calhoun Street, Charleston, SC. It was shown that Sealed Bids were received bid tabulation is as follows:

<b>Bidder</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>SBE Percentage</b>	<b>DBE Percentage</b>
Tidewater Interiors, Inc. North Charleston, SC Principal: Edwin A. Eden's	\$219,998.70	100%	13%
Precision Flooring Group Charleston, SC Principal: Allan Albright	\$235,063.72	100%	14.78%
Palmetto Carpet and Floor Coverings, Inc. Mt. Pleasant, SC Principal: Dennis Carping	\$238,098.23	100%	20.15%

Williams Carpet, Inc. also submitted a bid, but is non-responsive for failing to submit a Bid Bond.

Committee recommended that Council authorize award of bid for the replacement of the carpet at the Main Library to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Tidewater Interiors, Inc., in the amount of \$219,998.70.

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of June 26, 2012 that it considered the information furnished by W. Kurt Taylor, County Administrator, and Jim Lake, Director of the Consolidated 9-1-1 Center, regarding an opportunity to apply for \$50,000 in Port Security Grant Reverted Funds for MDTs for participating agencies. It was stated that on June 16, 2010, County Council authorized submittal of five FY08 and FY09 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) requests as recommended by the Consolidated Dispatch Board and that one of the five PSGP awards to Charleston County was for the purchase of approximately 229 mobile data terminals (MDTs – computers for emergency response vehicles) and related software. These MDTs enhance information sharing and situational awareness, per the goals of the Consolidated Dispatch Board and the Port Security Grant Program. It was shown that Consolidated 9-1-1 Center staff recently took advantage of an opportunity to apply for \$50,000 in Port Security Grant Reverted Funds for additional MDTs for participating

agencies. The application had a quick turn-around time, and required the ability to receive the award and spend funds very quickly. It was further stated Charleston County received notification on June 11 that our application for ten additional MDTs and related software was approved. The MDTs and related software are to be provided to the following agencies, which are responsible for the 25% cash match:

Charleston County EMS:	4 MDTs and software
North Charleston Fire Department:	4 MDTs and software
Isle of Palms Police Department:	2 MDTs and software

This Port Security Grant Reverted Funds award is a separate grant from the previously approved Port Security Grant awards to Charleston County, and will be handled through the original grant recipient, the South Carolina State Ports Authority.

Committee recommended that Council:

- Authorize Consolidated Dispatch staff to accept \$50,000 from the South Carolina State Ports Authority under the FY 2008 Port Security Grant Program to purchase 10 mobile data terminals and software.
- There is a 25% cash match requirement for this grant. The \$16,667 match will be provided from Charleston County EMS, North Charleston Fire Department and the Isle of Palms Police Department.
- The grant performance period ends on September 30, 2012, however, there has been a commitment to spend these funds by July 31.

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of June 26, 2012 that it considered the information furnished by Kurt Taylor, County Administrator, and Jim Lake, Director of Consolidated Dispatch, regarding installation of the County's TriTech Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) software system at the emergency communications centers located at Isle of Palms, Mount Pleasant, the City of Charleston and James Island Public Service District Fire Department. It was stated that since the CAD system is a TriTech software system and TriTech also has a mobile data software product, it is in the best interest of the County to extend the contract with TriTech for the purpose of purchasing his mobile data software. It was shown that all non-competitive purchases in an amount greater than \$150,000 must be approved by County Council.

Committee recommended that County:

1. Authorize Staff to contract with TriTech Software Systems for approximately 100 mobile date software licenses (for use by the City of Charleston Police Department for their existing mobile data terminals) at an estimated amount of \$171,864, with 75% coming from the Port Security Grant FY-09 program.
2. Approve the 25% cash match required for this grant in the amount of \$42,966 to be provided from Port Security Grant match monies previously budgeted from Consolidated 9-1-1 Center capital funds, and with the understanding that the performance period ends on September 30, 2012.

A report was read from the Finance Committee under date of June 26, 2012 recommended that it considered the information furnished by Kurt Taylor, County

Administrator, and the request of the Mayor of the Town of Mount Pleasant for County Council to approve a Resolution regarding setting certain height requirements for the Highway 41 Bridge Replacement over the Wando River.

