



COLUMBIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2022

The Columbia City Council met on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina. The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. The following members of Council were present: The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr., The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem, The Honorable William Brennan, The Honorable Tina N. Herbert, The Honorable Aditi Bussells, and The Honorable Joe E. Taylor, Jr. Also present were Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager and Ms. Erika D. Moore Hammond, City Clerk. This meeting was advertised in accordance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr. offered the invocation.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. McDowell, Council voted unanimously to adopt the agenda subject to deferring **Item 14** (*Ordinance No.: 2022-119 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 9, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article IV, Fire Prevention Code, Sec. 9-61, Adoption*) and adding Dr. MiUndrae Prince, Director of Schools for Richland One to speak on behalf of **Item 26** (*Resolution No.: R-2022-102 - Authorizing the Award of a Grant in the amount of Eighty Thousand (\$80,000.00) Dollars to Richland County School District One for the Jobs for America's Graduates ("JAG-SC") Program and authorizing the City Manager to execute a Service Contract Agreement implementing that Grant*).

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Steven Cook said I was appointed to the homeless taskforce and I want to applaud the actions you have taken to resolve this problem, the immense time and energy you have devoted and the significant financial resources you have allocated. Last week, the Starbucks in Five Points removed all of its outside tables and chairs and closed its interior seating in the morning and evening because of the ongoing homeless issues they are facing. A once vibrant and bustling corner in our neighborhood is now dead. Small business owners have been drafted as the first line of protection for our stores, employees, customers and communities. Non-traditional methods need to be taken to address the problem. It is not compassionate to continue to enable these folks to live on the streets. We need not lack the will or ability to force them off the streets.



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Ms. Diane Wiley said I want to thank everybody for helping us get everything done for Belvedere (Item 20), especially Councilman McDowell and Representative Leon Howard. We need SCDOT, Richland County and the City of Columbia to work together.

Mr. Robert Dudek said I spoke last time about Item 15, which is a proposal to put 31 townhomes on Overbrook Drive. The problem is that this project is at the corner of South Kilbourne, which is a major intersection. I hope you will do a walk through. The traffic is bad at 7:00 a.m. It is going to be dangerous with children waiting for buses. The leak on Kilbourne Road was fixed after the last meeting. We still have a problem with water going down Overbrook Drive.

Ms. Whitney Denton said we have concerns with our infrastructure and traffic. SCDOT has not agreed to additional traffic measures on South Kilbourne. I brought you a pebble that came out of my cold water supply line in the kitchen. I had to call a plumber. My PSI went up to 130 three weeks ago and I had to install another pressure reducing valve. I am not on any phase of water line replacement and I have new pipes in my house. I am tired of picking pebbles out of my faucet.

Ms. Cathy Kittle said the annexation is being brought before you for the benefit of this builder. His representative attended a recent neighborhood meeting. This is a done deal and it concerns us all. The city and the neighborhood will be left with the consequences. When asked about various studies it was stated that they were not required and they wouldn't be done because they cost money. Who will have to pay when we realize that we have problems that need to be fixed? This property is at the top of the hill. It will be filled with a parking lot, car residual oil and chemicals that will be going down the street into Gills Creek. Drastically reducing density at the corner is the least we can do. Alert the people that those studies need to be done.

Ms. JT Thayer, 3845 Overbrook Drive said I am a first time homeowner and I am very concerned for the same reasons they have been talking about. Have you seen the intersection? The quality of the roads is dire. There are an estimated 150 people living in a two block area. At least 60 people will be added to an already dense area. A small construction project caused many traffic jams. The visibility is dangerous without construction. I am concerned about pedestrians, as well.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 1 THROUGH 16

Upon a single motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to approve the **Consent Agenda Items 1 through 13, 15 and 16.**



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1. Council is asked to approve a new Contract to Purchase a Daily Fire Operations Management System, as requested by the Columbia Fire Department on October 14, 2022. Award to Carahsoft Technology Corporation using the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Contract, in the amount of \$62,947.50. The term of this contract is from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023. This vendor is located in Reston, VA. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Fire Administration-County - Software License (2082301-627510) \$31,473.75; Fire Suppression-Software License (1012303-627510) \$31,473.75. The original budget amount is \$62,947.50.

