

# MINUTES OF



## RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2011 7:30 p.m.

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### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair	Paul Livingston
Vice Chair	Damon Jeter
Member	Joyce Dickerson
Member	Gwendolyn Davis Kennedy
Member	Valerie Hutchinson
Member	Norman Jackson
Member	Bill Malinowski
Member	Jim Manning
Member	L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.
Member	Seth Rose
Member	Kelvin Washington

**OTHERS PRESENT** – Milton Pope, Tony McDonald, Sparty Hammett, Roxanne Ancheta, Larry Smith, Randy Cherry, Stephany Snowden, Brenda Carter, Betty Etheredge, Monique Walters, Michelle Onley

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. and recessed at 7:36 p.m.  
The meeting was reconvened at 7:42 p.m.

### INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by the Honorable Valerie Hutchinson

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Honorable Valerie Hutchinson

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Regular Session: July 19, 2011** – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve the minutes as submitted. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Livingston stated that the Report of the Decker Mall Space Allocation Ad Hoc Committee needed to be added under Other Items.

Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to adopt the agenda as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### REPORT OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

No report was given.

### CITIZENS' INPUT

No one signed up to speak.

### REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

No report was given.

### REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL

No report was given.

### REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

No report was given.

### PUBLIC HEARING

**Authorizing and Providing for the issuance of a Hopkins Waterworks System Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2011, or such other appropriate series designation of Richland County, South Carolina, in an amount not to exceed \$2,033,000; authorizing the County Administrator to determine certain matters relating to the note; providing for form and details of the bond; providing for the payment of the bond; providing for the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto**

No one signed up to speak.

### THIRD READING

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The vote in favor was unanimous.

**An Ordinance Establishing New Electoral Districts for the Election of Members of Richland County Council pursuant to the United States Census of 2010 and in compliance with Section 4-9-90 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended** – Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to approve this item and to adopt the guidelines and criteria. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to reconsider this item. The motion failed.

**POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE** – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to commend the committee, the consultants, Brenda Carter and her staff for their hard work on the redistricting. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### REPORT OF DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

**Hopkins Community Water System Service Area Expansion** – Ms. Hutchinson stated that the committee recommended approval of this item. A discussion took place.

Mr. Malinowski made a substitute motion to rebid the contract. The motion died for lack of a second.

The vote was in favor of the committee's recommendation.

**Adoption of Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice** – Ms. Hutchinson stated that the committee recommended approval of this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Specialized Aviation Services Operation (SASO) advertisement** – Ms. Hutchinson stated that the committee recommended approval of this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

## REPORT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Clerk of Council Office Analysis** – This item was held until the September 6<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

**Contract Renewal for Detention Center Fire and Security System** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Contract Renewal for Detention Center Food Services** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Contract Renewal for Detention Center HVAC System** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Coroner Request for approval to renew contract with Professional Pathology Services** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**National Aviation Week Proclamation** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Sheriff Department Grant Position Pick Up—Lab Compliance Technician** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Sheriff Department Grant Position Pick Up—Motorcycle Safety Education and Enforcement** – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

## OTHER ITEMS

**Creating an independent review task force to improve the business climate in the City of Columbia and Richland County** – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to amend the structure of the appointments to state “the Chair of the Economic Development Committee or their designee.” The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to nominate Ms. Mickey Layden.

Mr. Manning made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to nominate Mr. Stewart Mungo.

Mr. Washington made a second substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to divide the question. The vote was in favor.

Ms. Hutchinson, Mr. Livingston, Ms. Dickerson, and Mr. Rose voted for Ms. Mickey Layden.

There were no votes for Ms. Heather Mitchell.

There were no votes for Mr. Gregory Taste.

Mr. Pearce, Mr. Malinowski, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jeter, Mr. Manning and Ms. Kennedy voted for Mr. Stewart Mungo.

There were no votes for Mr. Tony Grant.

Mr. Washington voted for Dr. Louis B. Lynn.

Mr. Stewart Mungo was appointed to the Joint Business Services Reform Task Force.

**Agreement between Epworth Children's Home and Richland County, South Carolina** – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve the agreement, as amended, by striking Section 9 from the agreement. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Agreement between the Midlands Housing Alliance and Richland County, South Carolina** – Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Report of the Decker Mall Space Allocation Ad Hoc Committee** – Mr. Manning stated that the committee recommended that all month-to-month lease holders be allowed to occupy Decker Center until January 31, 2012; that Council direct the County Attorney to negotiate with the lease holder of Legends to develop a new lease that would allow the owner flexibility to terminate the lease earlier if new space is located and also protect the County's public financial interest; and that all leases be immediately reduced by fifty percent (50%) to assist the lease holders with re-location. A discussion took place.

**POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE** – Ms. Kennedy recognized the constituents from Springwood Lake and Bookert Heights that were in the audience.

Mr. Pearce made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to approve the committee's recommendations with the exception of the fifty percent (50%) reduction to leases to assist the lease holders with re-location, but to defer the lease reduction portion until the September 6<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

**POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE** – Mr. Manning recognized the tenants from the Decker Center who were present in the audience.

The vote was in favor of the substitute motion.

## CITIZEN'S INPUT

No one signed up to speak.

## MOTION PERIOD

**Interview appointments for applicants meeting with the Rules and Appointments Committee will be scheduled at least one week in advance [MANNING]** – This item was referred to the Rules & Appointments Committee.

**Resolution honoring the homeowner's presidents of Pine Valley, Emerald Valley, Round Top, Cedar Creek and Bonnie Forrest for their longtime commitment and dedicated service to their communities [DICKERSON]** – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to adopt the resolutions honoring the homeowner's presidents of Pine Valley, Emerald Valley, Round Top, Cedar Creek and Bonnie Forrest for their longtime commitment and service to their communities. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Motion to support extending Shop Road Extension through the Farmers Market land and dedicate the necessary Right-of-Way, if needed, as discussed in the settlement agreement earlier, saving the State millions [JACKSON]** – This item was referred to the Economic Development Committee.

Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to reconsider all items acted upon. The motion failed.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:43 p.m.

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The minutes were transcribed by Michelle M. Onley