Committee recommended that Council approve the requested Resolution.

The Chairman stated that he had been told by some parties that the height requirement requested was 25 feet and by other parties that the height requirement request was 35 feet. He instructed the Clerk to secure from appropriate parties the Bridge height being requested by the Town of Mount Pleasant and the County of Berkeley, and if necessary to change the Resolution to reflect the proper height request.

The Resolution is as follows, with the corrected change to 35 feet.



**A RESOLUTION  
OF CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL**

**TO JOIN WITH THE TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT AND THE COUNTY OF  
BERKELEY IN SUPPORT OF A RECOMMENDATION TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A CERTAIN HEIGHT REQUIREMENT  
FOR THE HIGHWAY 41 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER THE WANDO RIVER**

**WHEREAS**, the South Carolina Department of Transportation plans to replace the South Carolina Highway 41 bridge over the Wando River; **and**,

**WHEREAS**, Charleston County Council, Berkeley County Council, and Mount Pleasant Town Council concur that improvements to the bridge should not encourage development of water dependent structures north of the proposed bridge to the detriment of the pristine waters and environment of the Wando River, which are classified as level "A" by the State of South Carolina; **and**,

**WHEREAS**, in order to discourage such development, Charleston County Council, Berkeley County Council, and Mount Pleasant Town Council feel it is in the best interests of the citizens of our jurisdictions for the height of the bridge to not exceed thirty-five feet (35') from mean high water.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, Charleston County Council, in meeting duly assembled, joins with the Town of Mount Pleasant and the County of Berkeley in support of a recommendation to the South Carolina Department of Transportation that the South

Carolina Highway 41 bridge replacement over the Wando River be limited to a height not exceeding thirty-five feet (35') from mean high water.

## CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL

Teddie E. Pryor, Sr., Chairman  
June 26, 2012

### **FY 2013 Budget Charleston County Motions and Approval 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**

The Chairman announced that Council would go back to item two FY 2013 County Budget.

Ms. Condon moved as follows:

1. That Council increase the Master-in-Equity's budget by \$1,000 and reduce the Equipment Replacement Fund by \$1,000.
2. That Council increase the Legislative Delegation's budget by \$5,000 and reduce the Equipment Replacement Fund by \$5,000.
3. Reduce the Equipment Replacement Fund by \$50,000 to fund the \$50,000 previously appropriated to Pet Helpers.

Ms. Condon pointed out that the items in her above motion were discussed at length in previously FY 2013 Budget, but sufficient motion had not been made to include them in the FY 2013 budget.

Mr. Rawl seconded the motion.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on approval of the three motions and the FY 2013 Charleston County Budget.

The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Ms. Condon	- aye
Mr. Darby	- aye
Ms. Johnson	- aye
Mr. Qualey	- nay
Mr. Rawl	- aye
Mr. Sass	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- nay
Mr. Summey	- absent
Mr. Pryor	- aye

The vote being seven (7) ayes and two (2) nays, the Chairman declared the motions and the FY 2013 budget to have passed.

An Ordinance giving third reading to the FY 2013 Charleston County Budget was given third reading by title only.

## **AN ORDINANCE**

**PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES OF CHARLESTON COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2012 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2013, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS FISCAL YEAR 2013; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND AND OTHER FUNDS OF CHARLESTON COUNTY FOR SUCH PURPOSES; AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES OF CHARLESTON COUNTY, INCLUDING THE AWENDAW CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT, EAST COOPER FIRE DISTRICT, NORTHERN CHARLESTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT, WEST ST. ANDREW'S FIRE DISTRICT, AND TRIDENT TECHNICAL COLLEGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013; PROVIDING FOR APPROPRIATIONS FROM SUCH SPECIAL FUNDS CREATED FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE AWENDAW CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT, EAST COOPER FIRE DISTRICT, NORTHERN CHARLESTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT, WEST ST. ANDREW'S FIRE DISTRICT, AND TRIDENT TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN ORDER TO SUPPLY THE NECESSARY FUNCTIONS OF THE UNITS; PROVIDING FOR BUDGET CONTROL OF THE APPROPRIATIONS BY THE CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF CHARLESTON COUNTY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$25,000,000 FOR CHARLESTON COUNTY AND UP TO \$200,000 FOR THE AWENDAW CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT.**