This system will assist with incident reports, inventory, community outreach, data collection, fire prevention and accreditation.

2. Council is asked to approve the Annual Renewal of Cityworks Software and License Support, as requested by the Information Technology Department on November 30, 2022. Award to Azteca Systems, LLC, in the amount of \$105,000.00, which does not include an increase. The term for this renewal is from January 15, 2023 through January 14, 2024. This vendor is located in Sandy, UT. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Public Works Administration - Maintenance & Service Contracts (1011124-638200) \$5,500.00; Public Works Administration - Computer Equipment/Hardware (1011124-627500) \$1,990.00; Forestry Horticulture - Maintenance & Service Contracts (1011217-638200) \$8,000.00; Streets Street & Sidewalk Repair - Maintenance & Service Contracts (1013201-638200) \$2,500.00; Traffic Operations - Maintenance & Service Contracts (1013204-638200) \$3,500.00; Streets - Storm Drains - Maintenance & Service Contracts (5534203-638200) \$2,000.00; Streets - Water & Sewer Repair -Maintenance & Service Contracts (5513202-638200) \$2,500.00; Customer Service - Special Contracts (5511407-638300) \$3,500.00; Meter Reading - Maintenance & Service Contracts (5516202-638200) \$15,500.00; Solid Waste Street Sweeping - Maintenance & Service Contracts (5534408-638200) \$10,500.00; Utilities Wastewater Maintenance - Software License (5516205-627510) \$49,510.00. The original budget amount is \$105,000.00.

3. Council is asked to approve a new Contract to Purchase Body Worn Cameras, Fleet In-Car and Interview Room Camera System, Tasers, Virtual Storage, and Subscription Services, as requested by the Columbia Police Department on September 1, 2022. Award to Axon Enterprise, Inc. using the Sourcewell Cooperative Contract in the amount of \$1,926,414.00 for year 1. The term of this contract is five (5) years beginning January 1, 2023. Each contract year renewal is subject to annual appropriations. This vendor is located in Scottsdale, AZ. - *Approved*



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Funding Source: Police Administration Services - Cloud Based Solution Services (1012402-632170) \$1,106,646.81; US Justice Grants Control - COPS FY22 Tech and Equipment - Cloud Based Solution Services (2659999-9234000022-632170) \$358,387.92. The original budget amount is \$1,926,414.00 for year 1.

4. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Two (2) 2023 Ram 1500 QUAD 4x4 Trucks for Columbia Water, as requested by the Fleet Services Division on October 6, 2022. Award to Performance Automotive Group DBA Performance Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram using the SC State Contract in the amount of \$88,143.95. This vendor is located in Clinton, NC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Utilities Water Distribution and Maintenance - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment-Capital (5516203-658500). The original budget amount is \$88,143.95.

5. Council is asked to approve a new Contract to Purchase a Western Star 47X Set Back Axle Truck for the Solid Waste Division, as requested by the Fleet Services Division on December 1, 2022. Award to Charlotte Truck Center Inc., DBA Excel Truck Center using the SC State Contract in the amount of \$333,924.00. This vendor is located in Charlotte, NC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment-Capital (6308972-658500). The original budget amount is \$333,924.00.

6. Council is asked to approve additional funding for Indefinite Delivery Contracts (IDC's) for Waterline/Hydrant Leak Restoration Services, as requested by Columbia Water on November 8, 2022. Award to Lake Murray Utility Company, Inc. of Chapin, SC, G.H. Smith Construction, Inc. of Columbia, SC, and Carolina Tap and Bore, Inc. of West Columbia, SC in the total amount of \$600,000.00. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Utilities Water Distribution & Maintenance-Special Projects (5516203-638500). The budget amount for these amendments is \$600,000.00.