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

SECTION 1: As set by Charleston County Council ("County Council"), the Charleston County Auditor (the "Auditor") shall levy 39.9 mills for General Fund Purposes and 6.1 mills for the Debt Service of Charleston County (the "County") in the year 2012.

Proceeds of the levy upon all taxable property in the County shall be collected by the Charleston County Treasurer (the "Treasurer") as provided by law for the collection of County ad valorem taxes, the proceeds thereof to be placed in the appropriate funds of the County together with all revenues and income accruing to the County during the Fiscal Year 2013, and regardless of sources, shall be paid out from time to time by the Treasurer in accordance with the provisions of this Budget Ordinance (the "Ordinance") and other appropriation ordinances hereafter passed by County Council, except welfare funds received by the Charleston County Department of Social Services from the State of South Carolina or the United States.

SECTION 2: It is hereby appropriated from the General, Debt Service, Proprietary, and Special Revenue Funds referred to in SECTION 1, the following amounts of money for the following respective corporate purposes of Charleston County for and during the period beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013, to wit:

Organization Units:	General	Debt Service	Proprietary	Special Revenue
<b>COUNCIL AGENCIES</b>				
County Council	\$ 1,449,590	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Accommodations Tax - Local	-	-	-	11,145,725
Accommodations Tax - State	-	-	-	25,000
Internal Auditor	219,666	-	-	-
Legal	1,063,980	-	57,741,855	123,000
State Agencies	377,106	-	-	-
<b>ELECTED OFFICIALS</b>				
Auditor	2,076,391	-	-	-
Clerk of Court	3,422,265	-	-	1,060,000
Coroner	1,210,948	-	-	-
Legislative Delegation	191,767	-	-	-
Probate Courts	2,228,513	-	-	-
Register of Mesne Conveyance	1,857,907	-	-	-
Sheriff	59,025,556	-	-	1,287,654
Solicitor	5,162,498	-	-	2,625,194
Treasurer	1,695,325	-	-	-
<b>APPOINTED OFFICIALS</b>				
Elections and Voter Registration	1,594,868	-	-	-
Library	13,921,188	-	-	-
Master-In-Equity	598,317	-	-	-
Public Defender	2,925,961	-	-	4,595,194
Veterans Affairs	300,586	-	-	-
<b>ADMINISTRATOR</b>	958,893	-	-	-
Consolidated Dispatch	8,731,294	-	1,810,000	-
Economic Development	-	-	-	1,939,952
Nondepartmental	6,644,006	25,656,755	-	-
<b>DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR FINANCE</b>	472,341	-	-	-
Assessor	3,687,077	-	-	-
Budget	646,272	-	-	-
Finance	936,351	-	-	-
Revenue Collections	1,089,440	-	2,142,000	-
<b>DEPUTY ADMIN GENERAL SERVICES</b>	360,733	-	-	-
Building Inspections	1,446,639	-	-	42,380
Facilities Management	12,631,504	-	2,617,236	-
Internal Services	-	-	15,381,023	-
Magistrates' Courts	4,679,837	-	-	83,158
Technology Services	13,982,586	-	6,549,279	-
Zoning/Planning	1,541,045	-	-	160,000
<b>DEPUTY ADMIN HUMAN SERVICES</b>	427,201	-	-	-
Emergency Management	714,666	-	-	246,810
Emergency Medical Services	10,940,095	-	-	-
Human Resources	1,324,992	-	25,181,000	-
Procurement	827,128	-	1,800,000	-
Safety & Risk Management	1,840,957	-	5,524,104	-
<b>ASST ADMIN COMMUNITY SERVICES</b>	-	-	-	-
Community Services	1,868,636	-	-	-
Dept of Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse	-	-	10,342,738	-
<b>ASST ADMIN TRANS &amp; PUBLIC WORKS</b>	17,842	-	-	-
Public Works	9,270,292	-	-	3,210,243
Transportation Development	371,554	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 184,733,813</u>	<u>\$ 25,656,755</u>	<u>\$ 129,089,235</u>	<u>\$ 26,544,310</u>

SECTION 3: Unless covered by SECTION 14 of this Ordinance, all of the foregoing appropriations are maximum and conditional, and subject to reduction by action of County Council in the event that the County's revenues accruing to its General, Debt Service, Proprietary, and Special Revenue Funds, as provided in SECTION 1, shall be insufficient to pay the same, to the end that the cost of operation of the County government shall remain at all times within its income.

SECTION 4: The Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy 32.9 mills in the year 2012 on all of the taxable property in the area located within Charleston County known as the Awendaw Consolidated Fire District to be deposited in the Awendaw Consolidated Fire District Special Revenue Fund.

Proceeds of the levy upon all taxable property located within the Awendaw Consolidated Fire District shall be collected by the Treasurer as provided by the law for the collection of County *ad valorem* taxes, the proceeds thereof to be placed in a separate fund to be held and administered by the Treasurer, including all monies collected, earned, donated, proceeds of the tax anticipation borrowing or otherwise accruing from the operation of the Awendaw Consolidated Fire District. Such funds shall be paid out from time to time by the Treasurer in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and other ordinances hereafter ratified by County Council.

SECTION 5: It is hereby appropriated \$2,015,634 from the funds referred to in SECTION 4 and from such other funds as may be generated by the Awendaw Consolidated Fire District for the corporate purposes of the District for and during the period beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013. The appropriation is for the operation of a Special Revenue Fund and subject to the limitations of disbursement referred to in SECTION 15 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6: The Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy 19.1 mills in the year 2012 on all of the taxable property in the area located within Charleston County known as the East Cooper Fire District to be deposited in the East Cooper Fire District Special Revenue Fund.

Proceeds of the levy upon all taxable property in the area located within the County known as the East Cooper Fire District shall be collected by the Treasurer as provided by law for the collection of County *ad valorem* taxes, the proceeds thereof to be placed in a separate fund to be held and administered by the Treasurer, including all monies collected, earned, donated, or otherwise accruing from the operation of the East Cooper Fire District. Such funds shall be paid out from time to time by the Treasurer in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and other ordinances hereafter ratified by County Council.

SECTION 7: It is hereby appropriated \$145,000 from the funds referred to in SECTION 6 and from such other funds as may be generated by the East Cooper Fire District for the corporate purposes of the District for and during the period beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013. The appropriation is for the operation of a Special Revenue Fund and subject to the limitations of disbursement referred to in SECTION 15 of this Ordinance.



SECTION 8: The Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy 11.2 mills in the year 2012 on all of the taxable property in the area located within Charleston County known as the Northern Charleston County Fire District to be deposited in the Northern Charleston County Fire District Special Revenue Fund.

Proceeds of the levy upon all taxable property in the area located within Charleston County known as the Northern Charleston County Fire District shall be collected by the Treasurer as provided by law for the collection of County *ad valorem* taxes, the proceeds thereof to be placed in a separate fund to be held and administered by the Treasurer, including all monies collected, earned, donated, or otherwise accruing from the operation of the Northern Charleston County Fire District. Such funds shall be paid out from time to time by the Treasurer in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and other ordinances hereafter ratified by County Council.

SECTION 9: It is hereby appropriated \$254,200 from the funds referred to in SECTION 8 and from such other funds as may be generated by the Northern Charleston County Fire District for the corporate purposes of the District for and during the period beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013. The appropriation is for the operation of a Special Revenue Fund and subject to the limitations of disbursement referred to in SECTION 15 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 10: The Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy 5.2 mills (3.3 mills for baseline operations and 1.9 mills to eliminate the Fiscal Year 2012 deficit) in the year 2012 on all of the taxable property in the area located within Charleston County known as the West St. Andrew's Fire District to be deposited in the West St. Andrew's Fire District Special Revenue Fund.