Projects awarded under these Indefinite Delivery Contracts from the Columbia Water Preapproved Contractors Listing will utilize the Mentor Protégé Program, requiring a minimum 20% of the project to be completed by the Protégé.



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7. Ordinance No.: 2022-112 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Article II, Building and Technical Codes, Division 2, Building Code, Sec. 5-51, Adoption; conflicting provisions – *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.

8. Ordinance No.: 2022-113 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Article II, Building and Technical Codes, Division 3, Gas Code, Sec. 5-71, Adoption; conflicting provisions – *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.

9. Ordinance No.: 2022-114 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Article II, Building and Technical Codes, Division 4, Plumbing Code, Sec. 5-91, Adoption; conflicting provisions – *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.

10. Ordinance No.: 2022-115 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Article II, Building and Technical Codes, Division 5, Electric Code, Sec. 5-111, Adoption; conflicting provisions – *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.

11. Ordinance No.: 2022-116 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Article II, Building and Technical Codes, Division 6, Mechanical Code, Sec. 5-131, Adoption; conflicting provisions – *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.



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12. Ordinance No.: 2022-117 - Amending Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article II, Building and Technical Codes, Division 7, Property Maintenance Code, Sec. 5-151, Adoption; conflicting provisions – *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.

13. Ordinance No.: 2022-118 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 5, Article II, Building and Technical Codes, Division 9, International Residential Code for One- and Two- Family Dwellings, Sec. 5-191, Adoption; conflicting provisions – *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.

14. Ordinance No.: 2022-119 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 9, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article IV, Fire Prevention Code, Sec. 9-61, Adoption - *Deferred*

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.

15. ANNEXATION, INTERIM FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT AND INTERIM ZONING MAP AMENDMENT for 3800 Overbrook Drive and 616 Suber Street; TMS#13708-05-01 – *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-124 - Annexing 3800 Overbrook Drive and 616 Suber Street, Richland County TMS# 13708-05-01 – Approved on second reading.

Council District: 3

Proposal: Request to annex the property and assign interim land use classification of Urban Core residential Small Lot (UCR-1) and assign of interim zoning of Residential Mixed District (RM-2) with a pending annexation. The property is currently classified as Mixed Residential (High Density) and zoned RM-HD by Richland County.

Applicant: Bowers Property Management, LLC

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 11/10/2022; Approval (7-0)

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.



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16. ANNEXATION, INTERIM FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT AND INTERIM ZONING MAP AMENDMENT for 1921 Pineview Drive; TMS#19100-06-12 – *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-125 - Annexing 1921 Pineview Drive, Richland County TMS# 19100-06-12 – Approved on second reading.

Annexing 1921 Pineview Drive, Richland County TMS# 19100-06-12

Council District: 3

Proposal: Request to annex the property and assign an interim land use classification of Urban Edge Community Activity Center (UEAC-1) and assign interim zoning of General Commercial District (GC) with a pending annexation. The property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) in a Neighborhood Activity Center and zoned M-1 by Richland County.

Applicant: SAFE Federal Credit Union

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 11/10/2022; Approval (7-0)

First reading approval was given on December 6, 2022.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AGREEMENTS

17. Council is asked to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Contract Renewal for services related to the retention of Military Personnel, Services and Operations located at Fort Jackson during the upcoming rounds of Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) and Sequestration, as requested by the Economic Development Department. Award to the Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$53,500.00, which does not include an increase. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: ED Special Projects 5518419-638500. The original budgeted amount is \$53,500.00.



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Upon a motion made by Mr. Brennan and seconded by Mayor Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Contract Renewal for services related to the retention of Military Personnel, Services and Operations located at Fort Jackson during the upcoming rounds of Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) and Sequestration, as requested by the Economic Development Department. Award to the Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$53,500.00, which does not include an increase.

18. Council is asked to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Contract Renewal for Professional Services for Improvement and Operational Services within the Downtown Business Improvement District, as requested by the Economic Development Department. Award to the City Center Partnership in the amount of \$70,000.00, which does not include an increase. This firm is located in Columbia, S.C. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Economic Development - Special Contracts (5511301-638300). The original budget amount is \$70,000.00.

A motion was made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Brennan to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Contract Renewal for Professional Services for Improvement and Operational Services within the Downtown Business Improvement District, as requested by the Economic Development Department.

Dr. Bussells amended the main motion to change the funding source from the economic development fund to the hospitality tax fund.

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Brennan, Council voted six (6) to one (1) to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Contract Renewal for Professional Services for Improvement and Operational Services within the Downtown Business Improvement District. Award to the City Center Partnership in the amount of \$70,000.00, as amended to change the funding source to the hospitality tax fund. Mr. Taylor, Ms. Herbert, Dr. Bussells, Mr. Brennan, Mr. McDowell, and Mayor Rickenmann. Mr. Duvall voted nay.

19. Council is asked to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Contract Renewal for Assistance with Recruitment, Project Management, Promotions, Marketing, and Research, as requested by the Economic Development Department. Award to Central SC Alliance in the amount of \$72,000.00, which does not include an increase. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. - *Tabled*

Funding Source: ED Special Contracts (5511301-638300). The original budget amount is \$72,000.00.



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Councilor Taylor said as we go through the budget process, it is important for us to engage with this group to ensure that urban economic development and recruiting is included in their mission.

Mayor Rickenmann said I am not going to support this. We need to take some time off and figure out what works for the city. I would support a lesser amount.

Councilor Brennan asked what is their role. We are trying to paint a picture of who we are. It would be a better path forward to table this, work with our Economic Development Department to develop a scope to determine how they fit in, and then come to a number.

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to table the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Contract Renewal for Assistance with Recruitment, Project Management, Promotions, Marketing, and Research, as requested by the Economic Development Department, and refer review of the contract scope to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

20. Council is asked to approve a new contract for Program Management and Construction Services for the Belvedere Home Assistance Program (HAP). Award to CEBA Group, LLC in the amount of \$450,000.00 for Program Management Services and \$2,550,000.00 for Rehabilitation Activities for a total contract amount of \$3,000,000.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. *Approved*

Funding Source: Belvedere Home Assistance Program - Professional Service (220-SC117001-636600). The original budget amount is \$3,000,000.00.

The Belvedere Home Assistance Program is being funded by an allocation from the State of South Carolina for enhancement of homes within the Belvedere Community. Rehabilitation activities will be performed by licensed contractors secured by the Program Manager, thus costs for those services will be paid as work is performed and invoiced to the City by Ceba Group, LLC.

Councilor Duvall said this will help the Belvedere Community. My concerns were assuaged by the contract that staff has come up with for implementing this program. This will be a special program using the funds Representative Howard has come up with. I am concerned with the \$40,000 cap on restorations. When the cost gets to be \$50,000, they will blame the city of Columbia for not finishing the project. Representative Howard has used the city of Columbia to get this money to a contractor. This is not going to be a community development program from the city of Columbia.



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Councilor Bussells said I would like us to consider that at no one time should the current construction exceed 70% of what the contractor is insured for. That will address some of Councilman Duvall's concerns and set this project up for success.

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Ms. Herbert, Council voted unanimously to approve a new contract for Program Management and Construction Services for the Belvedere Home Assistance Program (HAP). Award to CEBA Group, LLC in the amount of \$450,000.00 for Program Management Services and \$2,550,000.00 for Rehabilitation Activities for a total contract amount of \$3,000,000.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC.

Councilor McDowell said this represents a renaissance for the Belvedere Community. A year ago, Representative Leon Howard and I talked about this project. It was because of his energy and resourcefulness that he secured these funds. Belvedere will be a new and different community. With the help of Ms. Diane Wiley, Belvedere Community President and Representative Howard, we are moving in a new direction.