Proceeds of the levy upon all taxable property in the area located within Charleston County known as the West St. Andrew's Fire District shall be collected by the Treasurer as provided by law for the collection of County *ad valorem* taxes, the proceeds thereof to be placed in a separate fund to be held and administered by the Treasurer, including all monies collected, earned, donated, or otherwise accruing from the operation of the West St. Andrew's Fire District. Such funds shall be paid out from time to time by the County Treasurer in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and other ordinances hereafter ratified by County Council.

SECTION 11: It is hereby appropriated \$8,000 from the funds referred to in SECTION 10 and from such other funds as may be generated by the West St. Andrew's Fire District for the corporate purposes of the District for and during the period beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013. The appropriation is for the operation of a Special Revenue Fund and subject to the limitations of disbursement referred to in SECTION 15 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 12: The Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy 1.9 mills for operating purposes and 0.5 mills for debt service in the year 2012 on all taxable property in Charleston County to be deposited in the Trident Technical College Special Revenue Funds.

Proceeds of the levy upon all taxable property shall be collected by the Treasurer as provided by law for the collection of County *ad valorem* taxes, the proceeds thereof to

be placed in separate funds to be held and administered by the Treasurer. Such funds shall be paid out from time to time by the Treasurer in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and other ordinances hereafter ratified by County Council.

SECTION 13: It is hereby appropriated \$5,824,000 for operating purposes of Trident Technical College ("TTC") and \$1,456,000 for debt service of TTC from the funds referred to in SECTION 12 and from such other funds as may be generated by TTC for and during the period beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013. The appropriations are for the operation of Special Revenue Funds and subject to the limitations of disbursement referred to in SECTION 15 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 14: The Charleston County Approved Operating Budget, with the detail and provisos as so stated in the document titled Charleston County Budget Detail Fiscal Year 2013, which is hereby incorporated by reference as part of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein, is hereby adopted as the detailed Budget for Charleston County.

SECTION 15: The anticipated revenues accruing to all Proprietary and Special Revenue Funds are stated in this Budget Ordinance. Should actual funding sources for any such fund be less than projected, the County Administrator (the "Administrator") shall reduce budgeted disbursements attributable to the fund. Should actual funding sources be greater than projected in this Ordinance, the Administrator may revise budgeted disbursements or direct the increase to be held for future years' disbursements.

SECTION 16: All monies properly encumbered as of June 30, 2012, shall be added to the applicable organizational unit's budget for Fiscal Year 2013. These encumbered monies may be expended only as set forth in their encumbrance except as authorized by the Administrator. Unencumbered appropriations shall remain in the respective funds as unrestricted reserves whose subsequent appropriation shall be determined by ordinance.

SECTION 17: All monies designated by County Council as of June 30, 2012, shall be added to the applicable organizational unit's budget for Fiscal Year 2013. These designated monies may be expended only as set forth in their authorization by County Council. Unencumbered appropriations shall remain in the respective funds as unrestricted reserves whose subsequent appropriation shall be determined by ordinance.

SECTION 18: For the purpose of paying in cash for the foregoing and all other general ordinary County expenses for Fiscal Year 2013 as authorized by this Ordinance or by any other appropriation ordinance hereafter ratified by County Council in and for the fiscal year, the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to use such cash as may from time to time be on hand or in the process of collection, and to borrow from time to time as may be necessary on his official note or notes, or other evidence(s) of indebtedness in anticipation of the collection of the taxes herein levied, provided that all loans made from private persons, firms, or corporations shall be made only after three days' notice by advertising once in some newspaper in the County and on the best terms possible, a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate \$25,000,000 for the use of the County and a sum not exceeding in the aggregate \$200,000 for the use of the Awendaw Consolidated Fire District, and the sum or sums so borrowed for the operation of the

County shall constitute a valid and prior claim against the taxes levied herein and against the County and the sum or sums so borrowed for the operation of the Awendaw Consolidated Fire District shall constitute a valid and prior claim only against the taxes levied herein for the use of the Awendaw Consolidated Fire District; provided further that the Treasurer shall be authorized in his discretion to make any such loans from special fund or funds, including sinking funds, in his hands as Treasurer, repayment of which shall be secured in the same manner as if made from private persons, firms, or corporations as aforesaid; and provided further that if the net interest cost is less than eight percent (8%), the Chairman of County Council is authorized to award the loan to the bidder or bidders offering to purchase the notes at the lowest net interest cost to the County (calculated by computing the total dollar interest cost from the date of issuance to the date of maturity and deducting there from the amount of the premium offered, if any, over and above the premium amount).

SECTION 19: Organization units are bound to the appropriated disbursements as defined in SECTION 2 and delineated in the Fiscal Year 2013 Approved Budget Detail document.

For "State Agencies" and "Outside Agencies", the organizational budgets are bound by "object code."

The County Administrator, or his designated representative, is hereby authorized to effect transfers between organizational units. The County Administrator is also authorized to further restrict budget transfers within major expenditure categories.

County Council may by resolution effect transfers from Council's contingency to organizational units.

County Council may by amendment to this Ordinance adjust appropriation transactions affecting fund totals, other than those authorized elsewhere within this Ordinance.

SECTION 20: In order that County Council may be assured that monies appropriated to the agencies funded in "County Council" and "Local Accommodations Tax" in SECTION 2 of this Ordinance are properly expended for a public purpose, the above agencies receiving monies shall provide all documents and information required in the County policy for funding outside agencies, adopted August 22, 2006, as may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 21:

(a) Monies received from governmental grants shall accrue only to Special Revenue, Capital Projects, and Proprietary Funds as set forth in this Budget Ordinance. Should grant funds be applied for or received after the beginning of the budget year and thereby not be stated in this Budget Ordinance, then, by passage of Council's resolution authorizing the grant application and expenditures, the necessary Special Revenue, Capital Projects, and Proprietary Funds shall be created to provide a mechanism for the expenditures of these monies.

(b) Funds derived from the sale of real property shall be placed in the Capital Proceeds Capital Projects Fund, and these funds shall be expended only for capital outlays after specific resolution of County Council.

SECTION 22: A Rainy Day Fund is established to provide emergency funds for use in the event of a major calamity. This fund will be maintained at no less than four percent of General Fund disbursements. Any expenditure from the Rainy Day Fund shall be authorized by amendment to this Budget Ordinance by County Council

On June 30, 2013, if the total revenue for General Fund purposes generated by current and delinquent *ad valorem* taxes and Local Option Sales Tax revenue is greater than \$124,130,000, then the first \$500,000 of excess shall be placed in the Rainy Day Fund.

SECTION 23: Contracts necessary to expend monies appropriated in this budget when not specifically permitted by the Charleston County Procurement Code are hereby authorized and the contracts shall be approved by a resolution of County Council. Awards of bids on capital items, when less than the amount specified in the Charleston County Approved Operating Budget, are hereby authorized and shall be purchased in accordance with the provisions of the Charleston County Procurement Code.

SECTION 24: The salaries or compensation shall be determined and paid in accordance with the provisions of the Personnel Policies and Procedures adopted by County Council. Travel and expense allowances shall be paid only upon proper documentation as prescribed by the Administrator. The per diem rates adopted by the State of South Carolina and the mileage reimbursement rates adopted by the Internal Revenue Service shall apply.

SECTION 25: The classification and grades of all positions shown in the Charleston County Approved Operating Budget are only provisional and subject to audit by the Human Resources Department to determine the appropriate grade and classification.

SECTION 26: The Administrator, or his designated representative, is hereby authorized to transfer positions (Full Time Equivalents - FTEs) among organizational units and fund types.

SECTION 27: If for any reason any provision of this Ordinance, or its applications to any circumstance, is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 28: This Ordinance shall become effective upon approval of County Council following third reading.

ADOPTED and APPROVED in meeting duly assembled this 26<sup>TH</sup> day of June, 2012.

CHARLESTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Teddie E. Pryor, Sr.