21. Council is asked to approve a new Contract for Project WM4683; Water Main Replacement and Water Service Renewals for Willow Run Apartments, as requested by Columbia Water on September 27, 2022. Award to Stutts & Williams, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$1,040,438.40, which includes contingency. This contractor is located in Lexington, SC. - *Deferred*

Funding Source: Engineering - Water & Sewer Improvements (5529999-WM468301-658650). The original budget amount is \$1,040,438.40.

This is a Columbia Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (CDBE) program project with a 30% CDBE goal. The CDBE goal is currently being exceeded at 37.59%. This contract has been reviewed by the Office of Business Opportunities and deemed in compliance with the CDBE Program requirements. Stutts & Williams, LLC is the prime contractor and will provide waterline installation services at 62.40% (\$541,032.00) of the total contract amount.

The following subcontractors will provide additional supplies/services:

Wallace Mechanical Supply, Inc., a DBE located in Cheraw, SC, will provide waterline materials at 30.56% (\$265,000.00) of the total contract amount.

Ferguson Waterworks located in Elgin, SC, will provide waterline materials at 0.58% (\$5,000.00) of the total contract amount.



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L.A. Barrier & Son, Inc., a Minority Business Enterprise (W) and CDBE located in Lexington, SC, will provide hauling services at 0.92% (\$8,000.00) of the total contract amount.

AOS Specialty Contractors Inc., a Minority Business Enterprise (W) and CDBE located in Lexington, SC, will provide concrete services at 0.92% (\$8,000.00) of the total contract amount.

RCG Construction, LLC, a Minority Business Enterprise (W) and CDBE located in Irmo, SC, will provide flowable fill and waterline installation services at 4.61% (\$40,000.00) of the total contract amount.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to defer consideration of the Contract for Project WM4683; Water Main Replacement and Water Service Renewals for Willow Run Apartments until January 2023.

22. Council is asked to approve a new Contract for Project SS7564; West Columbia Pump Station Improvements as requested by Columbia Water on September 27, 2022. Award to M.B. Kahn Construction Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$4,319,513.00, which includes contingency. This contractor is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Engineering - Water & Sewer Improvements (5529999-SS756401-658650). The original budget amount is \$4,319,513.00.

M.B. Kahn Construction Co., Inc. is the prime contractor and will provide sanitary sewer construction services at 83.70% (\$3,286,830.00) of the total contract amount.

The following subcontractors will provide additional services:

American Pipeline Solutions, located in Hackensack, NJ, will provide hauling services at 7.13% (\$280,000.00) of the total contract amount.

Synagro Technology, Inc., located in Pineville, NC, will provide sludge and dewatering services at 7.13% (\$280,000.00) of the total contract amount.

Gregory Electric, located in Columbia, SC, will provide electrical services at 2.04% (\$80,000.00) of the total contract amount.

Mr. Clint Shealy, P.E., Assistant City Manager for Columbia Water explained that through our sanitary sewer arrangement with West Columbia, we contract for improvements to the asset. At the end of the project, they reimburse us. Out of the \$4.3 million investment, West Columbia will reimburse us 40% which is approximately \$1.9 million.



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Upon a motion made by Mr. Brennan and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to approve a new Contract for Project SS7564; West Columbia Pump Station Improvements as requested by Columbia Water on September 27, 2022. Award to M.B. Kahn Construction Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$4,319,513.00, which includes contingency.

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

23. Ordinance No.: 2022-123 - Granting an encroachment to Fort Jackson SAP, LLC for the use of the right of way area of the 4300 block of Fort Jackson Boulevard for the installation and maintenance of one curb cut, sidewalks, landscaping and irrigation adjacent to 4345 Fort Jackson Boulevard, Richland County TMS# 13814-01-03 - *Approved on first reading.*

Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2022-123 - Granting an encroachment to Fort Jackson SAP, LLC for the use of the right of way area of the 4300 block of Fort Jackson Boulevard for the installation and maintenance of one curb cut, sidewalks, landscaping and irrigation adjacent to 4345 Fort Jackson Boulevard, Richland County TMS# 13814-01-03.