## Chairman of Charleston County Council

ATTEST:

Beverly T. Craven, Clerk  
to Charleston County Council

First Reading: June 5 2012  
Second Reading: June 12, 2012  
Third Reading: June 26, 2012

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on third reading of the Charleston County FY 2013 Budget. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows

Ms. Condon	- aye
Mr. Darby	- aye
Ms. Johnson	- aye
Mr. Qualey	- nay
Mr. Rawl	- aye
Mr. Sass	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- nay
Mr. Summey	- aye
Mr. Pryor	- aye

The vote being seven (7) ayes and two (2) nays, the Chairman declared the Charleston County FY 2013 Budget Ordinance to have passed.

Mr. Summey stated that he was absent when the FY 2013 Charleston County Transportation Budget received third reading on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and was requesting that members who had voted in favor of this budget would consider requesting reconsideration. He added that if this was done, that he would speak on increasing the portion that deferred repayment of Charleston Area Regional Authority's loan from one year to three years. He said that his request would have no monetary effect on this budget, but would allow CARTA's Board time for future planning.

Ms. Condon moved to reconsider the transportation budget for fiscal year 2013. This motion was seconded by Mr. Pryor, and carried.

After a general discussion Mr. Summey moved approval of extending the time frame from one year to three years.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Condon.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on extending the time frame from one year to three years. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows

Ms. Condon	- aye
Mr. Darby	- aye
Ms. Johnson	- aye
Mr. Qualey	- nay
Mr. Rawl	- aye

Mr. Sass	- aye
Mr. Schweers	- nay
Mr. Summey	- aye
Mr. Pryor	- aye

The vote being seven (7) ayes and two (2) nays, the Chairman declared the motion to have carried.

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

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Mr. Greg Vanderwerker of the Kiawah Town Council stated that at the last County Council meeting he attended concerning the issue of a possible Sea Island Greenway Road on Johns Island that Council had taken no action on this matter. He added that at the Council of Government CHATS meeting, which is chaired at this time by Charleston County Vice Chairman, the matter was on the CHATS agenda.

Mr. Summey stated that even though he is Chairman of the CHAT Committee he does not prepare the Agenda; that it is done by the Ron Mitchum, Executive Director of COG. He added that this Committee consists of 44 members and he is not in control of adding or removing items therefrom.

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

Mr. Sass stated for the record: For the record, I'd like to say a little bit about this budget process we just went through. First thing, I'd really like to thank Mr. Taylor, Keith Bustraan, and Mack, and everybody else for doing a lot of work. A lot of work went into this. I'd like to thank my fellow Council Members who all worked hard. We all met here numerous times. We worked hard on this process. It was not easy. There was a lot of give and take. We started out looking at an over 2 mill increase. We were not going to get to a zero mill increase and pass a budget. I am convinced the budget we passed is the best we could do. I am also convinced that we can look hard for next year. I agree that there are places we need to be looking for next year's budget, but I do think we did the best job we could do to get to this point and I thank everybody for their hard work and their honesty and to the staff, I thank Mr. Bustraan and everyone else for the hard work they did. Thank y'all very much.

Ms. Condon said the hard work is over. Everyone should be able to have a good night's sleep.

Mr. Darby said former County Administrator Canterbury told us these days were coming, and now they are here.

Ms. Johnson thanked Staff and thanked God for Staff's expertise.

County Administrator Taylor thanked Staff for adopting a budget for fiscal year 20113, and expressed his respect for the judgment and talents of Staff.

Mr. Pryor expressed his appreciation to Mack Gile and the Staff of the Budget Office; Mr. Bustraan, Deputy Administrator for Finance; County Administrator Kurt Taylor and all

Charleston County Employees who worked so diligently to secure a General Operational Budget for FY 2013. He added that this budget contains a minimal 8/10 of a mill increase, and will decrease a home owner house and automobile by \$4.80 per \$100,000 in value

Mr. Pryor also expressed his appreciation of Ms. Condon for all her hard work and efforts to make the FY 2013 Budget a reality.

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

Beverly T. Craven  
Clerk of Council