24. Ordinance No.: 2022-128 - Consenting to the Inclusion of Property in a Multi-County Industrial/Business Park 2222 Main, LLC; TMS #09016-02-06 - *Approved on first reading.*

Economic and Community Development Committee Recommendation: 11/8/22; Approval (3-0)

Upon a motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Brennan, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2022-128 - Consenting to the Inclusion of Property in a Multi-County Industrial/Business Park 2222 Main, LLC; TMS #09016-02-06.



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25. ANNEXATION, INTERIM FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT, AND INTERIM ZONING MAP AMENDMENT for 1008 S. Ott Road; TMS#13703-04-04 - *Approved on first reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-127 - Annexing 1008 S. Ott Road, Richland County TMS# 13703-04-04 - Approved on first reading.

Council District: 3

Proposal: Request recommendation on assignment of interim land use classification of Urban core Residential Small Lot (UCR-1) and assignment of interim zoning of Residential Mixed district (RM-1), a portion within the Floodplain Overlay District (OV-FP) with a pending annexation. The property is currently classified as Mixed Residential (High Density) and zoned RM-MD by Richland County.

Applicant: Rosewood Church

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 12/08/2022; Approval (7-0)

Upon a motion made by Mr. Brennan and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the Annexation, Interim Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Interim Zoning Map Amendment for 1008 S. Ott Road; TMS#13703-04-04 **and** Ordinance No.: 2022-127 - Annexing 1008 S. Ott Road, Richland County TMS# 13703-04-04.

RESOLUTIONS

26. Resolution No.: R-2022-102 - Authorizing the Award of a Grant in the amount of Eighty Thousand (\$80,000.00) Dollars to Richland County School District One for the Jobs for America's Graduates ("JAG-SC") Program and authorizing the City Manager to execute a Service Contract Agreement implementing that Grant – *Approved as amended to reflect up to \$80,000.00.*

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said I inserted an "up to" amount being that we are at this point in the school year and the fiscal year.

Councilor Herbert inquired about the timeline and the ability to open the other sites.



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Dr. MiUndrae Prince, Director of Schools for Richland One said we have already posted the positions. Schools were given the agreements last week and we hope to start the process in January.

Councilor Taylor said thank you on behalf of the at-risk kids in the school district. This will put a Jobs for America's Graduates Program in every high school in Richland District One. It will help us address 600 of the most at-risk young people in the ninth grade through graduation. You already had this program at CA Johnson for many years.

Dr. MiUndrae Prince, Director of Schools for Richland One said the JAG Specialist at CA Johnson also does a one-year follow-up with students. The graduation rate for participants at CA Johnson has always exceeded the JAG Program requirements.

Councilor McDowell asked what the data looks like after three years. What happens to those students?

Dr. MiUndrae Prince, Director of Schools for Richland One said those students have done extremely well. Some started businesses, some are in college and some have completed college.

Mayor Rickenmann said while in the program, they are earning college credits and they qualify for free tuition at our technical colleges. The program at CA Johnson has a 92% success rate. I thank the governor and the president of the Technical Schools Association, because they are funding three-quarters of the cost. The city and Richland One are splitting the remaining 25%. We will have up to 9 schools in the program and there are 25 in the state. They are digging into the root problem and creating mentorships. We are seizing the opportunity to make a difference.

Councilor Bussells asked Dr. Prince to keep us posted on any unexpected challenges and other ways we can continue to provide support.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Herbert and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-102 - Authorizing the Award of a Grant in an amount up to Eighty Thousand (\$80,000.00) Dollars to Richland County School District One for the Jobs for America's Graduates ("JAG-SC") Program and authorizing the City Manager to execute a Service Contract Agreement implementing that Grant.



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OTHER MATTERS

27. City Council Standing Committee Structure - The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor

Upon a motion made by Mayor Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. McDowell, Council voted unanimously to adopt the updated City Council Standing Committee Structure.

Administrative Policy Committee

This committee reviews matters related to City of Columbia policies and procedures to include technology initiatives and other matters related thereto.

Chair: Ed McDowell

Member: Joe Taylor

Member: Aditi Bussells

Staff Liaison: Pam Benjamin

Community Development Committee

This committee reviews matters related to community development, federal funding opportunities and other matters related thereto.

Chair: Tina Herbert

Member: Howard Duvall

Member: Will Brennan

Staff Liaison: Missy Gentry

Health, Social and Environmental Affairs Committee

This committee reviews matters related to quality of life issues to include homelessness, community partnerships, beautification, environmental and sustainability initiatives and other matters related thereto.

Chair: Aditi Bussells

Member: Howard Duvall

Member: Ed McDowell

Staff Liaison: Clint Shealy

Arts, Historic Preservation & Philanthropy Committee

This committee reviews matters related to cultural and performing arts, historic preservation and philanthropic endeavors / donations in support of city sponsored events and other matters related thereto.

Chair: Will Brennan

Member: Ed McDowell

Member: Tina Herbert

Staff Liaison: Henry Simons

Economic Development & Infrastructure Committee

This committee reviews matters related to economic development, infrastructure development and other matters related thereto.

Chair: Joe Taylor

Member: Will Brennan

Member: Aditi Bussells

Staff Liaison: Jeff Palen

Public Safety Committee

This committee reviews matters related to public safety, animal services, code inspection, Municipal Court, and other matters related thereto.

Chair: Howard Duvall

Member: Tina Herbert

Member: Joe Taylor

Staff Liaison: Teresa Wilson



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28. Council is asked to approve the Installation of a Three Way Stop Control at Forest Ridge and Quail Lane, as requested by the Public Works Department. - *Approved*

This request has been approved by the Columbia Fire Department and the Columbia Police Department.

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Ms. Herbert, Council voted unanimously to approve the Installation of a Three Way Stop Control at Forest Ridge and Quail Lane, as requested by the Public Works Department.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REFERRALS, REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS

Refer a discussion of 1225 Laurel Street to the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee, as requested by The Honorable Joe E. Taylor, Jr.

Refer the reinstitution of community service as an option for Municipal Court Judges to the Public Safety Committee, as requested by The Honorable Joe. E. Taylor, Jr.

Refer the Assembly Street Phase 2 Project update to the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee, as requested by City Administration.

Refer an update on CityWorks to the Administrative Policy Committee, as requested by The Honorable Aditi Bussells.

Refer a review of senior health and wellness programs and community partnerships with the Lourie Center to the Health, Social and Environmental Affairs Committee, as requested by The Honorable Will Brennan.

Refer a review of funding sources to support homelessness prevention to include the opioid settlement funds to the Health, Social and Environmental Affairs Committee, as requested by The Honorable Aditi Bussells.

Refer the Parking Study presentation to the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee, as requested by City Administration.

Refer review of the Fire Department Pay Plan to the Public Safety Committee, as requested by City Administration.



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Refer review of the draft feeding ordinance to the Health, Social and Environmental Affairs Committee, as requested by The Honorable Aditi Bussells.

Councilor Duvall reported that the Short-Term Rentals ad-hoc committee had two public hearings and narrowed the wide chasm between the STR industry and the neighborhoods. I asked the city manager to schedule a work session discussion. We have some perfecting amendments that came out of our last meeting. We will see if the Council has further amendments and then it'll be ready to come to Council as an agenda item.

PUBLIC INPUT

No one appeared at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to enter into executive session at 5:09 p.m. for the discussion of **Items 29** through **31**.

29. Receipt of legal advice relating to a pending, threatened or potential claim pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)

Marion Adams v. City

30. Receipt of legal advice related to matters covered by attorney-client privilege pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)

Homeless Services

31. Discussion of the employment of an employee pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(1)

*Communications Plan
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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Erika D. Moore Hammond, CMC
City Clerk